

Paul Hamilton Seabrook.

Paul Hamilton Seabrook was the youngest son of Governor Whitmarsh B. Seabrook, of South Carolina, and was born on Edisto Island in 1828. He graduated at the South Carolina College, and pursued the life of a sea island cotton planter near Blufftown.

He married Mary Seabrook, a distant cousin, and left two sons, Paul, and Ephraim. At the breaking out of the civil war between the States he raised a company of mounted men at Blufftown, but subsequently accepted an offer as captain of a company of infantry in the 23d regiment of South Carolina volunteers, Col. Benbow, and went to Virginia. Being ill with pneumonia when the order came, he nevertheless left his bed and joined the regiment at Columbia. He arrived in Virginia just in time to participate in the battle of Second Manassas, where he was wounded in the head on the 30th of August, 1862, and died at Meadowville, Va., on the 6th of September. His Colonel stated that being exhausted by the forced marches so soon after his sickness, he invited Captain Seabrook to take his horse, which he politely declined, but finally he rode up, and dismounting, said "Captain, I order you to mount

"this horse" Then he obeyed, and relieved himself for a short space. He was a man of sterling character, chivalrous and upright, an earnest Christian, and a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Rev. Dr. Girardeau, the chaplain, relates that on going into the battle, Capt. Seabrook asked of him "Do you think, reverened sir, that a Christian in going into battle for his country, should ask the Lord to spare his life?" "Why certainly, but in subjection to his will", the Dr. replied.

"But", he added, "I verily believe, from conscientious scruples, he made no such petition, but left all to God". His remains lie at Warrenton Cemetery, Virginia.