

**Power-Jackson Cabin
c. 1830**

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c. 1820s-1840s²

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¹ Roth, 65, 192, Temple, 818. Roth referred to this structure as the "Powers-Jackson Cabin" on P. 65 even though she used the construction details described above to differentiate a "log house" (a permanent residence) from "log cabins" with different features that are used as vacation retreats. On P. 192 she called this structure the "Power-Jackson Cabin", dropping the 's' from Mr. Power's name. Temple listed the former owner's name as "Power".

² Roth, 64.

³ Roth, 64-65.

⁴ Roth, 65.

⁵ Temple, 818.

⁶ Temple, 818.

⁷ The author has assumed that the marriage took place in the late 1840s based on the following: The 1850 census documented that the Jackson family included a 1 year-old child, William F. Jackson. Temple's documentation of gravestone data on P. 814 indicated that W. F. Jackson was born on June 3, 1849, which meant that Mr. and Mrs. Jackson were 21 and 20 years old respectively at the time of their son's birth.

⁸ Temple, 814.

⁹ Mrs. Jackson is listed as a farmer in the 1900 census.

¹⁰ Temple, 814, 818.

¹¹ Deed book 87, page 121. The acreage covered by the deed included District 1, Land Lot 54. In 1975 Secrist placed the cabin in Land Lot 54, and substantiated Temple's 1934 description of both the house and the surrounding land. In 2004 the Cobb County Tax Assessor's Office added a note to their records for address 4701 Post Oak-Tritt Rd. (parcel # 01-0054-0-001-0) documenting the presence of a log cabin that, unlike the other buildings at that address, was not assessed a value for tax purposes since it is over 100 years old.