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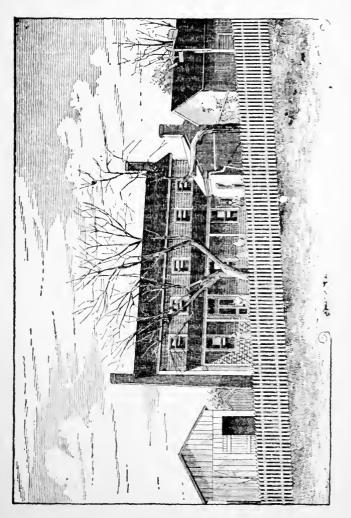


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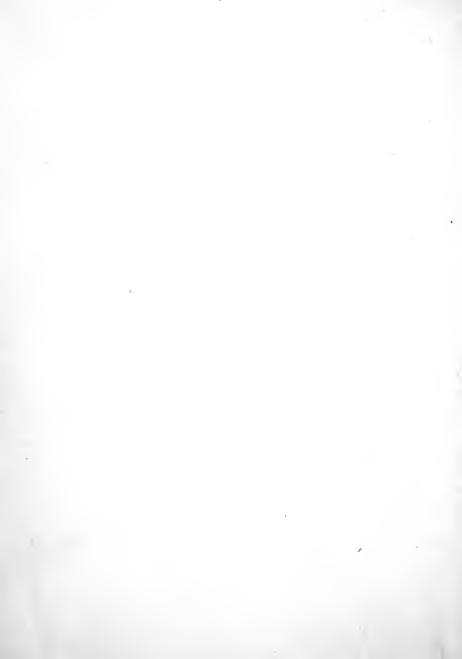
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COL. GEORGE BUCHANAN AND HIS WIFE.



RESIDENCE BUILT BY COL. GEORGE BUCHANAN.



#### FIRST GATHERING

OF

# THE BUCHANAN CLAN.

UNION CHURCH,

TROTTERS CREEK, MIAMI CO., OHIO. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1892.

Pursuant to the following call:—
"Trotters Creek, O., Sept. 15th, 1892.

To

You are respectfully invited to attend the first reunion of the descendants of COLONEL GEORGE BUCHANAN, to be held October 1st. 1892, at 10 o'clock, A. M., on the farm of James Harvey Buchanan, deceased, near the "Union Church" three miles north of Covington, O. Dinner will be served at noon in the grove; bring your basket in time. By order of the Committee.

W. W. V. BUCHANAN, Chairman."

there met in the grove adjoining the Union Church, descendants of George Buchanan and their friends, as follows:

David Jackson Buchanan,	Covington,	Ohio.
Levi Hueston Buchanan		4.6
Ann Seas-Buchanan		"
Ora Francis Buchanan		4.4
Elmer Ray Buchanan		"
Alpha Earl Buchanan		"
John Allen Buchanan		"
Margaret Fulker-Buchanan		"
Otto Loy Buchanan		66
Homer Willis Buchanan		4.4
Io Lee Buchanan		
Olie Buchanan		
George David Buchanan	Sidney,	Ohio.
William Warren V. Buchanan		
Phoebe Dye-Buchanan		4.6
Alvin Curtis Buchanan		"
Warren Thomas Buchanan		6.6
Mary Belle Buchanan		4.4
Eva Viola Buchanan		6.6
Kate Dye Buchanan		4.6
Augusta Rebecca Buchanan		÷ £
William Leonard Buchanan		4.4
Charles Franklin Buchanan		4.6
Marguerite Buchanan		4 (
George David Buchanan		"
James Dorsey Buchanan		1.4
Emma Cox-Buchanan		4.4
Bessie Pearl Buchanan		: (
Herbert Ward Buchanan		"
Mary Helen Buchanan		
Edna Marie Buchanan		6.6
Belle C. Buchanan		Ohio.
Florence Katrina Buchanan-Shearer.		"

Frank Buchanan	$\dots$ Lima,	Ohio.
Olive Orchard-Buchanan		"
Lenore Buchanan		,,
Ralph Buchanan		"
Lulu M. Buchanan		Ohio.
John Nicholson		"
Henrietta Buchanan-Nicholson		"
William Preston Nicholson		,
Carrie Shipley-Nicholson		4.6
Blanche Nicholson		"
Glenna Nicholson		6.6
Clarence Hart		6.6
Eva Hart		6.6
Andrew J. King		6.6
Nancy Jane Buchanan-King		6.6
Nancy Jane Perry-Mangas. Castle, Ra	ndolph Co.	Ind.
J. Warren Bowman, Tippec		
Maggie M. Perry-Bowman "	i i	"
Stella Warren Bowman	"	**
Bessie Maggie Bowman		4.4
Frank LaPorte	reenville,	Ohio.
Belle Perry-LaPorte	"	"
Daisy LaPorte		"
Maude LaPorte		6.6
Cynthia Ann Dively-Kerst Baker,	Darke Co.,	Ohio
Estella Kerst		"
Nancy Francis Dively-Bishop	dreenville,	Ohio.
Mary Angeline Dively	"	"
Mary Hays-Dively		"
George Dallas McClary	Covington,	Ohio.
Myrtle McClary	"	. "
Mary Orr-Rollins	Troy,	Ohio.
Fanny Orr-Huston		"

Mary III. Italy	Tnorr	Ohio
May Huston		64
Belle Orr-Thompson  Edna Cook		
D. Clinton Branson		Ohio
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John H. Branson		
N. J. Lawrence-Branson		
Albert Branson		
Elmer Branson		
Benjamin Arthur Branson		
Benjamin Nicholson		
Andrew J. Johnston	. , ,	Ohio.
David E. Ullery	•	
Rachael Harp-Ullery	•	
Sadie Ullery	•	
Ida Wyant	•	
Elsie Hart		••
Esther Michael		• •
Ira Hall		
A. C. Hall	4 1	Ohio.
Callie Yount-Hall		• •
R. S. Fox Kess		
Mary S. Hall-Fox		<b>6</b> 6
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Minerva J. Mast	: 1	66
Henry W. Mast	1.1	• 1
Albert R. Mast "	••	4.4
Madison Dagger, Newtown, H	Countain Co.	, Ind.
Sarah Dagger		Ohio.
Phoebe Dagger-Kizer		"
Charles Dagger		6.6
Barbara Whitmer-Dagger		: :
Jacob Dagger		4.4

Ida Norman-Dagger	Urbana,	Ohio.
Rolla Dagger		"
Angeline Dagger-Rinaker		4.4
Mary Albertine Marsh		"
Edward Wall		Ohio.
Nancy Clark-Wall		"
Bessie Wall		" "
Samuel Heitzman		"
Mary R. Clark-Heitzman		4.5
Helen Heitzman		44
James Mott	Covington,	Ohio.
Annie Elmore-Mott	"	"
Kate Hartzell-Levering	4.6	4.4
Mollie Hartzell		4.4
May Johnston		"
Jacob B. Moore		Ohio.

The above list includes thirty-eight of the name of Buchanan; fifty-three lineal descendants of Col. George Buchanan present, of the one hundred and fifty now living, seventy who were related to him and his good wife by ties of blood or marriage, and a total company of one hundred and fifteen.

There were many members of this now large family who had never before looked into each others faces. Greetings were exchanged and pleasant words, made dearer and sweeter by reason of the bond of kinship ex-

isting.

From east, west, north and south the clans had gathered, representing in their numbers many sturdy farmers, tillers of the soil as was our ancestor in peaceful years. But many have left the farm nest to pursue other callings and we find all the professions except the ministry, and all industrial, commercial, artistic, mechanical, literary, musical and inventive avenues becoming the familiar walks and avocations of this numerous and growing tribe.

#### GUESTS FROM ABROAD.

The most honored guest, in the matter of years, of all who attended this reunion, was Madison Dagger, of Newtown, Fountain County, Ind. He is now in his eighty-sixth year, and as one looks upon his venerable countenance, lit by the beauty of the peaceful, trustful, generous soul within, one cannot but feel honored and inspired by all the open evidences of a pure, good and useful life now rounding sweetly toward a welcome transition.

He was born in old Virginia, in the vicinity of where Col. George Buchanan spent his boyhood, and knew many of the Letchers, Pogues, Rices and Bousmans, all of whose descendants have intermarried with the Buchanans. The Bousmans. Cassadys. Daggers and Buchanans were all neighbors in Rockbridge County, Virginia, and perhaps little dreamed of the intermingling of their blood that would be represented in this reunion of to-day.

Madison Dagger was a surveyor for the Government in the survey of a portion of Iowa lying along the Des Moines river, in what was then the Territory of Iowa. He also assisted in the original survey of the Little Miami Railroad and rendered efficient service in its building, which was the first railroad running into Cincinnati. He was a land surveyor for many years and worked in several States and Territories, and is a most entertaining talker on the subject of his life and experiences during those early years. He was with us

through the kindness of fond relatives from Champaign County, and we hope they will see that he meets with us every year while he is able to travel.

Another honored guest and former neighbor was Benjamin Nicholson, Esq., of Ladora, Iowa County, Iowa, who came all the long journey to attend this reunion and visit relatives at the same time.

He was one of the Miami County boys who are noted for making their mark in the world. He moved to Iowa in early times before there were any railroads built in that State. There he bought land and is now living in affluent circumstances, spending his declining years on his fine farm surrounded by loving friends and many fruits of worldly prosperity.

He has been for a long time the Magistrate of his County and is noted far and near for having would-be litigants settle their difficulties among themselves without recourse to a law suit. This discloses the real character of the man, and proves that his religion is not mere lip service. In his own way and by means of the opportunities that come to him he is doing his best to bring about the long desired, sorely needed "Peace on earth, goodwill to man." It is almost superfluous to add that he is an honored citizen in his own country, respected and trusted by all who know him. Col. Buchanan's oldest granddaughter married Squire Nicholson's oldest brother, and of this family later editions will give a fuller history.

## THE FESTIVITIES.

In the shady avenues of the old sugar camp, linked with youthful memories of sap and spile, hauling to, boiling down, and stirring off, neighborly hands had prepared eighty feet of tables. Beneath the leafy foliage glowing with summer's richest green and early autum's brilliant hues combined, many willing workers spread the snowy cloths and arranged the sumptuous dinner.

Tempting, delicious viands, such as have long been traditional among the kith and kin of our ancient family were soon displayed to feast the eyes and regale the sense of smell as well as satisfy all palates to repletion. At the request of D. J. Buchanan, Benjamin Nicholson, Esq., of Ladora, Iowa, in earnest, appropriate words, asked God's blessing on the assembled guests and the bounteous repast.

The dinner was ample in both quantity and quality to have satisfied three times the number present, and when all traces of physical hunger and thirst had been effectually banished, then began the real feast of the occasion to the members of the re-united clan.

The company repaired to the Union Church, which faces the grove, and here the climax of the day was reached in the retrospect of the Buchanan family. This little church has been for forty years associated with the tenderest memories, standing as it does in the midst of white monuments which mark the last resting place of five generations of Buchanans. It seemed but natural

for me to enter again the same old pew which was my beloved grandmother's, Joanna Hall-Buchanan, and while my outward ears listened to the proceedings of the meeting, magical memory rapidly reviewed the treasures of her picture gallery. Outside I could see the enduring marble carved with records of the birth and death of six of my grandparents and a multitude of relatives and friends. But I have only to close my eyes and listen to the voice of the silence to hear again the gurgling, crooning, caressing tones—indescribable but unforgetable — of my grandmother's voice, and feel again the vibrating hug and love pats of her generous arms as they wrapped me in an embrace of unmistakable welcome and love, when she met me in the deep doorway under the wide old porch. She is not dead, but enjoying a well earned rest from this fitful, surging, tempting, illusive, disappointing phase of being which we mis-name "Life." The physical elements which last composed her house of flesh, some of them hers for only a few minutes, some for weeks, some for years, garnered from earth. air. sea and sky, and wrought in the mystical laboratory of human life into the wonderful and fearful mechanism which the soul needs to use in acquiring physical experiences; these, instinct with excess of individual life, rapidly changed their forms, when the controlling spirit left them, and, finding new affinities, made new combinations, building other forms of life. But these were not the subtle consciousness endowed with the sympathy and love and altruism which characterized "grandma." Yet all these physical elements were enriched and refined by being blended even briefly with currents of human thought and will, affection and effort, in an organism whose aims

were pure and lofty, good and all-embracing. I feel quite sure the rose I plucked from the sacred spot consecrated by her dust, now treasured in my family bible, was more delicately sweet, more beautifully tinted, more gracefully grown for the humanized elements contributed to the chemistry of its composition. Her real self enjoys now the "life everlasting," re-united with loved ones gone before, and with all her heart's desires fulfilled. Ours is still the life of struggle and toil, of parting and sorrow, of daily dying; but we, too, are reunited on this typical, happy day with our loved ones still on earth.

# MEETING CALLED TO ORDER.

With one accord the meeting came to order and then, on the sweet-toned church organ Bessie P. Buchanan, the oldest daughter of the fifth generation, played an instrumental solo.

- W. W. V. Buchanan then stated the object of the meeting, which was:—
- I. To effect an organization of the descendants of Col. George Buchanan.
- II. To perpetuate the memory of his life, character and deeds, and his connection with our Nation's history.
- III. To collect, record and preserve the family history, past, present and future, and,
- IV. To promote sociability and good-will among the relatives and friends by means of annual reunions.

# COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE ABSENT.

Communications from the absent ones were then read, beginning with a poem on the subject of to-day written by James Harvey Buchanan nearly thirty years ago.

## THE REUNION.

COMPOSED BY JAMES H. BUCHANAN, IN 1863.

We have met, for a blest reunion, Friends, and kindred spirits dear,

The aged, the youth, and the infant, Yes—and strangers, are welcome here.

Many suns have passed through the heavens, Many seasons of flowers have passed,

We meet here as friends and relations, Yet one meeting will be our last!

One household at this celebration

We give thanks for our health, home and friends;

For the light, and our organs of vision

And all that to happiness tends.

We here live in homes, blest with plenty, And feasts of enjoyments all hours,

Many equally good and deserving, Enjoy not such blessings as ours.

May we ever for mercies be thankful, Always led by the hand of the Lord,

And when we diverge to the judgment May we each share the righteous' reward.

For virtue and right having striven,
With hearts kind and true on life's road,

With the good, may we all meet in Heaven, Land of Rest—the city of God! [The following letter was from the younger of Col. George Buchanan's two daughters yet living:]

MACY, IND., Sept. 26th, 1892.

W. W. V. Buchanan, Piqua, Ohio.

MY DEAR FRIENDS:-

We received your invitation card Sept. 15. I am sorry to say that it will be impossible for us to attend on account of our continued bad health. Sister Mary's health is also very poor. She was here last week and stayed all day, said she was sorry to think that we were all so poorly that not one of us was able to attend. You can consider that we would be so very happy to meet you all. Our affections are with you. Think of me.

A. G. Sinks has gone to Washington to the National Encampment of Soldiers, and will not be back until the second week of October.

Received a letter from Maggie Bowman last week reminding me of the family reunion. Oh how glad I would be to be able to meet you all there, but so it is, we can't possibly be there. I will have to close as I want to send this to-day. Write to us often.

Your Aunt,

HANNAH L. HORTON.

[This is from a daughter of the third generation, whose childhood was lived here:]

Saint Louis, Sept. 28th, 1892.

DEAR FRIENDS AND RELATIVES:-

In acknowledgement of an invitation to a reunion of the descendants of our grandfather, Capt. George Buchanan, to be held on the grounds so familiar to us in earlier life, we send you greeting, with many regrets that we cannot be present with you at this initial reunion.

But we can be with you in fancy; and, as we see you assembled in the old familiar grove, the beautiful words of the poet Wordsworth come to our mind:

"How dear to my heart are the scenes of my childhood

When fond recollection presents them to view; The orchard, the meadow, the deep tangled wild-wood,

And every loved spot, which my infancy knew."

We can see the old farm house peeping through the trees beyond the babbling brook, the darkly green cedars planted by our father while we were yet children, and the old orchard to the left, under whose grand old trees we used to gather the rosy cheeked apples in the autumns long gone by!

There is the pasture lot, with the rippling brook winding through it, from which we used to drive the cows in the dewy eve, up to the barn yard to be milked, and, yes, we can see—though tears dim our eyes—that dear face of our loved mother. busying herself with the milk pails.

And at the barn we see our father's erect figure and serious face, as he passes to and fro, about his evening chores; and we fancy he is thinking more of some poet-

ic thought which he longs to commit to paper, than of the work his hands are doing.

But alas! how changed is the "Old Home," how deserted and lonely; and in the present we awake to the fact that those loved ancestors have passed away!

It is but a few steps over there, where they lie, peacefully sleeping in the little graveyard. The father, the mother, the grandfather, the grandmother—they live in our memories, those dear ancestors.

What grand, though simple, lives they lived! With reverential pride we review their lives, and may we strive to imitate their noble and virtuous examples; their self sacrificing devotion to those they loved; their unceasing industry—fruits of which you see around the old home; their unfaltering faith in Him who led his children of old, by a pillar of cloud by day, and through the night by a pillar of fire!

Let this day be devoted to a recalling of fond memories, a commingling of joyous hearts, and a clasping of generous hands, a day long to be remembered by all. Some of us may not be here at another reunion, but may our lives float on, as serene and pure as those we commemorate to-day, and may our life's evening close as peaceful and fair.

"So live that when thy summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan that moves
To the pale realms of shade, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go not like the quarry slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon, but, sustained and soothed
By an unfaltering trust, approach thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

[The next two letters are from sons of two of the Colone's daughters:]

ROCHESTER, INDIANA. Sept. 16th. 1892.

W. W. V. BUCHANAN, PIQUA. OHIO.

DEAR SIR AND COUSIN:-

Your card bearing invitation to the Buchanan reunion arrived just upon the eve of my departure for Washington to attend the National Encampment G. A. R. Very sorry that I cannot be with you and other relatives on the 1st of Oct. Mother's health is such at the present time that it will be impossible for her to undertake a journey of that distance. She has been quite poorly since the extreme hot weather in July.

Remember me kindly to all enquiring friends.

Very truly yours.

A. G. Sinks.

Твоу. Ощо. Sept. 27th. 1892.

W. W. V. BUCHANAN, PIQUA. OHIO.

COUSIN WARREN:-

Inclosed you will find a history of my branch of the Buchanan family.

Received invitation to the reunion, but as it takes place on Saturday which is our busiest day, and this is our busiest time of the year, it will be impossible for us to be present this time, but hope to be able to meet with you at some future reunion.

With regards to all, and thanking you for your kindness, I remain,

Your Cousin.

N. C. PERRY.

[The next two are from the children of Oliver Perry, who was the son of the Colonel's daugnter:]

Marion, Ohio, Sept. 21, 1892.

HON. W. W. V. BUCHANAN, PIQUA, OHIO.

MY DEAR AND RESPECTED UNCLE:-

Your card no-

tifying me of a reunion of the descendants of Capt. George Buchanan, at the home of the late Harvey Buchanan, on Oct. 1st, 1892, at hand.

I regret exceedingly my inability to be with my kinsmen on that day, but previous engagements prevent. I am afraid that few would recognize Oliver's diminutive son in the 5 ft. 8, 135 lb. boy that is knocking law into his head at Marion. My Buchanan blood can, however, be recognized by my democracy. Uncles Nate Perry and Warren Bowman will please make a note of this.

Wishing each and all of my kinsmen a pleasant time, and trusting that He will spare us to meet you all in 1893, I have the honor to remain, very respectfully, Your obedient servant.

ROLLA C. PERRY.

GREENVILLE, OHIO, Sept. 27th, 1892.

W. W. V. BUCHANAN, PIQUA, OHIO.

DEAR COUSIN:-

I regret very much that I can not be at the Buchanan reunion, owing to the little ones. I hope to attend them in the future, and I know you will all have a grand and glorious good time. Mr. Hall also sends his regrets.

Yours truly,

LILLIE P. HALL.

[The following is from the youngest son of our President:]

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 28th. 1892.

W. W. V. BUCHANAN, PIQUA, OHIO.

DEAR SIR:-

Your kind invitation to be present at the first reunion of the handsome descendants of Capt. Geo. Buchanan received, and it is with regret I must advise you of my inability to attend. Mrs. Buchanan also sends regrets, but wishes you all a happy time on this occasion, and hopes that another year may not roll around and find her absent. Undoubtedly there will be present some of our good family that we have not met for years, and some little ones we have never met, but to all the flowers of our flock, both known and unknown, we extend our heart and hands, congratulating one and all that they are of a kin and of a name so dear as "Buchanan."

There are other reasons why we regret being absent from this reunion, for, as we understand from the invitation, the meeting will be at the "Union Church," adjoining which, in the church yard, silently in their graves are sleeping those whom we loved in life, and for whom we mourn in death. Side by side, in that silent city, rest our beloved ones—mothers, sisters, brothers, fathers, and so on back to the venerable Captain, in whose rememberance this reunion is held.

A cruel grave stone scattered here and there is by no means the only record we have of our beloved dead; but within each heart there is an unwritten epitaph to be effaced from our memory never.

To have joined you at so sacred a spot would have been pleasure indeed, but we must forbear. When all was sunshine, when we were children, this territory

afforded our play grounds, and the memories of bare feet, kites, bamboo and bait, also add pleasure to our reveries. And in the language of the Boston girl "as we expectorated on the tiny grub, hoping to catch fine shiners" little did we imagine, that the world was full of bait made more enticing by ready kisses waiting to gather us in. We are now referring to the lady additions of our family, whose names were other than "Buchanan." However, we sincerely hope all the little "Bucks" and "Buckies" will grow up to bite at Hymen's bait, to honor and perpetuate the name we love so grall

On such a memorable occasion, we know that, could the dear old Captain come back from his silent grave and see what has taken place since his last grand march, he would declare. "I'm proud of my family." So are we. With kindest regards to all, and again expressing our regrets I am.

Yours truly.

W. P. BUCHANAN.

The next three communications are from the sons of George Preston, son of James Harvey, the Colonel's oldest son: the first being a telegram from the oldest, who is Chief of the Agricultural and Horticultural Departments of the World's Fair and Columbian Exposition, he being Commissioner from Iowa.]

CHICAGO, ILL., Oct. 1st, 1892.

W. W. V. BUCHANAN, PIQUA, OHIO.

Express my regrets that I can not be with you. Had to give up trip yesterday. Remember me to every one. Congratulate you on first gathering of the clan. W I BUCHANAN.

Омана, Neb., Sept. 26th, 1892.

Mr. W. W. V. Buchanan, Piqua, Ohio.
My Dear Uncle:—

I received, a few days ago, a card from you advising me that the first annual reunion of the descendents of Capt. Geo. Buchanan would be held at Trotters Creek, Oct. 1st, and am very sorry indeed that it will be impossible for me to be there.

The Company here have made some changes in their arrangements, and I will go to Sioux City to live, and have charge of a certain territory tributary to that point. The change and the additional work of getting moved, and matters of that kind, will render it impossible for me to be at the reunion, much as I would like to be, and see all the Buchanans in a body. Presume there will be a large number there, and would thank you to send me papers containing a list of those who are there, together with an account of the proceedings, and will certainly be very much obliged to you for it.

Yours truly. R. L. BUCHANAN

Union City, Ind., Sept. 27th. 92. HON. W. W. V. BUCHANAN, PIQUA, OHIO.

DEAR UNCLE:-Your card of some days ago received, as well as your letter of yesterday: I very much fear we will be denied the great pleasure of meeting all our relatives at this re-union, but we beg to assure you our thoughts will be with you. I sincerely hope that the first reunion, as well as the future ones. will be grand successes.

I shall consider it a great favor if you will kindly send me a copy of the complete record when you have it compiled. With kind regards to all I remain,

Yours very truly, CHAS. W. BUCHANAN.

# A SKETCH OF COL. GEORGE BUCHANAN AND HIS DESCENDANTS.

BY W. W. V. BUCHANAN.

It is a tradition among the relatives that at an early date there came from Scotland to America three Buchanan brothers: William (?), who settled in Pennsylvania; James, in Virginia. and John or George. in Tennessee.

James Buchanan, in Rockbridge County, Virginia, married Isabel Hall, and lived on a tract of land which was part of the Ben. Burden grant from the Crown of England, recorded in Deed Book A, the first Deed Book of the County.

Their children were eleven in number, as follows:—

- 1. William, who lived and died a bachelor at the old home.
- 2. James, who came to Ohio, and settled in Shelby County near where Lockington now stands, married, and about 1840 removed to Elkhart. Noble County, Indiana, where he and his wife died.
- 3. Andrew, who emigrated to Kentucky, and "served in a company of mounted volunteers, in the service of the United States, for the space of seventy days, in an expedition under the command of Major-General William Henry Harrison to Upper Canada, in the fall of

1813, which said Company was attached to the 4th Regiment of Kentucky Volunteers. He performed his duty faithfully as a soldier" and, being entitled thereto, received "an honorable discharge from the service the 8th day of November, 1813.

WILLIAM HUTCHISON. General Captain, 2d. B. 4th Regiment."

Later he removed to Missouri. He was married, and his son James Archibald lived in Indianapolis, Indiana, early in the sixties, and later in Piqua for a short time, returning to Indiana.

- 4. George.
- 5. John, who remained in Virginia on the old farm, married Rhoda Corby, of Augusta County, Virginia, and had a family of eight children. He visited Ohio in 1859-60, with his son, John Rice.
  - 6. Jane, who married James Parks.
- 7. Mary, (called Polly,) who married 1st, a man named Walker, 2d, John Rice.
  - 8. Isabelle, who maried a man named Scraggan.
- 9. Hannah, who married Adam Reed, of Eaton, Ohio.
- 10. Nancy, who married John Acton, of Eaton, Ohio, where their descendants yet reside.
- 11. Paxi Washington, who married Samuel Pettigrew.

George Buchanan, the subject of this sketch, was born in Rockbridge County, Va., not far from the Natural Bridge, April 23rd, 1781. He was the fourth son of James and Isabel Hall-Buchanan. On June 23rd, 1803, he married Nancy Cassady, who was born in the same County December 16th, 1782. They came across

the mountains from Virginia on horseback, and settled first at Marietta, Ohio. Thence they removed to Deerfield, in Warren County, near Lebanon, where their first child, James Harvey, was born, December 20th, 1804. The following year they removed to West Milton, in Miami County, where they lived until after the Indian war of 1812.

During the time of this war, George Buchanan raised a company of Volunteers and received a commission as Captain, having his company enrolled, drilled, and ready for service before the formal declaration of war was made. For the protection of the settlers he built a Block House, or Fort, which was called Fort Buchanan, where Covington is now located. He occupied this Fort with his command for some time. He was also stationed at Ft. Greenville a part of the time, and he was an officer of the militia in the early days of Miami County.

He was a man of great courage and integrity, stern and fearless, of decided character, and a natural leader in the community. He was a useful and energetic member of society in civil as well as military circles. He purchased a farm in section 6, town 8, range 5 east, in Miami Co., O., and removed his family to same, in 1830, where he resided until his death, July 20th, 1862, respected by all who knew him.

#### CHILDREN OF COL. GEORGE BUCHANAN.

Col. George Buchanan and Nancy Cassady had the following named children:

- 1. James Harvey, b. December 20th, 1804, m. Joanna Hall, January 5th. 1826, d. Sept. 27th, 1891. Issue.
- 2. George Washington. b. Dec. 21st, 1805, d. in infancy.
- 3. William Madison, b. Feb. 10th, 1807, d. in infancy.
- 4. Alexander Hueston. b. Oct. 26th, 1809, d. in infancy.
- 5. Isabelle, b. Jan. 11th, 1811, m. Nathan W. Perry. April, 30th, 1829, d. May 12th, 1854. Issue.
- 6. and 7. John Harrison and Mary, twins, b. Jan. 12th. 1813. John H. d. in infancy. Mary m. 1st Frederick Sinks. Issue. 2nd Adolphus Stone. No Issue. Still living at Rochester, Indiana.
- 8. Eliza Jane, b. Jan. 31st, 1815, m. George Dively. d. May 28th, 1892. Issue.
- 9. Nancy. b. April 16th, 1816, m. James McClary, Feb. 24th, 1842, d. Nov.—1886. Issue.
- 10. David Jackson, b. Oct. 5th, 1817, m. Minerva Hershberger, June 16th, 1846, still living at Covington, Ohio. Issue.
- 11. Hannah Lavinia, b. May 21st, 1819, m. 1st, Job Stahl, 2nd, W. A. Horton. No issue. Still living at Macy, Ind.
- 12. Cynthia Ann. b. May 15th, 1822, not m. d. Oct. 18th. 1848.







JOANNA HALL-BUCHANAN.

JAMES HARVEY BUCHANAN

# BRIEF HISTORY OF THE OLDEST BRANCH OF THE FAMILY.

Col. George Buchanan's eldest child, James Harvey, married on January 5, 1826. Joanna Hall, the oldest daughter of William and Mary Cammack-Hall.

William Hall, b. March 29, 1763, in Newberry District, S. C., d. March 3, 1858, nearly 95 years of age.

Mary Cammack, b. October 12, 1775, d. March 4,

1850, in her 75th year.

William Hall and Mary Cammack m. in October, 1792, in said State. ISSUE:—

- 1. James Hall, b. Dec. 27, 1794, d. Dec. 13, 1854.
- John Hall, b. Jan. 8, 1797, d. Feb. 12, 1812.
   Joanna Hall, b. Nov. 1, 1799, d. April 17, 1878.
- 4. Dorothy Hall, b. May 20, 1802, d. Feb. 17, 1859.
- 5. Mary Hall, b. Feb. 20, 1805, d. Oct. 18, 1874.
- 6. Hannah Hall, b. Nov. 1, 1807, d. April 23, 1850.
- 7. Samuel Hall, b. March 12, 1812, d. March 23, 1864.
- 8. Sarah Ann Hall, b. Sep. 14, 1814, d. Mar. 12, 74.
- 9. William Hall, b. Dec. 27, 1817, d. April 2, 1846.

The Buchanan-Hall marriage was celebrated at the residence of the bride's parents, in the northern part of Montgomery County, Ohio. (One of the Secretary's treasures is a piece of the wedding dress.) On November 16th of the same year they removed to a farm they had purchased in section 6, town 8, range 5 east, in Newberry Township, Miami County, on a part of which the Union Church now stands, and, adjoining it, the old burying ground.

Here they commenced life in the wilderness. There were then but a few acres cleared and a log cabin of but one room on the premises. But there were a fireplace and hearth of generous dimensions, and a roomy and hospitable crane, which was a curiosity to the grand-children of later years. Here they lived and loved and worked, developing beautiful and harmonious charac-

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ters, entertaining the Ministers of the Gospel who visited the settlement, and often held "meetings" in their own dwelling. As the years went by, first one addition and then another was made to the house, a story added and porches built, until it is now the rambling, roomy, richly-memoried abode visible on the hill over yonder among the tall trees, many of them planted by my grandfather's hand. But whether their house was large or small, their hearts were always open and visitors were sure of a cordial welcome and abundant and toothsome fare. Grandma's reputation as a superior cook was well known in this and other counties, and I take pleasure in stating the rare fact that her mantle has fallen on all her daughters.

James Harvey Buchanan was a carpenter by trade and in addition to building his own house and making much of his own furniture, he used frequently to work at his trade in the vicinity and also near West Milton, while his good wife, Joanna, managed the affairs of the family and the farm until his return. She was well qualified to do this, and her admirable executive ability was felt and seen in its happy effects in every department of their united lives. They both lived to a good old age and had the satisfaction of seeing the wilderness disappear, settlers locate thickly all around them, and rich gardens, flourishing grain fields and happy homes take the place of the Indian rendezvous and the bear and panther trails along Trotters Creek.

Here amid the vicisitudes inseparable from that early pioneer life, in a home which soon became a center of literature, art and culture, they brought up to maturity a family of six children.

### DESCENDANTS OF COL. CEORGE BUCHANAN.

The descendants of Col. George Buchanan's oldest child to date are as follows:

- William Warren Volney, m. Phœbe Dye. Issue. 1.
- George Preston, m. 1st Mary Eliza Gibson.

2nd Susanna Tobias. Issue. d. Issue.

- Henrietta, m. John Nicholson.
- Mary, m. Wesley M. DeVoe. No issue.
- 5. James Harvey. d. in 1848.
- Nancy Jane, m. Andrew J. King. Issue. 6.

#### W. W. V., and Phœbe Dye-Buchanan had:

- 1. Alvin Curtis, m. Annabelle Shoemaker.
- James Dorsey, m. Emmazetta Cox.
- Carra Belle, m. Jeremiah S. Shearer. Issue.
- 4. Anne Katherine, d.
- 5. Sarah Eva Rebecca. d.
- 6 and 7. Frank and Lulu. Frank m. Olive Orchard.

#### Issue.

- A. C., and Annabelle Shoemaker-Buchanan have:
  - Warren Thomas.
  - 2. Mary Belle.
  - Eva Viola.
     Kate Dye.

  - 5. Augusta Rebecca.
  - 6. William Leonard.
  - 7. Charles Franklin.
  - 8. Marguerite.
  - George David. 9.
  - 10. Emma Estella.
- J. D., and Emmazetta Cox-Buchanan have:
  - 1. Bessie Pearl.
  - 2. John Robinson. d.
  - 3. Herbert Ward.
  - 4. Mary Helen.
  - Edna Marie. 5.

- J. S., and Belle C. Buchanan-Shearer had:
  - 1. J. Warren. d.
  - 2. Eva Lulu. d.
  - 3. Florence Katrina.

Frank, and Olive Orchard-Buchanan have:

- 1. Lenore.
- 2. Ralph.
- G. P., and Mary Eliza Gibson-Buchanan had:
  - William Insco, m. Lulu Williams. Issue.
     Ralph Lane, m. Charlotte Koster. Issue.

  - Alexander. d.
- G. P. and Susanna Tobias-Buchanan had:
  - 4. Charles Webster, m. Bessie M. Thompson. Issue.
- W. I. and Lulu Williams-Buchanan have:
  - 1. Florence.
  - 2. William Donald.
- R. L., and Charlotte Koster-Buchanan have:
  - Lillian.
- C. W., and Bessie M. Thompson-Buchanan have:
  - 1. Jean.
  - 2. Hazel.
  - 3. James.

John, and Henrietta Buchanan-Nicholson had:

1. Emma Isadore, m. William A. Hart. Issue. d.

2. William Preston, m. Carrie Shipley. Issue.

- W. A., and Emma I. Nicholson-Hart had:
  - 1. Clarence Eugene.
  - 2. Eva Florence.
- W. P., and Carrie Shipley-Nicholson have:
  - 1. Maude Blanche.
  - 2. Glenna Marie.
- A. J., and N. Jennie Buchanan-King had:
  - 1. Mabel Adah. d.

In this branch of the family literary, educational and artistic talents have been generously distributed. If all the poetical writings of James Harvey Buchanan were compiled and published they would make a snug little volume. All his children were gifted with musical, artistic and teaching ability manifested in different ways, domestic, public or commercial. All of them are good writers. Among his grandchildren there is great diversity of ability shown and statesmanship, mercantile and literary work, oratory, law, music, mechanical skill, medicine, scientific study and invention in ever widening fields are embraced in their activities. The greatgrandchildren bid fair to display quite as much diversity and ability in their development and are themselves the most interesting of studies. Of these we shall hear more in later years. Some of these little human blossoms only bloomed to gladden earthly lives for a few days or years, and then with snowy pinions plumed took flight to fairer skies, leaving behind them a golden thread of love fastened deep in our hearts to draw us unerringly after them.

There or here, we all have our places to fill, our share to do in the great world's work, and whether our station be that of ruler or reaper, governor or gardener, served or servant, let it ever be the Buchanan pride to do our part so well and with such symmetry and completeness that it may be a joy to ourselves, an inspiration to others, and none shall be able to excel it.

#### INTERESTING RELICS.

The old sword and epaulettes worn by George Buchanan were then exhibited by his name sake grandson, George David Buchanan, of Sidney. (It may not be out of place to mention just here that the old Major had a namesake in the family of every one of his children who had issue.)

These interesting relics were given to their present owner in a very impressive manner. When in the summer of 1861, just a few weeks before his death, the grandfather had grown too feeble to walk without help, he left his bed and crept on hands and knees, as a child would do, up the stairway. True to his character of a successful military officer, he did not make known to any one the purpose of his mission up stairs. But a little later he came into the room where the family was assembled. Addressing his proposed lagatee, whom he always called by his middle name, he said: "David, I have brought down my sword and epaulettes which I carried in the war of 1812, and placed them in the bureau drawer in the west room. You will find them in the second drawer from the bottom. I present them to you as a keepsake, to remember me by. I want you to keep them as long as you live. The sword is in its scabbard and I want you never to unsheath it unless in defense of your country."

To fully appreciate the force of the last words it is necessary to recall the date of their utterance and to

know that greatgrandfather regarded the great civil war of the rebellion as an aggressive war against the Southern States. And while he was bitterly opposed to aggresive wars, he was firm and unyielding in demanding and defending his own rights — a characteristic which reached out beyond personal self to governmental affairs as well.

Several Commissions of Col. Geo. Buchanan and Pay Rolls were then exhibited by D. J. Buchanan, that as Captain, dated 1809; as Major, 1815; as Lieutenant Colonel, 1818, and his exemption, 1821.

Following are verbatim copies of the three commissions and pay rolls:

#### COMMISSION AS CAPTAIN.

In the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio.

SAMUEL HUNTINGTON, Governor and Commander in Chief of the said state.

To George Buchanan, Esquire, Greeting.

It being certified to me that you are duly elected Captain of the third Company in the second Battalion, second Regiment, fifth Brigade and first Division of Militia in this state.

NOW KNOW YOU, that by virtue of the powers vested in me by the constitution and laws of said state; and reposing special trust and confidence in your courage, activity, fidelity and good conduct, I do by these presents, commission you as Captain of said Company, hereby authorising and requiring you to discharge all, and singular, the duties and services appertaining to your said office, agreeably to law, and such instructions

as you shall, from time to time, receive from your

superior officers.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my name, and caused the Great Seal of the state of OHIO to be affixed, at Chillicothe, the 24th day of December, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and 9, and in the thirty-4th year of the Independence of the United States of America. By his Excellency's Command.



SAMUEL HUNTINGTON.

JAS. W. SIM, Secretary of State.

The above Commission is endorsed on the back as follows:

State of Ohio \(\) Miami County \(\)

This is to certify that Capt. George Buckhannan has tackin the oath of office, a Capt. of the 3rd Comp'y, 2 Battalion, 2 Regt, 5 Brigade, 1st Division of Ohio Militia. Sworn before me this 17th day of Jany, 1810.

WM. ELLIS, J. P.

Commission G. Buchanan, Captain.

## COPY OF SECOND COMMISSION.

(OBVERSE)

In the name and by the authority of the State of Ohio. Thomas Worthington, Governor and Commander in Chief of the said State.

To George Buchanan, Esq., Greeting:

It being certified to me that you are duly elected Major of the second Battalion, fourth Regiment, second Brigade, and fifth Division of the Militia in this State,

NOW KNOW YOU, that by virtue of the powers vested in me by the constitution and laws of said state; and reposing special trust and confidence in your courage, activity, fidelity and good conduct, I do by these presents, commission you as Major of said Battalion, hereby authorising and requiring you, to discharge, all and singular, the duties and services appertaining to your said office, agreeably to law, and such instructions as you shall, from time to time, receive from your superior officers.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF. I have hereunto set my name, and caused the Great Seal of the state of OHIO to be affixed at Chillicothe, the fourth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifteen, and in the thirty-ninth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

By his Excellency's Command.

Stamped with the Seal of Ohio.

Secretary of State.
T. Worthington,

#### (REVERSE)

George Buckhan you do sollomly affirm that you will support the Constitution of the United and this State and fullfill the office that is assigned to you as

Major of the second Battalion, fourth Regiment, second Brigade, and fifth Division, according to law and the best of your ability so help your God.

Sworn before me this 8 day of July, 1815.

ANDREW WAYMIRE, Esq.

#### COPY OF THIRD COMMISSION.

(OBVERSE)

In the name and by the authority of the state of Ohio. Thomas Worthington, Governor and Commander in Chief of the said State.

To George Buchanan, Greeting:—

It appearing that your commission as Major in the Malitia of this state, bearing date the fourthday of January, 1815, entitles you under the 5th Sec. of the act of the General Assembly of this state entitled, "An act to amend the act for organizing and diciplining the Malitia," To the commission of Lieutenant-Colonel of the second Regiment in the second Brigade and fifth Division of the Militia in this state,

NOW KNOW YOU, that by virtue of the powers vested in me by the constitution and laws of said state; and reposing special trust and confidence in your courage, activity, fidelity and good conduct, I do by these presents commission you as Lieutenant-Colonel of said Regiment, hereby authorising and requiring you, to discharge, all and singular, the duties and services appertaining to your said office, agreeably to law, and such instructions as you shall from time to time receive from your superior officers.

In testimony whereof. I have hereunto set my name, and caused the Great Seal of the State of Ohio to be affixed at Columbus, the Eighteenth day of June in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen, and in the forty-second year of the Independence of the United States of America.

By his Excellency's Command,

Stamped with the Seal of Ohio.

Secretary of State, T. Worthington.

(REVERSE)

Montgomery Ss.

Personally came before me Lieut. Col. George Buckanan and took the nescessarial oath of office this 11th day of August, 1818.

> MARTIN SHUEY, Col. 2nd Regt., 2nd Brig., 5th Div., O. M.

## COPY OF RESIGNATION AND ACCEPTANCE.

August the 25th, 1821.

After my long sarvise I now apply for exemptision from office.

September 12th, 1821.

I Acept the resignation.

ISAAC ROBERTSON, Col. .Comdt. of 2nd R., 2nd B., 5th D. of O. M.

Pay roll of a Company of Volunteers, Commanded by Captain George Buchanan, attached to the fifth Brigade, and first Division, of Ohio Militia, Ordered into the service. On the 5th day of May 1812. Jerome Holt, Col., Brigadier Gen. Edmond Munger.

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\*) Absent without leave.

#### BUCHANAN ANCESTRY.

The Secretary then read from a volume called "Americans of Royal Descent," pedigrees giving the original of the name of Buchanan, and the ancestors as far back as given:—

Page 66. (Lady Adeline's Ancestry.)

Hugh Caput, King of France, had - Robert, King of France, who had

Adela, m. Baldwin V. of Flanders, and had

Lady Matilda, m. William the Conqueror, first King of England, in 1053, and had

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Princess Gundred, of Normandy, m. William de Warren, created Earl of Surrey by King William Rufus, and had

William, 2nd Earl of Warren and Surrey, m. Lady Isabel de Vermandois (widow of Robert, Earl of Mellent,) daughter of Hubert, fourth Count de Vermandois, by Lady Alice, his wife, daughter of Hugh the Great, Count de Vermandois, son of Henry I, King of France, and had

Lady Adeline, or Ada de Warren, m. Henry, Prince of Scotland.

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Alfred, King of England, had Edward, King of England, who had Edmund I., King of England, who had
Edgar, King of England, who had
Ethelred II., King of England, who had
Edmund II., King of England, who had
Edward, the Exile, Prince of England, who had
Margaret, m. Malcolm III., of Scotland, and had

St. David, King of Scotland, who married Lady Adeline de Warren (whose pedigree is traced on pages 66 and 302) and had

David, Earl of Huntington, who had
Isabel, m. Robert, Lord of Annandale, and had
Robert, Lord of Annandale, who had
Robert Bruce, Earl of Carrick, who had
Robert Bruce, King of Scotland, who had
Mary, m. Walter, Lord High Steward, and had
Robert II., King of Scotland who married
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Lady Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Adam Mure, Knight of Rowalton, and had

- 2.—Robert Stewart, Duke of Albany, Earl of Monteith and Fife, Regent of Scotland, b. 1339, d. 1419. He m. first Lady Margaret, granddaughter of Alan, Earl of Monteith, and had
- 3.—Murdoch Stewart, second Duke of Albany, Governor of Scotland, who m. Lady Isabel, daughter of Duncan, Earl of Lenox, and had
- 4.—Lady Isabel Stewart, who m. Sir Walter Buchanan, twelfth Laird of Buchanan.

## Page 47 (Pedigree XIII.)

1.—Fargallus, the 156th Monarch of all Ireland, who was killed A.D.718, by Moroch, King of Leinster, had

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2.—Conchobhar, Prince of Leim-au-Madaidh, London-

derry, brother of Niall Frasach, 162nd Monarch of Ireland, d. 773, who had

- 3.—Gruagan, who had
- 4.—Dungan, who had
- 5.—Cathain, who had
- 6.—Cathusach O'Cathain, or O'Kyan, who had
- 7.—Dermod O'Kyan, King of the Southern part of Ulster, who had
- 8.—Anselan Buey O'Kyan, or O'Bocainain, Anglicized Buchanan, who succeeded as provincial King of Southern Ulster. He took part in the slaughter of Turgesius, the Danish general, and his army, at Limerick, and was, with his followers, compelled to leave Ireland, by King Canute, and flee to Scotland, in 1016, and soon after entered into the service of King Malcolm II., against the Danes. He so signalized himself in this Monarch's service that he obtained from him many grants of land in the northern part of Scotland as a reward, among which were the lands of Pitwhonidy and Strathyre, and was recognized as the first Laird of Buchanan. He m. the heiress of the Laird of Denniestown, and had
- 9.-John, second Laird of Buchanan, who had
- 10.—Anselan, third Laird of Buchanan, who had
- 11.—Walter, fourth Laird of Buchanan, who had
- 12.—Gerald, fifth Laird of Buchanan, who had
- 13.—Macbeath, sixth Laird of Buchanan, who had
- 14.—Anselan, seventh Laird of Buchanan, who was Chamberlain to Maldwin, Earl of Lennox, in 1225, and obtained a charter from him of an island in Lochlomond, which he called "Clareinch," the slughome, or war-cry, proper to the family of Buchanan. He had

- 15.—Gilbert Buchanan, eighth Laird of Buchanan, who was the first to assume the surname of Buchanan. He succeeded his father as Seneschal, or Chamberlain, to the Earl of Lennox, and had
- 16.—Sir Maurice Buchanan, Knight, ninth Laird of Buchanan, who had
- 17.—Sir Maurice Buchanan, Knight, tenth Laird of Buchanan, who married the second daughter of Sir John de Menteth, d. 1324, second son of Walter Stuart, Earl of Menteth, 1258, (third son of Walter Stuart, Lord High Steward of Scotland, and his wife, Lady Beatrice, daughter of Gilchrist, Earl of Angus) and his wife, daughter of Maritius, Earl of Menteth, and had
- 18.—Walter Buchanan, Knight, eleventh Laird of Buchanan, who had
- 19.—John Buchanan, of that ilk, only son, d. v. p. He m. Lady Janet, the heiress of John Buchanan, Laird of Lenny, and had
- 20.—Sir Walter Buchanan, Knight, second son, twelfth Laird of Buchanan, and Laird of Lenny. He m. Lady Isabel Stewart, daughter of Murdoch, second Duke of Albany and Governor of Scotland, a grandson of Robert II., King of Scotland, and had
- 21.—Thomas Buchanan, third son, younger brother to Patrick, thirteenth Laird of Buchanan, from whom he had in 1461, a grant of the lands of Gartincaber, and who was in 1476 the first Laird of Carbeth. He had
- 22.—John Buchanan, of Easter-Ballat, second son (younger brother of Thomas, second Laird of Carbeth, who d. s. p.) who d. before his brother, leaving issue:

- 23.—Thomas Buchanan, who succeeded as third Laird of Carbeth, in 1555. He had by his second wife, Janet, a daughter of the then Laird of Buchanan
- 24.—John Buchanan, of Gartincaber, eldest son, who was a half brother of Thomas, fourth Laird of Carbeth, and a brother of Wm. Buchanan of Blairnborn, whose grandson, Archibald Buchanan, settled in Virginia.

## MINOR PROCEEDINGS.

A collection was then taken for the purpose of defraying the expense of sending newspaper reports of the meeting to those present. The amount thus contributed was \$4.23.

A vote of thanks was tendered Squire D. C. Branson, D. J. Buchanan and Otto Buchanan, for preparing the tables in the grove, and other assisstance rendered.

A vocal solo, The Minuet, was then sung by Mary Helen Buchanan, with accompaniment by G. D. Buchanan.

The President, D. J. Buchanan, then sang an old time song, "When shall we meet again?"

The motion was then carried to meet at the same place on the first Saturday in October, 1893.

Geo. D. Buchanan was appointed to arrange for the musical entertainment, and the following were appointed the Refreshment Committee for next year:

Henrietta Nicholson. Jennie King. Ann Buchanan. Laura McClary. Angeline Dively. Maggie Buchanan. Belle La Porte. Frances Bishop. Mary Dively.

Lulu Buchanan. Maggie Bowman. Emma Buchanan. Carrie Nicholson. Hattie Perry. Lillie Perry-Hall. Nancy Perry-Mangus. Cynthia Kerst.

Myrtle McClary.

#### FAREWELL.

After the loving, some of them tearful, farewells had been spoken, and the long procession of carriages, buggies, and omnibus had started on their homeward way, I was favored with the privilege of visiting the old homestead, which for nearly seventy years has been a landmark in the neighborhood, and which is faithfully represented in the front of the book. I trod the same flagstones, sat under the same old trees, slept under the same roof where once the forms of my great grandparents were familiar, monarchs of all they surveyed. heard the lowing of the sweet-breathed kine, the neighing of horses, the gutteral grunt of well-fed swine, the barnyard noises of night-fall and of dawn, just as they heard them three-quarters of a century ago, and the whirr of a pretty flock of quails that alighted and ran unscared through the shocks of yellow corn. The cries of foxes disturbed my slumbers, as they doubtless often disturbed theirs, years ago, but I had no fear of slaughtered fowls, for I knew the foxes were pets and caged.

I was surprised to find how small had grown the rooms, that, when I used to play at hide and seek with cousins, seemed spacious and lofty. In the morning I visited the old attic, to find that my stature would not now permit me to trip swiftly from one round bark-covered joist to another, as I did nearer the middle of the

Century. At one end of the attic were relics that vividly recalled the old time trundlebed song. At the other end I found a copy of the Bible in old English, Murray's English Reader, and a Cook Book of 1819, which were kindly given to me, and have been placed among my treasured mementoes of the precious past.

Out across the fields I could see the house and barn on my grandfather's farm. There, with gleeful cousins in the happy long ago, we fished along the stream in the meadow, and drove home the cows with tinkling bells at evening, and strung buckeyes, and filled the old milk trough, and shook the rosy cheeked apples, for cider and applebutter, and hunted the eggs for pumpkin pies. Those innocent, carefree days cannot return, but in new spheres, new relations, new duties and new opportunities we may grow onward towards higher life, and fulfil the destiny of our existence.

From a human standpoint, nothing is more humiliating or disastrous than when placed in any position in life which one cannot fill. Whether it be as the result of ambition, of accident, or necessity, the effect is the same. When this distinguished body, at its first annual reunion, conferred upon me the honorable office of secretary, I did not at first realize the magnitude and multitude of the duties I was thus called upon to discharge. As little by little the growing work loomed up and towered before my astonished gaze, I saw myself in the unenviable position before described-a place too big for me to fill. That I was not ignominiously overwhelmed and extinguished is due much more to the ready, gallant, efficient, and continuous aid, counsel and support of my fellow officers than to any ability of my own. I wish here and now to acknowledge the great

credit due to our worthy President, D. J. Buchanan, our energetic Vice-President, W. W. V. Buchanan, and our able Assistant Secretary, A. C. Buchanan, and to the courteous Chairman of the Executive Committee, Geo. D. Buchanan, and to express publicly my many and sincere thanks to them, all and singular, and to bespeak and pledge the same generous and cordial as-assistance and co-operation for my successor in office, whom I hope to have the honor of naming.

In closing I extend to all my cordial congratulations on the perfect harmony and unanimity which prevailed, and the earnest spirit of co-operation which so notably characterized the First Annual Buchanan Reunion.

While from the informality of the meeting and the inexperience of the body as a body there were doubtless many things left undone which we will later discover ought to have been done, I am sure there was nothing done, on the part of any one. that ought to have been left undone.

I ask every heart to join its earnest prayer with mine, that this precedent, so auspiciously established, may never be infringed, or departed from, while there shall exist two of the name to meet together. Here let all distinctions, personal, political, financial, educational and social be held in abeyance, and only the common interest, enjoyment and advantage be considered and subserved.

And as we meet year after year, and come to know each other better, and learn the wide range and capability, the activity and thought, the goodness and lovableness, the virtues and capacities of our growing clan, let us each, forgetting self, strive to appreciate the others at their full and just value.

When we have done this, it will be but a step to the recognition of the older, broader, stronger ties which relate us to the human family, every where and always, as brothers of one common father-mother. In this, and this alone, as the basis of ethics, lies the hope of the redemption of the world. Whether we be white, yellow, black, brown or red, christian or cannibal, statesman or slave, prince or pauper, philanthropist or felon, judge or juggler, priest or pirate, in all of which conditions we sometime have been or will be, we are all, inherently and potentially equal and one. And let him who would strive to rise to that perfect estate which has been revealed as man's destiny remember that his only progress is made by helping others towards the same goal.

And now, in the well remembered benediction of the sweet-faced, sweet-voiced little woman whose patient life stream, mingled for sixty turbulent years with the sturdier current of the stern old Colonel, and who is now but the gentlest of memories, framed in snowy cap frill against her favorite chimney corner, old and young, relative and stranger, one and all, "I wish you well." Respectfully submitted.

Belle C. Buchanan, Secretary.

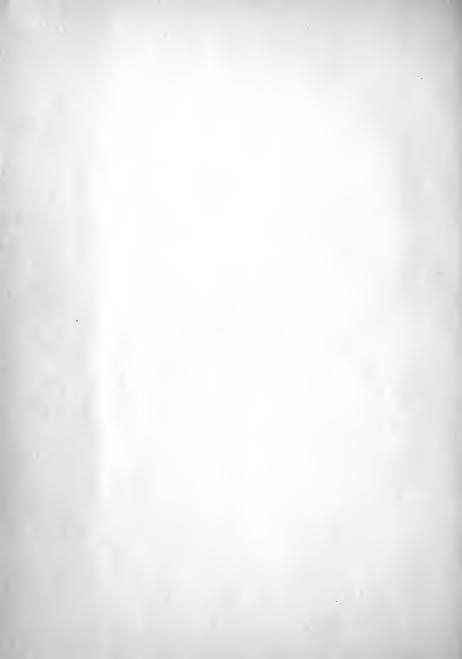
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