

Breckinridge

CLIFTON RODES BRECKINRIDGE, diplomatist, of Fort Smith, Arkansas; *b.* at Lexington, Kentucky, 22d November, 1846; Member of Congress, 1883-1894; and United States Minister to Russia, 1894-1897; received a common school education and served as a private in the Confederate Army, and as midshipman in the Navy. At the close of the war attended Washington College for three years and subsequently became a cotton planter in Arkansas. Elected in 1882 to the 48th Congress from the State at large and was re-elected to the 49th and our succeeding Congresses; served 1883-1894; he resigned before the close of his term; United States Minister to Russia, 1894-1897; was a member of the Dawes Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes of the Indian Territory, 1900-1905; *m.* 21st November, 1876, Katherine Breckinridge CARSON, dau. of Doctor and Mrs. James Green CARSON, of the Parish of Carroll, Louisiana.



ISSUE

- I. James Carson, *b.* 13th September, 1877; Lieutenant Colonel, United States Marine Corps.
- II. Mary Carson, *b.* 17th February, 1881; *m.* (firstly) 1904, Henry Ruffner MORRISON, *d.* 1906; *m.* (secondly) 1912, Richard Ryan THOMPSON.

ISSUE

1. Breckinridge THOMPSON, *b.* 12th January, 1914; *d.* 23d January, 1918.
2. Mary Breckinridge THOMPSON, *d.* 8th July, 1916.
- III. Susanna Preston Lees, *b.* 12th August, 1886; *m.* February, 1918, somewhere in France, Lieut. George DUNN, United States Artillery, Regulars.
- IV. Clifton Rodes, *b.* 24th September, 1895; Lieutenant United States Army, Regulars.

Lineage

ALEXANDER BRECKINRIDGE of Orange County, Virginia; a Scottish covenanter fled to America in the restoration of the STUARTS; at a court held for Orange County, 1740; came into Court and made oath that he imported himself, wife and children from Ireland to Philadelphia and thence into this Colony at his own charge, this is the first time of proving his and their rights in order to obtain land which is required to be certified; *m.* Jane (surname not given).

ISSUE

. ROBERT, *d.* 1772, of whom below.

LIEUT. ROBERT BRECKINRIDGE, of Botetourt County, Virginia; *b.* in Ireland, circa 1720-1725; *d.* 1772, at Fincastle in Botetourt County; took a prominent part in the French and Indian Wars; was Trustee for the new town of Staunton, 1796; *m.* 10th July, 1758, Letticia PRESTON, dau. of John and Elizabeth (PATTON) PRESTON, both Irish emigrants to Virginia, of Scottish descent.

ISSUE

- I. JOHN, *b.* 2d December, 1760, of whom later.
- II. James, *b.* in Virginia, 7th March, 1763; *d.* 9th August, 1846; Member of the General Assembly of Virginia, and a leader of the old Federal party in that body; represented the district of Botetourt in Congress, 1809-1817.

HON. JOHN BRECKINRIDGE of Cabell's Dale, Kentucky; *b.* near Staunton, Virginia, 2d December, 1760; *d.* 14th December, 1806; entered William and Mary College in 1778; elected a Member of the House of Delegates, 1780, when but nineteen years of age, and served there until 1785; admitted to the Bar, 1785; elected to the 3d Congress, 1793; removed to Kentucky, 1793; appointed Attorney General of the new State, 1795; at this time the Criminal Court of Kentucky prescribed death penalty to no less than one hundred and sixty crimes, juries could not be found to convict except in cases of aggravated criminalty and while in the legislature Mr. BRAINRIDGE secured a revision of the code so as to abolish the death penalty for all crimes except murder in the first degree; in 1799 he introduced into the Kentucky Legislature another bill that passed, affirming that "any State might nullify any act of Congress which it regarded as unconstitutional;" while the authorship of the original resolution is almost unanimously attributed to Thomas JEFFERSON it has been made clear that while the basis of the paper was from the hand of Mr. JEFFERSON, the most important portions were the work of Mr. BRECKINRIDGE, Member of the Legislature (serving as Speaker during his third and last term), 1707-1800; United States Senator, 1801-1805; United States Attorney General, 1805-1806; *m.* 28th June, 1785, Mary HOPKINS CABELL.

ISSUE

- I. Letitia Preston, *b.* 22d June, 1786; *d.* 27th July, 1831; *m.* 24th October 1804, Alfred William GRAYSON, who *d.* 10th October, 1810, leaving issue; *m.* (secondly) 16th October, 1818, Col. Peter Buel PORTER, United States Secretary for War, 1828-1829; had issue.
- II. JOSEPH CABELL, *b.* 24th July, 1788, of whom later.
- III. Mary Ann, *b.* 1795; *m.* David CASTLEMAN.

- IV. Rev. John, *b.* 4th, July, 1797; *d.* 4th August, 1841; a distinguished Presbyterian clergyman and controversialist; educated at Nassau Hall, Princeton, graduated, 1818; in 1841 president of Oglethorpe College, Georgia.
- V. Rev. Robert Jefferson, D.D., *b.* at Cabell's Dale, Kentucky, 8th March 1800; *d.* 27th December, 1781, in Danville, Kentucky; President Jefferson College, Pennsylvania, 1845-1847; removed to Lexington Kentucky, 1847, and became pastor of the First Presbyterian Church there; *m.* 11th. March, 1823, Anna Sophonisba PRESTON, descendant General CAMPBELL and Elizabeth HENRY, sister of Patrick HENRY.

ISSUE (AMONG OTHERS)

- I. Gen. Joseph Cabell, *b.* 14th January, 1842, in Baltimore, Maryland; Inspector General, United States Army; served during the Civil War as artillery officer, promoted for gallantry at Battle of M. Springs, Kentucky, when he served as Aide on General THOMAS staff; was captured at Atlanta, Georgia, and brevetted for gallantry in action; promoted to the I. G. Department, 1881; *m.* 21st July, 186 Louise Ludlow DUDLEY.

ISSUE

- 1st. Mary Dudley, *m.* Capt. John F. HINES, United States Navy; left issue.
- 2nd. Joseph Cabell, United States Navy, *d.*
- 3rd. Ethelbert Ludlow Dudley, *m.* (name not given); left issue.
- 4th. Lucien Scott, *m.* twice (wives' names not given).
- 5th. Lucy Hayes.
- 6th. Scott Dudley, *m.* (wife's name not given); left issue.
- 7th. Henry Skillman, Major, United States Army; *m.* (wife's name not given); left issue.
- 8th. Margaret Scott Skillman.
- 9th. John Preston.
- VI. William Lewis, D.D., *b.* 22d July, 1803; President of Oakland College Mississippi; *m.* (firstly) Frances C. PREVOST, dau. of Judge PREVOST had issue; *m.* (secondly) Sarah TOMKINS, dau. of Judge Christophe TOMKINS, and widow of Dr. D. D. GARNETT.

JOSEPH CABELL BRECKINRIDGE, *b.* 24th July, 1788; *m.* Mary SMITH, dau President Samuel SMITH, of Princeton University.

ISSUE

- I. Frances Anne, *m.* 3d November, 1829, Rev. J. C. YOUNG, D.D., *d.* 2d November; left issue.
2. Caroline Lawrence, *m.* 31st October, 1832, Rev. J. J. BULLOCK, D.D., *d.* 4th November, 1867; left issue.

3. Mary Cabell, *m.* 1832, Dr. T. P. SATTERWAITE, *d.* 13th August, 1835; left issue.
4. JOHN CABELL, *b.* 21st June, 1821, of whom later.
5. Letitia Porter, *m.* 6th February, 1847, Charles Copeland PARKHILL, *d.s.p.* 15th May, 1862.

GEN. JOHN CABELL BRECKINRIDGE, *b.* at Cabell's Dale, Kentucky, 21st January, 1821; *d.* 17th May, 1875, at Lexington, Kentucky; Major in Kentucky Volunteers, 1847; serving in the war with Mexico; elected to Congress, 1851; and again 1853; Vice-President of United States, 1857-1861; United States Senator, 1861; appointed Brigadier-General in the Confederate States Army 1861, and Major-General, 1862; Secretary of War, 1865; at the Democratic Convention in Charleston, South Carolina, in 1860, he received seventy-two votes as a candidate for the Presidency of the United States against one hundred and eighty cast for Mr. LINCOLN, thirty-nine for John BELL and twelve for Stephen DOUGLASS. He took his seat in the United States Senate 4th March, 1861, where he announced the election of Abraham LINCOLN to the Presidency before both houses of Congress. Spurning a proposition made by Southern members that he should join in a plot to prevent the counting of the electoral vote, he left the Senate to join the Confederate Army. In September, 1861, he went to Richmond and was appointed a Brigadier-General, in the Army of the Confederacy and in 1862 Major-General and participated in many important engagements. In 1865 was appointed by President DAVIS, Secretary of War; assisted President DAVIS in his flight at the collapse of the Confederacy and himself escaped to England where he remained until 1868 when he returned to the United States and resumed the practice of law at Lexington, Kentucky, until his death; *m.* 12th December, 1843, Mary Cryene BURCH, dau. of Clifton Rodes BURCH.

ISSUE

- i. Joseph Cabell, *b.* 29th December, 1844; *d.* 1906, served through the Civil War; *m.* 1st December, 1869, Sally Frances JOHNSON, dau. of the Hon. R. W. JOHNSON; had issue.

ISSUE

- i. John Cabell, Captain, United States Reserves; *m.* Isabell GOODRICH.

ISSUE

- 1¹. Joseph Cabell.
- 2¹. Mary Marvin.
- 3¹. Charles David.
- 4¹. Robert.

2. Laura Johnson, *m.* John C. TEN EYCK.

ISSUE

- 1¹. Cabell Breckinridge TEN EYCK, *d.* January, 1918; Lieutenant United States Field Artillery, Regulars.
- 2¹. Julia TEN EYCK, *m.* Robert STODDARD, Lieutenant United States Field Artillery, Regulars.

ISSUE

- 1². Breckinridge Ten Eyck STODDARD, *b.* in Virginia, 1918.
 3. Robert Johnson, *d.* in childhood.
 4. Ben Johnson, Lieutenant United States Reserves; *m.* Helen STEELE.
- II. CLIFTON RODES, *b.* 22d November, 1864, the subject of this memoir.
- III. Frances, *b.* 21st June, 1848; *m.* 1879, John Andrew STEELE.

ISSUE

- i. Anne VanderGraff STEELE, *m.* E. Waring WILSON.

ISSUE

- 1¹. John Steele WILSON, *d.* in infancy.
 - 2¹. Frances Breckinridge WILSON.
 - 3¹. Susanna Preston WILSON.
2. Frances Breckinridge STEELE, *m.* Maj. Jeter HORTON, United States Marine Corps.
 3. Caroline Dupre STEELE, *m.* Joseph Coleman CARTER.

ISSUE

- 1¹. Joseph Coleman CARTER, Jr.
 - 2¹. Sarah Fullerton CARTER.
 - 3¹. Breckinridge CARTER, *d.* in infancy.
- v. John Witherspoon Owen, *b.* 1850; *d.* 9th May, 1892; *m.* (firstly) Lou TEVIS, dau. of Lloyd TEVIS; *m.* (secondly) Harriet (surname not given).

ISSUE BY FIRST MARRIAGE

1. Lloyd Tevis, *d.*
2. Florence, *m.* Thomas Fermor HESKETH, of England.
3. John, *m.* Adelaide MURPHY.

ISSUE BY SECOND MARRIAGE

- i. Elizabeth Lee, *m.* Joseph THOMAS.

ISSUE

- i¹. Breckinridge THOMAS.

- vi. Mary Desha, *b.* 1853; *m.* 1877, Anson MALTBY.

ISSUE

- i. Marion MALTBY, a son, *d.* in infancy.
2. Frances MALTBY.
3. Mary Breckinridge MALTBY, *m.* (firstly) Ludwell Brooke ALEXANDER;
m. (secondly) Kenneth KIRKELAND.

ISSUE

- i¹. Ludwell Brook ALEXANDER, Jr.
4. Lees MALTBY, *d.* in infancy.
5. Elizabeth Marshall MALTBY.

Residence.—Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Clubs.—Honorary Member of the Cobden Club of London, Charter Member of League to Enforce Peace, Director Southern Commercial Congress.

Societies.—Sons of the American Revolution, Confederate Veterans Association.

Arms (BRECKINRIDGE).—Azure, three roses argent barbed vert, seeded or a pile of the last charged with a rose gules, also barbed of the third and seeded of the fourth.

Crest.—A pile gules charged with a rose as in the arms, between two wings azure.

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