



TIMELINE

Local Lydecker / Freeman Store Events	Year	State / National Events
Abraham and Susan Lydecker move from New Jersey to Ayr Hill, Fairfax County, Virginia.	1859	
Lydecker's Store established as a local voting precinct.	1860	Abraham Lincoln is elected as U.S. President.
Secession Vote on May 23, 1861 at Lydecker's Store.	1861	Virginia secedes from the Union.
Confederate forces raid Union train on June 17, 1861 near Lydecker's Store.	1861	Union forces lose the 1st Battle of Manassas.
Abraham Lydecker is arrested as pro-Union by Southern troops and confined, first in Richmond and then in Salisbury	1862	Union Forces lose the 2nd Battle of Manassas; Confederates lose the Battle of Antietam/Sharpsburg.
Susan Lydecker and family move back to New York during the time that Abraham awaited being exchanged. Lydecker's barn is burned and much real and personal property was taken or destroyed.	1862	A number of local Fairfax County citizens were arrested, without cause, and locked in the Old Capitol Prison, Washington, DC.
Lydecker's Store serves as a hospital for 2nd Massachusetts and 13th & 16th New York Union soldiers.	1863 - 1864	Union forces defeat confederate forces at Gettysburg, a small crossroads in Pennsylvania.
The Lydeckers, Freemans, and other local families return and re-establish themselves as residents and merchants.	1865	Lee surrenders to Grant in Appomattox C.H.; Virginia and Johnson surrenders to Sherman in Durham, NC bringing an end to the American Civil War. President Lincoln is assassinated a week later.
Lydecker purchases a 104-acre farm.	1868	The first Decoration Day is observed in the United States.
Lydecker retires from the store; youngest son John clerks in the store.	1870	The 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, giving the right to vote to black males, becomes law when the required number of states ratifies it.
Anderson Freeman son-in-law to the Lydecker's, purchases the Lydecker Store, renames it to the Freeman Store.	1874	Millard Fillmore, former President of the United States, dies at the age of 74.
Anderson Freeman's son, Leon, becomes a business partner in the Freeman Store.	1893	Thomas A. Edison finished building his first motion picture studio.
Anderson Freeman attempts to sell the store.	1898	The American battleship U.S.S. Maine explodes in the harbor at Havana Cuba, a mysterious event that will lead to the U.S. going to war with Spain.
Leon Freeman sells the family business and moves to Alexandria, VA and then to Washington DC.	1900	Kodak introduces \$1 Brownie Cameras; Max Planck formulates Quantum Theory.
With the death of his parents, Leon moves back to run the Freeman Store.	1908	Ford introduces the Model-T; the Tunguska Event; Huge and mysterious explosion in Siberia.
Leon Freeman enters into an Insurance Business at the Freeman Store.	1929	Stock Market Crashes; the Great Depression begins; Car radio invented
Leon's oldest daughter Dorothy, and her husband Lauris Sherburne, remained in the house and operated their insurance business there until mid 1950s.	1929 - 1950	The Great Depression; World War II; Korean War.
Dorothy Freeman Sherburne, the daughter of Leon Freeman, sells the Freeman Store to the Town of Vienna.	1969	Neil Armstrong is the first to walk on the moon; Sesame Street first airs on TV; Rock concert at Woodstock.
Freeman Store is renovated.	1977	Star Wars in theaters; Elvis is found dead