



Archival and Manuscript Collections Finding Aid

ACCESSION No.: HRHS- 70

COLLECTION TITLE: Charles T. O'Ferrall Collection

DATES: 1886-1889

SIZE: 1 (one) folder

DONOR: Unknown

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: Charles Triplett O'Ferrall was a Virginia judge, politician and governor born October 21, 1840 in Frederick County, VA. At age 15, he was appointed clerk protempore of Morgan County, VA (now WV) and later served as the county's elected circuit court clerk until the Civil War. In 1861 he joined the 12th Virginia Calvary (CSA), rising to the rank of Colonel. In February 1865, he married Annie Hand. In 1869, O'Ferrall graduated from Washington College (now Washington and Lee University) with a law degree. After moving to Harrisonburg, he was elected as a Democrat to the House of Delegates for two terms (1871-1873). In 1874, he became judge of Rockingham County Circuit Court, a position he held until 1880. In 1882, he won the County's Congressional election and served 5 terms in the U.S. House of Representatives. In 1893, he was nominated for and was elected as Governor of Virginia. His first two years were notable for his liberal stances; however, his refusal to endorse the platform of Democrat William Jennings Bryan led to embitterment and in 1898, he retired to Chesterfield County, near Richmond where he wrote his book "Forty Years of Active Service" in 1904. He died December 22, 1905 in Richmond. (From Biographical/Historical Note in the Finding Aid for the Charles Triplett O'Ferrall Collection, on deposit with JMU and housed at Carrier Library).

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This is an artificially created collection of promissory notes made out to Charles T. O'Ferrall and found in various locations in the HRHS archives. For other items related to O'Ferrall, see SC # 2015, Charles Triplett O'Ferrall Collection, housed at JMU's Carrier Library.

COLLECTION INVENTORY:

Promissory notes addressed to Charles T. O'Ferrall:

December, 20, 1886, from W. H. Clatterbuck

March 24, 1886, from Joe H. Sibert

August 16, 1886 from James L. Fisher

June 15, 1889, from W. H. Clatterbuck

June 25, 1887 from Isaac Stone

July 19, 1888 from C.C Haas

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