Grandfather Crawford Long, M.D.

In Jefferson, Georgia, on March 30, 1842, Crawford W. Long, M.D. (1815–1878), etherized James M. Venable to remove a neck tumor. In the Wood Library-Museum, a photograph of an oil portrait honoring Long is mat-inscribed to another Venable: “To my friend and physician, Dr. Charles Scott Venable, from Maude Long, grand-daughter of Dr. Crawford W. Long—January 25, 1935.” As early as 1907, Dr. Venable had written about the safety of Crawford Long’s anesthetic in an article titled “The Use of Adrenalin during Ether Anesthesia.” (Copyright © the American Society of Anesthesiologists, Inc. This image appears in color in the Anesthesiology Reflections online collection available at www.anesthesiology.org.)

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