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Charles Lewis Hinton, major of militia, planter, legislator, and state treasurer ^[2], was born at The Oaks plantation, Wake County ^[3], about ten miles east of Raleigh. His father was David Hinton ^[4], the youngest son of Colonel John and Grizelle Kimbrough Hinton. His mother was Jane Lewis, the daughter of Howell and Isabella Willis Lewis ^[5] of Granville County ^[6].

Hinton was a member of the House of Commons and a senator from Wake County. He also served as a member of the commissions for rebuilding the state capitol and for building a state hospital. He was a commissioner for the sale of Indian lands and for eleven years served as treasurer of North Carolina. He was a trustee of The University of North Carolina ^[7] for twenty-eight years.

Although his fine mind and great leadership ability impelled him towards public service, Hinton was a planter at heart—a true country gentleman. A deeply religious man, he was an active member of Hepzibah Baptist Church in Wake County until he helped organize and changed his membership to Oak Grove Methodist Church. At his death he was a member of Christ Episcopal Church in Raleigh.

Hinton married Ann Perry, the daughter of Joshua and Mary Boddie Perry of Franklin County ^[8]. They had three sons and three daughters, but only David and Anne Perry reached maturity. Hinton died at Midway Plantation ^[9], Wake County, and was buried at his childhood home, The Oaks. A portrait of him by Garl Brown ^[10] hangs at Midway Plantation.

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