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Biographical / Historical

These photographs depict various subjects in Virginia. They date from the 1880s to 1890s. The photographer may have been "Bena. F. Harrison". Some of the images depict Oak Hill, the estate of James Monroe, the 5th US President.

Content Description

Collection contains 14 albumen photographs, most stamped "Bena F. Harrison," five captioned in pencil. Some images depict locations in Loudon County, including James Monroe's Oak Hill, the Point of Rocks Bridge, and another unidentified home. Other Virginia mansions are depicted, including the "Lutz House. No. Va." Some images depict a church in Petersburg.

Keywords

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Photographs
Monroe family

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Container 1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

File includes 14 photographs depicting homes, Point of Rocks Bridge, and churches in Loudon County, VA, Petersburg, VA, and other locations.