appeared in the sequal, this was not the fact, for he speedily recovered. When he fell, Colonel Fontaine rushed to his assistance, and in raising him up, was stained with his blood. The case seemed desperate, and the colonel, by the advice of his friends, left Richmond, in the belief that he killed Bacon. . . . .It is characteristic of the manners of those times that the whole scene was witnessed by a large assemblage and that neither of the parties was molested or any effort made to arrest the progress of the duel. . . . .

Though Macon got well, and Colonel Fontaine was relieved of the horrid impression that he had incurred the guilt of homicide, he never could bear to hear the affair spoken of afterwards. . . . .

Aunt Fontaine had nine children, who grew up to maturity namely: Louisa, Sarah, Peter, William, James, Edmund, John, Charles, and Alexander.

LOUISA FONTAINE, the eldest of the family, was a most lovely and amiable girl, the idol of her relations. . . At the age of seventeen she was the most enchanting creature I ever beheld. Already had she engaged the affections of General, then Mr. Edward Watts, and there was every prospect of her being united to that gentleman, when. . . .she died in the automn of the year 1806.

SARAH FONTAINE, aunt Fontaine's other daughter, was married in the year 1816 to Alexander F. Rose, her cousin by her father's side. Since that time she has resided in the neighborhood of Fredericksburg. After having had four children, she was unhappily bereaved of her husband. The names of her children are: Fontaine, who married Miss Rob of Fauquier; Louisa, who married Mr. Potts of the District of Columbia; Lawrence and Charles who are still single, teh one a lawyer, the other a physician.

WILLIAM FONTAINE, my aunt's second son, became a physician in the County of Nottoway. He died more than twenty-five yars since, lamented by all who knew him. . . . .

JAMES FONTAINE, aunt Fontaine's third son, is, I think, the most talented of the family. At school his progress was uncommonly rapid, and until he attained manhood he persisted in applying himself with great diligence to the cultivation of his mind. He was licensed as an attorney, but never practiced. He married his cousin, Juliet Morris. He relinquished his connection with the bar, and became a successful planter. He had a good many children. . . . .

EDMUND FONTAINE, my aunt Fontaine's fourth son, at about the age of seventeen was placed in a mercantile establishment in Fredericksburg. He married Cousin Louisa Shackleford by whom he has a numerous and interesting family of children.

SUSANNA D. DABNEY

I have now given you a cursory but, as far as it goes, a faithful and candid sketch of your Morris kindred, with the exception of my dear and venerable mother. It may not be necessary to depict her character, but I have known her so long and so intimately that I may, perchance, give you a deeper insight into those generous impulses and noble principles by which her conduct was regulated. To her I am indebted for whatever of standing and respectability I posses in the world. She taught me to honor worth and integrity in every station, to despise meanness, hypocrisy, and vice, though gilded by wealth or dignified by power. She watched over my infancy with a tenderness that never faltered. She directed my wayward youth to the path of honor,