

## **Reading 2: Sweet Briar House For Sale, 1860**

### **SWEET BRIAR ESTATE FOR SALE**

The Valuable Plantation of Sweet Briar  
The late residence of Elijah Fletcher, Esqr.

#### **IS OFFERED FOR SALE**

This Estate lies in the County of Amherst, Va. About 2 miles from the court-house and 12 miles from Lynchburg and within a few hundred yards of the Lynchburg extension of the Orange & Alexandria Railroad. The tract contains 1300 acres. It is heavily timbered, newly enclosed, and well watered and in a high state of cultivation.

The soil is of very superior quality and high productive and the improvements most excellent having been made by the late owner almost regardless of cost.

#### **THE MANSION HOUSE**

Recently erected in the style of an Italian Villa is an imposing structure substantially built, very capacious, and so arranged as to combine elegance with every convenience.

The outhouses of every description, Kitchen, Laundry, Extensive granaries, Tobacco Houses, Stables, Carriage House, and Cabins, with gardens attached. Covering several acres and numerous other buildings are superior, most of them new, and in perfect condition.

#### **THE PLEASURE GARDEN**

Comprising more than 20 acres include a fine grove of Oaks and are otherwise tastefully arranged, handsomely improved, And furnished with rare shrubbery, trees, and flowers in endless variety. The vegetable garden is well stocked and highly productive. The extensive orchards abound in fruits of the most choice varieties and of every description. This estate lies in the Piedmont Region and commands a view of beautiful and picturesque mountain scenery and is unsurpassed for healthfulness and location considering the fertility of the soil, its proximity to market, the character of the improvements and other advantages a rare and excellent opportunity is presented to a purchaser to secure a country seat. Distinguished in a high degree for comfort and elegance as well as to make a profitable investment. Being desirous to sell, inducements will be offered. Persons disposed to purchase are invited to view the premises.

Terms will be made known and further information given on application to Robert Tinsley or A.F. Robertson at Amherst Courthouse.

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