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The collection includes newspaper clippings about the history of Old Lynchburg College and information of the commencements of 1856-1860 from newspaper clippings. There are also the following: Leonard A. Slater's 1856 Valedictory Address, 1856 Commencement Program, a letter from William S. Reid to John C. Reid (1851), and genealogical information about Leonard A. Slater.

**LEONARD AGUSTUS SLATER (1835-1897)**

Leonard Augustus Slater was born in Barhamsville, in New Kent County, Virginia, on 15 October 1835. He was the son of John and Fluvannah P. Slater. His wife was the former Ellen Harris Williams, whom he married on 31 May 1866, at Barhamsville, VA.

Slater was a student at (Old) Lynchburg College and graduated as valedictorian on 25 June 1856. He enlisted in Co. F of the 3rd VA Cavalry on 25 June 1861, where he served with his brothers, John Saunders and Seldon Coles Slater. He was detailed as a hospital steward until March of 1862, when he was appointed as assistant surgeon and transferred to the 15th VA Cavalry. In October of 1862, he was appointed surgeon. He was captured while home on leave in 1864, but he was released and returned to City Point on 8 February 1864.

In December of 1864, Slater was reassigned to Hospital No.10 in Salisbury, NC, where he served until he was paroled on 2 May 1865.

Leonard Augustus Slater died in Slatersville, VA, on 12 August 1897.

[John Fortier, *15<sup>th</sup> Virginia Cavalry* (Lynchburg: H. E. Howard, 1993); Thomas P. Nanzig, *3<sup>rd</sup> Virginia Cavalry* (Lynchburg: H. E. Howard, 1989); "Slater Family Genealogical Notes," (Old) Lynchburg College Papers, Mss., MS1088, Jones Memorial Library, Lynchburg, Va.]