

EDMUND CHANCEY 1815-1884

Edmund Chancey was born October 29, 1815 in that area of Ware or Lowndes County which would later become Clinch County, Georgia.

Edmund served several enlistments during the Seminole Indian Wars. He was a private in the company commanded by Capt. William Kersey. He entered on May 15, 1836 at Camp Carter and was discharged at Monticello on Sept. 15, 1836. His next enlistment was as a private in the company commanded by Lt. William Rowell in Stewart's Battalion of Florida Mounted Militia. He was mustered in at Monticello on March 10, 1837 and was discharged at Tallahassee on June 10, 1837. He was also a private in Capt. Wilkin A. Smith's company, 9th Regiment, 1st Brigade, Florida Mounted Militia. He entered the service at Monticello on July 4, 1837 and was discharged November 4, 1837.

He married Margaret Stephens about 1838. She was born in Georgia in 1815, daughter of Joshua and Sarah Stephens. Their children:

1. Sarah Ann Chancey, born 1839; married Alfred J. Mooney.
2. Mary Ann Elizabeth Chancey, born Dec. 7, 1840; married Elias Levins.
3. Eliza Malyntha Chancey, born 1843; died 1889; married Dec. 4, 1864, Stephen A. Boyd.
4. Israel Irving Jacob Chancey, born Feb. 13, 1845; died 1911; married Laura Ann Elizabeth Thompson.
5. Joshua William Reed Chancey, born 1846; died Feb. 18, 1907; married Sept. 28, 1871 Susannah Hawkins.
6. Perry Yuley Chancey, born Feb. 22, 1848; died Oct. 16, 1918; married 1st, Jemimah Byrd; married 2nd, June 14, 1900 Caroline Keen daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Miley) Keen.
7. Child who died young.

Edmund Chancey moved across the state line in 1840 and settled in Hamilton County, Florida near Jasper. The circuit court minutes show that Edmund served as a grand juror on Oct. 10, 1845.

They were enumerated in Hamilton County in the 1850 census along with neighbors William and Martha Stephens, Charles and Jensey Hendry, Joshua and Sarah Stephens, Christopher and Nancy Chancey and Samuel Cox.

On Feb. 21, 1852 Edmund, age 38 years, applied for bounty land based on his Indian War service. He received 160 acres of land on warrant #18764. He signed his application "Edmond". On Aug. 27, 1855 he registered his cattle mark and brand in Hamilton County: swallowfork and upperbit in one ear, crop and upperbit in the other, brand "6".