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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

SC 0098

Unit ID

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Unit Date

1776-1963

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English

Abstract

This collection deals mainly with the Strickler family of Massanutten, Egypt Bend, and Luray, Virginia, along with a few other related families.

source

Hoover, Anna B., 1937-2008

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Hoover, James B. (James Beery), 1934-2017

Creator

Strickler family

Extent

1 cubic feet 2 Hollinger boxes, 1 oversize folder

Repository

James Madison University Libraries Special Collections

Administrative Information

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Acquisition Information

Donated to Carrier Library by Mrs. James Hoover of Harrisonburg in May 1993.

Processing Information

This collection was minimally reprocessed in May 2017 and renamed Mr. and Mrs. James Hoover Collection of Strickler Family Papers, a change from Mr. and Mrs. James Hoover Collection. In order to streamline the process of applying collection numbers, Special Collections staff completed a large-scale renumbering campaign in the spring of 2017. **This collection was previously cataloged as SC 2062.**

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Bio/Historical Note

Abraham Strickler was one of the original settlers of the Shenandoah Valley at Massanutten (now Page County) in the 1720s. He was born in Zurich, Switzerland. He first settled in America around 1700 in the province of Pennsylvania. He then migrated to Virginia and settled about 4 miles west of Luray. His descendants figured prominently in the life of the region. Abraham is credited as being the ancestor of most of the Stricklers in Shenandoah County.

Scope and Content

The Mr. and Mrs. James Hoover Collection of Strickler Family Papers, 1776-1963, consists of two Hollinger boxes and a few oversize materials dealing largely with the Strickler family of Massanutten, Egypt Bend, and

Luray, in what would become Page County, Virginia in 1831, and a few related families. There are scattered documents relevant to related families, especially the Civil War correspondence of the Kauffmans, but the bulk of the collection documents parts of the lives of two Mary Stricklers (1860s, 1907-1940s); Joseph and Joseph T. Strickler (1810-1856, 1890s); and Baptist Elder Reuben T. Strickler (1854-1937). There is also some correspondence concerning the Strickler land claim and experiences in Oregon and Washington Territory (1860s-1880s).

Separated Material

Joseph H. Wenger's *History of the Descendants of Abraham Beery* was removed from the collection, individually cataloged, and placed in the rare book collection.

Related Material

L. R. Milbourne Papers, 1886-1906, SC 0108, Special Collections, Carrier Library, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.

Strickler Family Papers, 1887-1928, SC 0326, Special Collections, Carrier Library, James Madison University, Harrisonburg, Va.

Keywords

Land settlement -- Washington (State) -- To 1889 -- Sources
Soldiers -- Virginia -- Correspondence
Prospecting -- Oregon -- Sources
Prospecting -- Nevada -- Sources
African Americans -- Virginia -- History -- 19th century
Business records -- Sources
Inventories of decedents' estates -- Virginia -- Sources
Debt -- Virginia -- Sources
Romanians -- Virginia -- Page County
Railroads -- Shenandoah River Valley (Va. and W. Va.) -- Timetables
Railroads -- Virginia -- History
Church buildings -- Virginia -- History -- Sources
Real property and taxation -- Virginia -- Sources
Real property -- Virginia -- Sources
Egypt (Va.) -- History
Massanutten (Va.) -- History
Luray (Va.) -- History
Shenandoah County (Va.) -- History
Virginia -- Genealogy
Virginia -- History, Local
Shenandoah River Valley (Va. and W. Va.) -- Social life and customs -- Sources
Shenandoah River Valley (Va. and W. Va.) -- Economic conditions -- Sources
Shenandoah River Valley (Va. and W. Va.) -- History
Oregon -- History -- 1859-
Washington Territory -- History -- To 1889 -- Sources
United States -- History -- 1913-1921
United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Personal narratives, Confederate Letters (correspondence)
Genealogies (histories)
Tax records
Legal documents
Financial Records
Family papers
Page County (Va.) -- History
Hoover, Anna B., 1937-2008

Hoover, James B. (James Beery), 1934-2017
Strickler, Joseph T. (Joseph Thomas), 1828-1889
Strickler, Joseph, 1786-1856
Strickler, Reuben T. (Reuben Thomas), 1854-1937
Kauffman family
Strickler, Mary
Hoover family
Ebenezer Baptist Association (Va.)
Confederate States of America. Army. Virginia Infantry Regiment, 10th -- History
Mill Creek Regular Baptist Church (Va.)

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in three series:

- Letters & Genealogy, 1776-1963
- Business & Legal Documents, 1810-1928
- Miscellaneous, 1865-1904

Description of Subordinate Components

Letters and Genealogy

Unit ID 1

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/981

Unit Date 1776-1963

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/985

Unit Date 1835-1860, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents

From surnames Coffman, Ward, Crim, & others, mostly to Strickler family in Luray; mention of land purchases in the Valley, typhoid fever, farm & financial news. A few from Oregon concern prospecting in Rogue River. Includes an autograph copy of a letter from A. Strickler at University of VA to Dr. Thomas (Dec. 10, 1835).

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/986

Unit Date 1861-1862

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Mostly between Robert G. Mauck in Page Cty & nephews Joseph F. & E.V. Kauffman & brother John W. Mauck, all in the 10th VA Reg., who wrote from various camps of camp life & troop movements. R. Mauck writes of farm news and "excitement and rumors of all kinds" (June 24, 1861)

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/987

Unit Date 1863-1866

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Several from E.V. Kauffman from camp. Most of rest are to Mary Strickler from grandson Will concerning

death in family. Mention of Cambellites (Sept. 1, 1866). Includes a cross-hatched letter dated August 30, 1863.

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/988

Unit Date 1867-1869

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Mostly to Mary Strickler at Massanutten, including from grandson Will in Washington D.C. Details of W.A. Strickler's land claim in Washington Territory and his disappearance.

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/989

Unit Date 1870-1878

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Friends & Strickler family in VA, WV, OH, NV, IL, MO, KS; two items related to Mill Creek Church (1874, 1879).

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/990

Unit Date 1880-1882

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Mostly from W.S. Strickler in NV, where he was working, prospecting & mining, to brother Reuben T. & other relatives in VA.

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/991

Unit Date 1883-1886, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Mostly from W.S. & J.G. Strickler in NV & Dakota to relatives in Page Cty; a few from Joshua Ruffner in ID & MT to VA. Several items related to Mill Creek Church.

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/992

Unit Date 1887-1903, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Mostly to Reuben T. Strickler from relatives & Baptist Church members.

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/993

Unit Date 1907-1918

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Mostly from family & friends with news of home to Mary Strickler, in Page County & later in Washington, D.C. One of Mary's school compositions (1913?) mentions gypsies in Page Cty. Some items incomplete.

Letters

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/994

Unit Date 1919-1944

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Con't previous file; includes documents related to Mary Strickler's husband S.B. (Beery) Hoover; letters to Litha Strickler. Genealogy, 1770s

Genealogy

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/995

Unit Date 1776-1963

Mixed Materials [1000886552] 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Business Legal Documents

Unit ID 2

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/982

Unit Date 1810-1928

Business Receipts

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/996

Unit Date 1810-1928 (bulk 1890)

Unit Date bulk 1890

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Property tax receipts of Jos. Strickler, 1810-1827; property tax receipts of Mary Roof (adm. Jos. Strickler), 1810-1832; 1813 birth verification of Negro girl; inventory of Jos. Strickler estate, 1856; inventories & receipts for estate of Jos. T. Strickler, 1890 (see also Oversize); misc. other items.

Seven Railroad timetables

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/997

Unit Date 1880s

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Includes Shenandoah Valley Route and several other Virginia routes.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/998

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19, '21, '22, '23, '26 (?), with list of licenses issued, '27, & und.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/999

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19, '21, '22, '23, '26 (? , with list of licenses issued), '27, & und.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/1000

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19, '21, '22, '23, '26 (? , with list of licenses issued), '27, & und.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/1001

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19, '21, '22, '23, '26 (? , with list of licenses issued), '27, & und.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/1002

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19, '21, '22, '23, '26 (? , with list of licenses issued), '27, & und.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/1003

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19, '21, '22, '23, '26 (? , with list of licenses issued), '27, & und.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/1004

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19,

'21, '22, '23, '26 (? , with list of licenses issued), '27, & und.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/1005

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19, '21, '22, '23, '26 (? , with list of licenses issued), '27, & und.

Lists of land and property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/1006

Unit Date 1815-1827, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Scope and Contents

District of Jos. Strickler, Commissioner of Revenue for Shenandoah Cty, 1815 (see also Oversize), '17, '19, '21, '22, '23, '26 (? , with list of licenses issued), '27, & und.

Ledgers

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/1007

Unit Date 1821-1826

Mixed Materials [1000886553] 2 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Debt/interest ledger (?), Jos. Strickler (?),; bound with store/labor ledger, Jos. & Jos. T. Strickler (?), 1835-1864. See also oversize.

Ledger

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/27771

Unit Date 1818-1881

Mixed Materials [1000898371] OV 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

List of property taxes

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/27772

Unit Date 1815

Mixed Materials [1000898371] OV 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Broadside, sale of J.T. Strickler's personal property

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/27773

Unit Date 1889 October 24

Mixed Materials [1000898371] OV 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Miscellaneous

Unit ID 3

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/983

Unit Date 1865-1904

Miscellaneous**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival_objects/1008**Unit Date** 1865-1904**Mixed Materials [1000886553]** 2 (box)**Container** 13 (folder)**Scope and Contents**

Includes religious pamphlet by J.G. Strickler (2 cop.), Minutes of Ebenezer Baptist Assoc. sessions (65,68,69,76, 1893-1904), Luray & Bridgewater newsletters (1885-93), & unidentified printed German poem.