

Archival and Manuscript Collections Finding Aid

ACCESSION No.: HRHS - 129

COLLECTION TITLE: Gideon Sheiry Collection

DATES: 1869 - 1950

SIZE: 1 folder

DONOR: Janice H Greene

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Gideon Sheiry joined Jackson's Army during the Civil War and was in both battles of Bull Run. Newspapermen were needed so he obtained an honorable discharge from the Army and went to work for the Rockingham Register in Harrisonburg as a printer. He married Ella Marceline Slater on July 13, 1863 in Harrisonburg, Virginia and they had eleven children. They built a house on W. Market Street in Harrisonburg in the early years of the marriage. They moved to Washington, D.C. where Mr. Sheiry died in 1882.

The Harrisonburg Enterprise, a five-column, four-page weekly, began under the proprietorship of Gideon Sheiry in 1869 and was published for three to four years. Bound Vol. I of Harrisonburg Enterprise newspaper September 13-December 23, 1870 (added to HRHS-91 oversize.)

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

Collection of photographs, correspondence and documents belonging to Gideon Sheiry of Harrisonburg, Virginia.

COLLECTION INVENTORY:

DNR 1948 Bradley Foundry article. Vol I. No. 3 The Lily of the Valley- a Home Monthly, 1872 Photocopied page of photographs showing Gideon and Ella Marceline Sheiry and their home on W. Market St., Harrisonburg Photo of Gideon Sheiry Postcard of a painting by Gideon Sheiry titled "Dream of Arcadia" Gideon Sheiry letter to his brother John in 1869 (typed copy) Annie Sheiry recollections of Harrisonburg (original and copy), 1950. Gideon Sheiry genealogy Letter from John Wayland to Mrs. John Sheiry, 1951

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