Today in Columbus History: On June 14, 1856, The *Times and Sentinel Tri-Weekly* posted this short wedding announcement. Even though the piece is just 3 lines long, there's a lot of history buried beneath the surface. The couple has interesting ties to a number of historic houses in Columbus. The husband was Edward Faber, a plasterer who had been born in New York. He did the plaster work on Dinglewood, built 1857-59 by Joel Hurt for his wife Frances and his beautiful daughter Julia. Faber later became a master builder; shortly before his death in 1873, he began working on another historic house: Villa Reich. The bride was Miss Savannah Matthews, the daughter of Henry and Ann Gibbs Matthews, both of from Redding, England (came to Columbus around 1834). Savannah's historic house connection: The Folly (double octagon house on 1st Ave.). The Folly was built by Alfred Iverson for his lovely bride, Julia Forsyth, daughter of former Georgia governor John Forsyth. Built in 1831, the modest house was sold by Iverson to Savannah Faber in 1857. She sold it in the early 1860s to Leander May, who created the double octagon structure. BTW: The printer's cake? Couples often sent a cake along with a tip to the newspaper to make sure their announcement was placed in the paper!

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MARRIED,

In Trinity Church, in this city, on the 12th inst. by Rev. Mr. Hawks, Mr. Edward'A. Faber and Miss Sayannah G. Matthews. The printer's cake was not forgotton.



Savannah Matthews Faber. From Findagrave.com



Dinglewood. Postcard from the Columbus Museum.



The Folly. From New Georgia Encyclopedia.