

# COOPER, WILLIAM, B. 1802.

## William Cooper diaries, 1859-1887

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### Descriptive Summary

**Creator:** Cooper, William, b. 1802.  
**Title:** William Cooper diaries, 1859-1887  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 547  
**Extent:** .125 linear ft. (1 partial box) ; 5 microfilm reels  
**Abstract:** The diaries of Alabama and Mississippi lawyer William Cooper.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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### Administrative Information

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[William Cooper diary and photographs](#), W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama and [William Cooper diaries](#), Southern Historical Collection, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

#### Source

Gift, 1975, with subsequent additions.

#### Citation

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## **Collection Description**

### **Biographical Note**

William Cooper, lawyer, was born January 11, 1802, in Brunswick County, Virginia, and died 16 August 1887, in Tuscumbia, Colbert County, Alabama. He practiced law in Alabama and lived at Tuscumbia, Alabama, and at Magnolia Plantation, near Friar's Point, Cahoma County, Mississippi. His sons, James Parke Cooper and John William Cooper, were Confederate soldiers who served with the "Franklin Blues," (2nd Alabama Infantry, Company E). His daughters were Jane, Susan, Sarah, Mollie, and Julia.

### **Scope and Content Note**

The collection consists of originals or microfilm copies of the diaries of William Cooper from 1859-1887. Short daily entries are illustrated by drawings in color. Topics include farming, the weather, his law practice, African Americans, travel, and events of the Civil War and Reconstruction. Cooper's third wife, Julia, his son, John W., and James L. Alcorn, a neighbor, are frequently mentioned.

Diaries for 1860 and 1870 are also available on microfilm. Diaries for 1862, 1864 and 1886 are available on microfilm only. Diaries for 1859, 1865, 1867, 1872, 1876, 1882, 1883, 1884, and 1887 are available as photocopies only.

### **Arrangement Note**

Arranged in chronological order.

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## Container List

<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	<b>Content</b>
1		1859, photocopy
1		1860, original
1		1865, photocopy
1		1867, photocopy
1		1870, original
1		1872, photocopy
1		1876, photocopy
1		1882, photocopy
1		1883, photocopy
1		1884, photocopy
1		1887, photocopy
MF1		1860
MF2		1860
MF3		1862, 1886
MF4		1864
MF5		1870

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