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Scope and Contents

Elinor Junkin, daughter of Washington College's president George Junkin and future first wife of Thomas Jonathan "Stonewall" Jackson details to her first cousin Helen Dickey, of Oxford, Chester County, Pa., her family's move to and first weeks living in Lexington, Virginia, after her father's appointment at the college. The letter mentions her siblings and shared family, describes the college and its former president Henry Ruffner, the journey from Pennsylvania to Lexington, and the Lexington Presbyterian Church, specifically its minister William S. White. Other noteworthy content is the description of a social gathering where she meets faculty member Daniel Harvey Hill, former U.S. Army officer, Mexican War veteran, and future Confederate general and shares her opinion on the college's Simpson House (current name) where the Junkin family resided during George Junkin's thirteen year tenure as college president.

Keywords

Virginia -- Lexington

Junkin, Elinor, 1825-1854

Junkin, George, 1798 - 1868

Dickey, Helen

Washington College (Lexington, Va.)

White, William S. (William Spotswood)

Ruffner, Henry, Reverend

Hill, D. H. (Daniel Harvey), 1821-1889

Junkin family

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