

# ALEXANDER McPHEETERS PAPERS, 1865-1874

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**Collection #**  
SC 2621  
BV 229

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## USER INFORMATION

**VOLUME OF COLLECTION:** 1 folder, 1 bound volume

**COLLECTION DATES:** 1865-1874

**PROVENANCE:** Helen McPheeters Rice, Indianapolis, IN, November, 1949; February, 1953

**RESTRICTIONS:** None

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**ALTERNATE FORMATS:** None

**RELATED HOLDINGS:** Dr. John Snyder McPheeters Papers (M 198, BV 271).

**ACCESSION NUMBERS:** 49.1119, 53.0220

**NOTES:**

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## HISTORICAL SKETCH

Alexander McPheeters (1812-1882) was born in Bourbon County, Kentucky and came to Livonia, Washington

County, Indiana with his parents in 1818. He practiced medicine and studied at the Cincinnati College of Medicine and Surgery where he received his medical degree. McPheeters married Louise M. Snyder in 1836 and they produced six children including John Snyder McPheeters. After establishing his medical practice at Fredericksburg, Washington County, he moved back to Livonia in 1852 because of poor health and continued to practice in that town the remainder of his life. McPheeters was at first politically aligned with the Whig Party but switched affiliations with the rise of Republican Party. He was also a leading member of the Presbyterian Church in Livonia where he served as an elder.

Sources: Stevens, *Centennial History of Washington County, Indiana* (1916), pp. 976-977.  
*Indiana Biography Series, vol 5, p. 89.* (clipped from *Salem Democrat*, 3 June 1931).

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### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection is comprised of Alexander McPheeters' twenty-three page handwritten historical paper entitled: *A Brief History of the Livonia Ind. Presbyterian Churches*. Dates covered in the manuscript are 1815-1874. The paper was read by McPheeters to the Presbytery of New Albany, Indiana, convened at Salem, Indiana on 1 April 1874. The collection also contains McPheeters' account/day book, 1865-1870, listing his daily financial transactions.

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### CATALOGUING INFORMATION

MAIN ENTRY: McPheeters, Alexander, 1812-1882

SUBJECT ENTRIES: McPheeters, Alexander, 1812-1882

Presbyterians--Indiana--Livonia--History

Physicians--Indiana--Livonia

Medical fees--Indiana--Livonia

Livonia (Ind.)--Church history

ADDED ENTRIES: McPheeters, Alexander, 1812-1882. Brief history of the Livonia Ind. Presbyterian churches.

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