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HALE, JOHN C. - Born April 3, 1806 in Scott County, Virginia. He came to Texas in 1835 from Louisiana, as is stated in Headright Certificate No. 483 issued in his name March 31, 1838 for a league and labor of land by the Board of Land Commissioners of Nacogdoches County.

Mr. Hale was a member of Captain Benjamin F. Bryant's Company and was one of the nine men of the Army of Texas who were killed or mortally wounded in the Battle of San Jacinto. He and seven of his companions were buried on the battlefield.

The ninth man, Olwyn J. Trask, died on Galveston Island on or about May 20, from the effects of the wound he received in the skirmish of April 20th.

On November 8, 1851, the heirs of Mr. Hale received Bounty Certificate No. 951 for 320 acres of land for Mr. Hale's services in the army and Donation Certificate No. 952 for 640 acres due him for having participated in the Battle of San Jacinto.

Mr. Hale married Barshaba Miller, who was born January 10, 1810 in Scott County, Virginia. The date of her death is not recorded but it is known that she was buried in the Chumley Cemetery in San Augustine, Texas.

Children of John C. and Barshaba (Miller) Hale were James Randolph Hale, born March 19, 1832; William Houston and Martha Jane Hale (twins), born March 30, 1834; and John C. Hale, Jr., born September 19, 1836

and died January 11, 1837.

John C. Hale's widow in time married Samuel H. Davis.

Martha Jane Hale married Drew Chumley. Their children were Samuel G., Joe C., Annie Eugenia, Martha Jane, Thomas, Drewery, Willie A., Barshaba Ellen, Mary Delilah and Johnny Chumley.

When Hale County was created August 21, 1876, it was named in honor of Lieutenant J. C. Hale, who fell at San Jacinto (H.P.N. Gammel, The Laws of Texas, Vol. 8 page 1077.)

Mr. Sam G. Chumley died February 18, 1855 at his home, 819 Wainwright Street, Houston, survived by his widow Mrs. Bessie Elizabeth, their eight daughters and four sons.