Thomas H. Bayly

(11 Dec 1810 - 23 Jun 1856)

Directory of the United States Congress 1774-1989

A Representative from Virginia; born at ""Mount Custis,"" the family estate, near Drummondtown, Accomac County, Va., December 11, 1810; attended the common schools; was graduated from the University of Virginia at Charlottesville in 1829; studied law; was admitted to the bar in 1830 and commenced practice in Accomac County; also engaged in agricultural pursuits; elected to the Virginia House of Delegates in 1835 and served until his resignation in 1840; appointed brigadier general of the 21st Brigade, Virginia Militia, in 1837 and served until 1842; elected judge of the superior court of law and chancery in 1842 and served until 1844, having been elected to Congress; elected as a State Rights Democrat to the 28th Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Henry A. Wise; reelected to the 29th through 34th Congresses and served from May 6, 1844, until his death on his estate, "Mount Custis," near Drummondtown, Accomac County, Va., June 23, 1856; interment in the family burying ground on his estate.

The son of Thomas Monteagle Bayly (13th Congress).