

The Sherman Family Papers

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Creators

George H. Sherman

Extent

.4 linear ft

Dates

Inclusive: 1600 – 1915

Bulk: 1740 – 1870

Conditions Governing Access

No Restrictions

Languages

English

Scope and Content

The collection consists of land deeds and mortgages, wills, correspondence and extensive genealogical information.

Historical Note

The Sherman family were Quakers who lived in the Town of Washington and descended from Thomas Shearman (circa 1420 – 1493) from county of Norwalk, England. His son Henry Sherman (? – 1589) married Agnes Butler. Their son Henry Sherman (? – 1610) married Susan Hillis (1573 – 1615) in Dedham, England. Their son Philip Sherman (1610 – 1687) married Sarah Odding in 1634 and emigrated from Dedham, England to Roxbury, Massachusetts before dying in Portsmouth, Rhode Island. Their son Peleg Sherman moved from Plymouth to North Kingstown, Rhode Island before 1719. Peleg's son William Sherman (? – 1780) was a cordwainer and married Susannah Allen (1689 - ?) around 1710 and moved from Portsmouth, Rhode Island to Dartmouth, Massachusetts. His son Michael Sherman (1719 – before 1784) married Deborah Briggs in 1740 and served as a Private in the Revolutionary army during 1778. It appears to have been Michael that moved to Dutchess County, first to Union Vale and then to the Town of Washington. His son Jeremiah Sherman (1743 – 1812) married Elizabeth Mosher (1750 – 1835) at Dartmouth before settling in the Town of Washington where they died. Their son Jedidiah (or Jediah) Sherman (1781 – 1850) married Catherine Boyce (1780 – 1813) around 1801. Their son Jeremiah D. Sherman (1807 – 1856) married Hannah L. Taber (1817 – 1900) in 1839. Their son George H. Sherman (1850 - ?) seems to have gathered many of the material in the collection around 1910. George was the District Deputy Grand Master of Masons for the fourteenth Masonic District in the State of New York and the Cashier of the Farmers and Manufacturers National Bank. Due to the number of Town of Washington land deeds over a short period, it is possible that the Sherman family speculated land.

Provenance

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Subject Headings

American Revolution; Deeds; Eastman Business College; Genealogy; Land titles; Nine Partners Patent; Panic of 1837; Personal correspondence

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Container List

Small Collections Box 2

File	Contents	Date
File 10	Deed from Isaac Underhill to Ebeneser Allen, Town of Washington [in Small Collections Oversized Box 2]	1798 October 22
File 11	List of people who died in a severe epidemic in the town of Stanford	1812 (1971)
File 12	Deed from Jonathan Cutler to Jeremiah Sherman [in Small Collections Oversized Box 2]	1723 December 3
File 13	List of sale of property of Elizabeth Sherman	1835 July 27
File 14	Copy of John Allen's will, Washington Precinct. Copied 1805 by Ethan Allen	1788 January 14
File 15	Genealogy chart of the Sherman family by Edmund Sherman	1600
File 16	Evaluation of property for the county of Dutchess and estimated tax rated to repair the court house	1814
File 17	Genealogy chart of the Sherman family by Edmund Sherman [in Small Collections Oversized Box 2]	1600
File 18	Bond from Henry & Catherine Arnold to John Boyce and Griffin Story	1833 April 20
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File 20	Deed to homestead farm from Elizabeth Sherman to Jeremiah Sherman in the Town of Washington [in Small Collections Oversized Box 2]	1817 June 17
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File 23	Deed from Jeremiah Sherman to Ebenezer Boyce for land in Great Nine Partners [in Small Collections Oversized Box 2]	1811 April 8
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File 27	Agreement to pay Caleb Barton from Franklin, deceased	1806 May 1
File 28	Summons to Benjamin Miller to appear before Nathaniel Ruggles, Judge, for judgment against William Hegel	1765 October 30
File 29	Bond between Allen Sherman and Elizabeth Sherman	1825 February 17
File 30	Power of attorney to Hannah Smith, widow of Jonathan for administration of estate	1794 March 1
File 31	Agreement between Clark Noxon and John Sherman	1811 April 15
File 32	Deed of Micah Palmer paid by Ebenezer Allen [in Small Collections Oversized Box 2]	1791
File 33	Deed from Michael Sherman of Town of Nassau to Hugh Sherman of Town of Washington for land in Rensselaer County	1813 January 25
File 34	Account Book of Jeremiah Sherman, father of George H. Sherman [includes writing from later dates including a description of Harper's Ferry raid and genealogical information]	1849 – 1856 (circa 1890)
File 35	Statement of title for William Wisekin [Wise Kin?] for lot 789 in Block A of the French property [reproduction]	1830
File 36	Will of Nathaniel Sherman [reproduction]	1615
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File 58	Correspondence	1836 – 1837
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