

**Madison County AL), April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1880. Mary Shelby (Mollie), born April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1858, married Mr. Thomas J. Young on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1884. Rena Roper, born on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 1860, married Mr. Archie Rison, September 20<sup>th</sup>, 1880. William H., born in 1863. Lucy Corinne, born February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1867, married Mr. Thomas H. Gilbert, December 30<sup>th</sup>, 1889. Birdie Williametta, born October 11<sup>th</sup>, 1872, married Mr. Joe Nix, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1890.”**

**“Mary Shelby (Mollie) died \_\_\_\_ of June, 1887, and William H. (son of William H. & Marina) died in 1865.”**

**“Marina Ford, wife of William H. Lanier died on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1886. (Her husband) William H. Lanier died in Huntsville, Alabama, on the 8<sup>th</sup> of April, 1895 (and was buried in Maple Hill Cemetery in Huntsville).”**

About his first cousin, the third son of Burwell Clinton & Mary Shelby Lanier, Felix Lanier wrote:

**“Burwell Clinton, the third son of Burwell C. and Mary Shelby Lanier, was born on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1820. Soon after, his parents moved to Madison County, Alabama. (Other accounts show that he was born in Madison County, Alabama.) They had settled on a large tract of land near Triana. His father died the first of the year (March 31, 1820, per most accounts found) after their arrival at their new home, leaving his estate (lands and Negro slaves, etc.) to his widow and three sons, who continued to reside on the lands and succeeded in clearing up a large plantation.”**

**“Burwell and his brothers were sent by their Mother to the best schools and their bright minds enabled them to qualify themselves for the high social position they held through their long lives. Alabama was a new State when their parents moved to it. The Indians had but recently been removed. (The U. S. Government beginning in February of 1818 offered for sale the land west of the old Chickasaw Indian Boundary Line that runs through the arsenal. The Lanier lands were west of that line.) Courage and self denial were requisite qualities for success, and these three boys, to an eminent degree possessed them, and they and**