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Biographical/Historical Information

Rev. Scervant Jones (1785-1854), son of John and Mary Hubard Jones. Jones was a lawyer, delegate from York County, Va., to the Virginia General Assembly (1822-1825), and first minister of the Williamsburg, Va., Baptist Church (1829-1854).

Scope and Content Information

Letters, will, and sermons of the Rev. Scervant Jones. The letters (1847-1851) are mostly from Jones, in Williamsburg, to Thomas B. Montague in Gloucester, Va. A copy of Jones's will, December 1852, is contained within an 1854 letter from Robert Saunders [of Williamsburg] to Montague. The twenty-seven sermons were written by Jones between 1834 and 1845 and most were preached in Williamsburg. Names appearing in the collection are Dr. Griffin, Bourbon Jones, William Jones, Dr. Charles Minnigerode, Sarah Ann Montague, Thomas B. Montague, Elisha Pollard, George Pollard, Sheldon and Maupin, and the College of William and Mary.

Index Terms

Persons:

Jones, Scervant, 1785-1854.

Montague, Thomas B.

Saunders, Robert, 1805-1869.

Subjects:

Sermons, American--19th century.

Genre and Form Terms:

Estate records--Virginia.

Arrangement

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Each series is arranged chronologically.

Organization

The collection is divided into two series. The first series consists of correspondence. The second series consists of sermons.

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Folder 2

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Copy of the will of Scervant Jones, 25 December 1852.

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Physical Location Included in the preceding letter.

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Extent 8 pages.

Scope and Content

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Scope and Content

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Scope and Content

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