FOREWORD

Amherst County was formed from Albemarle County "and certain islands in the Fluvanna River," in 1761.

Albemarle County was formed from Goochland County and parts of Louisa "and certain islands in the Fluvanna River," in 1744.

Goochland County was formed from Henrico County, in 1728.*

Although Amherst County was formed in 1761, no marriage records have been found of an earlier date than 1763.

The abbreviation "M.R." used in the following pages means "Minister's Returns," i.e. returns of marriages celebrated by the different ministers and returned to Amherst Court according to law.

Anyone desiring to obtain certified copies of the marriage records in this book (except those taken from Pension Declarations), may do so by addressing the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Amherst County, Amherst, Virginia, and paying the required fee.

*See Robinson's: "Virginia Counties: Those Resulting from Virginia Legislation."