

Augusta County Historical Society
Acc # 200
William Harris Photograph
1976

Size: 1 folder

Scope & Content

Collection consists of one small photograph ca 1880 of Rev. William Harris. Rev. Harris was principal of Wesleyan Female Institute in Staunton, Virginia from 1866 to 1895.

Historical/Biographical Note

Rev. Harris became principal of Wesleyan Female Institute, located in Staunton, Virginia, early in 1866 and continued in charge of the school until shortly before it closed in 1895. In 1870 the students and faculty moved from their old building opposite Trinity Church to new headquarters that occupied a large city block on Johnson Street between Fayette and St. Clair streets. The school trustees had purchased the George M. Cochran house and enlarged it. Wesleyan Female Institute was one of the schools that gave Staunton a claim to some of the best schools for girls in the South. By 1873 Staunton had become "the center of female education in Virginia".

Organization/Arrangement

1 photograph (approx. 3" by 5")

Miscellaneous

Also mentioned: William Harris, Wesleyan Female Institute