

led it against Fort Duquesne, 1754, and died on the march. After him the regiment was commanded by George Washington. The maiden name of Colonel Joshua Fry's wife was Mary Micou, daughter of Dr. Paul Micou, a French Huguenot.

Joshua Fry, the grandson of Colonel Joshua Fry, and father of Thomas W. Fry, was born in Virginia. The exact date of his birth can not be given here, but it was not far from 1760. He received the best classical education and had a decided taste for scholarly pursuits. He inherited a large estate, and in 1798 left Virginia for Kentucky with his family. His wife was a daughter of Dr. Thomas Walker, the early Kentucky explorer. Upon his arrival in Kentucky he settled at Danville and became the owner of very large tracts of the finest land in the State. His tastes led him to engage in teaching, and he became the most noted educator ever in Kentucky. Strange as it may seem, he would never receive compensation for teaching, but, through a period of many years, gave instruction to hundreds of pupils gratuitously. Even while professor in Centre College he adhered to his rule of receiving no compensation for his services. Nor was this from any whimsical conceit, but, being a man of large means, he did not require the pay and taught because he loved the occupation, and the society of the young.

In the published biographical sketches of many of the most prominent Kentuckians, the fact of being educated by Joshua Fry is especially mentioned.

When he came to Kentucky, 1798, the eldest of his children was about fourteen years of age. The date of the death of his wife can not be given here, but for many years he was a widower, and while he had his own house in Danville, he made a habit of visiting his children in their homes, thus spending much of his time with them.

There is a universal testimony to his rare qualities of head and heart. Highly cultivated in the languages and mathematics, he was also a practical business man. His dignity and gentleness, and affability, and his readiness to give out without reserve his great store of learning and information, always made him a welcome guest. His grandson, General