

QUARLES

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## ARMS

OR A FESSE DANCETTE ERMINES  
BETWEEN THREE EAGLES  
CLOSE VERT.

## CREST

OUT OF A DUCAL CORONET OR  
A DEMI-EAGLE DISPLAYED  
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## TO THE READER

You will find Roman numerals at top of page to indicate generations of Quarles beginning with Richard Quarles as number one. The head of each generation is in Capital letters. Having found any name in index refer to page for that individual. His parents will appear in preceding generation and his children in following generaton.





## FOREWORD

The command to "honor thy father and thy mother" carries no implication that you are not to honor their fathers and their mothers, as far as may be possible and to the extent that they may be worthy of honor. The basis of that honor must be a fair degree of acquaintance with their lives and characters.

In the estimation of the intelligent, genealogy is now considered a worthy branch of exact science. The careless indifference of the past is giving way to a commendable desire to know who were our ancestors and what part they played in the history of the past, such knowledge being at once a stabilizer of character and an incentive to higher accomplishments. It is no longer considered snobbish to be able to furnish an ancestral record enabling one to join a patriotic society.

With this estimate of the value of an honorable genealogical line an attempt was made to secure co-operation of a sufficient number of Quarles descendants to justify the publication of a general history of the various branches of the family in America. Lack of interest and physical conditions operated to prevent this and a somewhat abbreviated line of Roger-Richard-James Quarles and some collaterals is the result.

A great mass of data has been acquired by much labor and persistent effort, which the author and those who assisted him hope may some day be published in suitable form for use of future generations. No one can safely undertake such a work without co-operation of those who should be interested and it is safe to presume that no one knowing the difficulties of such an enterprise will undertake it without some assurances.

With a deep appreciation of the aid and encouragement of many I am submitting this without apology.

JOHN O. BLAKENEY.

## QUARLES IN ENGLAND

Everyone who has undertaken to write the history of families must have been impressed with the promptness with which oblivion begins to scatter its dust on the memory of men departed. No matter how much a man may have contributed to the well-being of his fellows, nor what distinction of service, he has scarcely departed until much of that service is forgotten and human activity closes the almost imperceptible gap made by his departure.

The Quarles family has been no exception to the rule, for we find in scattered fragments mention of members of the family having honorable connection and filling positions that force the conclusion that they were worthy of more than a passing notice.

The name Quarles is of ancient origin and so little is authoritatively known of its origin that several possible sources have been suggested.

An old English authority gives "Quarles local of Quarles an extra parochial district in the hundred of North Greenhoe, County Norfolk, lower." "Richard Quarles, husbandman, settled in Beverly, County York. Rumford in Essex is the original home of the family." Another gives a Gaelic origin, deriving the name from an old Irish verb meaning "to love."

According to other authors it came to England from Normandy at or just prior to the Conquest, when the family settled in Norfolk, where some distinction was attained and property acquired by representatives of the family. Some branches claim Wales as original British home. Suffice it to say that the family has continued practically without variation in the name for a period of more than 800 years and is found in many states on this continent spelled and pronounced as by the European forbears.

While there is mention of the name in various parts of the Empire and in Holland, Ufford in County Suffolk seems to have

been place of residence of a very prominent branch of the family. George, who came from Norfolk, Gent, 1529, was father of George, auditor to King Henry VIII. The senior George also had a daughter, Margery, who married Sir Robert Wingfield, of Alford and Upton, who was a direct descendant of William the Conqueror.

From the epitaph on a monument in the church at Ufford we learn that George Quarles' wife was Katherine Chaworthe. The full text of the epitaph is interesting for its historic account as well as its quaint style. It reads:

*Here lyeth buried the body of Dame Bridgett, Lady Carre, widowe, Daughter of Sr John Chaworthe of Wiverton in the County of Nottingham, Knight, late wife to Sr. Wm. Carre of Sleforde, in the County of Lincoln, Knight. Who served the late Queene Elizabeth, of most famous memory, being one of the gentlewomen of her Majesties Privye Chamber for the space of five and twenty years, and afterwards served the Most renowned Queene Anne, wife to our most gracious Sovereign Kinge James for the space of fourteen years: being the residue of her life, and dyed the 18 day of April, being the age of 79 yeares. The which said Lady Carre out of her love to her deare sister Katherine, wife of George Quarles of this town of Ufforde, Esquire, hath caused her body to be here interred. 1621.*

Their son, Francis Quarles, was progenitor of a very large and influential branch of the family. His first wife, Cysley Crukhous, bore five sons and a daughter. His second wife, Bridgett Brampton, was mother of six sons and three daughters. The first son of the latter was James of Rumford, who married Joanna, daughter of Edward Dalton, mother of the poet, Francis, Sir Robert, Kt., Arthur, James, Mary, Priscilla and Martha Quarles. Joanna died 1606.

James Quarles, Gent, proprietor of Stewarts, was possessed of considerable land in County Essex, was clerk of the green

cloth and purveyor of Navy to last sovereign of the Tudor family. His fortune and close connection with the government of Queen Elizabeth made him a person of note in his time. Another son of George and Katherine was John of London, Gent and draper, whose first wife was Alice, daughter of Thomas Tulley, had seventeen children; second wife, Dorothea, daughter of Walter Paule, who had six children and died in 1570; third wife, Agnes Greenway, died 1588.

"Quarles, John, draper, son of John Quarles of London, Gent. and draper, who married three wives and was the father of twenty-three children. He was probably of the same family as Francis Quarles, the poet, who was the father of eighteen children."—Genesis of U. S., Vol. 2, 975. Alexander Brown, author of the work just referred to, speaks of John Quarles, member of Virginia Company, 1609, (the first popular company) as having nine sons, two of whom came to the Virginia Colony and one, William, to Massachusetts. Senator Joseph Very Quarles of Wisconsin claimed to be descended from the latter.

Hon. Julian M. Quarles of Staunton, Va., is confident from the research of Mr. Brown that John Quarles of the London Company is progenitor of the Quarles who came to Virginia prior to the Revolution, and that John and Francis are of the same stock. He knew Alexander Brown of Nelson county, author of "The Genesis of the United States," who went to England for historical data and there learned much about the early families of America, and was well posted about the Quarles in Virginia and England and at one time thought of writing a history of the family, for which he gathered much data.

When in Congress he met Senator Quarles of Wisconsin, who told him that the account of Mr. Brown agreed with his family tradition; that he (the senator) was descended from the Massachusetts immigrant. While traveling abroad he visited England and from investigation there was satisfied that all the Quarles of England were descended from the Quarles family which crossed from Normandy about the time of the Conquest.

He found that James Quarles, father of Francis, claimed that the family crossed from Normandy prior to the Conquest, which was in 1066.

A sketch of Francis Quarles (1592-1644), English poet, in the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, says: "His father, James Quarles, had several places under Queen Elizabeth and traced his ancestry to a family settled in England before the Conquest.

He was cup-bearer to the Princess Elizabeth, Electress Palatine, in 1613, remaining abroad some years; and, before 1629, was appointed secretary to Usher, primate of Ireland. In 1639 he was made London city chronologer, a post in which Ben Jonson and Thomas Middleton had preceded him. At the outbreak of the Civil War he took the Royalist side, drawing up three pamphlets, in 1644, in support of the king's cause. It is said his house was searched and his papers destroyed by the Parliamentarians in consequence of these publications. One of his sons, John (1624-1665), was said to have been banished to Flanders for his activity in support of the crown.

He died on the 8th of September, in 1644. A list of his literary productions contains many Bible books and characters.

The poet's widow, Ursula, relates that he was descended from an ancient family and suggests that had he been so inclined her husband might have obtained considerable preferment at court, but his tastes were in the opposite direction. He was an ardent protestant, member of the Anglican Church and for a time secretary to Usher, Archbishop of Armagh. It was said by his widow that "he preferred God and religion to the first place in his thoughts; his king and country to the second; his family and studies he reserved to the last."

Upon the death of Sir Robert Quarles, in 1642, he availed himself of the opportunity of discoursing upon the antiquity of his family as well as the virtues of his kinsman.

## THE QUARLES

(By Edward Rutledge Quarles)

"The Quarles family is one of very ancient British origin and family tradition assigns it to Wales, though the first historic mention of the name, which I have encountered—that of Peter Quarles—surnamed the "Hermit"—ascribes him to one of the middle shires of England. This Peter Quarles is credited with having been very active in preaching the Crusades against the unbelieving Saracens. I have failed to discover that he personally partook in that strenuous series of events with any more dangerous weapon than a very potent and valorous tongue.

The name of Quarles is said to have been derived from the Norman-French word "quarl," a cross-bow bolt. Whether this symbolic title was given to our first ancestor of the name because of the speed with which he rushed into battle or the celerity with which he got out must be left to the vanity or humility—as the case may be—of his present remote descendants. There is a small river in Scotland called the "Quarl," which may have had something to do with the origin of the name.

During the Tudor period in England there were several Quarlses who bore the title "Sir"—Robert and John among them—and were either baronets or knights.

In the publications of the Bodleian Society, which I examined in the National Library in Washington, there is a short sketch of the family and six coats-of-arms are given, or rather six variants of the same coat-of-arms, and they are spoken of as "an ancient and gentle family of Nottinghamshire."

During the reign of Henry VIII or of Elizabeth (of the Tudor house) an estate (Stewarts), in Essex, belonging to the crown, was granted to one of the Quarles family. This estate is probably incorporated now in the City of London.

In the last decade of the sixteenth century, probably 1592, or thereabouts, Francis Quarles, the poet, was born at "Stewarts" which he inherited from his father.

This Francis Quarles held several minor positions at the court of Charles I., one of which was that of "Cup-bearer" to one of the Princesses, and at one time he was secretary to Archbishop Usher. He was a "fellow" of Oxford or Cambridge, and appears to have been of a gentle, scholarly temperament, much given to writing rather stilted poems of a deeply religious flavor, full of moral apothegms, which probably distinguished him in that age by contrast to the prevailing spirit of levity.

He was contemporaneous with Sir Richard Lovelace, Sir John Suckling and many other charming and debonair literateurs. He was known as the "most religious of the Cavaliers," but despite that fact he did not escape the ban of Cromwell and his estate of "Stewarts" was confiscated, as well as everything else, and he died in poverty and was buried at St. Veda's Church in London\*.

Francis Quarles had a large family of sons, one of whom married the daughter of a Dutch Burgomaster of Utrecht, whom he chanced to meet at a state ball, given in one of the Dutch cities, in honor of an English embassy, passing through Holland, which was convoying the English Princess Adelaide to her Dutch spouse, whom she had married by proxy in London. This young Quarles is said to have been one of the young gallants of the English court who formed part of the entourage of the Princess, and it is only reasonably generous to imagine him gallant and handsome, as he captivated the blond and buxom daughter of the Burgomaster, the Fraulein Uffert, and what is more, he married her, suffixing her name to his and the present family living at The Hague, Holland, the "Quarles-van-Ufferts," are his lineal descendants.

Some years ago, Mrs. William B. Bate, wife of Senator Bate of Tennessee, while traveling through Holland with her

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\* The poet's biographer shows to the contrary, that he held an honorable and lucrative position, that of Chronologer of the city of London, to the date of his death.

daughter, met an old Dutch gentleman, who was, I think, Chamberlain to Queen Wilhelmina's mother, then Queen Regent, and bore a striking resemblance to Gen. W. A. Quarles of Clarksville, Tenn., a friend of the Bate family. This old gentleman was a Quarles-van-Uffert, and later he and Gen. Quarles carried on quite a correspondence, exchanging family history, etc., and coats-of-arms, which were practically the same.

Senator Roger Quarles Mills of Texas, also met in Buffalo, New York, a distinguished young Hollander touring the United States, who said he had a history of the Quarles family at home, running back a thousand years. His name was Quarles-van-Quarles, which is rather more than I could stand.

I have encountered the name of a Rev. Mr. Quarles, an English antiquary and clergyman, connected with one of the English Universities, so it appears the name is not extinct in England. I cannot recall his name or address. So much for the family abroad.

Roger Quarles, who was probably a son of Francis Quarles, came out to Virginia during the reign of Charles II or James II and settled near Williamsburg, James City County, and from him all the Quarlses who know anything about their history, claim descent. There was a grant of land made in that county, during the reign of Queen Anne, to "one John Quarles, Gent.," to quote the phrase of the deed, and later one of the family removed to the comparatively new county of Amelia, on the Appomattox, about fifty miles south of Richmond, and from this branch of the family I am descended. My grandfather, James Quarles, was born on the family estate, "Stony Point," on the Appomattox, about 1760, and when about eighteen years of age ran away and joined the American army, probably under Gen. Daniel Morgan, as it is a matter of record that he served under Gen. Francis Marion, with whom Morgan co-operated, during the whole period of the Revolution. After the war he returned to Virginia, walking all the way, as father often told me, picking peas "at a shilling a day" to pay his way home. Later



he returned to South Carolina, with at least two of his brothers, David and Samuel, and married Sarah Belcher and lived and died at "Liberty Hill," Edgefield county, about the year 1812.

Gen. William Anderson Quarles, who recently died in Clarksville, Tenn., was born in Louisa County, Va., and was educated at the University of Virginia. He was a distinguished lawyer and commanded a brigade of Kentucky and Tennessee troops in the Confederate army, and was badly wounded at the battle of Franklin and other bloody fights. He was a courtly old gentleman, black-eyed and short and stout, but quite handsome, and was married three times, first to Miss Poindexter of Virginia, his cousin, secondly to Miss Alice Vivian, a noted beauty of Alabama, and lastly to another cousin, Mrs. Barker, nee Meriwether, the last surviving him and living at Clarksville, Tenn.

Judge James Minor Quarles of Nashville, Tenn., at the time of his death, was a brilliant lawyer and noted writer on jurisprudence and an eloquent orator. He was a member of Congress, 1858-9, and served in the Confederate Congress during the war. He was a more intellectual man than his brother, Gen. Quarles, and quite unlike him physically, being florid and blue-eyed and resembling my father strikingly. He was married once and left a large family. His mother was Miss Poindexter of Virginia.

There is a fine portrait of the grandfather of General and Judge Quarles, "fighting Jack Quarles," painted on a panel of cedar wood by some pre-Revolutionary artist. It represents a clean-shaven, handsome man of middle age. "Squire Jack Quarles," as he was called, was a friend of William Wirt and other Virginia notables of his day. He was probably first cousin to my grandfather, James Quarles, and his county, Louisa, is quite near Amelia, where my family lived. There are many of his descendants in Kentucky and Virginia.

Besides, there are many ramifications of the Quarles family in every state in the South and several isolated groups in other

states and territories, as well, but all claiming descent (when knowing anything about their origin) from Roger Quarles.

On the whole, the Quarleses are a very respectable, well educated, well bred group of individuals, most of them at least, and some of them have been distinguished. They have taken part in every war this country has ever known since its colonization.

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NOTE—The foregoing sketch was written by Edward R. Quarles, son of Dr. James Williamson Quarles of Minden, Louisiana; born September 10, 1854, died about 1914. He traveled extensively, and taking a deep interest in history and tradition of the family, always called when in the vicinity of a Quarles family.

While his statements are, in the main, corroborated, it will be found by the best tradition, supported by the scanty records extant, that Richard, John and James Quarles came to Virginia before the middle of the seventeenth century. It is said that James, not liking there, returned to England. They are believed to have been sons of John Quarles of the re-organized London Company.

There are several Roger Quarles the first few generations, so it might truly be said almost every branch of the family could trace to Roger. The date of the first Roger is not definitely known, but tradition credits him with having been an officer in the British army who obtained a grant from the crown and built Woodbury in King William county, in 1731. There is a possibility he was son of Richard or John, who antedated him in the colony by a generation or more.

## QUARLES IN AMERICA

Little authentic data has been found of the earlier Quarles settlers. They were evidently of a quiet, industrious disposition and were busy with the responsibility of establishing homes in the new world rather than making a record for posterity. The mention of each of the early settlers has to do with purely business transactions—no official or political reference being found until after 1700.

The destruction of most of the county and church records in the early settled portions of Virginia has largely contributed to the difficulties of securing definite data and we are forced to rely on items that escaped by chance those losses.

Some years ago one, Ralph Quarles, a Texas farmer, is said to have had a complete family tree which he took to Dr. James Williamson Quarles at Minden, La., and had him place his family on it. Ralph died and his widow married Malcolm Quarles, a cousin of Ralph's, at Elkhart, Texas. None of the family know of the disposition of the tree. Ralph is thought to have been a son of Peter Quarles of Halifax county, N. C.

"QUARLES. This is an old family in Virginia, but its origin appears to be somewhat obscure. There are frequent references to the name in the records of the last century, but so far the name of the emigrant has not developed. Several of the name were in the Revolutionary War. James Quarles was paymaster and was most probably the father of Tunstall Quarles, or sometimes known as Col. John Tunstall Quarles, who married Susannah Edwards and who was born in King Williams County prior to 1760. How he received his title is not known.

"James Quarles and Capt. Henry Quarles received grants for military service and Tunstall came into possession of some of these lands.

"Roger Quarles Mills of Texas and William Lyne Wilson of West Virginia, the fathers of the Mills and Wilson tariff bills,

are both connected with the families in this record.”—“Old King William Homes and Families,” Peyton Neale Clarke, 1897.

The earliest mention of a Quarles in Virginia is that of Ellen Quarles, who was at Upper Norfolk, in 1638. She was probably sister of Richard, who is noted at the same place in 1639 and at Charles City in 1640. This Richard was probably the progenitor of most of the early members of the family. Doubtless one or more of his sons have been supposed by their descendants to have been original emigrants. It seems he had a son, John, who was prominent in the affairs of this section, buying and selling much land and probably proprietor of the Quarles Landing and warehouse, from which much of the business of the lower part of King William county was transacted. A part of the colonial navy seems to have been equipped there during the revolution.

This John had a quit rent in 1704 and probably came to the new county of King William about the time it was organized (1702) as he appears an appraiser there in 1703, and in 1706 was Justice of Peace and Sheriff. He was the John who, in 1729, was vestryman in St. John's Parish, King William County. For several years he was frequently mentioned in the records of his own county and conducted land transactions in other counties. It is reasonably certain that he had four sons, namely: William, John, James and Roger—the latter having gone to Albemarle county and either by removal or readjustment of the county lines became a resident of Caroline county, where he died about 1751.

Roger Quarles was born about 1695; will proved April 12, 1751, in Caroline county by his wife Jane and son, John, executors\* He had sons, Roger and William, in Orange county and John and Richard of Caroline county. The latter sold, in 1763, four hundred acres of land which his father owned on Priddy's Creek (Wood's History of Albemarle County, 299). In the same year William of Orange county sold his interest in the same tract of land.

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\* Va. Hist. Mag., XX 205.

# I

RICHARD QUARLES, son of Roger Quarles, who is mentioned as selling in 1763 his father's 400 acres on Priddy Creek (born about 1736) at about 1774, moved to Amelia county, Virginia, having married Frances Powell about 1757. Her brother, John Powell, deeded her land in Amelia county, 1784, which she deeded to her husband and about that time the family moved to Edgefield county, S. C., prior to the Virginia census of 1782. His name does not appear in the enumeration of that year. His will, dated March 11, 1796, probated at January term, 1797, Edgefield (S. C.) Probate Court, does not mention his wife, Frances Powell, who must have died prior to that date. The children are named in the will in following order, and from known dates of some approximate dates are given others:

1. John, 1758 (d. s. p.).
2. James, 1760; married, 1791, Sarah, daughter of Robert and Susannah Belcher. (See "Belchers.")
3. Richard Jr., 1762; married Sally, daughter of Capt. Hugh Middleton.
4. William, 1764; married Nancy Gardner, died Dec., 1821.
5. David, 1774; married Olivia, daughter of Evan and Olive Morgan; died, 1807.
6. Mary, 1766; married Thomas Burnett; six children.
7. Nancy, 1768; married Mock.
8. Elizabeth, 1770; no data.

James, William and David are named as executors in will.

Edward R. Quarles wrote sketch in which he says: "My ancestor, James, with at least two of his brothers, *David* and *Samuel*, returned to South Carolina, married Sarah Belcher, etc." No Samuel is mentioned in his father's will and he may have died prior to writing the will.

James and Samuel Quarles were listed as privates in Capt. John Hennington's company, Col. Wm. Thomas' 3d S. C. regiment in the revolution, but no further evidence has been found that they were brothers.

## II

SAMUEL QUARLES, who was in Capt. Hennington's company in the revolution, appears from certain records to have married Susannah, daughter of William Thurmond, and to have been a merchant at Liberty Hill, in Edgefield county. In a deed of gift to his wife he specified that at her death the title should revert to their children, Susannah, Patsy (Martha), Betsy (Elizabeth) and Joanna.

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JAMES QUARLES and Sarah Belcher, m. 1791. Issue:

1. Susannah, b. 1792; m. (1) Lyon, (2) Longmire, d. s. p.
  2. Richard Powers, 1803-Oct. 11, 1850; m. Dec. 18, 1834, Agnes White Perrin.
  3. Robert Gilliam, Aug. 16, 1805-Aug. 17, 1843; m. Nov. 25, 1828, Mary Elizabeth, dau. of George and Mary Robertson (Jan. 3, 1811-Jan. 11, 1851).
  4. James Williamson, b. Aug. 4, 1807; m. April, 1838, Eliza Williams Cleveland (1823).
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James Quarles was born at the Amelia county home at Stony Point on the Appomattox river, about fifty miles south of Richmond, Va. When about sixteen years of age he ran away from home and joined the revolutionists in Capt. John Hennington's company, Col. Wm. Thomas' 3d Regiment of South Carolina troops. After the war he returned to his Virginia home and probably it was through his influence that his father was induced to migrate to South Carolina. His enlistment was dated March 17, 1777, and his discharge February 20, 1780, as per records of War Department. In January, 1785, he entered

## II

640 acres in the Camden District at Liberty Hill in Edgefield county, where he made his home. Here he proceeded to establish himself as a single man, owning slaves at the time of the 1790 census. His widow, Sarah Belcher Quarles, married Littleton A. Brooks, about 1820, to whom was born one daughter, Jane (1821-1855), married George W. Sullivan Sr.

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RICHARD QUARLES JR. (1762-1818) and Sarah Middleton.

Issue:

John Oscar, m. Anna Sheppard.  
Delphia.  
Martha.  
Elizabeth.

m. (2) ..... Issue:

Mary Findley.  
Sarah, m. James L. Talbott.

m. (3) Lucy Williams. Issue:

William Y.  
Julia A. m. Samuel Perrin, 1862.  
Frances A. m. Samuel Perrin, 1875.  
Hugh Middleton, m. Mary Ann Yeldell.  
James Richard, d. s. p., Kansas, July, 1862.

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WILLIAM QUARLES, 1764-1821; m. Nancy Gardner (1770-1848). Issue:

1. David, 1806-1825.
2. Samuel, 1802-1848; m. 1825, Susannah, daut. Wm. and Elizabeth Thurmond.
3. Starling, 1796-1852; m. Mary Ann Gardner.
4. William; m. Sarah (Gardner?).
5. Frances, m. Hilliary Collier.
6. Louisa, m. Lanham.
7. Mary Ann, m. George Boswell.
8. Elizabeth, m. Sampson Butler.

## II

DAVID QUARLES, 1774-1807, and Olivia, daught. of Evan and Olivia Morgan: Issue:

1. Dr. Moses Quarles, m. Caroline Mims.
  2. William Quarles, m. (1) Lucy Sullivan; Oct. 17, 1836, m. (2) Eliza Sullivan.
  3. Samuel Quarles.
  4. Martha, m. Kirby.
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MARY QUARLES, m. Thomas Burnett. Issue:

1. Thomas, Jr.
2. Jeremiah.
3. William, who was in the War of 1812.
4. Elizabeth, m. James Day.
5. Keziah, m. John Mills.
6. Nancy, m. Harmon Boseman.



### III

RICHARD POWERS QUARLES and Agnes White Perrin,  
m. 1834: Issue:

1. Sarah Belcher, Feb. 7, 1836; m. Dec. 21, 1852, George Galphin, he d. April 6, 1882.
  2. Thomas Perrin, Nov. 17, 1841-Nov. 24, 1924; m. Nov. 7, 1869, Mary Thomson McDonald (d. Nov. 9, 1911), dau. Thomas Thomson.
  3. Susan, Jan. 1, 1844; m. June 6, 1866, J. H. Walker.
  4. Mary Elizabeth, June 22, 1848; m. Nov. 25, 1869, W. D. Sullivan.
  5. Richard Perrin, Sept. 22, 1850; m. Aug. 24, 1883, Lula Neville, d. s. p.  
Eunice Childs, m. Lew Cogburn. James William, Jan. 27, 1840, m. (1) Dec. 1867. Dolly Coleman (2) 1886. Mrs. Cartledge.
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ROBERT GILLIAM QUARLES and Mary Elizabeth Robertson, m. 1828. Issue:

1. James Jones, Feb. 8, 1830-Sept. 2, 1863; m. Dec. 23, 1851, Sarah E. Buford (July 4, 1830-April 10, 1909).
2. Mary Elizabeth, Oct. 8, 1831-Oct. 7, 1895 (Oklahoma City); m. Oct. 1, 1851, Benjamin Blakeney of Choctaw county, Alabama. (See Blakeney History.)
3. George Robertson, Nov. 5, 1833-April 9, 1864; m. Sept. 23, 1858, Carolyn P., dau. James and Mazoura Ann (Williamson) Lowry, Washington, Ark.
4. John Hancock, June 23, 1835-1863; in Confederate army, buried at Tunnell Hill, Ga.; unmarried.
5. Sarah, Jan. 27, 1838-Jan. 17, 1867, Des Arc, Ark.; unm.
6. Robert Henry, July 11, 1841-May 25, 1859, in surgical operation, New Orleans, La.; unmarried.

### III

Col. Robert G. Quarles was educated at South Carolina College, Columbia, S. C., graduating in 1828, and admitted to practice law by the Supreme Court of the State, 1828. When he moved to Greene county, Alabama, engaging in practice of law and editing a newspaper. He was lay reader in the Presbyterian church at Mesopotamia; was admitted to membership in the church at Eutaw, 1838; dismissed in 1841, when he moved to Montrose, Jasper county, Miss. His children were educated in the academy founded and conducted by Rev. John N. Waddell, his brother-in-law, at Montrose, until he accepted a professorship in the University of Mississippi, at Oxford. They then went to the University and finished there. Col. Quarles died while on a visit to his brother, Dr. Quarles, at Minden, La., and was buried there.

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JAMES WILLIAMSON QUARLES and Eliza Williams  
Cleveland; m. 1838. Issue:

1. George McDuffey, Jan. 20, 1839.
2. Sarah Eliza Quarles, Dec. 19, 1841.
3. Caroline Thompson Quarles, Jan. 10, 1843.
4. William L. Quarles, Nov. 29, 1844.
5. Richard Wilde Quarles, 1846.
6. Robert Gilliam Quarles, 1848; d. infancy.
7. Mary Susan Quarles, Oct. 13, 1850; m. Wallace Kerr, San Antonio, Tex.
8. Fannie Hamilton Quarles, Oct. 3, 1852.
9. Edward Rutledge Quarles, Sept. 10, 1854; d. s. p. about 1915.
10. Emma Lucy Quarles, July 25, 1856.
11. Annie Laurie Quarles, 1858.
12. Lizzie Virginia Quarles, 1860.
13. Hugh Cleveland Quarles, April 12, 1862.
14. Mackie Means Quarles, Sept. 16, 1865.
15. John Esten Quarles, Nov. 29, 1868-Sept. 13, 1920; m. June 3, 1900, Elizabeth, dau. Rev. C. C. Wertenbaker of Charlottesville, Va. She resides in New Orleans, La.

## IV

SARAH BELCHER QUARLES and George Galphin; m. Dec. 21, 1852. Issue:

1. Thomas Milledge, April 25, 1855; m. Nov. 25, 1855, Elizabeth Rickenbacker.
2. Richard Perrin, Mar. 4, 1857-May 7, 1913; m. Oct. 24, 1891, Lillian Wells.
3. Henry Perrin, May 21, 1859; m. Nov. 13, 1883, Mary J. McSwain.

Byron Foster, m. Lolah Camp. Annie, m. Noah Griffin.  
Agnes m.

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EUNICE CHILDS QUARLES m. Lew Cogburn, Issue:

1. Agnes
  2. Sarah
  3. Mary
  4. Benjamin
  5. Lew
  6. Clifford
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THOMAS PERRIN QUARLES and Mary Thomson McDonald; m. Nov. 7, 1869. Issue:

1. Elizabeth, Oct. 17, 1870-May 3, 1897; m. Nov. 4, 1890, S. Jenner Link.
2. Agnes Perrin, Mar. 14, 1872; m. Nov. 4, 1896, H. Frank McGee.
3. Thomas Thomson, Mar. 13, 1873; m. May 22, 1898, Frances Coleman, of Eutaw, Ala.
4. James Perrin, April 13, 1877; m. Nov. 24, 1909, Ann Gilleylan.
5. Jane I., May 13, 1889; m. April 25, 1900, R. L. Dargan.

## IV

SUSAN BARNES QUARLES m. James H. Walker, June 7, 1866  
Issue:

1. Lizzie Catheran d. s. p.
  2. John Marshall m. Pearl Wells, their daught. Ella Dee Walker m. Luke Hunt and have Virginia Sue.
  3. James Henry m. Gertrude Jack, their daught. Helen m. Otis Bailey, they have Constance and Helen Elizabeth.
  4. Lewis Perrin m. Mamie Terese Bates who have Lewis Perrin, Jr. and Mary Jane.
  5. Mary Agnes
  6. Willie Lamar m. Eugene C. Wiggins.
  7. Susan Quarles, May 11, 1890. m. Rex P. Huffman (d. 1921.)
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MARY ELIZABETH QUARLES m. W. D. Sullivan, Issue:

1. Agnes m. Cospar West, they have Cospar, Mary, Marion.
  2. William m.
  3. Margie m. Algernon Culberson, have Algernon, Jr., Dunkling, Margie.
  4. Richard Sullivan.
  5. Niza m. W. A. McKelvey, have Billy.
  6. Thomas Quarles, m. Helen Russey, have Ann R., Thomas, Mary Elizabeth, John.
  7. Milton m.
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JAMES WILLIAM QUARLES, m. 1867 Dolly Coleman, Issue:

1. Ella
2. Thomas
3. Bessie
4. Agnes.

## IV

JAMES JONES QUARLES and Sarah Eunice Buford;  
m. 1851. Issue:

1. Robert Warren, July 18, 1853, LaFayette county, Miss.  
m. Oct. 31, 1888, Minnie Hynes (1862).
2. Francis, July 15, 1855-Oct. 31, 1882; unmarried.
2. Francis, July 15, 1855-Oct. 31, 1882; unmarried.
3. Elizabeth Grace, May 5, 1857, Des Arc, Ark.
4. James Jones Jr., May 5, 1862, LaFayette county, Miss.  
m. (1) Nov. 6, 1884, Jimmie Orr (1863-1902).  
m. (2) Ella Todd Garret (1873).

James Jones Quarles graduated in first class of graduates from the University of Mississippi (1851), with first honor, and his diploma was No. 1. He enlisted in C. S. A., 1862, was with Gen. Braggs campaigns and died in hospital at Atlanta, Sept., 1863.

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MARY ELIZABETH QUARLES and Benjamin Blakeney;  
m. Oct. 1, 1851: Issue:

1. John Oscar, Jasper county, Miss., July 18, 1852;  
m. 1889, Annie, dau. of James M. and Sophia E. Moose,  
Morrilton, Ark.
2. Martha Waddell, Des Arc., Ark., Aug. 7, 1859-Mar., 1918;  
m. 1898, Rev. J. M. Gross, D. D., minister and college  
president. Martha college graduate and teacher;  
d. s. p., Miama, Fla.
3. Robert Quarles, Gilmer, Tex., Oct. 19, 1864; m. (1) May  
Trieves (d. May 1, 1913); m. (2) Jan. 13, 1927, Mrs.  
Permelia B. Wynne, Oklahoma City.

## IV

4. Benjamin Burke, Des Arc, Ark., May 2, 1869; m. (1) Evelyn Simpson; (2) Lena Mara Whittaker (Aug. 6, 1880). Attorney in Oklahoma.
5. May (twin sister of Benjamin B.), (May 2, 1869-May, 1895); unmarried. Received musical education in Stuttgart, Germany, and taught piano in colleges of Arkansas and Texas.

Mary E. (Quarles) Blakeney was born at Eutaw, Ala. Attended Dr. John N. Waddell's Academy at Montrose, Mississippi, and University of Mississippi. She was an inveterate reader and had a wide scope of information, but her chief delight was her family.

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GEORGE ROBERTSON QUARLES and Carolyn Lowry, m. 1858. Issue:

1. William Henry, Aug., 1859-April, 1905; unmarried, St. Louis, Mo.
2. Annie Lowry (Mar. 3, 1861-Dec. 23, 1924), New York City; m. Jan. 15, 1878, Robert E. Snow; d. s. p.
3. George Robertson II., Dec. 27, 1862-Feb. 2, 1925, Springfield, Ill.; m. June 5, 1893, Lillie Daisy Middleton (Dec. 21, 1871).

George Robertson Quarles was a planter on White River, Arkansas; entered the Confederate Army; 1st Lieut and Adj., 36th Ark. Inf., Nov. 23, 1862; Capt. and Asst. Q. M., Feb. 19, 1864; L. C. Gause Brigade, Arkansas troops, and was killed leading a charge in battle at Mansfield, La., April 9, 1864. His widow married Capt. M. M. McGee, and to them two sons and a daughter were born. She died, N. Y. City, 1926.

## IV

JOHN ESTEN QUARLES and Elizabeth Wertenbaker; m.  
June 3, 1900. Issue.

Elizabeth, April 3, 1904.

John Esten, Jr.

Katherine

Nora.

Hugh, Oct. 21, 1913.

John Esten Quarles was a prominent cotton oil operator of  
New Orleans at time of his death. His family still resides there.

## V

ELIZABETH QUARLES and S. Jenner Link of Abbeville,  
S. C., m. .... Issue:

1. Mary, teacher, Spartanburgh High School.
  2. Leila, m. Paul Kennedy of Abbeville, S. C. They have son, Paul Jr.
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AGNES PERRIN QUARLES and H. Frank McGee; m. ....  
Issue:

1. Thomas Quarles, Spartanburg, S. C.
  2. Joseph.
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THOMAS THOMSON QUARLES and Frances Coleman;  
m. May 22, 1898. Issue.

Frances Coleman, June 19, 1899; m. Jan. 16, 1923,  
Thomas Henry Johnstone Jr., Birmingham, Ala. They  
have:

- a. Thomas Quarles,
- b. John William.

Thomas T. Quarles has for many years engaged in cotton  
business at Spartanburg, S. C. His firm holds membership in  
Cotton Exchanges in both New York and New Orleans.

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JAMES PERRIN QUARLES and Anne Gilleylan of Aber-  
deen, Miss.; m. Nov. 24, 1909. Issue:

1. Alice Houston, Sept. 7, 1910.
2. James Perrin Jr., Jan. 3, 1919.

James Perrin Quarles is resident manager of a life insur-  
ance company at Charlotte, N. C., and prominent in business  
circles.



## V

JANIE IONE QUARLES and R. L. Dargan; m. April 25, 1900. Issue:

1. Robert Dargan Jr.
  2. Perrin.
  3. Mary Louise.
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ROBERT WARREN QUARLES and Minnie Hynes; m. 1888, at Van Buren, Ark. Issue:

1. Ashwell James, Oct. 22, 1890; m. Oct. 26, 1927, Jean Glover Black of Chicago. They reside in Montreal, Canada. A. B. Cornell engaged in manufacture of machinery.
2. Donald Aubrey, July 30, 1894; m. 1920, Carolyn Whittemore. A. B. Yale; 1st Lt. 149th Field Art., Rainbow Div.; instructor 2nd Corps, Artillery School, France, World War. Engaged in laboratory of Bell Telephone Co. Their children:
  - a. Carolyn Anne, April, 1921.
  - b. Donald A. Jr., May, 1922.
3. Kathryn Elizabeth, April 26, 1896; m. June, 1921, Rev. Lawrence Harrison, Episcopal minister, whose parish is Clinton, Canada. Their children:
  - a. Lawrie-Bob, 1922.
  - b. Elizabeth Quarles, 1924.
4. Virginia Caro, March 18, 1903.

Robert Warren Quarles, after graduating in dentistry established himself at Van Buren, Ark. He is a K. of P. and a vestryman in Episcopal church.

## V

JAMES JONES QUARLES and Jennie Orr; m. 1884. Issue:

1. Frank Orr, Jan. 13, 1887; m. 1914, Annie Chapman (1886). Their children:

a. James Chapman, 1916.

b. Riley Buford, 1919.

Frank Orr Quarles is hardware merchant at Fairfax, Oklahoma.

2. James Jones Quarles III., 1891; m. 1917, Georgia Harper (1892). Have one son:

James Harper, 1917.

3. Mary Alleen, 1896; m. 1917, George Francis Winters (1894). Their children:

a. Richard Quarles, Dec. 23, 1919.

b. George Francis Jr., Dec. 22, 1924.

George F. Winters is accountant for a large oil company at Tulsa, Okla.

James Jones Quarles II. came from Mississippi to Fairfax, Okla., 1892. He was purchasing agent for the first state administration and is now cashier of Osage Bank at Fairfax. He was m. (2) to Miss Ella Todd Gravett (1873).

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JOHN OSCAR BLAKENEY and Annie Moose; m. Mar. 21, 1889, Morrilton, Ark. Issue:

1. Mary Emily, Jan. 7, 1890; m. June 30, 1920, James Lemuel Blakeney, Chaplain U. S. A., veteran of World War. She took A. B. degree at Galloway College, 1910; B. L., Ark. Univ. Law Dept., 1920; medal of honor for activity in World War work. Their daughter

Martha Anne, b. Feb. 2, 1922.

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2. Martha, Aug. 27, 1891; graduate Galloway Women's College; 14 years chief clerk State Health Department; contralto soloist First Methodist Church, Little Rock, Ark.; m. April 23, 1927, Harry Edward, son of John Terence and Caroline Wilhelmina Riley of Chicago (b. Dec. 4, 1884); he is assistant general freight agent C. R. I. & P. Ry., Little Rock, Ark., and director First M. E. Church, South, choir. The marriage was celebrated in First Methodist Church, Chaplain James L. Blakeney officiating.

John O. Blakeney, b. Montrose, Miss.; came to Arkansas with his father's family, 1856; lived at Des Arc. Prairie county, until prepared for college; one year at Kentucky Wesleyan, Millersburg, Ky., and two years at St. John's, Little Rock, Ark., leaving just prior to graduation on account of father's death. Occupied several years in railroad, and other office work, had experience in newspaper, abstract and insurance. Lived, 1895-1907, in Oklahoma and served in Senate of Seventh Legislative Assembly, 1903, from Pottawatomie and Cleveland counties; past president Arkansas Society Sons American Revolution; past supreme representative Knights of Pythias; member S. C. V. and Methodist Church. His wife, Annie Moose Blakeney, graduate Cedar Bluffs College and Nashville College for Young Ladies. Has been active in church, social service and public health work. Several years lecturer for State Board of Health.

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ROBERT QUARLES BLAKENEY and May Trieves; m. July 6, 1891. Issue.

1. Paul Trieves, May 31, 1892; m. July 1, 1923, Martha Lund (b. July 7, 1892).
2. Robert Quarles Jr., Nov. 12, 1896; m. Jan. 21, 1927, Lillian Eulalie Hart, Chickasha, Okla. They reside at Oklahoma City, where he is engaged in real estate business.

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3. John Benjamin, Oct. 7, 1898. Wholesale grocery salesman.
4. Maytha, Oct. 8, 1903; A. B. Okla. Univ., 1926. High school teacher of English.  
m. (2) Jan. 13, 1927, Parmelia B. Wynne.

Robert Quarles Blakeney, b. Gilmer, Texas; educated Little Rock Public Schools, apprenticed printer; "made the run" at opening of Oklahoma Territory and has since made his home in that city, where he has handled much realty. Was for some time proprietor and publisher of the Daily Oklahoman, which he sold and has since devoted himself to real estate. Member S. A. R. and Methodist church.

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BENJAMIN BURK BLAKENEY; m. (1) July 10, 1895, Evelyn Simpson. Issue:

1. Louise, 1896.
- m. (2) Sept. 16, 1907, Mara Lena Whittaker (b. 1880) Issue:
  2. Benjamin Bruce, July 30, 1908.
  3. James Russell, Jan. 2, 1913.

Benjamin Burk Blakeney graduated Little Rock (Ark.) High School, attended Central Collegiate Institute, which later became Hendrix College, went to Norman, Okla., in the early days of that town and engaged in newspaper business, later the practice of law in Pottawatomie county, Okla. He rose rapidly in his profession and was successively engaged at Muskogee, and Tulsa, where he represented large oil interests. His company moving to Oklahoma City, he also moved there and acquired large property interests. Has successfully conducted much litigation in large oil cases in the state and federal courts. His several trips abroad with his family enabled him to gather much important family history as well as works of art and virtue. During his busy life, has managed to find time to write an exhaustive treatise on Jurisprudence, which is about ready for publication. His wife, Lena Whittaker Blakeney, has published a book of poems which has received much favorable comment.

## V

GEORGE ROBERTSON QUARLES II. and Lillie Daisy Middleton; m. Jan. 5, 1893. Issue:

1. Carolyn Snow, Dec. 6, 1897, m. Nov. 4, 1921, William H. Harrison, Philadelphia, Pa.
2. Lillie Daisy, Aug. 2, 1906. High School physical culture director.
3. George Robertson III., Aug. 2, 1906. (Lillie and George twins.)

After death of George Robertson Quarles, Jr., his widow, Lillie Daisy Quarles, entered business as a bookkeeper for the Illinois State Highway Department at Springfield, Ill. She has been active in securing data and has contributed much to this publication. Her daughter, Lillie Daisy, is teacher of physical culture, in which she has been unusually successful.

## JUDGE JOHN A. QUARLES

An interesting chapter in the history of the Quarles family has to do with America's great literary genius, Mark Twain, whose boyhood days were very closely associated with some of the Quarleses.

It came about that Jane Lampton, an East Tennessee girl, had a break with her young lawyer fiancé and through spite married John Marshall Clemens, who has been described as a good enough sort of fellow, a dreamer of dreams that never came true, and a financial and business failure. John A. Quarles married "Patsy" Lampton, Jane's sister, and moved to Florida, Missouri, about 1830, and finding it more convenient to exercise a protectorate over his ne'er-do-well brother-in-law at close range, he sent for the Clemenses in 1832, and thus Florida became the birthplace of Mark Twain.

For several years after the Clemenses left the native town of the embryo humorist, Samuel returned each summer to enjoy the hospitality of his Uncle John's family, and hunted, fished and engaged in all the sports of that era in a new country. Samuel relates that he and his cousin, Fred Quarles, hunted birds with the old single barrel shot gun which was as light as a broomstick and suited to their strength, while his uncle and the big boys took the rifle and hunted for big game, deer and turkey.

This association, together with the folk lore of the negroes on the Quarles plantation, proved the seed that was to produce in the fertile brain of the world's most versatile humorist a fruitage that should enrich the world's literature for all time.

This association had much to do with the shaping of Samuel's character as well as his genius, for he wrote in later years of his uncle: "I have not come across a better man. It was a heavenly place for a boy, that farm of my Uncle John's."

John Adams Quarles, born in Caroline County, Virginia, about 1800, was ninth child of Lt. Wm. P. and Nancy Ann

(Hawes) Quarles. Little has been found of his early life and educational advantages. His record as a farmer and merchant of Florida marked him as a notable man, full of humor, thoroughly reliable and resourceful; he became popular and was elected county judge of Monroe county. He is said to have been a strong, virile, capable man, with great sympathy and imagination, having an individuality and potentiality all his own.

Many legends survive of his whimsical humor, when at the age of sixty he was landlord of the Virginia House at Paris, Mo. Some of his stories have been immortalized in the literature of his distinguished nephew, who, perhaps unconsciously, drank from his quaint uncle the inspiration that in after years should be potential in bringing both to the admiring gaze of the world. "The Jumping Frog of Calaveras County" was one of the appropriated stories.

No issue of John Adams and Martha Lampton Quarles seem to survive.

## THE BELCHERS

The emigrants of this name, who were among the early settlers in Augusta county, Va., were evidently of the colony brought over by Lewis from north of Ireland. In "Some Emigrants to Virginia," by W. G. Stanard, he mentions several "sons of Thomas Belcher of Greenyard, Scotland, and Mary Hepburn of Boards."

Mention is found in the Augusta county records of members of the family, the name of Robert appearing from 1761 to 1767. Soon after the latter date (in 1768) it appears that Edmund and his family consisting of Robert, Beverly, Obediah, Samuel and Polly moved south to Charlotte county and Robert lived near the Lunenburg line, in which the Winns lived, for prior to 1782 he married Susannah, the widow of John Winn and made reports as guardian of John and Betty Winn, orphans of John deceased, to the Charlotte County Court for the years 1782-3.

A deed of gift is recorded in the latter county from Edmund Belcher to his son, Robert Belcher, for 100 acres on the north side of Horsepen Creek, being part of the tract Edmund lived on in Charlotte county, the consideration being "natural love and affection that I have for my son Robert Belcher."

Service of both Edmund and Robert Belcher is shown in Saffell's "Record of the Revolution" as being privates in Capt. Gray's company, Col. Daniel Morgan's regiment, Virginia troops, 1778. On the 1st day of May, 1780, the County Court of Charlotte county entered an order in which "Robert Belcher is recommended to His Excellency the Governor as a second lieutenant in Capt. Friend's company in the place of Diggs Bumpass, who is dead." On the 5th day of June he produced the commission in court and "took the oath of office."

After the close of the Revolutionary war he moved to Edgefield county, S. C., having served with the army in that state under Col. Morgan.



The Charlotte County (Va.) Court on September 3, 1792, entered an order that "Robert Belcher, guardian of John Winn, orphan of John Winn, deceased, having removed to one of the Southern States and it appearing to the court that he has departed this life since his removal and last rendering of his account, order that same be dismissed."

His will, probated October 12, 1789, at Edgefield, S. C., makes his wife legatee for life, unless she should marry, and John Winn, his mother, and James Harrison, executors. The sons, Washington and Edmund Belcher, were to divide the plantation after the death of their mother and the other property to be equally divided between his daughters, Virginia, Henrietta, Maria and Sallie (Sarah) and sons, Washington and Edmund.

In the census of 1790 the widow enumerated one male over sixteen years, two under sixteen years, five females and six negroes, showing all the family at home and unmarried. The daughter, Sarah, was married about 1791 to James, son of <sup>and</sup> Richmond Quarles, b. Amelia county, Va., 1760. They resided on his plantation at Liberty Hill in Edgefield county and had issue:

1. Susanna, 1792; m. (1) Lyon; (2) Longmire, d. s. p.
2. Richard Powers, 1803-1850; m. 1834, Agnes Perrin.
3. Robert Gilliam, 1805-1843; m. 1828, Mary E. Robertson.
4. James Williamson, 1807; m. 1838, Eliza W. Cleveland.

James Quarles died about 1812, and his widow, Sarah Quarles, married, 1820, Littleton A. Brooks, to whom a daughter Jane (1821-1855), who married George W. Sullivan. (For further line see Quarles.)

## MISCAMPBELL

This name is mentioned in the early records of Augusta county, Va., where two brothers, Andrew and John, were prominent in the Scotch-Irish colony. In 1754 Andrew is recorded as a processioner, and a grant of land was made him by the legislature in 1758.\*

Filled with the adventurous spirit of the age, two young men, thought to be sons of Andrew, joined the tide of emigration to the South. They were Robert and James Miscampbell, who next appear in Orangeburg county, S. C. No record of these pioneers is found until the call to arms. At the organization of a militia company in Orangeburg district, October 20, 1775, by Captain Darius Dalton, the name "Swift and Bold," was chosen and one of the volunteers was James Miscampbell\*\*

Robert appears after the revolution as a lieutenant, receiving a land grant in 1782. In March, 1792, he was again appointed lieutenant in the Light Dragoons and in October of that year promoted to a captaincy. He was with Gen. Anthony Wayne at the battle of Maumee, Ohio, sometimes called the "Fallen Timbers." At this battle, August 20, 1794, he was killed in the first charge.

The record is clear that Mary Miscampbell was married to George Robertson, December 25, 1804, and we are informed she was from the "upper country." While it is true no positive record of her parentage has been found, there is small room for doubt as in the census of 1790 James Miscampbell of Orangeburg district was the only one of the name listing two females and the further fact that Mary's first child was named

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\* Gleanings Va., Hist., 53.

\*\* S. C. Hist. Mag., Apr., 1902.

James Miscampbel,, the full name of her father. He died in 1833, at the age of 27 years, unmarried. Other children were:

Alexander, for his paternal grandfather; b. 1808, d. infancy.

Mary Elizabeth, Jan. 3, 1811; m. Nov. 25, 1828, Robert G. Quarles.

Jane Brownlee, Aug. 8, 1813; m. Oct. 28, 1829, John Hanna Gray.

Martha Ann, May 5, 1816; m. Oct. 27, 1832, John Newton Waddell.

Elizabeth, 1818; d. infancy.

For further issue see Quarles family and Robertson family.

## ROBERTSON

It was formerly the habit of genealogists to attribute the origin of the Robertson Clan to the blood of the McDonalds, but according to the authorities adduced by Skene in his "History of the Highlanders," the chiefs of the name appear to be descended from Duncan, the eldest son of Malcolm III., the great Canmore of the eleventh century. Common tradition previously bore that the name Robertson was derived from the head of the clan in the days of King Robert the Bruce, who, having had certain signal services rewarded by that King with a grant of lands on the upper waters of the Garry, adopted the King's cognomen as his family name.

It seems well established, however, that the Gaelic name of the Clan Donnachadh, pronounced Donnachy, and translated Duncan, was derived from an ancestor of that name, fourth in descent from Conan, son of Henry, last of the ancient Celtic Earls of Atholl, while the name MacRobert or Robertson takes its origin from Robert Resch of the days of James I and James II., who played a prominent part in the dramatic history of the time. It is from this Robert Resch—Robert the Swarthy, who is sometimes styled Robert Duncanson, that in later days the chiefs and members of the clan took the name of Robertson.

As became their royal lineage, the Robertson chiefs remained loyal to the house of Stewart throughout the troubles of the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries.

The name of Alastair (Alexander) Robertson (1689) of Struan, has been popularized by every generation succeeding having one or more Alexanders. "In consequence of his repeated risings in the Jacobite cause, Struan Robertson finally lost his estates, which were annexed to the crown in 1752. Apart from his military escapades, this chief, Alexander, the thirteenth of his line, remains a notable figure in the history of the Highlands. He was no mean poet, and a published collection of his pieces, including a curious geneological account

of his family, has been described as "Very creditable to his literary acquirements." In 1785, part of the old Struan property was restored to a representative of the family and came into possession of Major General Duncan Robertson, third son of Robert, the fifteenth chief. "Many distinguished men of the name have added lustre to the clan." \*

"Robertson of Strowan, County Perth, chief of the Clan Donnachadh, descended from the ancient Earl of Athol, son of Malcolm Canmore. \* \* of this ancient distinguished clan was Alexander Robertson of Strowan, alike distinguished as a poet and as a partisan of the Stuartas in the rising of 1690, 1715, 1745." \*\*

\*The Highland Clans of Scotland, Vol. I, page 84.

\*\* Burke's General Armory.

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ALEXANDER ROBERTSON, 1731-1806, a native of Ireland, where many of the Scotch dissenters had settled, came to America in 1765 and settled in Charleston, S. C., where he engaged in the mercantile business until called from the scene of human activity. Being himself of Scotch Presbyterian descent, he very naturally selected a life mate of the same religious belief and national traditions as his father, when he wed (1769) Jane, daughter of John Brownlee (1749-1808), a Presbyterian of the stricter faith.

The earliest city directory of Charleston shows, "Alexander Robertson, merchant at 95 Kings street." The business was continued in his name until 1802, when it appeared as "Robertson & Sons, 147 Kings street." He having died in 1806 the firm became George and Samuel Robertson and the brothers remained in business together until 1813, when George withdrew to engage in planting near the Savannah river in Abbeville District.

In the year 1816 the business career of Samuel was ended by death and his brother, George, administered on the estate of Samuel, but survived him only one year.

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ALEXANDER ROBERTSON m. Jane Brownlee c. a. 1769. Issue:

1. George, 1770-1817; m. Mary Miscampbell, "from the 'upper country,'" Dec. 25, 1804. She was the daughter of James Miscampbell of Orangeburg District, S. C. (Jan. 11, 1785-1864).
2. Samuel, 1772-1816; m. Ann, daughter of Stephen Thomas (1750-1839), member of a Huguenot family from France (1765).
3. Elizabeth, 1777-1827; unmarried.
4. Martha, 1779-1848; unmarried.
5. John Brownlee, 1791; died at age of three years.
6. Jane Brownlee; died in infancy.

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GEORGE ROBERTSON (1770-1817); m. Dec. 25, 1804, Mary Miscampbell. Issue:

1. James Miscampbell, Feb. 5, 1806-Aug. 28, 1833; unm.
2. Alexander, April 16, 1808-Oct. 23, 1808.
3. Mary Elizabeth, Jan. 3, 1811-Jan. 11, 1851; m. Nov. 25, 1828, Col. Robert Gilliam Quarles; she died Montrose, Miss.
4. Jane Brownlee, Aug. 8, 1813-1878; m. Nov. 28, 1829, Rev. John Hanna Gray, Presbyterian divine.
5. Martha Ann, May 5, 1816-1852; m. Nov. 27, 1832, Rev. John Newton Waddell, Presbyterian divine and educator, having been professor in and chancellor of University of Mississippi.

"Major George Robertson, who, like many other gentlemen of the lower country and residents of Charleston, S. C., had retired from the business of the city and engaged in the occupation of planting, purchased a fine body of bottom land on the Savannah river, within a few miles of Willington, S. C.

He was, according to tradition, the 'beau ideal' of a perfect gentleman of the old school, a class of men who were more frequently found among Charlestonians than among those of any other region of country or city. I must be pardoned for the assertion that I have never known the old-time Charleston gentleman surpassed in all the elements of chivalric and elevated honor.

"Major Robertson was regarded as one of the ornaments of the Willington community during his life and though he never made a public profession of religion or connected himself with the church, yet he was a strong supporter and regular attendant upon my father's preaching, with his family, and was highly exemplary in his life and character. He died of bilious fever in 1817. On his dying bed my father visited him and hopes

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were entertained that he died in peace."—Memorials of Academic Life, Dr. J. N. Waddell.

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SAMUEL ROBERTSON and Ann Thomas; m. Issue:

1. John Brownlee, Sept. 14, 1809-July 14, 1892;  
m. (1) Miss Dennison;  
m. (2) 1838, Mabel Maria Heaton (1817-1907), New Haven, Conn. A. B. Yale University.
2. Ann.
3. Mary; m. Robinson.



### III

MARY ELIZABETH ROBERTSON and Col. Robert G. Quarles; m. Nov. 25, 1828: Issue:

(See Quarles, Record of Col. Quarles.)

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JANE BROWNLEE ROBERTSON and John Hannah Gray; m. Noy. 28, 1829. Issue:

1. Jane Hannah, born Oct. 15, 1832; m. John O. Harde-  
man.
  2. Daniel A. Physician in Little Rock many years.  
Died at Hot Springs, Ark.
  3. George Robertson, born 1829.
  4. John Hannah, born 1831.
  5. Mary Robertson.
  6. Martha Waddell; d. s. p.
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MARTHA ANN ROBERTSON and John Newton Waddell.  
D. D.; m. Nov. 27, 1832. Issue:

1. Moses, Feb. 3, 1837; died in infancy.
2. Mary Robertson, Nov. 6, 1837; m. James D. West;  
d. April 22, 1919.
3. Elizabeth Pleasants, June 16, 1840; m. Charles V.  
Thompson.
4. George Robertson, 1844. Presbyterian minister in Ar-  
kansas and Texas. Married Miss Fannie Brownson in  
1878. D. 1885.
5. John Gray, Jan. 21, 1847. Killed in battle of Jonesboro,  
Ga., Sept. 1, 1864.

## IV

JOHN BROWNLEE ROBERTSON and Miss Dennison.  
Issue:

1. Samuel; unmarried.
  2. Ann; unmarried.
  3. Mary; m. LaFor.  
m. (2) Mabel Maria Heaton. Issue:
    1. Phoebe; m. William A. Monica.
    2. Susette; d. 1923.
    3. Elizabeth Dixon; m. George A. Ward; d. 1905.
    4. A Heaton, 1850-1924; m. Grizella Ridgeway (1852).
    5. John Brownlee (1851); unmarried.
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JAMES AND MARY ROBINSON: Issue:

1. Annie.
2. Grimbell.
3. Arthur.

## V

WILLIAM A. and PHOEBE (ROBERTSON) MONICA. Issue:

1. Heaton.
  2. Edward.
  3. Kate.
  4. Arthur.
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GEORGE A. and ELIZABETH DIXON WARD. Issue:

1. Dr. B. Robertson Ward; unmarried.
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A. HEATON and GRIZELLA RIDGEWAY ROBERTSON.  
Issue:

1. Heaton Ridgeway, 1882, New Haven, Conn.
2. Mabel Joy, 1888; m. J. I. Coddington.

Heaton Ridgeway Robertson, B. A. Yale 1904; P. h. B. 1906;  
mining engineer 1908; Consulting engineer and state engineer  
of shell fisheries of Conn. since 1916.

Res. 749 Whitney Ave, New Haven, Conn.

## BROWNLEE

Three Brownlee's grandsons of the Laird of Tarfoot, Lanarkshire, Scotland, came to America about the middle of the eighteenth century. Archibald, the eldest, born 1710, married Margaret, daughter of the Duke of Hamilton, and came to Virginia about 1740 with his five sons, James, John, William, Archibald and Thomas. His daughter, Jean, married John Allison (1758) and her granddaughter, Nancy Allison McKinley, was mother of William McKinley.

John, second son of Archibald, was born 1747, and married Elizabeth Baldrige.

John, brother of Archibald, lived in Augusta county, Va., as early as 1740, having testified on July 3, 1798, that he had lived where he then lived since November, 1740, and was nearly related to John Moffitt, defendant in a suit pending. He was born about 1708 in Scotland and from the frequent mention of his name in the county records must have been a public spirited and worthy citizen, for he had been road overseer, guardian, Justice of the Peace and the grantee in deeds to real estate. He was a member of Capt. John Christian's company, Virginia Militia, 1747.

His son, John, born about 1727, adopted the medical profession and was a surgeon in the Revolutionary cause and captured at Charleston by the British, May 12, 1780. Little has been learned concerning him further than that.

During Colonial days three Brownlee brothers landed at Charleston. One of them subsequently went West. So far as known all the South Carolina Brownlee's came from these three brothers. One of the brothers was the ancestor of the Charlestown Brownlee's and the other of the up-state Brownlee's. (Vol. 5, Hist. of S. C., by Snowden.)

Alexander Brownlee was a resident of Donegal township, Lancaster county, Pa., June 9, 1730, and on that date bought 400 acres of land from John Smith, cooper, on the Great Pop-

lar Bottom of the North River in Augusta county, Va. The records further show that in 1776 he was living in the county and state last named. (Court Papers, 388.)

Inside the door leading to the chancel of the Unitarian church in Charleston are two tablets on the floor, dedicated to the memory of John Brownlee and his wife. The tablets are inscribed as follows:

IN MEMORY OF  
ELIZABETH BROWNLEE  
WIFE OF

JOHN BROWNLEE, ESQ.

and eldest daughter of  
General Robert Cunningham,  
who died on the 15th July, 1805

The integrity of her mind, and the purity of sentiments,  
and the delicate sensibility of her soul were expressed in  
all the affectionate offices of intimate relation.

She was a sincere Christian.

The other:

IN MEMORY OF  
JOHN BROWNLEE, ESQ.

An honest man, a good citizen and a sincere Christian

Born in Ireland in 1759

He emigrated in childhood to America and devoted the  
vigour of his youth to the service of his adopted country  
He closed in his sixty-ninth year a life spent in usefulness  
and active duty.

Ob. October 28th, 1827.

This John Brownlee was evidently brother of the Jane Brownlee, born 1749, married about 1769, Alexander Robertson, also an emigrant from North Ireland (1765). There is proof that the two families lived near each other. A deed of record in Book 3, at page 241, of Edgefield county, S. C., is from Alexander Robertson and wife, Jane, alias Brownlee, of the city

of Charleston, is witnessed by John Brownlee, John Gamble and Thomas Ross. The constancy of the name John Brownlee for several generations confirms the belief that Jane Brownlee Robertson's father was John Brownlee.

Jane Robertson's tomb in First Presbyterian church yard at Charleston, S. C., relates that "Jane Robertson, wife of Alexander Robertson, of this city, merchant, who after long and severe trial of bodily affliction, which she bore with patience and serenity, exhibiting to her friends and family an edifying example of Christian piety and affectionate conduct; blessed with an understanding enlightened by the truth of religion and a heart sanctified by Divine Grace, departed this life on the 12th day of July, 1805, in the fifty-sixth year of her age." Her sons Samuel and John Brownlee, and daughters, Jane, Elizabeth and Martha, and grandson, Alexander, as well as husband, are buried in the same plat, as shown by their tombs.

The surviving children who had issue:

George Robertson (1770-1817), m. Mary, daught. James Miscampbell, "from the upper country" (1785-1864).

Samuel Robertson (1772-1816); m. Ann, daught. Stephen Thomas (1750-1839), a Huguenot from France (1765).

John Brownlee Robertson, son of Samuel Robertson and only living male representative of the family of that period, with his sister Ann and Mary, removed from Charleston to Hartford, Conn., where he attended Yale University and after graduating with distinction continued to reside.

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