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Biographical / Historical

James Woods Massie was born in 1826 in Augusta County, Virginia. He graduated VMI in 1849. He was a lawyer and VMI Faculty (mathematics) from 1849 to 1872 with time away for military service during the Civil War. During the War he was a Lieutenant Colonel with the 51st Virginia Infantry Regiment. Massie died in 1872 in Lexington, Virginia.

Scope and Contents

The James W. Massie papers consist of the personal papers (40 items) of Massie, including: Incoming correspondence (1855-1857) Civil War papers, primarily incoming letters, orders, and commissions (1861-1863) Post-War papers, including letters written by Massie's wife, Sophonisba Breckinridge McDowell (Massie), and documents related to their son, James McDowell Massie Confederate bonds Envelopes

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