Donald McDonald (Great-Grand-father of Allen Donald Hancock) was born and reared near Edinburgh Scotland. He was educated at Edinburgh and Glasgow Scotland. He was a Military officer while in Scotland, but I do not know what rank. Donald McDonald and his Brother Angus McDonald came to america and settled near Carthage moor county N.C. Donald McDonald Married Nancy Robinson, Daughter of John R. Robinson of Inverness Scotland, who came to America and settled in moor county North Carolina.

Donald McDonald was a Ruling Elder in Euphronia Presbyterian Church. He raised a large family. His three oldest sons came to Alabama several years before the confederate war, Namely the late Angus R. McDonald of Montgomery, John R McDonald and Archibald C. McDonald of Orion Alabama, and Donald W. McDonald who lived in Covington County Ala.

All the McDonalds were Presbyterians, as far back as we have any knowledge of them.

Donald W. McDonald (Grandfather of Allen Donald Hancock) was born near Carthage Moor county North Carolina, March 19th 1825. He was reared and educated in N.C. He married Francis Eleanor Spencer, and settled in Randolph county N.C. He was in the mercantile business until the war between the States. He enlisted in the confederate army and served as a Private three years. He moved in the year 1866 from Asboro N.C. to Greensboro Indiana, and from there to Bellehan 16 miles North of Indianapolis, then to Indianapolis and from there to Fairiville Alabama. His vocation after coming to Alabama was teaching school. He was also justice of the peace which office he held until his death in 1882.

John Allen Hancock (Father of Allen Donald Hancock) was born at Grenada Mississippi, November 23rd 1855. He was reared in Conecuh County Alabama. He was in the Mercantile business at Calleberry Alabama, He sold out at castleberry and moved to Georgiana in November 1898 and put up a Blacksmith Shop which business he ~~has~~ continued to follow the last 22 years.

The mother of Allen Donald Hancock ~~was~~ is Isabella (Mc Donald) Hancock; Daughter of Donald W. Mc Donald and was born at Why-not, North Carolina, February 21st 1856

I will say nothing about my-self, more than that I have always borne an excellent character.

I am just writing all this history to give you ideas to draw from for your composition.
If there is any thing else concerning our family history that would be of service to you in this matter, I will be glad to inform you so far as I know the facts.

Respectfully

Isabella McDonald Hancock

Allen Donald Hancock was born at Castleberry Alabama January 13th 1887 and spent the first ten years of his life at Castleberry. Then the family moved to Georgiana Alabama. He attended school at Castleberry and Georgiana, and his mother taught him at home when he left school. When he was 15 he went to work in the Bryan Brothers Drugstore at Georgiana. He stayed in the Drugstore several years then went into the Barber business for himself. after a few years he sold his shop and went to Andalusia Alabama and lived there and worked in a Barbershop about 3 years then he went to La Grange Ga. where he continued Barbering and engraving until September 1917 when he volunteered into the service as a private and was stationed at the Auxiliary Remount Depot 311 He was soon made a Corporal and was placed with the Personnel, where he was soon promoted to Sergeant He seemed to be held in high esteem by officers and men. He died of Pneumonia November 23rd 1918. at the Base Hospital at Macon Georgia.

Allen Donald Hancock was always an affectionate son and Brother, and treated every body with kindness and courtesy, and was well liked by all who knew him. The many letters and flowers that came with his body, and letters we received afterward, attested to the high esteem in which he was held by officers and Privates.