

CLASS OF 1801

SAMUEL BLAIR SMITH

Died Nov. 28, 1834.

Son of Rev. John Blair Smith.

Was appointed post-surgeon U. S. A., Nov. 12, 1816,
and assistant surgeon, June 1, 1821.

He married -----Ferguson, daughter of Ebenezer
Ferguson.

They had issue:

1. Charles Ferguson, born Philadelphia, Pa.,
April 24, 1807; died Savannah, Tenn., April
25, 1862. Was graduated at the Military Academy
at West Point in 1825. He led the storming party
at the Battle of Monterey, and was present at the
storming of Chapultepec and the capture of the city
of Mexico. At the outbreak of the Civil war he was
given charge of the defenses at Washington, D. C.,
and was appointed Brigadier-General of volunteers,
April 1, 1861, and ordered to Kentucky. He distin-
guished himself at the capture of Fort Donelson, and
was made Major-General of volunteers, March 22, 1862.
His death was caused by a chronic disease, aggravated
by the exposure to which he was subjected.

The Kittochtinny Magazine
Chambersburg, Pa.

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February 17, 1931.

My dear Mr. Schermerhorn:

Dr. Samuel Blair Smith was born on July 10, 1784 in Virginia (probably at Hampden-Sidney College). He was the son of Elizabeth Fisher Nash Smith and John Blair Smith. Dr. Smith's father was a clergyman, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1773 and the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1795 from Princeton University. He was president of the Hampden-Sidney College from 1779-1789 and president of Union College from 1795-1799.

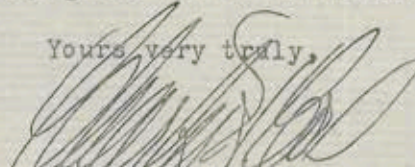
Dr. Samuel B. Smith entered the University of Pennsylvania Medical School in 1805 receiving the degree of Doctor of Medicine in 1807. He was a physician in the Medical Corps of the United States Army from 1816-1834, being appointed "Post Surgeon" in the Army on November 12, 1816; retained as Assistant Surgeon of the Army until June 1, 1821 and died as such.

Dr. Smith was married on May 22, 1806 to Margaret Ferguson, the daughter of Ebenezer Ferguson; who was 1st Sergeant, Capt. of Campbell's Company of Cumberland County, Penna.; Militia in the Revolution, and later Colonel of the 1st Regiment of the Pennsylvania Artillery. He was Justice of the Peace and held various political offices in Philadelphia.

Dr. Smith had four daughters and four sons:- Charles Ferguson Smith, Francis Nash Sherpe Smith (died young), Elizabeth Ferguson Smith, Anne Hill Smith, Francis Marion Smith, Henry Ferguson Smith, Caroline Laurens Smith and Lucie LeGrand Smith.

The above information was given by ^{capt} ~~lt~~ W. N. Jeffers, U. S. N., Washington, D. C., a great grand son of Dr. Smith.

Yours very truly,



Alumni Registrar

Mr. M. Schermerhorn
Graduate Council
Union College
Schenectady, N. Y.

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SAMUEL BLAIR SMITH.

DIED:-On the 28th ult., Samuel Blair Smith, M. D.,
of the United States Army, in the 50th year
of his age.

National Gazette
Philadelphia, Pa.
December 2, 1834.

Smith, Samuel B. Pa. Pa.

Post Surg. 12 Nov. 1816; asst. surg. 1 June 1821;
died 28 Nov. 1834.

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Inscriptions from Tombstone in the
Burial ground of 3rd Presbyterian Church
Philadelphia.

Rev. John Blair Smith D.D. Born on the
19th of June A.D. 1736 at Piqua in the County
of Lancaster Penna. Became pastor of this
church 1791. Died August 22 1799.

Also

~~his son~~

Dr. Samuel Blair Smith U.S. A., son of
Rev. John Blair Smith, died Nov 28 1834 age 50 years

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