



Archival and Manuscript Collections Finding Aid

ACCESSION No.: HRHS-161

COLLECTION TITLE: Rev. Jacob Stirewalt Journal Collection

DATE: 1856 - 1863

SIZE: 1 folder

DONOR: Katherine M. McQuade

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Reverend Jacob Stirewalt was born in 1805 and was a Lutheran pastor for 32 years and served congregations in Shenandoah, Page and Rockingham counties. One of these congregations was Rader's Lutheran Church located near Timberville, Virginia. Rev. Stirewalt's travel journal includes various trips to preach from October 21, 1856 to May 12, 1863. The journal also details travel to the Synod meeting in North Carolina, as he passed through Augusta County and Richmond on his way to North Carolina.

Of interest in his journal are the following: 1) description of his means of travel, 2) cost of travel and cost of food, 3) travel routes followed, 4) references to troop movements during the Civil War, 5) need for a pass to travel to and through Richmond, 6) references made to individuals and churches in Shenandoah County, Harrisonburg, Rockingham County and Augusta County, and in Lincoln County, North Carolina.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

This journal is a record of travel by Rev. Jacob Stirewalt from October 21, 1856 to May 12, 1863. This is part of collection 98.11.11.

COLLECTION INVENTORY:

Folder 1: Travel Journal of Rev. Jacob Stirewalt