The exploits of Benjamin McCulloch's Texas Rangers are to be found in the 1848 book "The Scouting Expedition "Of stirring interest, full of adventure." - Gazette of the Union "A well written story of the Texas Rangers, by one of their own number." - Bibliography of Texas "A spirited and vivid sketch, full of incident and interest, written with spirit."  McCulloch went to California, and was chosen sheriff of Sacramento. On his return to Texas in 1853 he was appointed U. S. marshal for the eastern district of the state. His great ability as a partisan soldier made him a valuable acquisition to the Confederate forces in the war which was now fast approaching. Samuel Chester Reid (1818-1897) was lawyer, veteran, author, served in the Mexican War in Captain Ben. Benjamin McCulloch (November 11, 1811–March 7, 1862) was a soldier in the Texas Revolution, a Texas Ranger, a U.S. marshal, and a brigadier general in the army of the Confederate States during the American Civil War. He was born November 11, 1811 in Rutherford County, Tennessee, one of twelve children and the fourth son of Alexander McCulloch and Frances Fisher LeNoir. His father, a Yale University graduate, was an officer on Brig. Gen. John Coffee's staff during the Creek War of 1813 and 1814 in Ben McCulloch, Indian fighter, Texas Ranger, United States marshal, and brigadier general in the army of the Confederate States during the American Civil War. He was born November 11, 1811 in Rutherford County, Tennessee, one of twelve children and the fourth son of Alexander and Frances F. (LeNoir) McCulloch. His mother was the daughter of a prominent Virginia planter, and his father, a graduate of Yale College, was a major on Brig. Gen. John Coffee's staff during Andrew Jackson's campaign against the Creeks in Alabama. Samuel C. Reid, Jr., The Scouting Expeditions of McCulloch's Texas Rangers, Or, The summer and fall campaign of the Army of the United States in Mexico, 1846: including skirmishes with the Mexicans, and an accurate detail of the storming of Monterey: also, the daring scouts at Buena Vista: together with anecdotes, incidents, descriptions of country, and sketches of the lives of the celebrated partisan chiefs, Hays, McCulloch, and Walker. Philadelphia: John E. Potter and Company, 1859. From Woodson Research Center, Rice University. https://hdl.handle.net/1911/22027.