

Mr. Editor. Led by a love for the early history of our hardy ancestors to search the records of our courts from the formation of the county up to later times, for the purpose of gleaning from them what scraps of history I might there find, I have frequently fallen upon documents of a most interesting character. In the time worn and musty old folios long since filed away in our public offices, there is many a fact recorded that has occurred under the personal observation of no one now living; and which if placed within the reach of the public, would go farther to give us a knowledge of the manners, customs and character of the pioneers of Augusta than all the histories that have been written on our native state.

And what I now propose is that, if you will spare me weekly “one little nook or corner” of your sheet, I will, with the assistance of a young friend, a member of my profession, collect and prepare for the public such historical facts and anecdotes as have not heretofore appeared in print, illustrative of the early history of Augusta County, under the following title, viz.

Historical Scraps of Augusta By a young “limb of the Law.”