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DAMERON FAMILY PAPERS

The collection contains the papers of George Henry DAMERON (1822-1884) and of his son, Charles Walter DAMERON (1856-1931), of Amherst County, Virginia. Included are correspondence, deeds, wills, and other miscellaneous papers. Of special interest are a plat of the town of Bethel in Amherst County and the commutation of the sentence of Powhatan ELLIS.

- **BOX 1** 1-1 Bethel (Town) Plat
 - **1-2** Charles Walter DAMERON
 - 1-3 Charles Walter DAMERON (Deeds 1907-1923)
 - 1-4 Frances Ann (SCOTT) DAMERON
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 - 1-6 George Henry DAMERON (Survey 1858)
 - 1-7 Powhatan ELLIS (Commutation of sentence 1870)
 - **1-8** HARDING (Plat 1838 to Richard SHELTON) (Deed 1851 to Edward FLETCHER)
 - 1-9 MAGANN (Plat to Edward FLETCHER 1857?)
 - 1-10 Susan Elizabeth MOORE (Will)
 - 1-11 Miscellaneous
 - 1-12 Henry NOEL (Adoption 1910)
 - 1-12 SCOTT (Deed 1866) to William P. YANCEY)
 - 1-13 Tax Tickets (1869) (George H. DAMERON, (Deputy)

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GEORGE HENRY DAMERON (1822-1884)

George Henry DAMERON, son of Charles DAMERON and Mary E. MAGANN, was born 16 June 1822 in Amherst County, Virginia. He married 24 November 1852 Frances Ann SCOTT, daughter of William Waller SCOTT and Eliza Ann PENDLETON of Amherst County.

During the Civil War, George H. DAMERON tried to enlist in the service, but was turned down for active duty due to his health. He did serve with the reserve forces in Amherst County throughout the war.

A farmer of Amherst County, George H. DAMERON also served as sheriff and treasurer of the county. In 1880, he was the census enumerator for a portion of the Elon District in the county. He died 22 July 1884 and was buried in the Scott family cemetery.

[Obituary, Lynchburg Virginian 23 July 1884, p. 1 col. 3. The obituary states that he was "aged about 60" which would imply a birth date of ca. 1824. "Old Scott Cemetery," Mss., FF3704, Jones Memorial Library, Lynchburg, VA (JML). The tombstone indicates a birth date of 16 June 1821. 1880 Census, Amherst County, VA, T-9, Roll 1353, p. 164, Dwelling 1, Family 1. G. H. Dameron, age 57 years. This would indicate a birth year of ca. 1823. "Marriage of Capt. George H. Damron [sic] and Fannie A. Scott," Lynchburg Daily Virginian, 9 December 1852, p. 2 col. 5; Jim Presgraves, ed., <u>Amherst County Families and History, compiled from Henry Hardesty's Historical and Geographical Encyclopaedia (Wytheville, VA: Bookworm and Silverfish, 1995), p. 41; Mary Dameron Dise, "The Ancestry and Descendants of Charles Dameron of Amherst County, Va.," Mss., FF2130, p. 3, JML; Clifton W. Potter, Jr., "Dameron Family," Mss., FF2127, pp. [1, 5], JML.]</u>

CHARLES WALTER DAMERON (1856-1931)

Charles Walter DAMERON, son of George Henry DAMERON and Frances Ann SCOTT, was born 26 October 1856 in Amherst County, Virginia. He married 15 September 1893 Gertrude M. DAMERON, daughter of Zachariah DAMERON and Margaret Willis RUCKER of Amherst County. In 1910, Charles W. and Gertrude DAMERON adopted Henry NOEL, son of Ella NOEL, and changed his name to George Henry DAMERON. They "also raised a foster daughter, Mary Elizabeth DAMERON."

Charles Walter DAMERON died 10 May 1931 in Amherst County and was buried in the Elon Presbyterian Church cemetery.

[[]Obituary, Lynchburg News, 12 May 1931, p. 9 col. 3. The obituary gives the name Charles Waller Dameron, which would correspond with the name of his maternal grandfather, William Waller Scott. Kyle Dameron, comp., <u>The Descendants of Zechariah Dameron and Margaret Willis Rucker of Amherst County</u>, <u>Virginia</u> (Coweta, OK: Compiler, 1975), pp. 6, 31, FF2129, Jones Memorial Library, Lynchburg, VA.]