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paid, the Receipt whereof of the said Humphrey, Robert and Katherine do hereby acknowledge themselves to be therewith fully satisfied, and of and from the same and every part thereof they and every one of them do and doth freely acquit, release and discharge the said Richard Stoakes and his heirs, Exors., and admis., and every one of them by these presents have, and each and every one of them hath given, granted, bargained, sale confirmed, released, ratified, and by these presents do, and each and every one of them doth fully, clearly and absolutely give, grant, bargain, sell unto the said Richard Stoakes his heirs and assigns, all that piece or parcel of land containing fifty-nine acres and one-quarter of an acre situate and being in the Parish of Citenburne, on the south side Rappahannock River, in Rappahannock County aforesaid, lying, running and extending in manner foll' (Viz): beginning at a certain stake set in the new fence pasture of the said Richard Stoakes and adjoining to the land of the edge of Pocoson, thence S. 50 deg. and thirty minutes, West 8 perches to a small stake oak saplin, thence n. 16, 160 Perch to the last mentioned stake and all woods, underwoods, trees growing or being on the said piece or parcel of land or any part thereof, and all houses, out houses, edifices and buildings there upon standing, erected or built, and all way Passaeges, waters, water courses, Profitts, Privileges, emoluments, hereditaments and appertinences Whatsoever to the Premises Belonging, etc.

(Signed) HUMPHREY BOOTH,  
ROBERT BROOKE,  
KATH. BROOKE.

Signed, sealed and Delivered in the presents of us, the mark of:  
Thos. ( ) Griffin, Samuel Thacker, John Almond.

Recorded 7th day of August, 1689. Deed Book No. 8, pages not numbered in this deed book.

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#### A GENEALOGY OF THE HERNDON FAMILY.

(Compiled by John W. Herndon.)

ABBREVIATIONS: b., born; m., married; d., died; ch., children; dau., daughter of; s., son of; d. s. p., died without issue; d. yng., died young; des. unk., descendants, if any, unknown; Spot., Spotsylvania co., Va.; Fred., Fredericksburg, Va.

Among the names inscribed on the roll of Battle Abbey as having come with William the Conquerer into Britain, in 1066, is that of Heiroun. He is the ancestor of the family of Herons, as they were afterwards called, which, for centuries, were prominent in the affairs of the land of their adoption. One branch of this family, probably to distinguish it from another, assumed the suffix "don," which, according to some,

means the "Hérons on the Hill," according to others, the "Hérons of the Valley."

In 1193, a member of this family journeyed with Richard III to the Holy Land, for his escutcheon is carved on a stone gateway in the city of Rhodes. A modification of these arms, argent, a heron volant azure, between three escallops sable, is also found in stained glass in Lincoln Inn Chapel, London.

Although all branches in this country have a tradition that the first of the name came from Wales, positive proof that they did is lacking; however, they were seated in the county of Kent for nearly seven centuries, and were there as late as the 18th century. It is possible that a branch of this family went into Wales before coming to America.

Hotten mentions Thomas Herndon, aged 23 years, as having sailed, on October 13, 1635, aboard the "Amitie," for St. Christopher's.

John and Rhodes Herndon, said by some to be the original emigrants, came to this country early in the 17th century, the one to Va., the other to N. C., near Raleigh, where he settled for a time, but a few years later moved to Va.

The first Herndon of whom we have authentic record is 1. William,<sup>1</sup> who patented lands in St. Stephen's parish, New Kent county, Va., in February 1674. In 1677 he married Catherine Digges, youngest daughter of Edward Digges, Governor of Virginia in 1655. Of their children there is record of only one: 2. Edward,<sup>2</sup> b. 1678, m. 1698, Mary Waller.\* Edward<sup>2</sup> and Mary had: 3. Edward;<sup>3</sup> 4. William,<sup>4</sup> b. 1706, m. 1730, Ann, dau. of Lieut.-Gov. Hugh Drysdale, des. unk., and possibly others.

3. Edward<sup>3</sup> Herndon [2-1], b. —, d. 1759; m. — Mary, daughter of Joseph Brock, whose lands adjoined and were located on the Brock road, where over a century later the battle of the Wilderness was fought. He was sheriff of Spots. in 1734, 1738, 1739, 1740; in 1739, 1740, 1741 and 1747, was allowed by the vestry of St. George's church 800 pounds of tobacco for maintaining a poor man; on November 12, 1739, October 3, 1743 and October 13, 1747, the vestry ordered him "to procession the lands between the Rappahannock and the Ny from the Falls to the upper line of the county;" in 1741 was styled "junior," but in 1743 this was dropped, which would indicate that his father died during that period; on November 8, 1738, he and George Stubblefield gave bond to keep an ordinary according to law; on October 17, 1740, he and Benjamin Powell gave bond to keep an ordinary at Powell's dwelling; on November 4, 1740, November 3, 1742, and again on November 31, 1743, he

\*The data in regard to the marriages of William Herndon and Catherine Digges, Edward Herndon and Mary Waller, and William Herndon and Ann Drysdale was furnished me by Moncure D. Conway many years ago. He said he secured the data from original court records when he thought of writing up the Herndon family (which by the way, he never did).

gave bond to Edmund Waller to keep an ordinary for one year. His will, dated February 4, 1759, and proved November 5, 1759, mentions wife Mary, sons Edward, John and Joseph, dau. Elizabeth; friends Geo. Waller and George Waller, Jr. Ch.: 5. Edward; 6. John; 7. Joseph; 8. Elizabeth, d. 1788, m. John Battaley, d. 1770, probably both d. s. p., as no mention is made of any ch. in their wills, but all the property left to her nieces and nephews.

5. Edward<sup>4</sup> Herndon [3-2-1], b. 1730, d. 1799; m. Mary Colston, dau. of Charles and Rebecca (Travers) Colston. In 1750, 1751, 1752, 1766, he collected the parish levy by order of the vestry of St. George's; in 1768 was elected vestryman of St. George's; in 1775, 1776, was a member of the committee of safety for Spot.; in 1783, owned thirty-six slaves; in 1789 was deputy sheriff of the county; received bounty land for three years' service in the Revolution. By his will, which was dated August 5, 1793, but not proved until September 3, 1799, he mentions sons John, Edward, William and Joseph, and his sons-in-law James Lewis and Anthony Frazer, an estate called "Dewed Heads," his Perry's Run plantation, and a grant and two locations in Ky. Just when his wife died is not known, but it was before his death, as he was administrator of her estate. Ch.: 9. John; 10. Edward; 11. William; 12. Joseph; 13. Lucy; 14. a dau., who m. James Lewis, des. unk.; 15. Hannah.

9. John<sup>5</sup> Herndon [5-3-2-1], b. Spot., January 16, 1756, d. February 13, 1812; m., December 11, 1783, Judith Hampton, dau. Phillip and Hannah (Hammond) Hampton, b. July 8, 1767, d. July 18, 1853. On September 26, 1777, he was assistant commissary to Wm. Green Mundeford, D. C. G., Virginia Line; later was in the assistant Q. M. G.'s department, with title of captain, under Wm. Finnie, D. Q. M. G., on April 24, 1810, he offers for sale his house and tavern ("which has been one from time immemorial"), located twelve miles from Fred. and where six public roads from adjacent counties met; in 1811 he emigrated to Scott county Ky., where he died the following year. In 1845, his widow was granted a pension of \$480 per annum, which was afterwards increased to \$600. Ch.: 16. Charles, b. June 2, 1787, d. May 17, 1812, unm.; 17. Sarah, b. November 27, 1789, d. April 23, 1816, unm.; 18. Edward Hampton; 19. Mary Colson; 20. Patrick Henry, b. March —, 1802, d. March 6, 1836; served under Colonel David Crockett at the siege of the Alamo, in Texas, February 23 to March 6, when every man died at his post; m. Parmelee Smith, d. s. p.; 21. Eliza Travis, b. March 14, 1805, d. February 11, 1845; m. Augustus Gaines Herndon, who d. 1868, had: I. Mary, who m. Wm. H. Smith, who lives in Chicago, Ill., other des. unk.; 22. Hannah Hammond.

18. Edward Hampton Herndon<sup>6</sup> [9-5-3-2-1], b. October 9, 1792, d. July 30, 1870; m., April 3, 1817, Nancy McDowell Gillespie, b. September 18, 1799, d. July 10, 1872. Ch.: 23. Charles Colson, b. January 2,

1818, d. October 5, 1838, unm.; 24. Joseph, b. November 11, 1825, d. December 3, 1830, unm.; 25. John Beverly.

25. John Beverly Herndon,<sup>7</sup> b. February 2, 1830, d. June 13, 1894; m., August 16, 1853, Mary Forman, b. September 7, 1831, d. August 19, 1881. Ch.: 26. Edward Forman, b. October 10, 1854; m., January 21, 1897, Nettie Grover, b. July 5, 1873, live Shannon, Ky., and have one ch.: a. Susanna, b. May 11, 1899, 27. Phoebe Forman, b. September 20, 1863; m., November 19, 1885, Calvert Arthur, of Shannon, Ky., b. October 21, 1858. Ch.: I. Mary Louise, b. September 10, 1886; II. Cecil Forman, b. May 23, 1889; III. Anna Glenn, b. October 22, 1890; IV. Leslie Herndon, b. February 3, 1895; V. William Forman, b. July 22, 1896; VI. Corine Calvert, b. September 5, 1900.

19. Mary Colston Herndon,<sup>6</sup> b. Rockbridge county, Va., January 13, 1796; d. Owensboro, Ky., 1867; m. in Clarke county, Ky., February 15, 1816, Beverley Alsop Hicks (son Thomas and Lucy, Alsop, Hicks), b. Spot., 1794, d. Owensboro, Ky., 1870. Ch., all born Fayette county, Ky.: 28. Mary Eliza, b. 1817, d. 1863; m. 1st, Lunsford Chiles; m. 2nd, Reuben Herndon [for descendants see No. 194]. 29. Martha Blanton, b. 1820, d. 1842; m. February 20, 1838, Willam Ellis and had one child, Mary Charlotte, b. Sept. 25, 1839, who m. March 15, 1858, Gabriel Jones. 30. Edward Herndon, b. 1822, d. 1885; m. Lizzie Stowers, had five children, all born Fayette, Miss., Beverley, Edward, Stowers, Floyd and Florine. 31. Alexander Campbell, b. 1824, d. 1892; m. Martha Ewing and had four children, all born Fayette county, Ky., Edward, Mary Catherine, Minnie Evalina and Lee. 32. Ellen Colson, b. 1827, d. 1852; m. August 29, 1843, her brother-in-law, William Ellis, and had three ch.: I. Wm. Armstrong, b. August 5, 1844; II. Edmund Hicks, b. October 29, 1846; III. Martha Blanton, b. October 10, 1848, m. September 8, 1879, Charles Carey. 33. Jane Herndon, b. 1829 (lives in Owensboro, Ky.), m. 1850 Dr. David F. Todd, b. November 15, 1809, d. September 7, 1878, ch., all born in Owensboro: I. John, b. April 3, 1852, d. October 20, 1873; II. Beverley, b. May 24, 1853; m. September 20, 1874, Mary Moorman; III. David F., b. March 2, 1854, d. August 25, 1877; m. November 29, 1876, Charlie Thruston; IV. Robert S., b. December 7, 1856; m. April 8, 1879, Carran Thruston; V. Butler, b. August 7, 1860, d. June 26, 1866; VI. Charles A., b. March 31, 1863; m. November 16, 1886, Lula Ford; VII. Mary Anna, b. February 8, 1871, d. June 22, 1871. 34. Lucy Isabel, b. 1832, d. 1893; m. November 15, 1854, Edward C. Carter; ch., nearly all born in Owensboro, Ky.: I. Mary Ellen, b. March 10, 1857, d. September 28, 1873; II. Joseph, b. January 25, 1859, d. July 29, 1859; III. James, b. November 3, 1861, d. January 1, 1872; IV. Beverley Herndon, b. October 3, 1864; m. September 22, 1887, Lutie Hawpe; V. Lucy Anna, b. December 31, 1866; m. December 22, 1900, Clarence R. Bousher. 35. Charles Beverley, b. 1835; m. 1855, Mary Flynt, and had: I. Ella Hicks, b. Owensboro, Ky., September 22, 1861; m. May 31, 1883,

James M. Johnson, and lives in Louisville, Ky.; Charles B., m. 2d, July 14, 1869, to Annie Mathis, and their ch. were all born in Owensboro; II. Charles Beverley, b. April 18, 1870, lives in Cincinnati; III. Evalina, b. September 4, 1872, lives in Cincinnati; IV. William, b. July 21, 1874; m. September 5, 1900, Pamela Rinman, lives in Cincinnati, V. Ernest, b. September 22, 1876, m. May, 1900, Charlotte Lewis, lives Denver, Col.; VI. Eula Herndon, b. May 31, 1881; lives in Cincinnati. 36 Evalina Augusta, b. 1839, d. 1864; m. October 13, 1857, Edmund C. Erwin; ch.: Edward Clay. b. February 29, 1860.

22. Hannah Hammond Herndon,<sup>6</sup> b. May 10, 1809; m. at Paris, Ky., May 19, 1831, Joseph Biggs, of Lexington, Ky., b. Fred., November 20, 1799. Ch., all born in Lexington, Ky.: 37. Joseph, b. April 20, 1832, d. July 18, 1849, un-m. 38. Rebecca, b. February 10, 1834, d. June 18, 1889; m. September 8, 1852, E. W. Holloway, d. February 23, 1887, d. s. p. 39. Mary Eliza, b. July 21, 1836, d. June 19, 1839. 40. Edward H., b. June 26, 1838, d. May 13, 1890; m. January 23, 1862, Teresa Ryan, and has two children, both living in Chicago, Ill., with their widowed mother; I. Joseph, b. January 9, 1868; II. Edward, b. November 26, 1873. 41. Laura, b. January 13, 1844; m. January 29, 1867, Edward S. Reynolds, b. Mt. Sterling, Ky., August 19, 1833, live in Paris, Mo., and have two ch. I. Edward Herndon, b. Lexington, Ky., May 27, 1868; II. Laura Herndon, b. St. Paul, Minn., July 5, 1876. 42. Charles, b. October 13, 1845; d. June 22, 1846.

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### THE FARRAR FAMILY.

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30. THOMAS<sup>7</sup> FARRAR (*William*<sup>6</sup>?) is stated to have been born in 1726 at "Farrar's Island," and died in 1810, aged eighty-four, near Carnesville, Franklin county, Ga., at the home of his son Abner. He removed first from the place of his birth to Mecklenburg county, Va., and afterwards to South Carolina. He is said to have served in the Revolution as colonel (probably of militia), and was sheriff of Ninety-six District in 1790 (though this may have been his son.) He married Elizabeth Howard, who was buried near Augusta, Ga.

Issue: 43. Abel,<sup>8</sup> 44. *Absolum*,<sup>8</sup> 45. *Abner*,<sup>8</sup> 46. Frank,<sup>8</sup> 47. *Thomas*,<sup>8</sup> 48. George,<sup>8</sup> 49. Mollie,<sup>8</sup> 50. Dianah,<sup>8</sup> 51. Elizabeth,<sup>8</sup> 52. Thurza,<sup>8</sup> born August 2, 1780, died in Lincoln county, Ga., March 25, 1841; married Robert Fleming (born June 12, 1777, died at Sand Hills, Augusta, Ga., January 3, 1857), and had sixteen children; 53. Abel,<sup>8</sup> died unmarried in Mobile, Ala.

31. GEORGE<sup>7</sup> FARRAR (*William*<sup>6</sup>?), like his brother removed to that part of Lunenburg county which was afterwards Mecklenburg, where he died in 1772. He married a widow, Mrs. Howard, whose maiden name