Dear as before

Camp near Cherry Hill, Rappahannock
Nov 12th 1864

Friend Sannie,

I agree to super

prises seem to be mutual for I
was not so soon expecting an answer to
my first. The kindness that preceded your
letter is a characteristic of your self, and
afforded me great pleasure & more than
ever lament not having paid you a visit
earlier. I am not able to appreciate what you might have done for
one whom I could not do for myself as
I had have been the recipient of the
kindness that with which I should
have been treated. I had heard before
the death of Bob which disturbed me very
much, he was a good Southern boy and
would have been in our army had not
all his family been Union. Brother and
Tanya caring Bob and I ever intimate
have crossed the Potomac bridge into the country before named and am glad to say it is now much for the better. Most every thing has been either burned or consumed by the army but here although it is the adjoining country to the one (Maryland) from which Grant moved in the spring to de-
terminate Lee & take Richmond not half the scenes of desolation are presented. The mark for this season and corn & hay doubtful.

This is only a chill gloomy weather with some spent for labor and hope of the war ending short or within 2 years as much as I have in blood and blood my comrades fell. I have a great desire to see my home and expect to slip into Greensboro & would like to show my appreciation of your kindness, but have learned since I am a soldier not to anticipate pleasure even that it is possible to appear that old friend wearing a Drapin home spun jacket will make his appearance. Willie sends kind greetings & promises to come also. Be my love to yourself and very sorry missed being and now and I would not be forgotten to your little cousin. Sincerely your friend J. W. Brandt.
A GOOD CITIZEN CALLED TO THE WORLD ON HIGH.

Calmly He Passed Over the Dark River of Death.

About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon Judge William Ireland peacefully passed away at his residence, corner of 14th street and Winchester avenue, after an illness lasting two years. The funeral services will be held at the M.E. Church, South, on Friday morning,Rev. Mr. Simms officiating, assisted by Rev. Mr. Medley. He will be buried with Masonic honors.

Wm. Crutcher Ireland was born Nov. 28, 1823, at Cabin Creek, Mason County, Ky. At an early age he began the practice of law and continued in that profession up to two years ago, when he was compelled to retire owing to failing health. He has been a very prominent man in his time. He was clerk of the State senate in 1863-4; he declined to run in 1864. In 1870 he was nominated for Congress, but declined to run owing to his wife's health; in 1874 he was elected Circuit Judge of the 16th Judicial District, serving in a most successful manner. He declined a renomination to the place to devote his time to his larger law practice. He was married in 1848, at the age of 23 years, to Miss Parmella Robb of Louisa County, Ky., who survives him. Mr. Ireland has always been the most ardent Mason, and died a member of the Masonic order, being a member of the Maysville Commandery and the Ashland Chapter. F. A. M. He was a thorough Christian man, being an active member of the Methodist Church, South. He was Senior Trustee of the State University of Kentucky, at Lexington, also a leading member of the Fisons Historical Club, of Louisville. He numbered among his most intimate friends some of the most prominent men of State and Church.

In the death of Judge Ireland Kentucky loses one more of her most brilliant stars in the legal profession, and a man who was liked by all who knew him. He has been a patient sufferer, his illness dating from two years ago, when he was suddenly attacked by paralysis which was the immediate cause of his death.
Rev. William Hamptun
ob. notices by J. Mck.

"On Monday, July 25, 1887, quietly passed from labor to
rest, the venerable Rev. William Hamptun, one of the best-
known men in Eastern Kentucky."

"Brother Hamptun was born about six miles from
this place, June 26, 1808. He connected himself
with the Methodist Church when about 21 yrs.
ago, and thereafter was licensed as a local
preacher, which position he filled with credit
to himself and honor to the church, until the
problems consequent upon advancing years rendered
his labor no longer possible."

"As a preacher he was exceedingly practical,
had a good command of language, frequent
bristles of impassioned eloquence rendered his
sermons very attractive."

"In appearance he was striking, commanding
respect from all. Of medium size, regular build,
dignified movements, venerable and patriarchal looks, he would
have been selected even by a stranger as a man of mark."

"As a citizen Brother Hamptun was above reproach. No
one more honorable or upright man was lived in this place.
He was the very soul of honor, and had the confidence
of all who knew him. His word was as good as
his bond, and when he made a statement that was
Brooke Hampden was as true to his Church of his choice as the needle to the pole. But while he loved his own Church he was the friend of all Christian people, and of every good cause in the world.

One incident in his life is worth repeating. At the close of the war a meeting was held in this place to consider the question of building a Samantha Methodist church of worship. Three were just some persons present, the oldest being one of the number. After discussing the question for some time a subscription book was opened, and it was decided to give, with the oldest–on to the youngest. From Hampden being the oldest person present, the book was handed to him, and with a steady hand he wrote: William Hampden $500. Four others followed with each $250, his wife half the amount each, and as by the example of honest Hampden that small company gave three thousand dollars, thus securing the building of our elegant church edifice in this place.

"Brooke Hampden raised a large family. A peach of whom have crossed on the river, the remainder are filling honorable stations in life in this state and in the great West. Rev. Jesse Hampden worthily worn the mantle of his sainted father. He leaves also a devoted wife."

It is sincerely mourned by hundreds of people. He was buried from his residence Rev. J. A. Black and the militia conducting the service. The music performed their beautiful ceremony at the grave. Peace to his memory."
The prominent feature in the intellectual character of Judge Durland was the power of discrimination with which he detected the subtlest shades of difference among people who most seemed to understand him.

He never appeared to use much advantage of his superior intellect, quietly repulsing objections, and avoiding with success verbal necessity. The most defective necessity the most refined effort of statement, with this, etc.
of a very high estate on the court of justice. As a lawyer he had few equals. He also stood as a moral force in his legal circles. As a circuit judge, his demand to the grand jury breathed the spirit of prayer. His example inspired the temple of the adopted from vigorous enforcement. They owed it the Commonwealth.
Dear Mrs. Copeland:

I regret that I cannot give you any help on your Hampton ancestors, arms etc.

I have never had any copy of their arms, altho I am sure that they must have borne arms as they were a very ancient family of gentle blood in England. You should be able to find the arms described in some book on heraldry, are other records of gentle English families, of the crest in Fairbank's (I think) Cretas. No doubt all such books are in The Congressional Library.

Also replying to your card last May I cannot give you any help on the marriage of John Hampton III to Margaret Pierce of Westmoreland Co., Va. You know many Virginia County records were burned by the Union armies in the War between the States, and the record of this marriage may have been in them. Fire, mice and other destructive agencies also made way with many old Parish Registers, some of which were kept in private homes that at some time burned.

So far as any one joining the D.A.R. through Hampton ancestry I cannot say. However you should be able to learn this through the records of that organization in their National office in Washington.

I think however that probably some of the descendants of Dr. Henry Cary Hampton, who served in the Revolution, probably have. He was born and lived in Prince William County until about 1800, when he moved to a large tract of land he inherited from his father on the Ohio River where the city of Huntington, W.Va., now stands. There is still standing in Huntington a large fine old brick house he built a few years later, about 1830, for his only daughter as a wedding present.

Dr. Henry was the great grandfather of my wife's father, John W3 Hampton, a prominent attorney in Ashland, Ky.

My son, Dr. John Hampton Miller, a prominent New England heart specialist, has Dr. Henry Hampton's medical diploma, and also miniatures of him and his wife "Betsey" Hampton. If you should ever be in Richmond, Virginia go to the Miller Library on Clay street opposite the old Confederate White House, and they will show you a large silhouette of Dr. Henry and his wife with the silhouette of the two story home between them. Also you will see portrait of myself in the library painted more than a year ago by David Silvette, a prominent Richmond lawyer painter.

I have not done any genealogical work on the Hampton family for some 25 years. I am 75 years old and in feeble health. When your card came in May I was just back home from several weeks stay in a hospital where I had several transfusions etc. to keep me from dying then. So far as publishing the data I have collected on the Hamptons I will never be able to do that. So far as the Halley, Buttons I do not recall their names as among the Hampton connections altho I am sure they are as you say they are. In fact my memory is so poor I could not say about a number of other names that I found in what research I did that were connected with the Hamptons.

My wife has been dead more than 25 years, and I never married again. We had three sons, and none of them ever joined the Sons of the Revolution, altho they could have through the Hampton record.
of Dr. Henry Hampton, as well as through the record of my own great
great grandfather, Sergeant Christian Miller of Woodstock, Va. and my great
great grandfather Lt. John Henderson, as well as through my mother's
great grandfather Thomas Davis, who wrote an interesting account of the surrender of Corwallis while he was serving under Gen. Washington
at Yorktown. He was born and grew up in Spotsylvania County, Va. and
soon after the Revolution moved with his family to land he owned about
80 miles from Lexington, Ky. in Woodford County.
Neither one of my older sons--twins nearly 48 years old had any
children, and my youngest son, the doctor has but one child a boy nearly
11 years old, so as I said I can not give you any information on the
Hampton descendants who belong to the D.A.R.

Hoping you will find the data, arms etc. that you want I am,

Sincerely Yours,

J. Miller