



Old and Rare Georgia Books

A list of a few of the books that were written about Georgia before 1900
or written or published in Georgia before 1900

We hope that you, dear reader, will find some of these books interesting.

Georgia Library Association's Centennial Year: 1897-1997

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Each book listed below can be found in at least one library in Georgia ... usually in
more than one library.

Andrews, Eliza Frances (writing under the pseudonym Elzey Hay), 1840-1931.

A family secret. 1st published: Philadelphia, 1876.

Eliza Andrews, best known for her War-time journal of a Georgia girl, 1864-1865 and her botany textbooks,
also wrote several novels with heroines who rebelled against the era's dominant role of feminine
domesticity; A family secret was the first. DBP

Avery, I. W. (Isaac Wheeler), 1837-1897. The history of the State of Georgia from 1850 to 1881,
embracing the three most important epochs: the decade before the War of 1861-5; the War;
the period of Reconstruction, with portraits of the leading public men of this era.
1st published: New York, 1881. JCW

Bartram, William, 1739-1823. Travels through North & South Carolina, Georgia, east & west
Florida, the Cherokee country, the extensive territories of the Muscogulges (sic) or Creek
confederacy, and the country of the Chactaws (sic). 1st pub.: Philadelphia, 1791. EJC

Brown, John, fl. 1854. Slave life in Georgia: a narrative of the life, sufferings, and escape of
John Brown, a fugitive slave now in England. 1st pub.: London, 1855. DW

Carter, Edward R., 1858- The Black side: a partial history of the business, religious, and
educational side of the Negro in Atlanta, Georgia. 1st pub.: Atlanta, 1894. HSM

Carter, Edward R., 1858- Biographical sketches of our pulpit.
Cover title: Our pulpit illustrated. 1st published: Atlanta, 1888.
About Baptist clergy in Georgia. HSM

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- Gilmer, George Rockingham, 1790-1859. Sketches of some of the first settlers of upper Georgia, of the Cherokees, and the author. 1st published: New York, 1855. EJC
- Harris, Joel Chandler. Life of Henry W. Grady: including his writings and speeches a memorial volume, compiled by (Joel Chandler Harris and) Mr. Henry W. Grady's (other) co-workers on The [Atlanta] Constitution (Henry Woodfin Grady, 1850-1889). 1st published: New York, 1890. JCW
- Haygood, Atticus G. (Atticus Greene), 1839-1896. Our brother in Black: his freedom and his future. 1st published in 1881 in New York, Nashville, & St. Louis. JCW
- Jones, Sam P. (Sam Porter), 1847-1906. Thunderbolts: comprising most earnest reasonings, delightful narratives, poetic and pathetic incidents, caustic and unmerciful flagellation of sin, together with irresistible appeals to the higher sensibilities of man to quit his meanness and do right. 1st published: Nashville, 1895.
 "Just plain Sam Jones" was the most well-known Southern evangelist in the late 19th century. This book, published at the peak of his popularity, is a sample of his sermons and lectures. DBP
- Kemble, Fanny (Frances Anne), 1809-1893. Journal of a residence on a Georgia plantation in 1838-39. 1st published: London, 1863.
 Fanny saw what went on, on her husband's Georgia plantation. When this was put in print, he was so outraged that he divorced her, sent her back to England, and kept the children. LSW
- Martyn, Benjamin, 1699-1763. An impartial enquiry into the state and utility of the province of Georgia. 1st published: London, 1741.
 One of a few extant documents of the Trustees for Establishing the Colony of Georgia, who were charged with promoting "the interests of Great Britain." This treatise proclaims the first three negatives to be: "(1) That the climate is unhealthy; (2) That the soil is barren; (3) That no produces for trade can be rais'd in it." LSW
- McCall, Hugh. The history of Georgia: containing brief sketches of the most remarkable events, up to the present day. 1st published: Savannah, 1811-16. EJC
- Smith, Charles Henry, 1826-1903. Bill Arp, so called: a side show of the Southern side of the War. 1st published: New York, 1866.
 Smith, one of the South's most popular writers at the turn of the century (especially with his weekly column in the Atlanta Constitution, 1878-1903), took his pen-name, "Bill Arp," at the beginning of the Civil War. This book reprints writings that made the name Bill Arp famous in the South. DBP
- White, George, 1802-1887. Historical collections of Georgia: containing the most interesting facts, traditions, biographical sketches, anecdotes, etc., relating to its history and antiquities, from its first settlement to the present time... ; illus. by nearly one hundred engravings. 1st published: New York, 1855. RSD

Each book listed above may be found in at least one library in Georgia ... usually in more than one. You may ask your librarian in what libraries these books are held, or other questions about these books; or write with your comments to: Georgia Lists, 264 Chelsea Circle, Decatur, Georgia 30030.

Anyone is free to make copies of this list.

There are **TREASURES**
 in the libraries of Georgia.