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Carolina Planters on the Alabama Frontier

Calvin Spencer Powe was the eldest son of Alexander Powe and Eliza Spencer, and Rebecca's first grandson, through his sister Mary Ann, now Mrs. Edward Hall of Mobile, had been born three years earlier. He was born on January 1, 1803 in South Carolina and moved to Mississippi with his family in 1811. At the age of twenty-five he had gone to his uncle Samuel's in Anson County and found his bride, his first cousin Rebecca Spencer, who was fifteen. She had been born June 15, 1813. They went to his family's plantation in Mississippi, then shortly afterwards to Wilcox County, where Calvin Powe's uncle, William Ford Spencer, and aunt, Ann Spencer Mkerall Ross, had established rich plantations alongside the Alabama River.