The Hammond Genealogy

OR

THE PERSONNEL OF THE HAMMOND FAMILY, AS LINEALLY DESCENDED FROM PETER HAMMAN, FIRST PROGENITOR IN VIRGINIA, TO THE PRESENT TIME; WITH SOME PERSONAL REFERENCES TO OTHERS OF NEAR INDIRECT FAMILY RELATIONSHIP.

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Ye, my kindred, greeting
Who yet in life abide;
With thoughts anon fond lingering
Of those beyond the tide,
   Lest we, forsooth, forget.
The Evolution of a Name

OULD we but read the facts correctly as they relate to our own genealogical status, as a distinct or concrete family among the children of mankind, as from a highly probable antiquity it emerged from the distant darkness of Oriental obscurity, and proceeded under variant language cognomens along the gray dawn of indistinct or partial history, until it reached the full light of present-day knowledge amid the empires of Western Europe, I am convinced that our fortunes as a family would be found to be inseparable from those of the earlier Teutonic races. When, therefore, we see the names of Hamman and Hammond running parallel to each other in the earlier American state there is scarcely a doubt that they were but modified name-forms or language variations, of an older cognomen which designated a common pre-English ancestry. The discrepancy in their respective orthographies is easily attributable to the fact that while they were undoubtedly derived originally from a common ethnical source, the one comes to us immediately through English-speaking people, and bears the earmarks of the English language; while the other, reaching us through a migratory deflection among the contemporary Germanic states, denotes Germanic conformity.

At all events, after the middle of the Eighteenth Century, when our family name first appeared in Virginia, it was written Hamman, which discloses its Teutonic pedigree: and it so continued to be written, until the third generation of our ancestors, when it now began to develop symptoms of reconstruction, or signs of a re-statement of its orthography. During the transitional
period which followed, due directly to the predominating English language and institutional influences on our American life, the first change appeared as Hammon, and later was written Hammond which is the exclusively recognized form of the name among us today, a form which is distinctly English; or, as a quaint old English author once expressed himself, "Wel of English undefiled."

This period of transition occurred in the generation of my own father, and of which the writer, as a child, was an eye witness. Moreover it came without any concert of effort, or without apparent significance. Not a syllable of comment or criticism apparently was evoked. But it came, nevertheless, like the inappreciable, yet for all that, the irresistible, momentum of the mighty glacier, and with the completeness and finality of a silent revolution.

It is true, there are, as yet, in this country a few families of the Hamman form of the name, not derivatives, however, from our particular ancestor, though some or all of whom may date farther back in our ancestral series, who from other considerations, it seems, still adhere, either to the Germanic, or to the transitional form of orthography. Manifestly, these are either of more recent citizenship, or may have lived in territorial districts extensively populated originally by native Germans who from the beginning purposely conserved for a long time their distinctive Germanic ideals, native customs, and language peculiarities.

Nor is our family record peculiar in this respect. Rather, almost all other non-English cognomens which have found their historic place in our American life, have taken the same course with similar results. Briefly it means the inevitable emergence of the weaker into the more powerful of variant ethnical groups, when brought together face to face as members of one and the same political entity or state.
To find a helpmeet for our first ancestor in Virginia, we must go back to Nicholas Hipes who about the year 1750, together with his wife and three small sons—John, Henry, and Peter—embarked from a German port, to make their home in the New World. The journey, it is said, was over a boisterous sea which subjected the passengers aboard to many hardships and perils. Perhaps, too, the wife and mother was none too strong in body. At all events, the hazardous experience through which she attempted to pass was greater than she could bear, when she became ill through a succession of many days, till she died. Her body was then buried in midocean, while deep called unto deep. With burdened hearts the widowed husband and motherless children continued their now disconsolate voyage, and reached the port of New York, where he purchased lands eight miles from the wharf. He later remarried. About this time he met a gentleman in New York city from Virginia, who was the operator of a furnace for the manufacture of pigiron near the town of Pattonsburg, now Buchanan, in the present county of Botetourt; at whose request Nicholas Hipes came to Virginia, and became the manager of the wagon-making and repair department of that enterprise, having already had expert experience of this kind before coming over seas.

It may here be said, incidentally, that this early development of the iron industry in Virginia, being the first to be produced in America, was primarily due to the initiative of Colonel Alexander Spottswood, while provincial governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, whose administration embraced the period from 1710 to

*The subject-matter of this chapter was obtained by the writer from the late Henry Baxter Hipes, an aged great grandson of Nicholas Hipes.
1722. This accounts for its early appearance on the frontiers, where the mineral deposits lay.

Nicholas Hipes remained in the service of this company for sometime, when he dissolved his relation thereto, and bought the fine body of lands included in the Spreading Spring, popularly known later as the Horsefly valley in Botetourt county.

Its boundaries fronted on the James river, and extended several miles westward in the direction of Fincastle, the present county-seat. This splendid body of soil and timber, the latter including in rare varieties the oak, hickory, ash, poplar, and on the higher elevations, the pine, was purchased by Nicholas Hipes from an English bachelor who had occupied it one year, it evidently having been a part of the original Benjamin Borden grant from the Commonwealth of Virginia. The consideration paid therefor was thirty dollars cash, one small bay filley, and a bushel of onions—equipment barely sufficient, it would seem, for the Englishman to decamp on. Yet this is what he did, for it is alleged that the reason he gave for selling the property was, that its isolation from all settlements made his loneliness intolerable.

But the proverbial thrift and economy of the German manifested themselves in Nicholas Hipes, when he laid hold on these most primitive and rudimentary conditions, and boldly proceeded to evolve therefrom smiling lands, tenements, and hereditaments commensurate with his toil.

To this home Peter Hamman, our original ancestor in Virginia, presently made frequent visits, and here he won and wed Barbara, the daughter of Nicholas Hipes, by his second marriage—one of the most interesting personalities in our historic connection; for, like Eve of old in a larger historic sense only, she became the primogenitrix of our entire genealogical household in the Old Dominion unto the remotest age.

As a matter of interest, if not of information, Nich-
olas Hipes never disposed of his estate in New York, having left it in the care of a trustworthy tenant. Some years later his son, John Hipes, made a visit to New York city, where he found this tenant still in possession of the property, who made overtures for its purchase, stating that he had made a thorough investigation of the deeds on file there, and found the title secure in fee simple in Nicholas Hipes. But the latter took no action in the matter, since he himself had found an abundance of cheap, fertile land in Virginia.

Thus the territory occupied by this Knickerbocker estate is said now to be worth its multimillions.

The site of the Virginia domicile of Nicholas Hipes which he himself constructed or, if not, then his primitive predecessor, the disconsolate English bachelor, and where the daughter Barbara spent the first years of her life, and the morningtide of her marriage, still displays to the observer the earthen marks, where it occupied the soil—two centuries old.

Would it, indeed, be presumptuous to suggest to an appreciative and enterprising posterity, that a beautiful service could be fitly rendered to these heroic pioneer parents by our acquiring it, and erecting thereon some substantial token of filial devotion, to be commemorative through the eons to come?

II

FIRST GENERATION

Previous to, or immediately after, the close of the Revolutionary War—the exact date cannot now be established—a trio of brothers came from the state of Pennsylvania* into the upper portion of the Valley of Vir-

* In this view the older descendants in the community of the original ancestor, who knew his own immediate children, are agreed.
ginia, and located on the James, known in the Indian vernacular as the Powatan, river after their great chief who lived farther east in the vicinity of Richmond, Virginia. The residence of these young men was in the present county of Botetourt which formerly belonged to Augusta county since 1738, having prior to this time been a part of the county of Orange from its organization as the original county, in 1734. Two of these brothers soon died without marriage, and their personal names have been forgotten, leaving Peter Hamman the sole survivor, who became the original progenitor of an extensive family connection now resident in Virginia and elsewhere.

These young men were natives of the state from which they had come, and were of German and Scotch-Irish antecedents. The infusion of this latter racial strain into a supposedly pure Teutonic stock occurred through intermarriage after the influx into Pennsylvania of both these nationalities which had begun a full half century before, and at this time had produced a resultant ratio of blood equality.

After his marriage to Barbara Hipes, Peter Hamman became the owner of the Nicholas Hipes estate; while the other heirs, John, Peter, and Henry Hipes, and their widowed half-sister, Mrs. Gross, still imbued with the indomitable spirit of the pathfinder, in due time removed westward by successive stages, and took homes on Craig's creek and Sinking creek, now in Botetourt and Giles counties, some of them eventually going beyond the Ohio river.

Each year now witnessed additional forestal areas on the new Hamman homestead depleted of their natural verdure, for the first time, for aught we know, since the primeval dawn of creation, and, instead, the staff of life in some useful form was industriously cultivated; or else the natural grasses were given free scope to spring forth in lavish growth such as characterized the soil.
There was, I dare say, inspiration in this, which should have nerved even the most timid tyro to do his part to accomplish a noble aim. But Peter Hamman, we know, was becoming more and more enured to the hardy habits and customs of a purely virgin country, and was better adjusting himself to its every condition. The economic and industrial situation, ever becoming more elaborate, was such as to afford great opportunity to accentuate the value of individual character and resourcefulness; and these, indeed, rather than any documentary records, or accepted traditions, furnish us the actual clue we hold which tells us of our ancestor's worth as a man and as a citizen.

Unhappily, not a few in that day who failed to acquire real estate holdings, but became only squatters, paying "hut rent" as it was called—a mere annual pit­tance to an English proprietor, Mr. Borden, became little more than habitual or vocational huntsmen. This, in­deed, was a strong tendency of the age, which not only very much blighted the prospects of those who yielded themselves without reserve to its insinuating influences, but in many instances held in abeyance, or permanently destroyed, the real usefulness of their children who came after them. For they like their fathers learned the infatuation of the chase, or rather were allowed to grow up, not reared, under this fortuitous environment, who for successive generations found it difficult to fit into any other mode of life less exciting. It is true, at this early period, all classes felt quite naturally the fascinations of an occasional hunt. The squires and constabulary, not to mention the clergymen, "laid off" periodically, and took part in the chase on a large scale, much in some respects like the toper takes his dram, or the sport of to-day his joyride. But the man of progress esteemed these seasons as diversions only, and not the desiderata themselves of life. Our ancestor stood squarely in this class. He did a man's part to establish a strong frontier civiliza­
tion. The fact that he laid broad foundations for effort in the acquisition of extensive land holdings, gives emphasis to this statement, thus showing him to have been a man of large vision, inflexible purpose, and one who believed in the future of his country. Such, in brief, was the man as unquestionably interpreted by the record he made.

But Peter Hamman was not averse to a participation in the popular diversions of the times; insofar, at least, as they related to the community interests. He was not at all a novice at the "shooting match" which had as its basis good marksmanship, or efficiency of defence against savage marauding. This mutual protection also involved expert horsemanship. Hence the stipulated race track of the day was in vogue.

But aside from the thought of protection from the ravages of the Red Man who was ever a standing menace in the way of the early settlers, we also see in the rise of these institutions an effort of the mind of that day to satisfy the sportive proclivities of a people while in the elemental stages of a struggling civilization. It transpired, indeed, that at this time these instruments of pastime were soon to reach the acme of their popularity in Virginia. Authentic accounts inform us that our ancestor whose lands were admirably adapted to the growth of the natural grasses, and were finely watered, devoted at least a part of his energies to the raising and training of high-bred horses for the turf. There was already a horse racers' association in Virginia, which imported for its uses from Europe the finest thoroughbred racing stock which the Old World markets afforded. This information is furnished from historic data of this association reaching back to 1740. But as Peter Hamman dealt with definite interests appertaining to this association, he manifestly must have held membership in the organization, and inferentially was a man of the world. But here the end of our original pro-
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In addition to these three sons of Peter Hamman, the first ancestor in Virginia, there was, I have quite recently learned, an older child, a daughter, who married a Mr. Prunk (or Brunk) who early removed to the state of Illinois, where the family was soon lost sight of by the Virginia connection; and with this self-effacement almost all knowledge of them had disappeared from the minds of the younger generations. It is still known, however, by the oldest member of the connection now living, that a son, Hamman, was born to this marriage who became a physician. This information reached me like a rift of lightning from a clear sky, after the completion of my manuscript for the press. But the citation itself of this fact is alone enlightening, and thus wrests the truth conveyed from definite and final loss to the connection. Let it be hoped that it may yet fall to the lot of some enterprising synthesist of posterity to trace out this missing link, and restore it to its legitimate place in the general ancestral series.
be sure, and biblical derivatives. But this was entirely characteristic of that period, when certain family designations, in the christening of the children, were observed and handed down from generation to generation. This triumvirate, therefore, of forefathers who composed the sum total of the members of the generation, gave rise, henceforth, to a tripartite grouping, or to a separation into three co-ordinate branches, of the hitherto undivided ancestral line proceeding from their father, Peter Hamman, the first ancestor. An orderly arrangement of these several branches will hereafter be observed in the appropriate captions of each succeeding chapter, to denote the relative place of each individual in the regular order of genealogical descent or succession.

These brothers were all capable men, and entirely competent for the problems before them, a knowledge of whose qualities has reached us primarily through their own immediate children who became the parents of my own generation (fourth).

Socially and intellectually they were peers of the county in which they were reared, recognizing, as was true, that there were numerous strong men already in the upper portion of the Valley of Virginia, who had reached this section with the coming of the Benjamin Borden colonization, among whom were the Flemings, Murrays, McDowells, Bowyers, McClures, and others whose names and descendants are yet among us.

John Hamman, the eldest of these brothers by reason of his priority of age, became the initial head or representative of the first co-ordinate branch of the general family connection. He was born in 1790, and served in the War of 1812, in the military defenses about the city of Norfolk during the spring and summer of 1814.

In 1815 he married Catherine, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Latscha Myers, of Montgomery county, Virginia. The Latschas were residents of Botetourt county, and resided in what is now known as the Fire-
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baugh stone house, situated in the Trinity community of to-day, near Fincastle, and on the road (now macadamized) leading to Amsterdam and Roanoke city. Samuel Myers (earlier written Mayer) married here in 1786, he and his wife having been born respectively in 1765 and in 1769. Their two sons, Samuel and David, became itinerant ministers of the St. Louis Conference of the Methodist church in 1838.

John Hamman whose father resided eight miles distant from the Latschas, must have met his future wife here, where, as a young lady, she visited her grandparents at the stone house. This house, still standing and occupied, is distinguished in the annals of Bishop Asbury, the first bishop or general superintendent of the Methodist church in America, who held a conference under its roof in 1785, one year before the marriage of Elizabeth. This means that this young bride-to-be was the assistant hostess at this important historic function of early Methodism in the New World.

After his marriage John Hamman made his home in Montgomery county, until 1830, his wife, a lady of rare excellence, having died the previous year at the age of thirty-nine years, following the birth of her twin infants.

Consequent upon his marriage John Hamman became related to the Witten family of Tazewell and contiguous counties of Virginia, who rank among the leading people of wealth and influence in those sections, and were men of state in Prussia, whence they had come from Wittenburg, Saxony, their nativity, in the Seventeenth Century to Maryland, and there intermarried with the Cecils who were of the English nobility. In 1771 Thomas Witten whose wife was a Cecil settled on Clinch river in Tazewell county, and became the progenitor of a considerable posterity there, to whom the writer's wife, a western lady, bears lineal relationship.

Another grand character who married Annie, a sister of Catherine Myers Hamman, was James John. No
man of his day was more highly esteemed in Montgomery county, where he resided. He had a large family of talented daughters who married into the families of Banes, Bishops, Kirbys, Hambricks, Stimsons, and Sesslers who are noteworthy in the annals of Southwestern Virginia. These are of Scotch-Irish ancestry. Other Myers' sisters married Mark Sessler, and Summers, a grandson of the latter, the Rev. George William Summers, being now a prominent member of the Holston Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South; while the late Bishop Elijah Embree Hoss of the same denomination married Addie Clark, a granddaughter of the former, and has a son, Sessler Hoss, who is a resident physician of Oklahoma City.

In 1830 John Hamman returned to the Catawba valley in Botetourt county, where he purchased the Poage farm of that day which fronts on Tinker Knob, and is now owned by the Rhodes brothers. This property lies directly on the great thoroughfare of those early times leading from Eastern Virginia along the Valley of Virginia, through Fincastle in Botetourt county, which history asserts was the first town established in America west of the Blue Ridge mountains. Thence on to Smithfield, originally known as Draper's Meadows, but now Blacksburg, continuing thence into Tennessee.

Two years after the death of his wife, John Hamman married Charlotte Buchanan, of the neighborhood, who was of Scotch descent. A sister Mahala married John Aiken, of Barber's creek, Craig county, Virginia.

The Buchanans were a part of a general family of note, who early came to Virginia from Scotland after the siege of Londonderry, while John Buchanan, an ancestor, was Mayor of the town. They moved apace with the pioneers of civilization through the valley of Virginia, stopping temporarily here and there, like birds of passage, leaving their name to the town of Buchanan, the western terminal of the James river and Kanawha
canal, in Botetourt county; and again, perhaps to a county in the Southwestern section of Virginia—a family of talent who made their mark in Virginia, the present Lieutenant Governor, the Honorable Frank B. Buchanan, of Marion in that part of the Commonwealth being a probable lineal descendant.

Henry and Peter Buchanan were the sons of this immediate family, the former going in early manhood to Ohio, where he accumulated large wealth. The latter, a man of great force of character, commanded the militia of Botetourt county for many years as Captain, and was an ex-officio administrative officer of the county. He subsequently died in Missouri. If married, there is no information to hand concerning the families of these men.

John Hamman died in 1867 at the age of seventy-seven years. It was the passing of a man of strong intellect, firm convictions, abundance of energy and one devoutly religious. He was thoroughly read in church and secular history, which sustains the statement of Dr. J. Hoffman Waugh, of the Baltimore Conference, that John Hamman was the best informed man in the M. E. Church in the Old Fincastle circuit. He was long a member of the Botetourt county Library Association.

IV

SECOND GENERATION, Continued
(SECOND CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

Jacob Hamman, the second of the trio of brothers, and son of the first ancestor, was born in 1791, and grew to young manhood at the home of his father which was originally the property of his maternal grandfather Nicholas Hipes. At about the age of twenty years he entered the war of 1812, enlisting in the company of
Captain Bowyer, of Botetourt county where he soon rose to the rank of lieutenant. During his active participation in the war he was occupied in the defensive fortifications around the city of Norfolk, and the inner approaches of the Chesapeake bay. After the cessation of hostilities, he became a citizen of Newcastle, the county-seat of Craig county, Virginia, where he engaged in general merchandising. Here he married Amma Ferier (now written Farrier), who was a member of an influential family of the county, where their present-day descendants still maintain with vigor its erst-while prestige. This ancestress was born in the year 1806, her maiden name being of Scotch derivation.

At this place Jacob Hamman continued to reside until his death which occurred in 1853, at the age of sixty-two years. Two or three years later his widow with her family of two children removed to Nicholas county now of West Virginia, and located at Summersville, the county-seat. In 1862 they again removed to Sutton, Braxton county, of the same state, where she died in 1889, at the age of eighty-three years.

Both these forebears belonged to the grand role of characters of that heroic era who stood for the highest ideals of life, namely, the soundest religious tenets, the most exalted civic virtues, and for an uncompromising personal integrity, all of which were factors so needful at that crucial time of unorganized religious and spiritual forces in the commonwealth, on the one hand, and of the mighty onrush of irreligion, and doubt of things supreme, on the other.

"Virtually converted from the Race Track," as his young pastor, the Rev. Jehu Hank of saintly memory said, "Jacob Hamman became thoroughly conversant with the Scriptures, and with the theology and literature of the Methodist church of which he was a member, a class leader, and a moving spirit in general in the christian work of the town where he spent the greater
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part of his life.” It became my comforting privilege not many years since to see in the personal possession of a member of these genealogies a primitive photogravure of Jacob Hamman taken in 1853, as he lay upon his deathbed, a few moments after his demise. The scene, indeed, impressed me not otherwise than that I was looking upon the form of a mighty patriarch of the past, as he lay in quiet, restful sleep.

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SECOND GENERATION, Continued (THIRD CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

Peter Hamman of this generation was the last who bore the Hamman name to remain on the estate of the original progenitor. He was born in 1795. Unlike his brothers, it does not appear that he saw military service, perhaps due to the fact that he was scarcely of military age.

At this time the original Hipes purchase had been curtailed by the increase of the population in the community, still a large area of it yet remained intact, and in the possession of this descendant. The brick mansion which stands on the property was erected by him, and later enlarged by James Pickney Henderson, a loyal grandson, who now owns and occupies it. It rests on the immediate foundation of his father’s house.

In 1822 Peter Hamman married Margaret Housman, of the neighborhood. This most excellent lady was a sister of Peter and Lewis Housman, both men of local distinction, the latter being for many years a useful exhorter in the Methodist church. She was born in 1800.

Lewis Housman, junior, recently deceased, a son of the former of these brothers, was long the leading merchant of Fincastle, operating under the firm name of L. Housman and Sons. (The associate members were Robert L. Housman and Frank M. Housman.)
Peter Hamman was a man of fine business principles, of progressive ideas, and highly esteemed by his neighbors. Like his two brothers, he was endowed with superior intelligence, well established in the doctrines and polity of his church (Methodist), and a man eminently useful as a citizen. His wife, of many attractive qualities, survived him thirty-nine years, dying in 1889, her life having been co-extensive with the century in which she had lived. His own death occurred in 1850. A brick contractor, he erected Hollin's college and many of the majestic mansions of the Old South in Roanoke and Botetourt counties.

That these three brothers, so much alike in christian character, in faith, and in personal achievement, should stand respectively at the parting of the three first divergent lines of our historic family group in Virginia, ought to afford exceeding gratification to their progeny of all after years whose desire should be strong to emulate the virtues of so noble sires. If, indeed, we are interested to know what were the influences which had part in the development in them of these salutary qualifications, as also, in many others in the community of our fathers, we would find prominent among them the privilege which was theirs of waiting upon the proclamation of the Word, as declared from year to year from the rustic desk of the Old Timber Ridge campmeeting arbor, by some of the grandest characters in American Methodism at that, or any other, time. From these grand souls they acquired spiritually, intellectually, and in every other manly way. If they had deprivations in other ways, surely, their lives had fallen in pleasant places in this regard, and the ranks themselves of all posterity have profited thereby. As for myself, from these sacred altars came forth in her girlhood, in later times, my own ascended mother soundly converted to her dying day. So, too, with hosts of others.
John Hamman, the first son of our first Virginia ancestor, was the father of seventeen children, all of whom either grew to maturity, or attained to an advanced old age. Of these, eight were offspring of the first marriage, and were natives of Montgomery county.

The eldest, Griffin A. Hammond, M.D., was born in 1816, and was educated at Emory and Henry College, and later was graduated in medicine at an Ohio medical institution. He also was a local minister of the Methodist church. At the age of twenty-two years, he became a citizen of East St. Louis, Illinois, where he succeeded to the ownership of lands which had been granted his father by the Federal government, as compensation for his military services in the War of 1812. Here he practiced his profession till his death which took place in 1867, at the age of fifty-one years.

He was a man of fine personal appearance, high mental endowments, and an efficient, conscientious physician.

He married Mrs. Eleanor —, a widow lady, of East St. Louis whose family formerly came from Virginia. After his death she again married a Mr. Lear, of St. Louis, who was, it is said, of French antecedents.

Mary Hammond, the eldest daughter of John Hamman, was born in 1818, and at an early age of womanhood married John Archie who in a few years removed to the frontiers of Kentucky where she died. After the close of her life all traces of the family, which consisted of her husband and two small children before leaving Virginia, were obliterated.

She is said to have been a sweet spirited woman, and of marked personal beauty, whose early demise brought
special sorrow to her father's household. For, after her mother's death which occurred when Mary herself was but eleven years of age, she assumed the responsibilities of her father's home, which included the mothering of her little brothers and sisters younger than herself.

Peter J Hammond, the latest but one in the general family connection to bear the personal name of the first progenitor, for business reasons, when he was grown to manhood, inserted the tenth letter of the alphabet in his signature. It is, therefore, independent of initial significance.

Since this man was my own father, it will scarcely be deemed amiss in me to add a brief chapter next succeeding this one, which will be devoted to a delineation of the more salient traits of his personal character.

John Hammond, junior, was born in 1821, and began active business life as a partner with his brother Peter J Hammond, in merchandizing. He married Mildred, the daughter of Captain Samuel Phillips who resided in the upper Catawba valley, and was a man of high standing in his day.

John Hammond was a man of large means previous to the Civil War, but with the breaking up of the "Old South" after it's close, like thousands of others who had prospered under the antebellum regime, he suffered heavy property losses which it was impossible to retrieve in view of the exhausted resources of our prostrate Southland. Both he and his wife died at an advanced age, and their remains rest in the community of her ancestors in Mason's cove of Roanoke county.

Jacob Hamman was born in 1823. On his attaining manhood he took up his residence in the present state of West Virginia, where he became a professional educator. In later life he located in the town of North Tazewell, Virginia, where he died in 1906, at the age of eighty-three years.

During his long incumbency as a schoolman, he had
under his tuition not a few of the youth of the state who have since become prominent in the affairs of that Commonwealth. Towards the close of his life he became interested in the development of certain mineral lands he had acquired, and from which he derived considerable royalty. He married Rebecca Herndon, of Eastern Virginia who died previous to his own demise.

Margaret Sarah Hammond was born in 1826, and became a lady of attractive personality, possessing as she did, all the fine qualities of the Hammonds of her generation. She was married to David Brown Price, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Price, of Giles county, Virginia, whose mother had been a Miss Echols, of Salisbury, North Carolina. David B. Price was a resident of New Port, of the county, and was a man of recognized influence. The family consisted of two sons, and several daughters who were distinguished for their personal beauty and accomplishments. He owned and operated a farm and flouring mill, and was a person of enterprise, and excellent business capacity. His death preceded her demise, the latter taking place in the year 1909, at the age of eighty-three years.

Samuel Clayton Hammond, and his twin sister, Elizabeth Hammond, were the latest children of this marriage, and were born in the year 1829. Elizabeth became the wife of William M. Fitch, formerly of Greenville, Augusta county, Virginia, but at the time of their marriage, was a citizen of Botetourt county, and perhaps, one of the earliest vocational tailors to appear in this portion of Virginia. Elizabeth’s death occurred about the time of middle life, or near the close of the Civil War.

Samuel Clayton Hammond entered the Confederate service in the Civil War, in the 42nd Regiment Virginia Infantry which became a part of the famous Stonewall Jackson Division. This carried him, under his intrepid leader, through many hard fought battles of the war.
After one year of service he was appointed color bearer of his regiment (always the special target of the enemy) which position he held till 1864, when he was honorably discharged from further active service, because of permanent disability from many wounds received on various battlefields.

After the war terminated he married Hester, the daughter of Colonel William Layman, commander of the Botetourt county militia, and resided on his farm at Haymakertown, in that county, till the close of his life which took place in 1916 in the eighty-seventh year of his life—the highest summit-level of longevity so far recorded among us.

As a man he possessed many ennobling qualities of mind and heart. He saw the good in others, rather than the elements of detraction. He felt a conscientious pride in his kinsfolk whom he delighted to entertain in his home; while his hospitality in general was extended ungrudgingly. With pleasure I quote the language of another who was a correct interpreter of personal character. After allusion to Samuel Hammond, he said: "There are no men of higher principles of honor than the Hammonds. It is characteristic of them all."

Eliza Hammond, first child of the second marriage of John Hamman, was born in 1832, and was married to William M. Fitch whose first wife was her half sister Elizabeth, from which union several children followed.

Through this second marriage of John Hamman the brunette type of personage was introduced into the family strain of this branch of the connection, which hitherto had borne the blonde cast. This type was especially accentuated in Eliza and her brother Theodore.

Eliza was a woman of beautiful christian character who survived her husband several years, her own death taking place in 1907. Her remains rest in the Fair View cemetery of Roanoke city.
Theodore Buchanan Hammond first saw the light in the year 1834. In 1861, unmarried and at the age of twenty-seven years, he became a member of the Fincastle Rifles, Company D, 11th Regiment Virginia Infantry, and was killed May, 1862, in the battle of the Seven Pines, falling as his comrades in arms affirmed, in the midst of a concentrated fire of the enemy, pierced with seven minnie balls. At first he was a non-commissioned officer, but later he received a lieutenant’s commission. He was a man of great courage, brave in battle, and an ideal officer, both in rank and camp, where his optimistic spirit contributed much to the upkeep of the esprit de corps of the men under his charge.

Rev. William Goheen Hammond, born in 1836, was educated at Emory and Henry College, and entered the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in 1857. In 1866 he transferred to the Baltimore Conference, where he continued an active ministry which covered in all a period approximately of fifty years. This long service was devoted faithfully to the pastorate and presiding eldership of his church, with the exception of an interval of chaplaincy in the Confederate Army.

His first marriage was to Frances Elizabeth Carper, of Dranesville, Virginia, to whom were born four sons. His second marriage took place to Ellen R., a widowed daughter of Coloned William Giddings, of Loudoun county, Virginia, who soon died without issue. Both of these ladies were related to the Rev. Stith Mead who was a noted preacher in the annals of Virginia Methodism.

Rev. Wesley Hammond was born in 1838, and was educated at Emory and Henry College, and the University of Virginia. He entered the Virginia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in 1864, and two years later transferred to the Baltimore Conference and died in Romney, West Virginia in 1900. He occu-
pied important charges in his conferences through an active ministry of more than twenty-five years, and was a sergeant in the Dixie Grays, 42nd Virginia Regiment which was organized from the counties of Botetourt and Roanoke. Later he was appointed to a chaplaincy.

His marriage took place to Mrs. Anna Heald, of Frostburg, Maryland, whose maiden name was Ward, and who is yet living.

Mayberry Hammond, the youngest son of the entire family, was born in 1841, and entered the Army of the Confederate states near the beginning of the Civil War as Sergeant of Artillery, and in the battle of Gettysburg was wounded. This incapacitated him from further military service, when he was honorably discharged from the service. He later entered, as a student at Roanoke College, preparatory to the study of law. However, at the summer vacation, while visiting friends in Bedford county, he was killed by Federal soldiers, during General Hunter's retreat from Lynchburg into the mountains of West Virginia after his defeat by General Jubal A. Early. This occurred while he and Henry Ewing, where he was stopping, had withdrawn to avoid probable capture, the latter being at that time at home on furlough. While slaking their thirst at a fountain near the roadside at the base of the Sharp Top of the Peaks of Otter, they were fired upon unexpectedly by a group of the foe and Mayberry fell pierced through the heart, and died instantly; his companion escaped unharmed.

Lucy Abigail Hammond was born in 1842, and became the wife of Thomas K. Menefee who was at the time of their marriage the manager of the Catawba furnace for the production of pig-iron, in western Botetourt county. Later he became a railroad contractor with residence in Staunton, Virginia, achieving therein large success. Here they both died and are buried.

Martha Jane Hammond who was born in 1845, and was educated at the Fincastle Female Seminary; mar-
ried to Bailey Smith, of Coyners Springs in Botetourt county, Virginia, where they continue to reside. They are well-to-do-farmers, and have reared a large family of children.

Salina Susan Hammond who rather late in life married William McKeever, of Staunton, Virginia. She was born in 1848. Both of these are now dead.

Emma J. Hammond, the youngest child of the second family of John Hamman, was born in 1851. She was married to Major John Shumate, of Staunton, Virginia. Soon after the Civil War they removed to Oskaloosa, Iowa, where they both died in years ago. In Virginia he was an operator of mineral mines. They have children.

VII

THIRD GENERATION, Continued
(FIRST CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

In devoting this brief chapter to a delineation of my own father's personal traits, I am in reality emphasizing a thought of far more reaching import, since, as I believe, he was in many ways a typical example of our general family psychology.

He was born in 1820, and lost his mother at the age of nine years. A separation which he strongly felt to the close of his life. Education was restricted to the popular subscription schools of the period, though in point of intellectual accomplishment he far exceeded these. A natural fondness for books of the instructive kind, and possessed a wonderfully retentive mind. Of exceptionally strong natural endowments, and superior native sense. Perceived questions from their logical standpoint, and reached logical conclusions. Opinions commanded universal respect, and were much sought after by others, especially in matters of legal, abstruse, and technical
import. His library carried books of history, travel and exploration, theology, law, political economy, biography, the classics, poetical works, science and literature, not excepting Doctor Gunter’s medical treatise regarded by all householders of that day as ultimate authority on that subject—these with religious journals and secular weekly newspapers constituted the background of his literary resources. These in a large measure he made mentally his own. But while he was a great student of books, he was not unduly bookish or theoretical in temperament, for he saw through very practical eyes, and had a very, very attentive ear to the utilities in thought and nature. He spoke deliberately, weighing his words. Conversation always interesting because of its instructive value. His mind acted methodically, and was thorough in what he undertook. Retiring in disposition, he never thrust his opinions upon others, but when approached he was delightfully frank and open minded. Ready-witted and always original, he was apt at repartee, and nothing gave him greater pleasure than conversation with his intellectual equals. He had little in common with him who in life moves along the line of least resistance, for he considered such a failure. Rather, he was himself a strenuously busy man—no slacker. Life was to him an intensely real thing which called for the exercise of the best that was in him. He, therefore, never waited for something to turn up, but as was characteristic he went after it himself, and turned it up.

He possessed many traits of the traditional Virginia gentleman, with the tendency to condone that individual’s moral delinquencies eliminated. He never indulged in speech which did not edify, hence it was rather a shock to his own sensibilities, when on occasion he requested an inconsiderate new-comer in his employment to desist from his oft-repeated profanity, with the further addendum, that he was not accustomed to the use of such language about his house, got the reply that,
"You'll just have to get used to it." But father's rule prevailed.

His ideals were high and he lived up to them. He looked, indeed, upon life as a stewardship for which he was personally responsible for the performance of his part: a man of deep convictions, who indulged no halfway, or unbaked ideas. On the contrary his opinions were the result of mature and discriminating reflection: he, too, was deeply versed in the Scriptures and was always an interested listener to their proclamation. In church affiliation he, as also mother, was a Methodist. He had great respect for the ministry, and always stood by his pastor. He held official relation to his church continuously, and devoted his time and means unselfishly to its interests. Like his father he maintained the standard of family worship in his home, nor can I recall a single day when he failed in its observance.

Married in 1845 Sarah, the daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Shank (Schenck) Smiley who were of Irish and German antecedents respectively. This union continued for fifty-two years.

Previous to the Civil War father was a dealer in general merchandise, and also operated a general cooperage; but after the close of the war when industrial conditions had become radically changed, he devoted his energies to farming and stockraising. In all these he was up-to-date—a leader of the van guard of progress. A staunch Southerner to the manor born, and a rockribbed democrat in politics. On the occasion of his casting his first presidential ballot, he carried to the polls a poke-stalk—symbol of his political principles—and deposited his ballot for the Honorable James Knox Polk, the democratic nominee, from which faith he never in a single ballot deviated.

He was a man of the highest sense of honor, and never swerved from what he believed to be fundamentally right. Not politic in the least, he loathed shams,
even though at the risk of being depopularized by those less conscientious. He was optimistic in the sense that he devoutly believed in the ultimate triumph of truth, and his life was in many ways committed to this principle, though his effort in this direction antedated the day of modern sociological opportunity. Mother was a diminutive, modest, discerning woman who understood father's peculiarities, where they occurred, and knew well how to utilize them to his best advantage, hence she was a very helpmeet, indeed. He, too, appreciated this, and conferred upon her the encomiums she richly deserved.

Both were by nature and education quite methodical or systematic in the conduct of their routine affairs; insomuch that every thing under their hand moved with the smoothness and finality of scientific precision.

Father, never a heavy sleeper, arose according to sun time at four o'clock, A. M., throughout the year, but mother's day—the sleepy head—began at six, and we children, sleepy headed too, were always glad of it.

The former died at seventy-eight; the latter, passed her eighty-fourth score on life's dial-plate.

VIII

THIRD GENERATION, Continued
(SECOND CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

The children of Jacob Hamman of the second generation who was the initial head of the second co-ordinate branch proceeding from Peter Hamman, the first ancestor, were Van Buren and Alzira Hamman.

Van Buren Hamman (probably the older) was, it is said, a young man of fine character in his native town of Newcastle, Craig county, Virginia. At the beginning of the Civil War, unmarried and patriotic, he entered the Confederate service as a member of a company of
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volunteers organized in the counties of Botetourt and Alleghany, and commanded by his cousin, Captain George W. Hammond, of Covington, Virginia. This company became a part of the 60th Regiment Virginia Volunteer Infantry. But Van Buren’s military career was of brief duration, for within the space of a year he died in a Richmond hospital from the effect of a wound received in battle. It was but another instance of a brave young soldier making the "supreme sacrifice."

As this was the only son of this parentage, upon his death, the marriage of his only sister having already taken place, the ancestral name of Hamman disappeared henceforth from the second co-ordinate branch of the general family connection.

Alzira Hamman who was born in 1837, was married to John McH. Kelly, this union taking place in Summerville, Nicholas county, West Virginia on October 23rd, 1860. Her mother made her home with the latter after her marriage, and later all removed to Sutton, the county-seat of Braxton county, of the same state.

To this marriage several children were born. The husband died in November, 1872, the wife surviving till 1904, when she passed away at the age of sixty-seven years.

John McH. Kelly was a tavern keeper, or, in modern English, a hotel proprietor—an explanation for the children.

IX.

THIRD GENERATION, Concluded
(THIRD CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

The children of Peter Hamman, the third son of the original forebear of Virginia, who became the initial head of the third co-ordinate branch of the general family, are nine, as follows:
Mary Susan Hammond, the eldest, was born in 1823. She was married to John Cross, of Springwood, the neighborhood village which at that time was known as Jackson, in honor of President Andrew Jackson. Her husband died in after years, and the family removed to the West and settled in Kansas, where they acquired valuable real estate, and erected substantial homes. Here she died in 1906, at the age of eighty-three years. Her remains were taken to the scenes of her childhood, and interred in the Andrew Chapel cemetery. She was a person of rare goodness of heart, and greatly beloved by those who knew her.

Colonel George W. Hammond, M.D., was born in 1827; was graduated from Emory and Henry College, the University of Virginia, and the Philadelphia Medical College, and afterward located in Covington, Virginia, for the practice of his profession. When the Civil War began he offered his sword to the South, and was commissioned to organize a company of volunteers from his own county, and those adjoining. As an ardent patriot and Southerner he soon accomplished his mission, and it became a part of the 60th Regiment Virginia Volunteer Infantry. His great magnanimity and unselfish devotion to the men under his charge soon won for him their deepest respect. First a captain, he was promoted to the rank of colonel, and was killed in 1864, while leading the Confederate center, in the battle of Cloyd's mountain, in Pulaski county, Virginia. This was one of the most hotly contested minor engagements of the war.

He married Emma Scott, a lady of a prominent family of Covington who survived him many years.

Sarah Jane Hammond was born in 1829, and became the wife of Ralph Henderson who had proceeded from Irish antecedents. He owned, and resided on, a part of the original Nicholas Hipes estate. He was a man of quiet manners, who attended to his own personal
affairs, and, withal, was a model citizen. He died in the year 1892, his wife having already passed away. It may be truly said of this worthy couple, that they served their generation with scrupulous fidelity in their own quiet, unostentatious way.

Martin Luther Hammond (unmarried) served as a soldier in the Civil War, but of the part he performed I have no definite record. After his return, following its close, he went to the far Western states and territories from which he never returned. But this suggests a characteristic of the times—a resultant which grew out of the wasted condition of the material resources of the South, due to the war. When last heard from in the sixties, Luther was making his way to the wild tribes of Indians in the ulterior Northwest, and the presumption of his friends is, that he became an object of their suspicion, and was murdered by them. This occurred about the time of the Modoc war. He was born in 1835.

James Madison Hammond, the youngest son of this forebear, served also in the Civil War, of which there are no particulars. Succeeding hostilities he presently made his home in Henrietta, Clay county, Texas, where he held the office of county clerk for many years. Here he married Eleanor Lewis, and reared a family. Later he went to the Klondike, where, it is said, he amassed a large fortune in mine speculation. From more recent information, he resides, if living, in San Antonio, Texas. He was born in 1841.

Martha Ann Hammond is the youngest daughter but one of this ancestor. Her first marriage was to Robert J. Thrasher, of the neighborhood, an excellent man, who early lost his life in the Civil War. Later she married Martin Van Buren Hickok, of Fincastle. He, too, had been a valiant Confederate soldier, and the colorbearer of the 11th Regiment Virginia Volunteer Infantry. He made a wonderful record as a soldier, and died in 1913, due largely to the wounds he had received in many
battles. His wife, "Aunt Matt," as she is affectionately called by her younger kinsfolk, is a loveable person who has many qualities of the old Virginia matron. She was born in 1833.

Elizabeth Margaret Hammond was born in 1838, and died at the early age of twenty-five years. She was a person of unusual beauty, and married Henry Smith, formerly of Connecticut; issue, two children, Bunning and Elizabeth who died in comparative infancy.

Besides the foregoing offspring of this parentage of the second generation, there were other two sons, namely, Lewis, born in 1825, and Charles Peter born in 1845, each of whom died at the age of three years.

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(FIRST CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

There has been no information in recent times of the descendants of Griffin A. Hammond, M.D., which leaves little further to be said. Nearly fifty years ago Virginia Hammond, the eldest daughter of this forebear, married the manager of the East St. Louis stockyards whose name cannot now be reproduced. His eldest son, John C. Calhoun, was named for the great statesman of South Carolina. There were two other children, a son and a daughter, but his own death occurring while the children were yet young, produced an interruption of communication which was never renewed.

Nor can anything be said of the family of Mary Hammond Archie, the eldest daughter of John Hammond other than that there were two children, Lottie and Calhoun, when they left Virginia for the frontiers of Kentucky, near the period of 1840. Here again all communication with the family after the mother's death was lost.
The children of Peter J Hammond were seven, the two eldest of whom, Naomi John Hammond and Clark Bunyan Watts Hammond, died in childhood. Those who survived to maturity of years are as follows:

3. Sydney Catherine Hammond who was born in 1850. She received her education at Fincastle Female Seminary. In 1873, she was married to Rev. James Filmore Follin, of the Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South. In 1878 he transferred to the Texas Conference where he remained till 1891, when he again transferred to the Little Rock Conference, where he died in 1893, while pastor of the Winfield Memorial Church, of Little Rock, Arkansas. He spent his ministerial career in the pastorate and presiding eldership of his church, and was a preacher of ability, a diligent pastor, and a man of superior executive capacity.

A native of Warrenton, Virginia, he was born in 1848, having descended through his maternal grandmother from Lord Sanford of England, who was his daughter. But her marriage to an untitled husband caused her father to disinherit her, when she and her husband came to Virginia. Mrs. Frank Leslie, nee Follin, of the Frank Leslie publications, was of this household connection.

Sydney Hammond was a person of superior mind, and a leader in the woman's religious work of her denomination, being for many years the president of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, of the Texas conference, and was prominent in the religious work of her home city of Fort Worth, Texas, after the death of her husband. She died in 1913 at the age of sixty-three years.

The following are the issue of this marriage:

Rev. Allan Neel Hammond Follin of the Southwest Kansas Conference, or the Methodist Episcopal Church. He was born in West Virginia, and is a man of liberal education. In 1903 he married Rose Etta Carroll, of
Edmond, Oklahoma who died in 1914. There were no children of this marriage.

Paul Winkler Follin who was born in Corsicana, Texas, in 1879, and has long been a traveling salesman in the Rocky Mountain and Pacific states, with his residence in Salt Lake City, Utah.

He married Mrs. Annie B. Keeby, of Ogden, Utah in 1910, who has a son by her former marriage. Otherwise she is without children.

Bradley Wilson Follin (unmarried) was born in 1881 in Texas, and is a maritime shipper of the Pacific coast, with headquarters at Redondo Beach, California. However, he is now with the United States Expeditionary Forces in France.

James Madison Follin was born in Texas in 1888, married Anna Marie Fellenstein, of New York, where he resides. This man has traveled extensively in the past, and is enterprising and prosperous. There are no children.

Gerald Webb Follin, the youngest child of this family, was born in 1891 at Bryan, Texas, and was educated at the Webb Preparatory School at Bell Buckle, Tennessee, and at the Vanderbilt University. He is a man of finely cultivated mind, and is said to be one of the University's brightest products. He holds the record of having won all the medals of both institutions, and the honor of representing the latter in six interstate oratorical contests of colleges, winning first prize in five of these contests, namely, those of Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, and Virginia, and the second prize in the sixth contest. After taking the baccalaureate degree, and the law course here, he was married in 1914 to Grace Cleveland, of Sweetwater, Tennessee, who is a niece of the late ex-President Grover Cleveland, her own parents being dead.

From this marriage there is a daughter Grace.

Gerald Webb Follin holds a professorship in the
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Webb school, of Bell Buckle, Tennessee, but contemplates resigning his position at the close of the term of 1918-1919, to enter upon the practice of law in Houston, Texas.

Other children of Sydney Hammond Follin are Gilbert Marvin and Blanch Virginia Follin (both dying in early childhood).

Browne Clinton Hammond who was born in 1853, and became a drygoods merchant, of Selma, Alabama. After a few years he engaged with the Rousses of New York city for a time, but later went into the wholesale and retail drygoods jobbing trade on his own responsibility, where he continued for many years. He is now a real estate broker in Brooklyn, New York.

In these several careers he has made a wonderful record. Coming, as he did, from a country-reared environment with no real experience with business or men, he independently hurled himself into the vortex of competitive business life nowhere else exceeded on earth. Here he has succeeded creditably, where, indeed, the most of men under similar circumstances, or handicaps, would have failed utterly. But the secret of his success has been an indomitable will power and perseverance which balked at no obstacle. But with the multiplying of the years of his life, and as the reward of his industry, he is now living in comparative ease under more congenial auspices.

He first married Emma Gardner, of Selma, Alabama, who, a few years later, died without children. His second marriage was to Anna Miller of Brooklyn, New York. Issue, Estelle Anna, and Bryan Clinton Hammond, both young. The former of these will be married to Claude N. Buhsen of New York City, on November 1st, 1919. He is an auditor in the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company of that city. At the outbreak of the war with Germany he enlisted in Company A, 106th Machine Gun Battallion of the famous
27th Division and served with distinction with the American Expeditionary Forces in France to the end of the war.

France Montgomery Hammond was born in 1855, and for several years was identified with his brother Browne in business, both South and in the North. He first married Pearl, the daughter of Nathan Layman, of Botetourt county, Virginia: issue of this marriage are:

Mary Hammond, a student at the National Business College, of Roanoke;

Pearl Ruth Hammond, at school.

His second marriage was to Lula, the daughter of Charles Stoner, of Montvale, Virginia: issue, five:

Rachel Hammond, Rebecca Hammond, John Hammond, Elizabeth Hammond, and Joseph Hammond—all of whom are in the growing stages of life.

He is a farmer and dairyman by occupation, and is thoroughgoing and economical, which are component parts of his success. He lives at Coyners Springs in Botetourt county.

Fiske Edwards Hammond, the twin brother of France Montgomery Hammond, is a member of the Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South. After his graduation at the University of Nashville at Nashville, Tennessee, he taught in the public schools of Galveston, Texas; and for three years was the secretary of the State Educational Association of Texas. In 1886 he entered the Texas Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, from St. John church of that city.

In 1901 he transferred to the Baltimore Conference to which he now holds a superannuated relation, and resides in the city of Roanoke, Virginia.

In 1891 he married Martha Isabelle, the daughter of Aaron Hill, and Martha Elizabeth Hotchkiss, Whitten, of Austin, Texas, where he was then stationed as pastor of the University Church. His wife came of an old
and honored Methodist family of Austin, who sustains well the high traditions of her people. Her mother, now deceased, who was a sister of the three Hotchkiss brothers, long time members of the Texas Conference, was an authoress of repute in her native state, having written a meritorious book of poems entitled, "Texas Garlands", and other productions of a high order.

The issue of this marriage are nine. Of these Mattie Elizabeth, Sydney Clara, and Samuel Whitten are dead, the last two being twins.

The living are:

Charles Galloway Hammond who was born in 1892, in Botetourt county, Virginia; received his education at the Buchanan High School, Randolph-Macon Academy at Front Royal, Virginia, and the National Business College of Roanoke. He then took a position with the Norfolk and Western Railroad in the General Offices at Roanoke, Va., where he remained until our government went to war with Germany, in April, 1917. He then enlisted as a volunteer with the first Coast Artillery Corps of Roanoke, the first military unit to organize in the city for the war, and after six months' intensive training at Fortress Monroe, Virginia, and Camp Mills, Long Island, he went to France as a member of the 42nd (Rainbow) Division, where he has since served in several capacities until the close of hostilities. At this writing he is with his division as a member of the American Army of Occupation on German soil. His standing as a soldier of Liberty may be judged by the incident, that he has been awarded at the hands of General Pershing, the Distinguished Service Cross for exceptional valor in the battle of July 15, 1918. I copy the official report from the daily Roanoke Times, which also appeared in the other city papers: "Private Charles Galloway Hammond, son of Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Hammond, of South Roanoke, who left Roanoke as a member of the first Coast Artillery, has been cited by the
Commander-in-chief in the name of the President, and awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, for extraordinary heroism in action near Vadenay, France, on July 15, 1918, while a member of the 117th Train Headquarters and Military Police, 42nd (Rainbow) Division. During the heavy shelling of Vadenay on the morning of July 15th, Private Hammond voluntarily left a place of safety, went to the aid of a wounded French officer, and brought him to shelter through a heavy fire of large calibre shells."

Charles Galloway Hammond will be married on October 11, 1919, to Mary Lee, the daughter of the late Charles Frantz of Roanoke county, whose widow Alice S. Petty Frantz resides in the city of Roanoke. This is a part of a family of long and prominent standing in Botetourt and Roanoke counties. The home of the contracting parties will remain in Roanoke, Virginia.

Fiske Edward Hammond, Jr., second son, who was born in 1894, and who completed the course of study at the Randolph-Macon Academy of Bedford city, Virginia, with the intention of continuing his studies at the Randolph-Macon College and further preparing for the profession of medicine, was at this juncture diverted from his purpose by the failure of his father's health, when he accepted a position with the Norfolk and Western Railroad at Roanoke. He had been accepted for military service and his departure for overseas was pending when hostilities ceased.

Kate Bitting Hammond, and her twin sister, Annie Darlington Hammond, of High School training, are young ladies of animation and bear a marked personal resemblance.

These, with Corelia Virginia Hammond and Sallie

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* "The Distinguished Service Cross, be it said, is conferred by the commanding general upon the individual soldier for the performance of an act of service which under the circumstances requires a greater risk of his life than the rules of warfare require him to take."
Ruth Hammond, pupils in the public schools of Roanoke, constitute the complement of this family.

Charles Rush Smiley Hammond was born in 1859. As a vigorous youth he entered the railroad machine shops of the International and Great Northern system, at Marshall, Texas. Being quite a genius or adept in pursuits, he soon mastered the intricacies of the machine shops, was able to construct a locomotive and then run it on the track.

For many years he had control of the freight and passenger traffic of an intrastate line of this system, but in later years, including the period of the recent Mexican revolution, he has been in Mexico in the interest of his company.

He married Amelia Collins, of Crocket, Texas, and has no children.

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FOURTH GENERATION, et al, Continued
(FIRST CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

The generations of John Hammond, junior, the son of John Hamman, the first representative head of this branch of the general family, are as follows:

William Woodson Hammond, formerly in the service of the Norfolk and Western railroad, but now a farmer near Catawba station in Roanoke county; he married rather late in life Elizabeth, daughter of Harvey and Mary Gleason Smith, of the county. They are without children.

Alice Virginia Hammond, the eldest daughter, who in 1880 married Samuel T. Sessler (dead), of Montgomery county, Virginia; residence, Battle creek, Nebraska; issue, five:

Walter Hammond Sessler who died in childhood.
Margaret (Margie) Mildred Sessler who married
James Carrico, of Battle Creek, Nebraska, who is employed with the cement factory of that place; issue, two:

June Leona Carrico, and Paul Sessler Carrico.

Lula Mae Sessler who married Alfred Haaland, of Sioux Rapids, Iowa, but now a farmer of Minnesota; issue, two:

Vincent Sessler Haaland, and Mary Josephine Haaland.

Laura Lee Sessler (dead).

Florence Sessler (unmarried), and has her residence in Omaha, Nebraska.

Samuel Phillips Hammond (dead); resided in Salem, Virginia; married Mary Susie Florence, the daughter of Noah Garst, of Roanoke county, Virginia; issue, seven:

John Noah Hammond (unmarried) who died of influenza contracted in military training at Camp Lee, Virginia.

Leona A. Hammond who married Guy Burkholder, formerly of Iowa, but now of Roanoke, Virginia, called into military training at Camp Lee, Virginia; issue of this marriage, three:

Thurston Claude Burkholder, Virgil Quincy Burkholder and Virginia Florence Burkholder.

Thurston Livingston Hammond (unmarried), Electrician of Roanoke, Virginia.

Blanton Pierce Hammond, Everett Bernard Hammond, Alice Louise Hammond, and Samuel Elmer Hammond are as yet minors.

Bird Howard Hammond who resides near Buchanan, Virginia; occupation, orchardist; married Zula Martin, of Craig county, Virginia; issue, four:

Ruth Alliene Hammond, Louise Randolph Hammond, Emma Bell Hammond, and Lillian—all under age.

Laura Bell Hammond who married William Renn, now a retired farmer and stock raiser; residence, Spencer, Iowa, no children.
George Leftwitch Hammond who is a traveling representative of the R. C. Drug Company of New York; residence, Salem, Va., married Bertha Dooley of Salem, and has a young daughter and son, namely, Courtney Hammond, Kermit Hammond.

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FOURTH GENERATION, et al, Continued

(FIRST CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

The descendants of Jacob Hammond, of the third generation are:

A. Watson Hammond, M.D., whose residence is Amsterdam, Botetourt county, Virginia, though a native of West Virginia; married Sarah (Sallie) Minnich of his adopted place, and has four children:

Kathleen Watson Hammond who has educational training, is unmarried, and resides with her parents:

Marvin Churchman Hammond, who was born in 1891, and resides in Richmond, Virginia; occupation, locomotive fireman who is in line for promotion to the position of locomotive engineer on the Southern Railroad; married Alice Virginia Williams of Richmond, and has one child, namely, Marvin Churchman Hammond, junior.

Bryan Herndon Hammond, (unmarried), who is serving with the 7th United States Engineering Corps, Headquarters Detachment, American Expeditionary Forces in France.

Grace Hammond who died in infancy.

Doctor Hammond stands high in the medical profession of the state, and is recognized as a thoroughly efficient, up-to-date practitioner.

Samuel Hammond, M.D., resided at Lambert's Point, a suburb of Norfolk, Virginia; married Mrs.
Elizabeth Crockett, of Baltimore, Maryland, and has one child.

Dr. Hammond, alert and in the prime of life, was greatly esteemed where he lived and labored. However, he lost his life in 1916 in a deplorable right angle collision between a trolley car and a motorcycle which was conveying him in great haste to a home in response to an emergency call. But aside from his unfortunate death, the painful feature of the situation was, that an enraged, spoiled boy had told his mother falsely that he had swallowed poison with suicidal intention.

Cornelia Hammond who married Rice D. Turner, a farmer living near Princeton, West Virginia; issue, six, namely:


Margarette Louise Turner who married Matthew Vernon, of Waitsville, West Virginia, who is a telegrapher: issue, nine:

Burks Thatcher Vernon, Lellie Elizabeth Vernon, Rayna Spessard Vernon, Bernard Vernon, Margaret Vernon, Lodric Vernon, Kathleen Vernon, Horace Vernon, and Hester Anne Vernon.


Samuel Thomas Turner, a clerk with the railroad, who married Pearle Worley of Princeton, West Virginia, and has four children, namely:


Cynthia Alice Turner who married Zachariah Tyree Nalls, a Veterinary Surgeon, formerly of Amsterdam,
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Virginia, but now of Jasper, Florida. This is a son of Rev. L. M. Nails. The children of this family are five: Zachariah Tyree Nails, junior, Spessard Nails, Buford Nails, Frank Hollin Nails, and Virginia Dare Nails, of the sixth generation:

Laura Lena Turner who married Hugh Gooch, of Princeton, West Virginia who is a farmer; the children are four, namely, Louise Gooch, Thomas Gooch, Ervin Daniel Gooch, and Rebecca Gooch.

Elnetta May Turner, the seventh child, is dead.

Jacob Francis Turner who married Beulah Stafford, and resides at Bluefield, W. Va., issue two:

Frank Edward Turner and Elbert Thatcher Turner.

Jessie Royal Turner who married Charles Hill of Princeton, West Virginia; issue two:

Aileen Hill and Lewis Elword Hill.

Montague Turner who married Maude Hearn; residence, Bluefield, West Virginia; issue, two:

Madaline Turner and Meredith Turner.

Elizabeth Cornelia Turner (unmarried) who is with her parents.

Helen Catherine Johnson who attended the Matoaka High Schools and Virginia Intermont College, of Bris-
William Hammond Johnson who is a student at the Matoaka High School.

The younger children of this family are:
Janie Wealtha Johnson, Inez Kathleen Johnson, and Eileen Isabelle Johnson.

Francis Bryan Johnson, and Mary Elizabeth Johnson, are dead.

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FOURTH GENERATION, et al, Continued
(FIRST CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

The descendants of Margaret Sarah Hammond Price, of the third generation are:

1. Cornelia Brown Price who married Chilion Overton Huff, of Salem, Virginia (both deceased); issue, three:

   Samuel Hammond Huff who is the General Chairman of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers of the Norfolk and Western Railroad System, with office in Roanoke, Virginia; married Evelyn, daughter of the late William Medline, of Weldon, North Carolina; no children.

   Edgar Lloyd Huff who is a farmer and stock raiser, Renick West Virginia, and a local Methodist minister; married Della Kincaid, of Falling Springs, West Virginia; issue, three:

      Clayton Huff, a soldier over seas; Lester Huff, soldier over seas; a daughter, Rella Huff, and another daughter (deceased).

   Arthur Huff (deceased).

Virginia Price (deceased) who married Napoleon Newton Ripley, of Newcastle, Virginia (also deceased); occupation, farming; issue, five:
Max Yvan Ripley who holds a responsible position in the General Offices of the Norfolk and Western railroad, of Roanoke; married Rose E., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Perry Loftin, of Kinston, North Carolina; issue, four:

Yvan Loftin Ripley, Elijah Price Ripley, Lyman Hodges Ripley, and Neil Newton Ripley—all as yet young.

Ryan Hammond Ripley (unmarried) who is a resident of Kansas City, Missouri, where he is engaged in business.

Ione Helen Ripley who married Christopher Jackson Clark, a farmer, and former merchant, whose residence is in Montvale, Virginia; issue, two:

Virginia Ripley Clark, and Christopher Jackson Clark, Junior.

Virginia Gladys Ripley who married Lacy B. Snidow, a farmer, of Pembroke, Virginia. This name represents an old family connection who have prominent place in the history of the Southwestern counties of the state from their early settlements.

Mabel Ripley who married Everett B. Lemon, of Newcastle, Virginia, who holds a business position at Paint Rock in that county. They have two children, namely:

Robert Ripley Lemon and Gladys Catherine Lemon.

Electra Price (deceased) married Charles Price, of New Port, Giles county, Virginia; no issue.

Alzira Rebecca Price who married Thomas Richard Darnall (deceased), an expert accountant, of Bluefield, West Virginia; issue of this marriage:

Gertrude Margaret Darnall who married Harry Wycliffe Biggs, the District Manager of insurance; residence, Graham, Virginia; no children.

Birdie Darnall (unmarried) whose residence is in Bluefield.

Harry Darnall (deceased).
Luella Clark Price who married Henry Hammond Thrasher, of Botetourt county, son of Martha Ann Hammond Thrasher, of the third branch of the genealogical connection; a railroad contractor in which pursuit he has achieved large financial success; residence, Knoxville, Tennessee; children are:

Maude S. Thrasher who married Colonel James Evereth Wilson, of the United States Army, who served with distinction with American Expeditionary Forces in France; no children.

Margueritte B. Thrasher, a tennis player of distinction, who married David Gaut, formerly of Knoxville, but more recently, of Memphis, Tennessee; no children.

Henry Hammond Thrasher, junior, who is associated with his father in railroad construction (unmarried). As an evidence of his fine qualities of patriotism, when he failed to meet all the requirements of the military regulations in the United States, to enter active service with our army, he went post haste to Canada in the hope of finding acceptance there for service overseas.

Eliza Price (dead) who married Joseph Henderson, of Montgomery county, Virginia; no children.

Mary Catherine Price, the youngest daughter of David and Margaret Price; married Samuel Sayers Hoge, a farmer of Hoge's store, Giles county, Virginia, and a brother of the late Honorable J. Hampton Hoge, of Virginia. This is another family distinguished in the annals of church and state, who are derived from William Hoge a Scotchman who was the first of the name to reach Virginia, in 1682; issue, as follows:

Joseph Haven Hoge who is a wholesale produce and provision merchant, of Bluefield, West Virginia. He first married Eliza, the daughter of the late Judge James French Strother, Rappahannock county, Virginia, by whom there are two children, namely, Strother Hoge and Joseph Haven Hoge, junior. His second marriage was to Elizabeth Ellett who has two sons:

William Ellett Hoge and Robert Sayers Hoge.

Dr. Albert Hammond Hoge whose residence is in Bluefield, West Virginia. He married Frances Jones,
and at this writing is in military training for Army Service.

Margaret Hoge who married William Herbert McIlhany, Bluefield, who holds a responsible position as traveling salesman. There is one child to this marriage, William Hoge McIlhany.

Helen Hoge who married Richard Gilliam, a member of an old and honored family of Botetourt County; residence, Montvale, Bedford county, Virginia; issue, one: Mary Hoge Gilliam.

Samuel Sayers Hoge, junior, who is in training in Texas for the aviation service overseas.

Mary Hoge who is a student at the Normal College, Farmville, Va.

David Hoge, of Pembroke, Giles county, and Daniel Hoge, twin brothers, are the only remaining names of this family, the last of whom is not living.

Albert Hammond Price, the elder son of this parentage, is the owner of the homestead property at Newport in Giles county; married Laura Miller, of the community, who is now dead. The children of the family are the following:

Virginia Miller Price who is with her father at home; Margaret Price and Alberta Price; Henry Price (dead), twin brother to Virginia.

William Clayton Price who is a prosperous farmer, residing at Pembroke in Giles county, his nativity. He married Ida Lucas, of that county, and has children, as follows:

Nellie Price who married Everett J. Draper, of Pembroke, Giles county, Virginia, and have their residence here; no children.

David Byron Price who has a business position in Christiansburg, Montgomery county, and is unmarried:

William Clayton Price, junior, who has a business situation in or near Richmond, Virginia.

Sarah Price, a student at the Radford Normal College.

Harry Price and James Price are the younger children of the family.
The children of Samuel Clayton Hammond are:

Viola Hammond, the only daughter, who is unmarried and lives at her father’s homestead at Haymakertown in Botetourt County, which she inherited. She was educated at Daleville College, of Botetourt, and for sometime taught in the public schools of her county, where she enjoyed high standing as a teacher.

Hugh Lee Hammond, only son, was also educated at the same institution, and later was graduated from William and Mary College. He, too, taught in the public schools of Botetourt County for a term of years. Thereafter he became the resident station agent of the Norfolk and Western railroad at Buena Vista, Virginia. He married Elizabeth, the daughter of Franklin Amole of Rockbridge County, and has a young son Clayton Franklin Hammond.

Also, the descendants of Elizabeth Hammond Fitch, the twin sister of Samuel Hammond, namely:

Alice Fitch who was married to Leonidas McKnight, formerly of Texas, but since their marriage forty years ago, he has lived in the East, with their residence at this time in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. The issue of this marriage are four:

Reeves McKnight of Pittsburg who is married, and has a young daughter Frances Elizabeth;

David M. McKnight, who is married, and is a dealer in patent right wares, with residence in New York City;

Ella McKnight, who married Anthony Lorenza, of Pittsburg; issue, two daughters;

Elizabeth McKnight (unmarried) who is a saleslady in a merchandize establishment of Pittsburgh.

The descendants of Eliza Hammond Fitch, the second wife of William M. Fitch are four:

Elizabeth G. Fitch who married John Nequist, a man of Swedish antecedents. Elizabeth died in 1916; issue two:

Clara J. Nequist who married Carl E. Pedigo, an
enterprising produce merchant of Bluefield, West Virginia. Their children are:

  Catherine Pedigo, Ross Pedigo, Carl Hammond Pedigo, and Theodore Fitch Pedigo.

Stella L. Nequist who married George R. Hogan, a machinist of Roanoke, but formerly of Bedford County; no children.

Frank Hammond Fitch who is the leading, wholesale fruit and produce merchant of Roanoke. In 1916 he married Carrie Ahern, daughter of Charles Lewis, formerly of Danville, Virginia, late of Salem, Virginia, but now of Cleburne, Texas; issue, two:

  Alice Elizabeth Fitch, and Frank Hammond Fitch, Jr.

Charles C. Fitch, who is an architect of Norfolk, Virginia, and is unmarried.

Lottie Fitch, unmarried, and an invalid.

The children of the Rev. William Goheen Hammond, of Herndon, Virginia are four:

  Frederick Paul Hammond (unmarried) who took the degree of Master of Arts at Randolph-Macon College, and the law course at the University of Virginia. Later he practiced law in Birmingham, Alabama, and for nine years was a professor in Birmingham College.

  Rev. William Soule Hammond, D.D., who was graduated at the Randolph-Macon College, is a member of the Baltimore Conference Methodist Episcopal Church, South. At this time he is pastor of St. John's Church, Baltimore. He married Elizabeth Price, of Rockville, Maryland and has four children, namely:

    Elizabeth Hammond, a former student in the Randolph-Macon Woman's College, who is now taking art in the Peabody College of Baltimore.

    William Hammond, Paul Hammond, and Catherine Hammond who are in the schools of Baltimore.

  Rosser Mead Hammond, M.D., who was graduated from Randolph-Macon College, and the Medical School of Johns Hopkins University. He married Margaret Genievie Maddox, of Manassas, Virginia, and resided at Aiken, South Carolina, where he practiced his profession. He was also a local minister of the Methodist Church, South. His death occurred a few months ago,
leaving besides his widow, two small sons, Leigh Mead Hammond and William Edward Hammond.

Frank Hammond who was educated at Randolph-Macon College, is a prosperous young farmer of Fairfax county, Virginia. In 1918 he married Christie Hutchison.

The children of Rev. Wesley Hammond, of the third generation, are two:

Ward W. Hammond, of Romney, West Virginia; married Delia Arnold, of that place in 1909; an orchardist and grower of small fruits. To this marriage two children have been born: Ward Arnold Hammond and Mildred Virginia Hammond;

Virginia Hammond who was graduated from the Scarritt Training School, of Kansas City, Missouri where she qualified herself for missionary work in her church. Later she married Rev. Stuart H. Greene, of the Baltimore Conference, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, who was a native of Rockbridge county, Virginia. After serving five years as a faithful minister, he was waylaid by highwaymen in the mountains of West Virginia in 1912 and murdered by them. The children are:

Wesley Hammond Greene, a student at the Randolph-Macon Academy at Front Royal, Virginia;

Luther Ward Greene who is with his mother.

Lucy Abigail Hammond Menefee, of the third generation had children as follows:

Esta Menefee, who became the wife of Carter Braxton, a prominent lawyer of Staunton, Virginia, and presumably a descendant of Carter Braxton who was a signer of the Declaration of Independence. There is one daughter by this marriage, namely, Mary Braxton;

Jerome Menefee (dead) who married Lotta Stevens, of Ohio, and resides in Lynchburg, Virginia. The children are:

Lucy Menefee, Frank Menefee, and Jesse Menefee.

Thomas K. Menefee, junior (dead); married, and had some family.

Reeves Menefee (unmarried) who was long identified with the property interests of Staunton, but later ill health caused his retirement from active life.

Martha Jane Hammond Smith, of the third generation has descendants, as follows:
Blanch Willie Smith whose first marriage was to Edward Kidd of Bedford county, Virginia, to which union there were no children. Her second marriage was to Gaston Wilcox Gray, an airbrake inspector of the Norfolk and Western railroad; residence, Vinton, a municipal corporation adjoining that of Roanoke; issue, three:

Hugh Gray (dead).
Edythe Clyne Gray, High School student of Roanoke.
Evelyn Jane Gray, grammar school student of Vinton.

Nora Maud Smith who married John Robert Dooley, formerly of Blue Ridge Springs, now a resident of Vinton; locomotive machinist of Roanoke; issue of this marriage, five:

Howard Nicholas Dooley, railroad machinist, who married Lula Mae Neighbors, of Vinton; issue, Katherine Margaret Dooley, and Howard Nicholas Dooley, junior;
John Ralph Dooley, at school.
Clyde Hammond Dooley, at school.

Charles Richard Smith who is a hardware merchant of Cambria, Montgomery county, Virginia; married Sarah Mona, of Ashboro, North Carolina; no issue.

Thomas Hammond Smith (dead), railroad conductor, who resided in Raleigh, North Carolina; married Maud Gooding, of Wyoming, Delaware who now resides at her former home in the North, issue:

Thomas Francis Smith.
Harry Clay Smith, M.D., whose residence is Crew, Virginia. Here he married Elizabeth Jones, and has two children:

Elizabeth Hammond West Smith, in high school.
Henry Clay Smith, junior.

Mary Elizabeth Grace Smith who married George Ellis Null, the Superintendent of the Putnam organ factory, of Staunton, Virginia, issue of this marriage, ten:

George Henry Null, at school; Mandelinc Smith Null; Louise Hammond Null, John Ellis Null, William
Everett Null, Charles Richard Null (dead), Harry Edward Null, Paul Thomas Null (dead), Samuel Bailey Null (dead), and Rogers Null.

Emma Alice Smith who is a teacher in the schools of Roanoke.

Harry Watson Smith who is a farmer near the Blue Ridge Springs, Virginia; married Berta Spickard, of Webster, Virginia. The children are:

- Elsie Watson Smith and Carl Smith.

Emma J. Hammond Shumate (dead) the youngest child of John Hamman, of the second generation, was the mother of the following children:

1. Mary Shumate,
2. Louise Hammond Shumate and
3. Thomas Shumate who, doubtless, also have descendants.

XV.

FOURTH GENERATION, et al, Continued
(SECOND CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

Alzira Hamman, the only productive representative of this branch of the general ancestral series of the third generation, through her marriage to John McH. Kelly, became the mother of five children, as follows:

1. Fannie Fisher Kelly, so named for a nurse at Richmond, Virginia, who attended her brother, Van Buren, during his last illness due to wounds received in the Confederate service. She was born in 1863, and married in 1889, J. W. Dyer, of Charleston, West Virginia, where she and her husband now reside.

Four children were born to them, two of whom died in infancy; a son, Kelly Dyer, is now a private soldier stationed at Paris Island, South Carolina, and is twenty-one years of age; a daughter, Mary Louise Dyer, aged nineteen, resides with her parents in Charleston.

Margaret Price Kelly who married Charles K. Newlon, the latter dying in 1904; one daughter was born to this union, Leonora Newlon who married Pierce Chambers, the cashier of a bank at Lundale, Logan county, West Virginia.

Amma Kelly who died in infancy. 4

Leonidas Hamman Kelly, who resides at Sutton, Braxton county, West Virginia, where he was born in 1871. He graduated with distinction at the Washington and Lee University Law School, winning the one hundred dollar prize at that institution for highest proficiency in law. He first married Bertha Gorrell in 1896 who died in 1903; in 1907 he married Nellie Kiddy. To the first marriage were born two children:

Robert Gorrell Kelly who has had two years at college, and is a soldier located at Toul, France.

Janet, aged eighteen years, who is a student in Goucher's College, Baltimore; to the second marriage was born a daughter, Virginia Kelly, now eight years old.

Leonidas Hamman Kelly is United States Attorney of the Southern District of West Virginia, and is a lawyer of marked prominence and ability before the bar of his state. He is in the prime of life.

XVI

FOURTH GENERATION, et al, Concluded
(THIRD CO-ORDINATE BRANCH)

Mary Susan Hammond Cross, of the preceding generation, was the mother of four children, all of whom were born at Springwood, Botetourt county, Virginia, namely:

Charles Cross (unmarried) whose residence in later life was Center Valley, Kansas: a farmer by occupation who after years of invalidism died in 1906: interment in Andrew Chapel Cemetery, in the community of his birth.

James Cross (unmarried); residence in Kansas, and is a capitalist.

Leonidas Cross who also is a resident of Kansas, and a farmer of large means: married Josie Tolly and has no family.

Robert Hammond Cross who, is a railroad constructor, residence in Tennessee; married May Ayers of Kansas; issue unknown.
Georgianna Cross who married Charles Nelson, of Kentucky, and has a son Harry Nelson (unmarried).

The descendants of Colonel George W. Hammond are in part as follows:

William Scott Hammond who was a graduate of the Virginia Military Institute at Lexington, Virginia and a lawyer by profession: he married Susan Griffith, of Berryville, Clarke county, Virginia whose father was long the clerk of the county: residence White Sulphur Springs, Virginia, where he died in his early married life: issue, one child who died in infancy.

Frank Hammond who was a graduate of the same institution, and is a merchant of Charleston, West Virginia, with his family residence in Covington, Virginia; he was first married to Lydia McAllister, of Covington to whom was born one child which died in infancy; his second marriage took place to Martha Barnett who is related to the family connection of this name well known in Roanoke county: the issue of this marriage are Martha and Louise Hammond, both of whom are graduates of Greenbriar College, of the class of 1917; and Frank H. Hammond the only son.

Kate Hammond who died without marriage.

Mary Hammond who married — Parker, a traveling salesman, the latter now being dead. The children of this marriage cannot be reached in full. There was a daughter, Susan (Susie) Parker; married (husband dead); also Elliott Parker, and Catherine and George (twins).

The children of Sarah Jane Hammond Henderson are seven:

Mary Margaret Henderson (unmarried) whose home is with her sister Elizabeth H. McFerran, of Fincastle, Virginia.

Martha Virginia Henderson (dead) who married Christopher Lipes, dealer in general merchandise at Springwood, Botetourt county, Virginia; issue, four.

Mabel Clara Lipes who married Melvin Pullen, a mechanic of Eagle Rock, Virginia: issue, five;

Juanita Pullen, Louise Pullen, Fay Pullen (dead), Virginia Pullen (dead) and Jane Pullen who is a bookkeeper.

Eula Lipes who married Edwin Pullen (dead), an
electrician, of Clifton Forge, Virginia, and has a daughter, Violet Pullen.

Melvin Taylor Lipes who is a vocational miller, with residence in Smithfield, North Carolina; married Eliza­beth Smith, and has four children:

Mary Virginia Lipes, Daisy Lipes, Nancy Elizabeth Lipes, and Louise Lipes.

James Pinckney Henderson who owns and resides upon the original Hamman homestead; a man college-bred, and a model farmer and stockraiser; married Minnie Johnson Jones, a native of Craig county, Virginia, later a resident of Botetourt county; issue of this marriage, eight:

Nellie Louise Henderson who was educated at the Southern Seminary of Buena Vista, Virginia; married Julius Caesar Darden, M.D., formerly of Isle of Wight county, Virginia, but later a resident of Salem, Virginia, where he now enjoys a lucrative practice. During the World War Dr. Darden received the appointment under the government of surgeon in the United States Navy, for the period of the war; issue, two:

Nellie Louise Darden and Julius Darden, both of whom are at school.


Frank Ralph Henderson (unmarried) who is the manager of the Buchanan Drug Company, of Buchanan, Virginia.

James Irvin Henderson, recently a sergeant in the Lee military training camp, but now with a Lynchburg business concern.

Margaret Hybernia Henderson who is a professional nurse.

Earl Hammond Henderson (unmarried) who is his father's assistant on the farm.

The younger children of the family are William Hazael Henderson, and Everett (dead).

Louise Josephine Henderson (dead), the third daughter of this parentage, who married Allen Wilson Finch, a native of Powhatan county, Virginia, and has
long been a leading nurseryman of Roanoke, and a
man prominent in the political and business life of the
city; issue of this marriage are three:

Mary Wilson Finch, who married Frederick Hippey,
the superintendent of a locomotive super heater plant,
of Schenectady, New York; issue, one: Frederick Allen
Hippey.

Louise Josephine Finch who married George High-
tower, a pharmacist of Minden, Louisiana; issue, one:
a son George (dead).

James Ralph Finch, teller of the Citizens and Mar-
ine Bank, of Norfolk, Virginia, but now with the Amer-
ican Expeditionary Forces in France, where he has been
twice wounded.

Elizabeth Hybernia Henderson who married James
William McFerran, a successful farmer and general
business man of Fincastle, Virginia. This gentleman is
a kinsman of the great Methodist commoner the late
Rev. John B. McFerran, D.D., of Nashville, Tennessee;
issue, two:

Lieutenant Martin McFerran, former student of
Hampden Sidney College, of Virginia, but recently re-
turned from military service at Camp Lee where he
was a training officer, and is unmarried.

Sallie McFerran who is maturing into an attractive
young womanhood and is with her parents.

Sallie Henderson (dead) who was a graduate of the
Farmville Normal College of Virginia, and a young
lady of rare promise.

Emma Ralph Henderson (unmarried), who is the
youngest child of this family, and, as well, commendably
ambitious.

The descendants of Martha Ann Hammond by her
marriage to Robert J. Thrasher, her first husband, are:

Henry Hammond Thrasher who married Luella
Clark, daughter of David Brown, and Margaret Sarah
Hammond Price, of Newport, Giles county, Virginia,
and has already been enumerated with his wife in the
first co-ordinate branch of the fourth generation:

Fannie Lewis Thrasher (dead) who married Joel C.
Brewbaker, of Wheatland, Botetourt county, Virginia,
who is a miller, merchant and fruit and vegetable
canner; issue of this marriage, nine:
Henry Brewbaker, a garage proprietor of Buchanan, Botetourt county, Virginia, married Mary Elizabeth Obenshain, of Lauderdale, Botetourt county, Virginia; issue of this marriage, six:

Percy Thrasher Brewbaker, Ray Obenshain Brewbaker, Virginia Louise Brewbaker, Oscar Woodrow Brewbaker; also twin children (dead).

Robert Sidney Brewbaker who was manager of a moving picture theatre of Bedford city; married Nina, daughter of "Al" Myers, of Eagle Rock, Virginia: Robert died of influenza at Camp Mead, while in military training; issue, two: James Marten Brewbaker and Robert Sidney Brewbaker, junior.

Lee Preston Brewbaker, of New Orleans; traveling salesman; married Ailene Murray; issue, one: Elizabeth Lee Brewbaker.

Elsie Virginia Brewbaker who married Armand Preston Mundy, of Lauderdale, Botetourt county, Virginia, co-proprietor of an automobile garage in Buchanan, Virginia; issue of this marriage, four:

Frederick Brewbaker Mundy, Eva Lois Mundy, Elsie Virginia Mundy, and Cline Allen Mundy.

Carl Hammond Brewbaker who is shipping clerk with the Hix Palmer company, of Roanoke, Virginia (unmarried).

Lieutenant Jesse Windsor Brewbaker, formerly electrician with the Norfolk and Western railroad at Roanoke, Virginia, but later with the American Expeditionary Forces, and is unmarried.

Lena Allen Brewbaker who married James Johnson Robison, of Botetourt, Virginia; no issue.

Also two other children who are dead.

The descendants of Martha Ann Hammond by her second marriage are four:

Elizabeth Hickok who married John T. Allen, of Rockbridge county, Virginia, and later died; issue, one:

Virginia Allen, who married Warren Shank, the railroad station agent at Springwood, but now with the American Expeditionary Forces in France.

Mamie Hickok who married James T. Quick, of Fincastle, Virginia, whose occupation is farming; issue, eleven.
Mary Quick who married J. R. Brumfield, farmer; issue, one: J. R. Brumfield, junior.

The other children of this parentage are:
Frank Quick, Grace Quick, Annie Quick, Ruby Quick, Clara Quick, Gilbert Quick, Ashby Quick and Alma Quick. Other two are dead:

James William Hickok who is a mechanic and lives at the family homestead; his first marriage was to Josephine Hurt, of Wytheville, Virginia; issue, three:
Corinne Hickok who married Marshall Lipes, a farmer of Montrose, Colorado; issue, one: James Aubrey Lipes.

Harry Martin Hickok, of Fincastle, Virginia; occupation farming; married Myrtle Leffel, of the neighborhood; issue, two: Roy Graybill and Josephine May Hickok.

Clarence Hazael Hickok (unmarried).

The second marriage of James William Hickok took place to Nora Leffel, sister of Myrtle Leffel; no issue.

Joseph Houston Hickok who was a soldier in the Spanish-American war doing service in the Philippine Islands; married Pearl Henderson, of Rockbridge county, Virginia; resides on the Hickok homestead; issue, five:
Martin Hickok, Robert Hickok, Hammond Hickok, Lena Hickok and Lois Hickok.

The children of James Madison Hammond, of the third generation are three:
Mary Lewis Hammond, William Jones Hammond, and Henry Lewis Hammond, all of whom presumably are married and have descendants. The latest information gives Texas as their place of residence.
A CLOSING WORD

A careful perusal of these genealogies reveals among other considerations of family concern, the following outstanding facts of interest, namely, that, of the older generations, an unusually large number of our forebears have lived to an advanced age of life, which of itself gives token of its continuance through the generation yet to come. That is, the record discloses vital longevity as a family characteristic. Attention, indeed, centers on the eighty-third year of life, as a maximum possibility which may be reached, though in a few instances this high gauge has been materially exceeded.

A second observation is, that while we in the larger family aggregation have descended from ancestors of diverse ethnical elements, we, nevertheless, are thoroughly democratized and Americanized; insomuch that we are in strictest accord with the purest ideals of modern thought and civilization. The record shows further that, perhaps, no other aggregation of family units in the entire body politic have furnished a larger per capita of patriotic defenders of our country’s liberties; none, a larger quota to the diverse industrial and economic vocations which so essentially contribute to the maintenance of a mighty self-sustaining and self-governing nation; few, a larger number to the honorable and useful professions; few, a larger number of high school and college bred; none a larger number to the ministerial office of the christian religion; and none, more to a sober, substantial, and progressive citizenship.

But should these observations be construed by any, as evincing a predilection for the good, the excellencies of our fathers over those of our mothers, then I most heartily dissent. For the latter have had their virtues and their fidelity to the highest ends of service to man-kind most potently and affectionately voiced by the sure and altogether unsolicited testimony of their children. I quote from their letters without the knowledge, and without seeking the consent, of the authors: One has written, “I have long wanted to know more of my dear mother’s ancestors.” Another has said, “A most wonderful woman she was, and I venerate her memory more
with the passing of the days." And still another, "How through all those years (of childhood), I can trace her beautiful christian spirit of love, of patience, of tenderness, and of self-denial for her children, and for others." These are most gracious and appreciative words flowing from the hearts of their children—those who are most competent, and entitled to speak. How like precious ointment, it is, poured forth evidencing to us the incomparable character, and sublimity of motherly qualities of the womanhood from whom we have sprung.

All the members of the first and second generations are dead (see table on last page), and only three members of the third generation yet survive, two of whom belong to the first branch of the general family; the other, to the third family branch.

The fourth generation is now passing the dome of its efficiency, and like the contemporary generations of other family denominations everywhere, is the prime burden-bearer of the world's responsibilities at this time. While the fifth generation is completing its developmental stage, and, with all its youthful ambition and adornment, is standing at attention—ready, virile, self-confident, impulsive, idealistic: with the sixth generation, the last but not the least in very many ways, reposing quiescently, as yet, in the role of the cradle occupant. This leaves us then where we are today, but tomorrow will find us a day further along on the terrestrial highway to a yet nobler future. Let us, therefore, meet with characteristic decision and perseverance the exigencies of this incomparable hour.

Subjoined there is presented a statistical table of the growth by births of the general family from the first Virginia progenitor, according to generations and by family branches.
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