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HARLAN - Our beloved friend and neighbor, THOMAS S. HARLAN, lives today only in the hearts of friends, and indeed tenderly enshrined is he there. When worn and weary with life's afflictions, he laid down it's burden to be clothed upon with immortality.

An exchange of a body full of disease for one glorified and immortal is a happy exchange, and enriches by far the receiver, and paints it's lillies of hope on the tender, susceptible tablets of the heart, and in harmonious blending teacher Christ the sinners, the one who, with ransomed love, breaks the fetters of sin and gives immortal beauty and freedom to the spirit of man.

The subject of this sketch, loved and honored by all, first beheld the light of day in a palatial home in Albemarle County, Virginia, the day of his birth being July 21, 1829. He came of a family of noble ancestry, rocked in the lap of luxury, the slave honored him and faithfully did his bidding. Reverses later in life overtook him, consequently acquainting him with more than one side of life. He served four years in the Civil War, and under the Stars and Stripes fought a valiant fight for the Confederacy. He was married to his surviving wife May 5, 1850, and nearly fifty years of connubial was their happy portion. There was borned to them seven children -- six sons and one daughter, the latter having died in infancy. There are left the faithful wife, the dutiful sons, and an affectionate sister, to mourn their loss. Bro. Harlan united with the Christian Church at Buckner, Ky., five years ago, and was baptized by Bro. W. T. Wells. While always a good man, strictly moral in his habits of life, yet since confessing Christ, he had been faithful and devoted to the church. He was a true husband, a noble brother and indulgent father, a typical neighbor, a faithful friend. God bless and direct the lingering feet in the way of righteousness, and before the pearly gates at last to stand, and joins hands and hearts as an unbroken family.

La Grange, Ky.

G. W. Nutter

(G. W. NUTTER WAS A MINISTER AND WAS THE SAME MINISTER THAT MARRIED HOWARD H. HARLAN AND MARY RAY. I HAVE HIS PICTURE.)  
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