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Collector

Staunton (Va.) Circuit Court.

Physical Characteristics

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Location

State Records Center - Archives Annex, Library of Virginia

Repository

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Administrative Information

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There are no restrictions.

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Historical Information

The City of Staunton, in Augusta County, was named, according to tradition, for Rebecca Staunton, wife of Sir William Gooch, lieutenant governor of Virginia from 1727 to 1749. Staunton was laid out in 1748 at the site of the Augusta County courthouse and was established as a town in 1761. It was incorporated as a town in 1801 and as a city in 1871.

Scope and Content

Staunton (Va.) Election Records and Tax and Fiscal Records, 1803-1879, are arranged by local records series into election records and tax and fiscal records.

Election records consist of polls for election for mayor, recorder, aldermen, and councilmen (1831-1835, 1837-1839, 1848-1849, 1854-1857); mayor and sergeant (1858-1862); recorder, aldermen, and councilmen (1858-1860-1862, 1866); sergeant (1854-1857); commissioner of revenue (1855-1857, 1859-1861); commonwealth's attorney (1857, 1861); clerk (1859); watering of the town by iron pipes (1835-1836); lists of voters (1855); extension of town limits (1860); state senate and house of delegates (Ward 1, 1879); and subscription to Valley Railroad Company Stock (Ward 2, 1870).

Tax and fiscal records consist of delinquent and insolvent tax lists, 1803-1833. The lists often contain information about where a person has moved if they have left the county and other information related to their finances and current location.

Index Terms

Corporate Names:

Staunton (Va.) Circuit Court.

Subjects:

Elections -- Virginia -- Staunton.

Local elections -- Virginia -- Staunton.

Geographical Names:

Staunton (Va.) -- History -- 19th century.

Genre and Form Terms:

Election returns -- Virginia -- Staunton.

Local government records -- Virginia -- Staunton.

Tax and fiscal records -- Virginia -- Staunton.

Tax records -- Virginia -- Staunton.

