

# Archival and Manuscript Collections Finding Aid

## ACCESSION No.: HRHS-61

**COLLECTION TITLE:** Brocks Gap Abstract of Collections

**DATES:** 1871

SIZE: One folder

**DONOR:** Unknown

PROCESSED: Processed November 2, 2015 by K. Craun

### **BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:**

Brocks Gap is the name given to 200 square miles in Rockingham County, Virginia, that was created by the North Fork of the Shenandoah River. As early as the 1740s, Germanspeaking settlers were attracted to the area by abundant water, plentiful wood, fertile river bottoms, and great hunting. Many of the first settlers stayed for generations, tucked into the security of the mountains. Families were self-sufficient, growing their own food, gathering wild berries and nuts for their own use, and selling the surplus. Stories and traditional ways of life have been passed down through generations, making Brocks Gap a distinct area of culture.

## **SCOPE AND CONTENT:**

This collection is an abstract of collections, or taxes, in Brocks Gap Township in 1871.

## **COLLECTION INVENTORY:**

Abstract of Collections for Brocks Gap Township, 1871