

Looking Back

How Well Do You Know Huntsville?

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Who am I?

- A. Thomas Bibb
- B. Dr. Thomas Fearn
- C. George Steele
- D. LeRoy Pope Walker

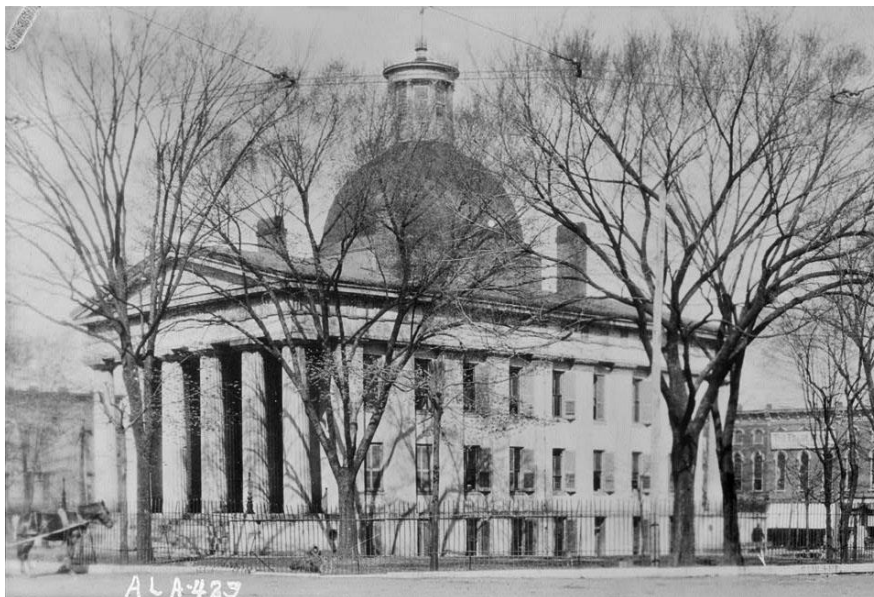
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Where am I?

- A. Adams Street
- B. Eustis Avenue
- C. Maysville Road
- D. Meridian Street



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Where was I?

- A. Eustis Avenue
- B. Greene Street
- C. Holmes Avenue
- D. Southside Square

Answers to **How Well Do You Know Huntsville?**

Who am I? C. George Steele	George Steele was a prominent early Huntsville architect who used his skills and those of slaves to design and build many of Huntsville's buildings and residences in the 1830s and 1840s.
Where am I? C. Maysville Road	The front portion of this house still stands at 808 Maysville Road on the property of the East Huntsville Baptist Church . It was designed and built in 1840 by George Steele, who had earlier lived at 519 Randolph Avenue on the corner of Randolph Avenue and Calhoun Street.
Where was I? D. Southside Square	"Madison County's second courthouse, built in 1835, replaced the original wood frame structure and served until 1913 when the building was dismantled and reconstructed. A four-faced clock was added to the copper dome in 1849. The Greek revival design was the product of Virginia-born architect, George Steele, who had lived in Huntsville since 1818 and also designed the First Alabama Bank Building. The courthouse displayed memorials for the Revolutionary and Confederate soldiers, and the lawn had a herd of pet deer that were relocated in 1914." (Description from the HMCPL Digital Archives)

For more information on the history of Huntsville visit the Heritage Room at the Huntsville-Madison County Public Library or the Huntsville History Collection at HuntsvilleHistoryCollection.org.