

1. SUBJECT:

The Richard H. Rixey Place.

2. LOCATION:

About 7 miles northwest of Culpeper, Virginia, 1 mile north on Route #29, thence 7 miles northwest on Route #49, thence 3 miles northeast on Route #629, thence southeast on private road for .1 mile to house.

3. DATE:

1800 (?) New part 1900.

4. OWNERS:

Henry Pendleton,	---- 1812.
John Rixey,	1812-1820.
Richard S. Rixey,	1820-1887.
Richard H. Rixey.	
John W. Settle,	1887-1926.
Heirs of John W. Settle,	1926-1928.
Pearl Jolliffe,	1928-1938.

5. DESCRIPTION:

The house here is situated in a yard of about a quarter of an acre, fenced in with wire. There are some very old trees in the yard. The house itself is "L" shaped, log and frame construction with one chimney of stone in the center. It is very plain inside and out; the walls are plastered right over the logs.

6. HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE:

This old Rixey place, now owned by R. E. Jolliffe and his wife, Pearl, was once known as an old Settle place also, though it was owned by Richard H. Rixey before it was owned by John W. Sttle. When John W. Settle died in 1926, leaving no will, there were quite a few heirs. These were his widow, who before her marriage was Mary J. Pierce; Joseph P. Settle who married Roberta Hitt (?); Lillie M. married Charles F. Estes; Katie C., married Mr. Sherrah; Thomas H. Settle, married Dora Mazingo; Jessie G., married Mr. Martin; Lizzie O., married Charles B. Miller; Virgie K., married Barnett Grimsley; Pearl Settle married R. E. Jolliffe; Katherine married Clinton Thornhill; Biedler married Mary L. Strother; and another daughter married Mr. Ritchie and had two children: William L., and Randolph Ritchie. John W. Settle was buried on the place. (See report on the John Settle Graveyard, dated Jan. 11, 1938). There are other graves here also but there is no way to

tell whether or not they are Settles. It is certain that they are not Rixeys for the Rixeys who lived here were buried in the graveyard on John Rixey's place, known as "Rose Hill", which was a short distance from this home. (See report on John Rixey Graveyard, dated Jan. 11, 1938).

Richard H. Rixey who owned this place and lived on it before it was sold to John W. Settle, was known as "Little Dick", to distinguish him from his father, Richard S. Rixey who was known as "Big Dick". (See report on Davis Place, dated Jan. 12, 1938). He was the son of Richard S. Rixey and Elenor K. Brown, his wife. He married his cousin, Elizabeth Ann Rixey, daughter of Smith Henry Rixey. The names of their children with the dates of their births and deaths also the names of those whom they married may be found on the family tree accompanying this report. There were six children: Henry S., Lee, Linton E., Eugene M., John Gideon, and Mary Elizabeth.

Richard H. Rixey and his wife both died while their children were still young. They were buried in the family graveyard at "Rose Hill" but their bodies were later moved to Fairview Cemetery, near Culpeper, Virginia, and placed in the Hatcher lot there. (See report on Fairview Cemetery, dated Sept. 7, 1937).

7. ART:

8. SOURCES OF INFORMATION:

Culpeper County Court Records:

Deed Book FF, page	31.
" " 22, "	188.
" " 81, "	377.
Will Book H, "	248.