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**JOHN BELL TILDEN WINFREE (1829-1918) ACCOUNT BOOKS**

The collection includes a ledger book and a cashbook (1869-1871) from the tobacco business of John Bell Tilden WINFREE, of Lynchburg, Virginia.

**JOHN BELL TILDEN WINFREE (1829-1918)**

John Bell Tilden WINFREE, son of Christopher WINFREE and Cornelia Myer TILDEN, was born 8 May 1829 near Lynchburg, Virginia. He married 16 December 1856 Ann E. PENNINGTON, daughter of Thomas PENNINGTON and Mary ADKINS, of Sussex County.

John Bell Tilden WINFREE was engaged in the tobacco business in Lynchburg until his retirement in 1886. He was active in the Memorial Methodist Church from its beginning, serving as chairman of the board of stewards, as a teacher in the Sunday school, as a lay member of the Virginia Methodist Conference and as president of the Preacher's Relief Society. He also served as a trustee for the Lynchburg school system when it was first organized in 1870.

John Bell Tilden WINFREE died 4 November 1918 at his home in Lynchburg and was buried in the Presbyterian Cemetery.

[The Winfree Family of Lynchburg, Virginia, Mss., FF2532, Jones Memorial Library, Lynchburg, VA. The name "John B. Winfree" is recorded on the inside covers of the account books, along with the name "R. Winfree." This is most probably Robert Winfree (1865-1928) who succeeded his father, John Bell Tilden Winfree, in the tobacco business.]