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## Abstract

Ledger created by Samuel Peyton Dagg, a tailor in Cross Keys, Virginia, documenting his transactions between the years of 1871-1896. Personal notes, lists, and home remedy recipes are included on the ledger's endpapers and paste-downs.

## Creator

Dagg, Samuel Peyton, circa 1819-1898

## source

Stickley, Dan

## Extent

0.2 cubic feet 1 box

## Repository

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# Administrative Information

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In order to streamline the process of applying collection numbers, Special Collections staff completed a large-scale renumbering campaign in 2017-2018. **This collection was previously cataloged as SC 5040.**

## Preferred Citation

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# Bio/Historical Note

Samuel Peyton Dagg lived and worked as a tailor in Cross Keys, Virginia. He also served as a captain in the Regular Army. Dagg was born ca. 1819 in Loudon County, Virginia and lived with his mother Elizabeth until her death. After his mother's death, Dagg was noted as living as a recluse in a home he owned on the Keezletown Road between Cross Keys and Meyerhoeffer's Store.

Dagg died October 29, 1898 and willed all of his property to the American Bible Society.

# Scope and Content

The Samuel Peyton Dagg Ledger, 1871-1896, primarily documents Dagg's business transactions as a tailor. The ledger records customer names and accounts, services performed by Dagg (repairing, sewing, cutting patterns, etc.) and related charges. Customer accounts also include purchases of foodstuffs and perishables.

In addition to business transactions, the ledger includes Dagg's lists on sundry topics and recipes for home remedies, for example the price of various coins (p. 150-151), how to properly introduce oneself to others (p. 148), the pronunciations of different names (p 161-163), and a list of famous authors and their hometowns (p. 143). Home remedies for warts, toothaches, and dropsy and recipes for rice pudding and bread pudding are included.

# Keywords

Tailors -- Virginia -- Rockingham County -- Records and correspondence

Business records -- Virginia -- Sources  
Rockingham County (Va.) -- History  
Virginia -- History, Local  
Ledgers (account books)  
Stickley, Dan

## Bibliography

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## Arrangement

The collection is arranged chronologically with loose papers foldered separately.

## Description of Subordinate Components

### Ledger

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/15300

**Unit Date** 1871-1896

**Mixed Materials [1000886196]** 1 (box)

**Container** 1 (folder)

### Newspaper clipping removed from back of front endsheet

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/15302

**Unit Date** undated

**Mixed Materials [1000886196]** 1 (box)

**Container** 2 (folder)

### Envelope from between pages 86-87

**Unit ID** /repositories/4/archival\_objects/15303

**Unit Date** undated

**Mixed Materials [1000886196]** 1 (box)

**Container** 3 (folder)

### Note from between pages 92-93

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