

LOUNT, DANIEL S _____, born at Holland Landing, Simcoe County,
Canada West (Ontario) _____ 1820; son of Samuel and Elizabeth
Philadelphia Lount; a Canadian publication states that his father

"was born on the banks of the Susquehanna river, in Pennsylvania, on September 24, 1791, the son of Gabriel Lount, a native of Bristol, England. He came with his father to Upper Canada in 1811; settled in the township of Whitechurch, Simcoe county; and became a prosperous blacksmith at Holland Landing. In 1834 he was elected one of the representatives of Simcoe in the Legislative Assembly of Upper Canada, as a Reformer; but he was defeated in 1836, and he joined with William Lyon Mackenzie in the rebellion of 1837. He was captured, was tried on the charge of high treason, was condemned to death, and was hanged at Toronto on April 12, 1838."

After the execution of his father he moved at the age of 18 with his mother and the six younger children to the United States, settling in Michigan, where his mother died in Oakland County, on May 19, 1878 in her 79th year; a sketch of his life printed in the Prescott Arizona Miner in 1866 reads:

Daniel S. Lount was born in Canada West, but his father and most of his ancestors were from Pennsylvania. His grand parents were among the earliest settlers of Philadelphia, and his mother is named after that city. He was in business in New York for some years, and came with his family to San Francisco, via Cape Horn, in 1850. His family was among the earliest who assumed a permanent residence there. Mr. Lount was for a time in Oregon, and he came to Arizona in 1862. He was one of the first owners and workers in the Apache Chief copper mine, near La Paz, and came to this part of the Territory in 1863, with the George Lount party. He returned to San Francisco, and had renewed his residence here within the present year. He is an active, impulsive man, and among the most industrious members of the Council.

The Journal of the Pioneer and Walker Mining Districts names him as one of the 19 organizers of the Agua Frio Mining Company which located mining claims on the "Black Lode" on June 9 and on the "Blue Lode", June 17, 1863; joined with his brother George and 9 others in filing mining claims on January 16, 1864, for 2,400 feet on the "Native American Lode"; on July 10, 1864, he located 200 feet on the "Pointer Lode".

Served as Councilman from Yavapai County, 3d and 4th Territorial Legislatures, at Prescott, 1866 and 1867; listed, U.S. Census, 1870, at Wickenburg, A.T., occupation - Miner; the following reference to him appeared in the Arizona Miner on March 25, 1870:

D. S. Lount, of San Francisco, was at Los Angeles when the news of the passage of the Southern Pacific Railroad bill was sent over the wires, to gladden thousands of hearts in this southern country, and took pains to mail us News and Star extras containing the joyful tidings. Mr. Lount has been, is yet, an earnest worker for our Territory.

This item was printed in the Miner on September 14, 1877:

Dan Lount is running the mess house for Opdyke's road camp on War Eagle gulch and is dishing up a very superior article of soup.

Very little information has been obtained about his family except that he married and had two daughters, one of whom visited her Uncle, George Lount, in Prescott; at the time of his death the Arizona-Miner published the following obituary:

An old, well known and much respected citizen, Daniel S. Lount, having come to Arizona from California in pioneer times, and undergone all the trials, hardships and dangers incident to a life on the frontier, has, at last, succumbed to disease and the infirmities of a somewhat advanced age.

Dan had his faults, as who has not? but they all "leaned to virtue's side," and now his good deeds, which were many, will be remembered and cherished by his friends. Enemies, if he had any, and we believe he had not, will keep silence; he is beyond the reach of malice, even if there were those disposed to exercise it toward him. He leaves two brothers in Arizona, George and Samuel D., and we believe, a brother and sister in Michigan.

Died at Prescott, Yavapai County, A.T., August 20, 1879, aged 59; buried
Cemetery.

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