Synopsis
D. B. Montgomery was the author of the General Baptist History and this book of genealogy.

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Customer Reviews
This will be a two-part review: (1) The original book (4 stars), and (2) The publication (1 star).

(1) THE ORIGINAL BOOK: As a Montgomery descendant I was delighted to find such a deep work on family history, particularly one that pertains directly to my own forbears. David Montgomery had to approach his genealogical research in the same way that I did when I started doing it in the 1970’s: by letters and local records. His work is not scholarly, but it is incredibly comprehensive. His approach does something that frequently cannot be done using internet data—he was able to name children who were born and died between censuses. Also, he was able to include tales of pioneer struggles that were still fresh in the minds of the settlers.

(2) THE PUBLICATION: This book was "created" using an OCR (optical character recognition) program. While it is well-bound and was shipped very quickly to me, I soon learned that the publication did not measure up to the original in two primary ways: (a) There are paragraphs and entire pages of gibberish that cannot be read, and these were not all caused by bad originals; (b) The Index is virtually worthless, as the page references are mostly wrong, and it does not follow the original. I would have preferred NOT to say anything uncomplimentary in a public forum, but the publisher left me no choice. I simply cannot find his contact information in the book or on the internet. I applaud the publisher’s intention to produce a historic book economically, but surely SOME editing could be afforded. I would not be concerned about OCR spelling errors, but when entire pages turn out to be gibberish, they are nothing more
than worthless sheets of paper. Fortunately, the original book can be found on the internet.

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