

soon after his arrival in Texas, at the hands of the Indians Jacob Allbright was one of ten children of John Allbright, Sr. His brothers were:—Edward Allbright, William Allbright, Solomon Allbright and John Allbright, Jr. His sisters were: Sarah Strand, Margaret Ware, Mary Long, Nancy Long and Catherin-Kirchoffer.

Jacob Allbright settled on a bluff on the East bank of the Trinity River and established a town there known as Alabama. This town became the business center of a thriving population and a commercial business. He established and conducted a ferry and did a warehouse and commercial business there. Trinity College was located there and he was one of the trustees, composed of the most notable pioneers of that day. The history of Trinity College is given elsewhere in this history. Jacob Allbright lived and died at Alabama and his grave is in sight of his old home.

### MURDOCK McINTOSH BAKER

Murdock McIntosh Baker was born April 1st, 1838 in McNairy County, Tennessee near the town of Purdy. His parents were Archibald Baker and Mary Murchison Baker who had emigrated to Tennessee from Moore County, North Carolina. His father died when he was eight years old, leaving him the mainstay of the family consisting of his mother, his sister and himself. In 1852 when he was fourteen years old, the family came to Texas, overland from their home to Memphis, down the Mississippi by boat to a point below Natchez, thence overland to Crockett bringing their livestock, wagons and household goods with them and settled on a small farm three miles northwest from Crockett near Cook's mountain. Three years later he bought a farm  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles north from Crockett on the Grapeland road where he made his home the rest of his life. He joined the 13th Texas cavalry soon after the beginning of the War Between the States, furnishing his own horse and saddle, and trained with the regiment for a few months on Mustang Prairie before leaving for the front. Soon afterward the cavalry regiment against the North regarding the War but he never forgot he being assigned to Capt. John Smith's company in Col. John H. Burnett's regiment, Walker's brigade.

At the close of the war he came home and again engaged in farming. In the later years of his life he felt little if any resentment against the North regarding the war but he never forgot or forgave the carpet baggers and their acts in the reconstruction period following the War.