

Augusta County Historical Society
Acc. # 331b
Percy C. Manley Estate Collection
1773-1875

Size: 3 folders (approx. .05 cubic feet)

Associated Material: Acc. #331a

Historical/Biographical Note:

Numerous residents of Augusta County are represented in this collection, including: John A. Bedenbaugh, James Addison Cochran, Mary and Robert Curry, Mary B. McCoy, John B. Moses, George Myerley, J. M.(?) Schreckhise, a Dr. Smelzer, William Smith, Nicholas Trout, Joseph and Sarah Wright, and Peter Zimmerman.

Scope & Content:

Consists of miscellaneous documents apparently collected by Percy C. Manley. An artificial arrangement was created by the processor that divided the collection into three sections: George Myerley, 1773-1858; Court Cases, 1800-1820; and Miscellaneous, 1786-1875, n.d. Since the original arrangement could not be determined, it is possible that some documents placed in different folders may be related to one another.

The **George Myerley** folder contains documents relating to Myerley, an Augusta County citizen who apparently was a blacksmith, machinist, and partner for a time with William Smith. Included are deeds, promissory notes, receipts, and pages from a family Bible containing birth/death dates for members of the Myerley family.

The **Court Cases** folder contains parts of three court cases: Willson Maddox v. Shadrach Richards & c. (in Franklin County Chancery Court); John C. Lowers v. John Bowyer (in Chancery District Court, Staunton); and Thomas Brockenbrough & Jaqueline Harvie v. William White (in Augusta County Court).

The **Miscellaneous** folder contains numerous items, including: deeds, an invoice for items purchased from Smith & Gambill, at Bowman Mills; a commissioner's oath for William Sigler, of Preston County; a military land warrant for Mary Curry; a letter home from a Confederate soldier near Petersburg, 12 February 1865; and a programme for an exhibition on 22 October 1875 by students at the Virginia Institution for the Education of the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, in Staunton.

Organization/Arrangement:

By subject, then chronological

Folder 1: George Myerley, 1773-1858

Folder 2: Court Cases, 1800-1820

Folder 3: Miscellaneous, 1786-1875, n.d.