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Abstract

Pocket-sized memoranda book containing brief diary entries, personal account information, and to-do lists, kept by John A. Frenger.

Creator

Frenger, John Alonzo, 1847-1922

source

Forbes, Timothy L.

Extent

0.08 cubic feet 1 folder

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Biographical / Historical

John Alonzo Frenger (1847-1922) lived in Greenville in Augusta County, Virginia. Frenger married Severine Bell Muse (1849-1904) and together they had at least three children, Robert Muse (1872-1948), Mary, and Odessa. He was a farmer by trade.

Scope and Contents

Pocket-sized memoranda book containing personal account information, to-do lists, and brief diary entries, kept by John A. Frenger. Includes note about the 1904 death of Sevie B. Frenger, John A. Frenger's wife, as well as funeral details (hymns). Frenger wrote detailed entries for a January 1906 trip to Richmond which included a visit to Virginia Penitentiary, Hollywood Cemetery (Jefferson Davis grave), Virginia Legislature (talked with Rep. John W. Churchman of Augusta), Confederate Museum, St. John's Episcopal Church, and the Robert E. Lee monument. During this trip, Frenger also visited Norfolk and Newport News. Frenger detailed December 1908 trip to Richmond, Newport News, Portsmouth, and Norfolk.

Related Materials

John A. Frenger Diary and Account Book, 1880-1892, bulk 1881-1884, SC 0008, Special Collections, Carrier Library, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, VA.

John Alonzo Frenger Diary and Account Book, SC 00659, Special Collections Research Center, Swem Library, College of William and Mary.

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Norfolk (Va.) -- History -- 20th century

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Museum of the Confederacy (Richmond, Va.) -- History -- 20th century

Hollywood Cemetery (Richmond, Va.) -- History -- 20th century

Lee, Robert E. (Robert Edward), 1807-1870 -- Monuments

Virginia Penitentiary -- History -- 20th century

Virginia. General Assembly -- History -- 20th century

St. John's Episcopal Church (Richmond, Va.) -- History -- 20th century

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