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**James A. Miller Collection**  
**Collection Number: 1421 WFCHS**

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**PROCESSING INFORMATION:** Processed by Buffy Knappenberger. Last updated April 2024.

**EXTENT:** 4.587 linear feet

**CREATOR:** Miller family, Henkel family.

**DATE:** 1806 – 1988 (bulk 1800s)

**LANGUAGE OF MATERIALS:** English and German

**EXISTENCE AND LOCATION OF COPIES:** Photographs in this collection have been digitized and are available to view online through the Past Perfect online database: <http://handley.pastperfectonline.com/>

**SCOPE AND CONTENT:** The James A. Miller Collection contains material from both the Miller and the Henkel families. The first part of the collection contains letters from Abram Shultz Miller to Julia Virginia Miller from 1861 to 1864 describing events, battles, and troop movement during the Civil War. There are also other miscellaneous papers concerning Abram S. Miller, including his marriage license to Virginia Henkel and post war correspondences. This extensive collection contains many writings of Dr. James Miller touching on Valley history and medicine in Winchester, VA. The second part of the collection is concerned with the Henkel family including correspondences of Solomon Henkel, Samuel Henkel, Paul Henkel, Casper Henkel, and Henkel family records. A highlight of this part of the collection is the group of biographical sketches of Paul Henkel. The collection is concerned with miscellaneous papers and writings of Dr. Miller, Miller family Bibles, and publishings from Solomon Henkel Press of New Market, VA. Also, items associated with this collection are in the map cases and photo collection associated.

**BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL:** Dr. James A. Miller was a direct descendent of Godfrey Miller (1730-1803) who arrived in Winchester c. 1766, when he married Anna Maria Kurtz (1749-1822). One of their sons, Abraham Miller (1777-1842), married Rebecca Schultz in 1842. Their son, Abram Schultz Miller (1830-1896) married Julia V. Henkel. One of their children, Dr. Casper Otto Miller was the father of James A.

**RELATED MATERIAL:** For information on closely related families, see also the Alfred D. Henkel Collection, 162 WFCHS, or the Miller Family Collection, 301 WFCHS.

**IMMEDIATE SOURCE OF ACQUISITION:** Gift of multiple donors.

## CONTAINER LIST:

### BOX 1

Abram Shultz Miller (1830-1896) to Julia Virginia Miller, Civil War letters -- 1861-1864, describing events, battles, and troop movements, transcript of letters in 12 files following, 214 leaves, typescript (photocopy) (Abram, Abraham Schultz, and A. S. Miller are the same person in this set of letters)

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- 1861, 8 pages, 5 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- January 1862, 7 pages, 1 leaf, 2 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- February-April 1862, 1 leaf, 10 pages, 2 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- May-June 1862, 3 leaves, 4 pages, 4 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- July-August 1862, 12 pages, 3 leaves, 5 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- September-October 1862, 13 pages, 4 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- November-December 1862, 7 pages, 3 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- January-March 1863, 15 pages, 7 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- April-May 1863, 17 pages, 8 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- June-July 1863, 18 pages, 8 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- August-September 1863, 19 pages, 4 leaves, 11 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller Civil War letters -- October-December 1863, 13 pages, 1 leaf, 9 envelopes, manuscript

Abram Miller -- miscellaneous papers, 1847-1865

Land history, Harrison County, 1847, 1 leaf, manuscript, photocopy

Receipts for grain taken by Union cavalry, June 8, 1862, 1 page, manuscript; 2 leaves, photocopy

Hospital pass, J. S. Brockman, 1862, 1 leaf, manuscript on printed form, photocopy

Oath of allegiance, 1865, 1 page, manuscript on printed form; 2 leaves, photocopy

Tax receipts, 2 pages, manuscript on printed form; 2 leaves, photocopy

June 19, 1861

January 20, 1866

### BOX 2

Angerona -- site sketch and history, beginning 1897, building first used as the Frederick County Poor House, by Lewis N. Barton, 1980, 21 leaves, typescript (photocopy); 1 leaf, manuscript

Miller, James A. -- biographical data Sketch to 1981, 2 leaves, typescript

Funeral program, 1 page, printed

Obituary, *The Winchester Star*, November 4, 1991, 1 leaf, printed

New Market (VA) and vicinity -- history, "An Outline of the History of the Town of New Market," by Dr. C. O. Miller and others, 1956, 71 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

"The Place of Genetics in Genealogy," speech given by Dr. James Miller, 1981, 13 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

Winchester Woolen Mill

News articles, 1981, 1982, *The Winchester Star*, 2 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Chain of title, 2 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

Declaration for Assurance, 1 leaf, manuscript on printed form (photocopy)

Speech -- history of Winchester, notes to accompany slides, 55 index cards, manuscript

### **BOX 3**

Medical History -- Notes and Articles

Correspondence and miscellaneous, 10 items, printed, manuscript

Doctors

Cherry, Dr. E. D.-- news article, *The Winchester Star*, 1978, 1 leaf, printed

Floyd, John -- article, *Virginia Cavalcade*, Volume 26, #2, 1976, 14 pages, printed

Latane, Dr. Samuel P. -- news article, *Evening Star*, 1910, 1 leaf, printed

McGuire, Dr. Hunter -- news articles, 1947-1987, 5 items, printed and typescript

McKee, Dr. John B. -- oral history interview, 1965, 7 leaves, typescript

Miller, Dr. Godfrey -- news article, *The Winchester Star*, 1920, 1 leaf, printed

Rouss, Dr. Alexander H. S. -- news article, *The Winchester Star*, 1985, 1 leaf, printed

Surgeons and surgical care -- CSA, article in *Virginia Medical Monthly*, Volume 87, 1960, 14 pages, printed

Doctors -- history, 2 items, printed

Booklet, "The Story of the Conservation of Health . . . in Winchester and Its Environs," by W. W. Glass, prepared for Farmers and Merchants National Bank, 1952

Brochure, Pioneers of American Medicine, "Osler at Old Blockley," prepared for Wyeth Laboratories, 1977

Winchester Medical Center -- 1962-1985, 10 items, printed

Winchester Memorial Hospital -- 1948-1987, 19 items, printed

Winchester Medical College -- 1860-1921, 5 items, printed

"Winchester Medical Heritage," by James A. Miller

Book, 1985, 45 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

Speech, 1896, 17 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

Medical practices -- 1971-1988, 7 items, printed

Miller's Drug Store -- news articles, *The Winchester Star*, 1958, 1965, 2 items, 3 pages, 1 leaf, printed

"The Mirror of Nature" -- Science of Phrenology, 1847, chart, 1 leaf, printed

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### **BOX 4 - John Steck and Susan Steck Miller**

Handley High School organizations

Cadet Corps, 1 leaf, typescript/manuscript

General Organization, 2 leaves, manuscript; 7 leaves, 1 page, typescript (carbon)

*Handlian*, 2 leaves, typescript/manuscript

Literary Society, 5 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

*Trail Blazer*, 3 leaves, manuscript

Handley High School

Paper -- "Stage Design and Expressionism," 5 pages, manuscript

Reunions -- class of 1927, programs for 1962 and 1977, 3 items, printed

Handley High School -- Minutes of the General Organization, 1926-1927, 1 item, manuscript, leather-bound

Miller, Susan Steck -- "Reminiscences," 1987, about life in Winchester 1910-1920, 17 leaves, typescript

Steck, John -- Civil War correspondence -- 1862, 7 items, manuscript

Steck, John -- correspondence and miscellaneous, 1894-1931, 10 items, manuscript, printed

**BOX 5 Abraham S. Miller (b. 1830 – d 1896)**

Miller, Abraham S. -- correspondence, no dates, 25 items, manuscript

Miller, Abraham S. -- correspondence, 1843-1852, 36 items, manuscript

Miller, Abraham S. -- correspondence, 1850-1856, (California Gold Rush Era letters), 24 items, manuscript

Miller, Abraham S. -- correspondence, 1853-1855, 44 items, manuscript

Miller, Abraham S. -- correspondence, 1856-1885, 40 items, manuscript

Miller, Abraham S. -- correspondence, miscellaneous, Civil War Era, 1861-1865, 8 items, manuscript

Miller, Abraham S. -- miscellaneous, 33 items, printed, manuscript

Miller, A. S. -- Henkel, Julia -- marriage license, 9-23-1856, 1 leaf, printed, manuscript

**BOX 6 Julia H. Miller (b. 1838 – d. 1933)**

Miller, Julia Henkel -- certificate of confirmation, 1853, 1 leaf, manuscript on printed form

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, not Civil War-related, 1860-1861, 6 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, Civil War-related, 1861-1864, 3 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, 1885-1889, 42 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, 1890-1895, 25 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, 1896-1897, 52 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, 1898, 33 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, 1900-1903, 44 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, 1904-1909,  
50 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, 1923-1924, 9 items, manuscript

Miller, Julia Henkel -- correspondence, miscellaneous, 1852-1927, 5 items, printed, manuscript

**BOX 7 Ada Miller (b. 1867 – d. 1859)**

Miller, Ada V. -- calling cards, 30 items, calligraphy

Miller, Ada -- correspondence, 1880-1882, 8 items, manuscript

Miller, Ada -- correspondence, 1883, 16 items, manuscript

Miller, Ada -- correspondence, 1884-1886, 13 items, manuscript

Miller, Ada -- correspondence, 1891-1899, 18 items, manuscript

Miller, Ada -- correspondence, 1901-1926, 24 items, manuscript

Miller, Ada -- notes on correspondence, 10 leaves, manuscript

Miller, Ada Virginia -- certificate of Confirmation, 1882, 1 leaf, printed, manuscript

Miller, Ada -- notebooks, 3 items

"Physician's Visiting List, 1894," diary of Ada Miller journey to Gainesville, Florida, 46 pages, manuscript

"The Piedmont--Mt. Airy Guano Company," list of expenses on Gainesville FL trip, January 14, 1901, and diary, 932 pages, manuscript

"Regulator Pocket Book," list of clothes sizes, 44 pages, manuscript

**BOX 8 Solomon G. Henkel (b. 1777 – d. 1847); Solomon D. Henkel (b. 1816 – d. 1872)**

Henkel, Solomon D. – correspondence, miscellaneous, 1847-1873, 28 items, manuscript, manuscript on printed form

Henkel, Solomon G. -- correspondence, miscellaneous, 1806-1847, 21 items, manuscript

Henkel, Solomon G. – letter from John Miller (brother-in-law), 1832, 1 item, manuscript

Memorandum of articles to be bought for Solomon Henkel by Samuel G. Henkel, April 18, 1827, New Market VA, 1 item, manuscript, paperbound

Notes on memorandum of articles, 8 leaves, manuscript

Henkel, Solomon G. -- receipts, 1860-1867, 7 items, manuscript

Portfolio of letters and manuscripts in German and English to Dr. Solomon Henkel, 1826-1829, 27 items, manuscript

Case book of Dr. Solomon Henkel and Dr. Samuel Henkel, No. 1, January 1, 1830-December 23, 1834, 309 pages, leather-bound, manuscript

Case book of Dr. Solomon Henkel and Dr. Samuel Henkel, No. 2, January 1, 1830-December 29, 1834, 335 pages, leather-bound, manuscript

(Note: Dates are the same for the two case books, but the patients are different.)

Formulary (ledger book) of drugs used in the Henkel drug store, C. C. Henkel, 1 item, manuscript, paperbound

**BOX 9 Samuel Henkel (b. 1807 – d. 1863))**

"Administrators' Sale of Valuable Personal Property" – Estate of Dr. Samuel Henkel, 1867, printed broadside, 1 leaf

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*Catalogue of the Medical Graduates*, University of Pennsylvania, 1836, Lydia R. Bailey, printer, Philadelphia, 1 item, 97 pages, covers missing, printed

Henkel, Samuel -- confirmation of birthday, 1807, 1 leaf, manuscript

Henkel, Samuel -- correspondence, receipts, 1825-1829, 46 items, manuscript

Henkel, Samuel -- correspondence, 1830-1831, 37 items, manuscript, printed

Henkel, Samuel -- correspondence, 1832-1833, 41 items, manuscript, printed

Henkel, Samuel -- correspondence, 1834-1837, 28 items, manuscript, printed

Henkel, Samuel -- correspondence, 1838-1839, 16 items, manuscript, printed

Henkel, Samuel -- correspondence, receipts, 1840-1849, 41 items, manuscript

Henkel, Samuel -- correspondence, miscellaneous, 1850-1859, 38 items, manuscript, printed

Henkel, Samuel -- miscellaneous, no date, 54 items, manuscript, printed

Henkel, Samuel -- University of Pennsylvania matriculation and admittance cards, 1829-1832, 17 items, manuscript, printed

Henkel, Samuel G. -- notes when a medical student, University of Pennsylvania, 1929-1930, 1 item, 28 pages, manuscript

Henkel, Samuel G. -- notebook, trip to North Carolina, 1829, 1 item, 105 pages, manuscript

Henkel, Samuel G. -- trip to North Carolina and Tennessee, typescript of 1829 notebook, 19 leaves

**BOX 10 Paul Henkel (b. 1754 – d. 1825)**

"Chronological Life of Paul Henkel from Journals, Letters, Minutes of Synods, etc.," selected and translated by Reverend William J. Finck, D.D., New Market VA, 1935-1937 (covers 1790-1825; Paul Henkel lived 1754-1825), 416 pages, typescript (photocopy)

Henkel, Paul -- accounts of his life published in the *Henckel Genealogical Bulletin*, beginning October-December 1971, 53 leaves, 12 pages, typescript (photocopy)

Henkel, Paul -- research notes, correspondence with Dr. Baur, prepared by James Miller, unnumbered leaves, manuscript, typescript, printed

"Henkel, Paul -- The Lutheran Pioneer," 1926, by Rev. W. J. Finck, D.D., article in *The Lutheran Quarterly*, Volume 56, No. 3, pages 307-334, printed

## BOX 11

Beadle's Dime Biographical Library -- *Kit Carson -- The Life and Times of Christopher Carson*, Beadle & Company, NY, no date, 94 pages, printed

Beadle's Dime Biographical Library -- *Life and Exploits of Tecumseh, The Shawnee Chief*, Beadle & Company, NY, no date, 98 pages, printed

*Can the Malaria Parasite Be Cultivated?*, by C. O. Miller, 1911 Henkel & Company, New Market VA, 1 item, 42 pages, printed, paperbound

Census correspondence and forms, 1899-1900, 38 items, manuscript/printed/typescript

*The Census of 1900*, by William R. Merriam, 1900, Census Office Printing Division, Washington DC, 12 pages, printed, paperbound

Coddington, George W. -- notebook, 1884, 1 item, 30 pages, printed, pages are blank

Family register of Godfrey Miller, no date, family genealogy, 1 leaf torn into 3 pieces, printed

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Family register of John Schultz, no date, family genealogy, 1 leaf, printed (duplicate found in Godfrey Miller Collection, 301 WFCHS)

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Grandfather Lovechild's Nursery Stories -- *Henry Brown* by Lawrence Lovechild, 1847, George B. Ziebar, Philadelphia, Publisher, 15 pages, illustrated, printed

*Grandmamma Easy's Joseph and His Brethren*, no date, Appleton's, Philadelphia, Publisher, 8 pages, illustrated, printed

Henkel Printing Office -- "Frühlingslieb," 2 items, printed

Henkel, Dr. C. C. -- Regulator pocket book, no date, 1 item, 40 pages, printed

Henkel, Dr. Casper C. -- obituaries, 1908, in *The Shenandoah Herald* and *Shenandoah Valley*, 2 items, 7 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Henkel, Dr. Haller H. -- obituary, 1921, in *Shenandoah Valley*, 1 item, 3 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Henkel, Mrs. Margaretta M. -- obituary, 1923, in *Shenandoah Valley*, 1 item, 2 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Henkel, Mrs. Virginia -- obituary, 1920, in *Shenandoah Valley*, 1 item, 1 leaf, printed (photocopy)

"Henckel Family Association Second Reunion Programme," 1927, 3 items, 4 pages, printed

*The Henckel Family Records*, No. 2, April 1927, Henkel Press, Inc., New Market VA, 1 item, 80 pages, printed

Henkel-Miller Genealogy, 3 leaves, manuscript

Henkel, Rebecca -- correspondence, will, and confirmation certificate, 1851-1905, 3 items, manuscript

Henkel, Susan -- 1864-1866, tuition bills for daughter, 4 leaves, manuscript

*The History of Robinson Crusoe*, Miss Merryheart's Series, no date, Vincent Dill, New York, 1 item, 8 pages, illustrated, printed

Hollingsworth Coat of Arms by Martha Sheets for James A. Miller, 1979, 1 leaf, color drawing

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Hoover, Mrs. Linda -- obituary, 1922, in *Shenandoah Valley*, 1 item, 3 leaves, printed (photocopy)

*Instructions to Enumerators, Twelfth Census of the United States*, 1900, Government Printing Office, Washington DC, 64 pages, printed, paperbound

*Jack the Giant Killer*, no date, Fisher & Brothers, Philadelphia and Baltimore, 1 item, 14 pages, illustrated, printed, paperbound

Kagey, D. F. -- obituaries, 1923 *The Lutheran Messenger*, published by Virginia Conference, 4 pages, printed *Shenandoah Valley*, 3 leaves, printed (photocopy)

*Little Arthur's Holidays, or The Uncle from India*, 1855, Thomas Nelson & Sons, London, 1 item, 32 pages, illustrated, printed, paperbound

Massanutten Turnpike, 1812, established and commissioners named, 2 pages, manuscript

Miller, Dr. Abraham (1777-1842) -- letter of respect upon death, 1842, 1 leaf, manuscript

Miller, Casper O. -- correspondence, 1858, 1 page, 1 envelope, manuscript

Miller, Godfrey (Gottfried) (1730-1803) -- will, 1803, 2 pages, manuscript

Miscellaneous ephemera, 10 items, manuscript, printed

News clippings -- deaths, 28 items, printed

"Pioneer Printer Helped Anglicize Germans in Valley," news article, *Richmond Times-Dispatch*, 1949, 1 item, 3 leaves, printed (photocopy)

*Pretty ABC*, no date, Sheldon & Company, New York, 1 item, 12 pages, illustrated, printed, paperbound

*Puss in Boots*, Brother Sunshine's Untearable Books, no date, Dean & Son, 1 item, 8 pages, illustrated, printed

Stirewalt, Harriet and Jacob

Grave marker for Harriet E. H. Stirewalt, 1831, 1 page, manuscript

Land Office Treasury warrant for Jacob Stirewalt, 1847, 1 page, manuscript on printed form

**BOX 12 - Historical Society Collection**

Walch correspondence, 61 items, manuscript, typescript, printed

WFCHS Publications Committee

Correspondence and notes, 9 items, manuscript, typescript

"Winchester, Virginia Selected Bibliographies," by Stewart Bell, Jr., 1 item, typescript (photocopy)

"History of Stephens City," 5 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

"The Token of Love," by Nancy Larrick Crosby, 9 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

"From the Banks of the Potomac to the Banks of the Shenandoah," 8 leaves, typescript (photocopy)  
"Dr. Hunter McGuire's Contributions to Military Medicine," by Dr. William W. Hassler, 8 leaves, typescript (photocopy)  
"The 'Discovery' of the Hotchkiss Maps and Papers," by Peter W. Roper, 24 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

WFCHS – Miscellaneous, 15 items, manuscript, typescript, printed

### **BOX 13**

*The Act of Incorporation and the General Ordinances of the City of Winchester*, 1901, G. R. Henry & Son, Winchester VA, 150 pages, paperbound

*Atlas Antiquus, Twelve Maps of the Ancient World*, by Dr. Heinrich Kiepert, 1876, Dietrich Reimer, Berlin, 25 pages, illustrated, paper-boards

Book about the revolution in America, 1793, title page missing, possible title *The American Revolution*, Volume I, 226 pages, leather-bound

German newspaper printed by Henkel Press, New Market VA, 1808, 4 pages

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German text, 1809, Solomon Henkel Press, New Market VA, 36 pages, illustrated, cloth-bound

German text, 1810, Henkel Press, New Market VA, 348 pages, leather-bound

*Holy Bible*, 1829, Silas Andrus, Hartford, leather-bound

*The Holy Bible*, presented to Casper Otto Miller by his grandmother, 1867, Miller & Burlock, Philadelphia, leather-bound

*Holy Bible*, 1871, Oxford University Press, inscribed "Presented to John G. Miller by Miss Kate Miller," leather-bound

*Mitchell's School Atlas*, 1856, H. Cowperthwait & Company, Philadelphia, 56 pages, paperbound (Notations inside back board record military transfers of Dr. A. S. Miller during the Civil War.)

*Natural History of Quadrupeds*, no date, 147 pages, illustrated, leather-bound

*The New Latin Tutor*, by Frederic P. Leverett, 1835, Hilliard, Gray & Company, Boston, 350 pages, leather-bound

*The New Testament of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ*, 1862, Oxford University Press, leather-bound

*Memoirs and Journal of Hugh Judge, a member of the Society of Friends and minister of the Gospel*, 1841, John & Isaac Comly, Philadelphia, 396 pages, leather-bound

*Practical Piety, or The Influence of the Religion of the Heart on the Conduct of Life*, Volumes I and II, by Hannah More, 1851, D. Appleton & Company, New York, illustrated, 2 items