


Today in Columbus History: On Wednesday, June 1, 1853, John Wesley Hurt put an ad in the *Tri-Weekly Times and Sentinel* to sell land he owned in Russell County, as well as some in Wynnton. John was the son of Joel Hurt, who died in Russell County in 1843 and is buried in Linwood Cemetery. Father Joel and his brother Henry had moved to Russell County from Putnam Co. prior to 1840. They were both wealthy land and slave owners (Henry owned 36 slaves in 1840, while Joel owned 144). John had inherited land when his father died – probably the property on Uchee Creek. Where John’s Wynnton estate was has not been determined. However, 2 of John’s brothers owned fine houses in antebellum Wynnton. His brother Henry had purchased the Wynn House in 1852 from William Wynn; he only lived there for a few years before selling it to Hines Holt. John’s other brother Joel Early Hurt had built Dinglewood in 1859.

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**VALUABLE PLANTATION
FOR SALE.**

I will sell my Plantation, situated in Russell County, Ala., 18 miles west of Columbus, on Uchee Creek, containing twenty-two hundred Acres—seven hundred cleared, with all necessary improvements. Also, my **House and Lot**, in Wynnton, containing twenty acres, and one of the most desirable residences, and among the best improved places in or near Columbus.

April 22. **JOHN W. HURT.**



Dinglewood, home of John Hurt's brother Joel Early Hurt. Postcard from the Columbus Museum.



The Wynn House, 1908. Postcard from the Columbus Museum.