

About CAMPBELL COUNTY, KENTUCKY

Campbell County, the nineteenth in order of formation, was erected in 1794, out of parts of Mason, Scott and Harrison Counties, and embraced so much territory that subsequently Kenton, Boone, Pendleton, and part of Grant Counties was created out of it.

It was named in honor of Colonel John Campbell. Colonel Campbell was a native of Ireland. He came to Kentucky at an early period. Having received a grant of four thousand acres of land from the Commonwealth of Virginia, which was located immediately below and adjoining the grant on which Louisville stands, Colonel Campbell became an extensive land proprietor, and a very wealthy man.

He was a member of the convention, which formed the first Constitution of Kentucky, from Jefferson County. During the same year he was elected one of the Electors of the Senate from Jefferson, and in the electoral college was chosen the senator from Jefferson County in the new State legislature.

He was a large man, of fine personal appearance, and strong mind, but rough in his manners. He never married, and having died childless, his large estate passed into the hands of many heirs.

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Should you find additional references, of any kind, in your school histories pertaining to Campbell County please bring it to the attention of your troop leaders so that we may add it to the other bits of lore and history we have already gathered.

Be careful to secure dates, names, places, and be careful to remember the name of the book from which the information has been taken.