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Correspondence

- Balaam Osburn to Ad[?]; 6 December 1853
- Purcel Stone to Dr. Osburn; 25 January 18[59?]

Bonds

- a bond regarding the purchase of a negro woman and her children; 4 May 1854
- a bond regarding the purchase of a slave named "Violette"; 6 May 1857

Certificates

- Internal Revenue License issued to Dr. Osburn permitting him to practice medicine; 1 May 1866
- West Virginia State Board of Health license issued to Dr. Osburn permitting him to practice medicine; 9 August 1881

Receipts

- six receipts for household goods with attached customs clearance certification; March 1963
- receipt for pharmacy supplies; 29 January 1867

Programs

- Virginia Military Institute Graduation Ball; 4 July 1871
- West Virginia University Parthenon Literary Society Anniversary Celebration; 14 June 1872
- Washington and Lee University Graham Lee and Washington Societies Final Celebration; 25 June 1872
- Wake Forest College Commencement; 25-27 June 1872

Civil War Material

-one dollar note, torn, possibly Confederate; 15 July 1861

-letter from the Confederate War Department to Mrs. Lizzie B. Osburn, turning down her request that her husband be discharged from the army; 1 October 1861

-Harpers Ferry pass issued to Dr. Osburn; 19 May 1864

Ephemera

-Dr. Osburn's lecture pass from the University of Maryland Department of Chemistry and Pharmacy; October 1846

-Invitation to the wedding of Dr. Osburn to Rosa Nelson McNeill; 13 October 18[??]

-poem titled "Leather Leggings in Mexico" recorded on the reverse of a legal document written in Spanish; ca. 1901

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