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Dr. Thomas Wade Moore was born in Chester County, east of Blackstock, in 1809.

His father, John Michael Moore, emigrated from Ireland after the Revolutionary War. He was educated for the ministry, but changed his plans, came to America, and settled in Columbia, South Carolina.

His mother, Rebecca Wade, was of Revolutionary ancestry, being a daughter of George Wade and Mary McDonald Wade. Her father, George Wade, was an officer in the army and a wealthy planter. He resided in Lancaster County and owned a large estate on the Catawba River. It was there she was born. She was married twice; first to Colonel Lunsford, of Virginia, who was an army officer and lived in Columbia. His lone grave, of which much has been written, rests peacefully in the State House grounds. At the time of his death, Colonel Lunsford owned the property on which he was buried. Mrs. Lunsford was left a widow with one daughter, Mary, who married Dr. John Douglas. Some years after Mrs. Lunsford married John Michael Moore, and they moved to his plantation in Fairfield County, on which their old brick house is still standing. After a number of years, Mrs. Moore was again left a widow, with six children, two sons and four daughters, the eldest being Major John Moore and the

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was a pleasure to him, as he was fond of politics. While a member of this body he won the high regard of his associates and the public men of the State.

Dr. Moore was a fine orator or "stump speaker", as they were called them. Being gifted with a commanding appearance and great dignity, convincing in debate and well informed in the history of his country, he readily impressed an audience with his eloquence.

In 1860 he was a candidate for the State senate against the Hon. Samuel McAllely. Mr. Moore, being a very strong Secessionist, was defeated by a small majority. He was strictly conscientious in his convictions. Believing he was right he expressed his opinion fearlessly. The same year he was elected a member of the Secession Convention, he was appointed Confederate District Funding Treasurer. His heart was in his work and he gave much study to the interest of his country and proved himself faithful in all

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