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Summary Information

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Biographical/Historical Note

James Middleton Pittman was born to James C. Pittman and Mary A. Tuttle Pittman near Prairie Grove, Arkansas. At the age of thirteen he worked as a dry goods clerk and attended the Ozark Institute. By age sixteen, he was teaching math at the Ozark Institute and began reading law a year later. He was admitted to the bar at the age of twenty one. When the Civil war started Pittman entered the Confederate army, serving as captain of the state troops and later becoming a major in the Confederate States Army. Subsequently he received the commission of lieutenant colonel in the Sixteenth Arkansas Regiment, Confederate States Army. Pittman was in active service until 1863, when He was captured at Port Hudson and then confined in a military prison until the close of the war. After the war, he resumed his law practice. In 1871 Pittman was elected as state representative from Washington and Benton counties. He was judge of the district court from 1875-1879; from 1882 to 1890 and he was reelected in 1895 and served until his death in August 1900. J.M. Pittman married Margaret Peel Pittman, a native of Carroll County, Arkansas. They had at least three children H.N., Jennie, and R.T.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains a campaign letter for Judge J.M. Pittman's reelection campaign for Fourth Judicial Circuit judge in 1878.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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