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Overview of the Collection

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Creator:

Campbell, Joseph Watson, 1795-1875Campbell, Amanda M. Rogers, 1800-1875Sampson, Sarah E. Campbell, ca 1824-1880Sampson, Stephen E., b. 1813 arrangement

Quantity:

1.00

Repository:

Special Collections Research Center

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

Collection is open to all researchers.

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Additional Information

Related Materials

Additional papers belonging to the Campbell Family are housed at the Library of Virginia cited as Campbell-Sampson Family Papers, 1829-1909. Accession 43211.

Biographical Note

Joseph W. Campbell was a farmer in Albemarle County, Virginia. Payroll and muster records indicate Joseph served for a time in Captain Samuel Brown's Company of the 33rd Regiment of the Virginia Militia as a Private during the War of 1812. He is referred to as "Capt. JW Campbell" on a number of documents. He also began a family farm that was approximately 800 acres mostly in Albemarle County with a small portion located in adjoining Louisa County. Campbell grew tobacco, wheat and timber, raised livestock, operated a saw mill and a blacksmithing shop from his farm. Census records and tax statements indicate he was a slave holder. According to the 1820 United States Census, Campbell held six slaves. In 1850 his holdings grew to 26 slaves, both male and female aging from 2 to 65. Later in his life his affairs were overseen jointly with his son-in-law, Stephen F. Sampson. Further information about this individual or organization may be available in the Special Collections Research Center Wiki: http://scrc.swem.wm.edu/wiki/index.php/Joseph_Watson_Campbell.

Scope and Contents

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Index Terms

This Collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Genre/Form of Material:

Correspondence
Financial records
Photographs
Receipts (financial records)

Geographic Name:

Albemarle County (Va.)--History--19th century.

Occupation:

Blacksmithing--Virginia.

Topical Term:

Agriculture--Virginia--History--19th century.
Legal documents.
Merchants--Virginia--Albemarle County.
Slavery--Virginia--19th century.
Slavery--Virginia--History--19th century.
Tobacco--Virginia--History--19th century.

Arrangement of Materials

The papers are organized in nine series. Within each series, the papers are arranged in chronological order. The series are: I. Tax Bills, II. General Accounts, III. John Rogers's Estate (Execution of), IV. Slave Holdings, V. Promissory Notes, VI. Receipts, VII. Correspondence, VIII. Miscellaneous Documents, and IX. Photographs.

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