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MARIA W. (WILSON) MARYE (1836-aft.1900) LECTURE NOTES

The collection consists of twelve "Copy Books" containing lecture notes on various American writers by Maria W. MARYE, proprietress, principal and teacher at the Lynchburg Female Academy, Lynchburg, Virginia, from September 1883 until ca. 1893. Some books are marked "Memoranda to be used in class."

MARIA W. (WILSON) MARYE (1836-aft.1900)

Maria W. WILSON, daughter of John Park WILSON and Elizabeth W. TRENT, was born in May, 1836, at Bonbrook, Cumberland County, Virginia. [Census 1850, Cumberland County, VA, National Archives and Records Service, M-432, Roll 941, p. 321, Household 603, Family 603; Census 1900, Lynchburg City, VA, National Archives and Records Service, T-623, Roll 1734, p. 85 (814 Church Street); "Marriage of John P. WILSON to Elizabeth W. TRENT, 16 October 1832 (bond)," Katherine B. Elliott, *Marriage Records 1749-1840 Cumberland County, Virginia* (South Hill, VA: Author, 1969), p. 139; "Lawrence Slaughter Marye," Robert H. Moore II, *The Richmond Fayette, Hampden, Thomas, and Blount's Lynchburg Artillery*, 1st ed. (Lynchburg: H. E. Howard, 1991), p. 162; "A Partial List of the Descendants of Rev. James Marye," R. A. Brock, ed., *Collection of the Virginia Historical Society*, New Series, Vol. 5 (Richmond: The Society, 1886), p. 188.]

Maria W. WILSON married ca. 1858 Lawrence Slaughter MARYE. MARYE, son of John Lawrence MARYE, Sr., and Ann Maria BURTON, was born October 1834, in Fredericksburg, Virginia. [Census 1900, loc.cit.; Moore, *Richmond Fayette*..., loc.cit.]

Educated at the University of Virginia, he practiced law in Richmond, Virginia, Memphis, Tennessee, and in Lynchburg, Virginia. [Brock, *Collections*, loc.cit.]

In 1878, Lawrence S. MARYE was a lawyer in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and had served as a member of the Tennessee legislature. [*Students of the University of Virginia: A Semi-Centennial Catalogue* (Baltimore: Charles Harvey, 1878), n.p.]

The MARYEs moved to Lynchburg, Virginia, ca. 1878, where Lawrence S. MARYE practiced law. [*J. P. Bell & Co.'s City Directory of Lynchburg Virginia 1879-'80* (Lynchburg: J. P. Bell, n.d.), p. 134; Brock, *Collections*, loc.cit. MARYE "...has practiced law at Lynchburg, where he has resided for the past eight years." Since *COLLECTIONS* was published in 1886, this would indicate that he had resided in Lynchburg since ca. 1878.]

On 5 September 1883, an announcement appeared in the local newspaper that "Mrs. MARYE's School for young ladies and girls [would] open on the 13th inst. [13 September]...on Clay Street." [*Lynchburg Virginian*, 5 September 1883, p. 3 col. 1.]

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A later advertisement gave the name of the school as The Lynchburg Academy, "...conducted by Mrs. MARYE..." Mr. Von JASMUND "[would] have charge of the classes in French and German." [*Lynchburg Virginian*, 7 September 1883, p. 4 col. 3.]

Mrs. MARYE conducted the school at her home for a number of years. ["Lawrence S. Marye, home 301 5th Ave.; Mrs. L. S. Marye, school, 301 5th Ave." *Chataigne's Lynchburg City Directory 1887-'88* (Richmond: Chataigne, 1887), p. 148; "Mrs. L. S. Marye, proprietress Lynchburg Academy, 607 Court Street, res[idence] same." *Bell's Lynchburg City Directory for 1888-'89* (Lynchburg: J. P. Bell, 1888), p. 141.]

In 1890, the school, now known as the Lynchburg Female Academy, was located at 607 Court Street. [*Lynchburg Daily Virginian*, 9 September 1890, p. 1 col. 1.]

The tenth session of the Lynchburg Female Academy began on 15 September 1892 at 517 Clay Street, with Mrs. L. S. MARYE as principal. [*Lynchburg Daily Virginian*, 9 September 1892, p. 4 col. 1.]

No further advertisements for the school have been located in succeeding years.

In 1894, Lawrence S. MARYE resided at 1411 Church Street in Lynchburg. [*Shole's Directory of the City of Lynchburg* (Lynchburg: J. P. Bell, 1894), p. 219.] Mr. MARYE delivered a speech on 5 October 1895 when the Liberty Bell was brought through Lynchburg on a tour. [W. Asbury Christian, *Lynchburg and its People* (Lynchburg: J. P. Bell, 1900), p. 410.] The MARYE family does not appear again until 1 June 1900 when they boarded at 814 Church Street. [Census, 1900, loc.cit.] Nothing further is known at present.