



African-Americans and Charleston

Histories Intertwined

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Beginnings of the African-American Undertaker Business

259 Meeting Street

After the Civil War, site of the home of the *Mickey family*, headed by a member of the mulatto elite, Edward Mickey. He was a tailor and a minister in the AME church. His son, Edward H. Mickey, became a minister and an undertaker, a new service for blacks (c. 1900) that he taught to his brother-in-law Edwin G. Harleston.

