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QUAKER FAMILY RECORDS

by Alexander Brown

The book contains manuscript notes and maps on the genealogy of the following Lynchburg families: Anthony, Clark, Lynch, Moorman, and Terrell.

ALEXANDER BROWN (1843-1906)

Alexander Brown was born at "Glenmore" in Nelson County, VA, on 5 September 1843. He was the son of Robert Lawrence & Sarah Cabell Callaway. His mother died on 25 July 1849, leaving three children. Robert Brown remarried in 1853, to Margaret Baldwin Cabell. Their union produced eight more children. The Browns moved to Lynchburg in 1860, where they ran "The Lynchburg Female Seminary" for some years. During that year, Alexander attended "Old" Lynchburg College.

Alexander was reared by his grandmother, Mary Elizabeth Cabell Callaway. He was educated by private tutors, as a youngster, but attended the school of Horace W. Jones from 1856-1860, at which time he entered "Old" Lynchburg College. He enlisted in the army of the CSA; he was wounded in a powder-boat explosion at Fort Fisher, NC, in 1864 which rendered him nearly deaf.

After the war, he was a salesman in Washington, DC, but due to his deafness he returned to Nelson County and took up farming. During these years he devoted most of his time to historical research and writing about Virginia's early period. Among his writings were New Views of Early Virginia History (1886) and The Genesis of the United States (1890). He also wrote The Cabells and their Kin (1895).

On 27 December 1873, he married Caroline Augusta Cabell. She died in 1876, and Brown married Sarah Randolph Cabell. Both were daughters of Mayo and Caroline Anthony Cabell. His death came on 25 August 1906.

SOURCES: Brown, Alexander. *The Cabells and their Kin*. Richmond, VA: Garrett & Massie, Inc., 1939; Wertenbaker, Thomas J. *Dictionary of American Biography*, Vol. III (New York: Scribner's & Sons, 1929), p. 103.