Obituary written by Alexander Garrett "Richmond Emporium" June 1828

On the 20th instant at Monticello, died in the 65th year of his age, Thomas Mann Randolph, late Governor of Virginia. In death as in life, the same fearless, intrepid individual. He was a Unitarian in faith; of the future professing to be without fear, as he was without knowledge. A man of science and of genius. Stern and haughty to his superiors, quick and resolute with his equals, to his inferiors, generous, kind, courteous, fostering. His virtues were the impulses of a noble and magnanimous heart; his defects, those of strong excitement. The impetuosity of his temper and the intensity of his feelings, led him often to acts of injustice, even towards those dear to him. But he died at peace with the world; after seeking the forgiveness of all within his call. In particular, of his son, to whose rigid integrity he in the presence...
presence of friends summoned by himself, he did ample justice; and on whom he bestowed, with the most unqualified expressions of esteem, the most fervent blessings.

Copied into this book from a copy of the notice in my father's hand-writing signed—J.F.B. in my while Jefferson handwriting, and found among my mother's papers.

Dr. J. Y. Burke, Alexandria, July 16th, 1896.

My mother and aunt always spoke with great affection of their father, he was always much tenderly going to them and never missed an opportunity of introducing them in subjects of natural history. He was a most scientific botanist, had taken a course of Medicine in the University of Edinburgh, because he thought that just as the head of a family, and with many slaves he should be able to and, in case recovering a knowledge of Medicine and Surgery, whose physician was not at hand, not easy to reach without delay, which might have proved fatal.