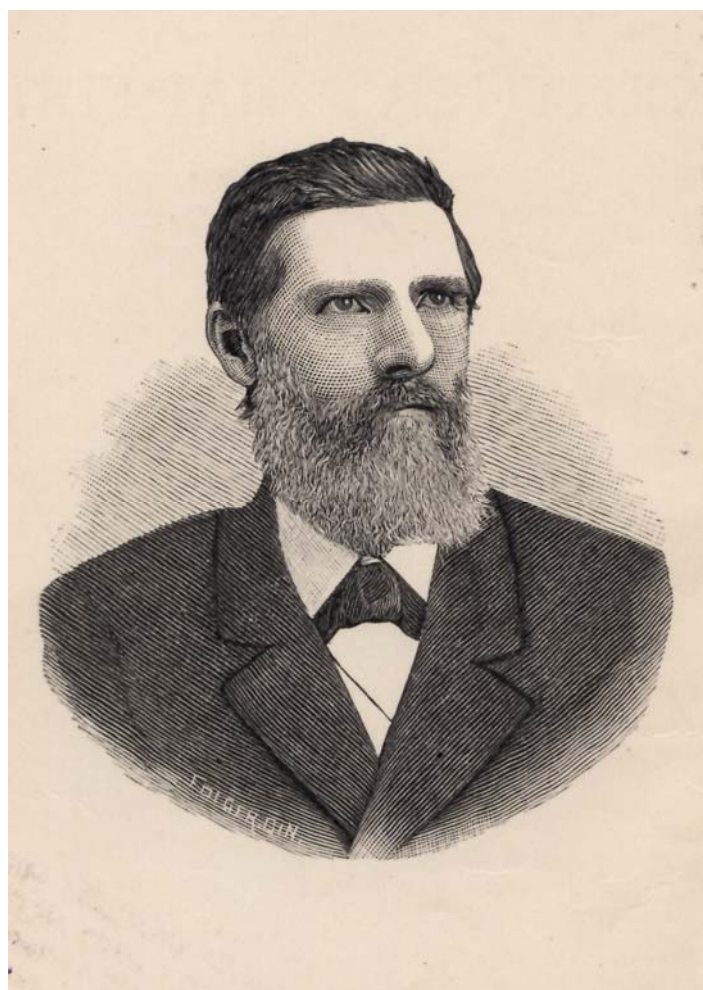


JOHN HENDERSON SPENCER
COLLECTION

AR 36



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Summary

Main Entry: John Henderson Spencer Collection

Date Span: 1826 – 1897

Abstract: Collection of material related to Kentucky Baptist historian, John Henderson Spencer. The collection contains an incomplete autobiographical manuscript on Spencer's life and work and a tribute to Spencer printed on the 50th anniversary of his death in the *Kentucky Baptist Heritage*.

Size: .25 linear ft. (one box)

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Biographical Sketch

Kentucky Baptist historian, John Henderson Spencer, was born in Allen County, Kentucky, September 9, 1826, to William and Sally Caldwell (Richey) Spencer. He served as the pastor of several churches in Kentucky and held revivals in Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri, and Tennessee. In 1861, Spencer married Alice Lavelia Everhart (who died in 1872), and, in 1875, he married Burilla Burton Walker. He authored a two-volume *History of Kentucky Baptists* in 1886 and was a contributor to William Cathcart's *Baptist Encyclopedia* (1881). Spencer died December 21, 1897.

Scope and Content Note

The John Henderson Spencer Collection is an artificial collection consisting of .25 linear feet of material located in one three-inch document box. It contains five folders, four of which are an incomplete autobiographical manuscript on Spencer's life and work. The remaining file in the collection is a tribute to Spencer that was printed in the *Kentucky Baptist Heritage* on the 50th anniversary of Spencer's death. The collection is arranged alphabetically.

Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically

Provenance

Unknown.

Preferred Citation

John Henderson Spencer Collection, Southern Baptist Historical Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee

Access Restrictions

None

Subject Terms

Baptists – History
Baptists – United States
Baptists – Kentucky

Related Materials

Selected Bibliography:

Spencer, John Henderson. *History of Kentucky Baptists from 1769 to 1885, A.* 2 vols. Cincinnati, OH: 1886.

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Container List**Box 1**

- 1.1 Autobiography of John Henderson Spencer from His Birth, September 9, 1826, Until August, 1876 (Incomplete) (1 of 4)
- 1.2 Autobiography of John Henderson Spencer from His Birth, September 9, 1826, Until August, 1876 (Incomplete) (2 of 4)
- 1.3 Autobiography of John Henderson Spencer from His Birth, September 9, 1826, Until August, 1876 (Incomplete) (3 of 4)
- 1.4 Autobiography of John Henderson Spencer from His Birth, September 9, 1826, Until August, 1876 (Incomplete) (4 of 4)
- 1.5 “Tribute to J. H. Spencer, Historian, on the 50th Anniversary of His Death”