

**FINDING AID to the**

**SOPHRONIA R. CROSBY McKEE, 1810-1889**

**COLLECTION, [not before 1889]**

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(.1 linear ft.)

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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT STATEMENT**

The Sophronia R. Crosby McKee (1810-1889) Collection consists of a biographical book and memorial sketches by her friends.

## **BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT**

Sophronia R. Crosby was born in Hawley, Massachusetts on May 29, 1810. In the summer of 1936, Miss Crosby received a call to be principal of a newly established female seminary at Hanover, IN. Her school was held in a two-story frame building, where she was assisted by two of her younger sisters, Sarah and Phebe. The school was known as Sophronia's South Hanover Female Seminary.

Crosby married the Rev. James A. McKee in 1839 and she taught at Hanover for two more years before the McKees moved to New Washington, IN. She died in Thomasville, Georgia on Nov. 26, 1889. (Biographical information was taken from Frank S. Baker's *More Glimpses of Hanover College: 1827-1988* and *In Memoriam: Mrs. Sophronia R. McKee*.)

## **PROVENANCE**

The book was donated to Hanover College on Mar. 18, 1940 by Sarah Sutherland.

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**SERIES 1    IN MEMORIAM, [not before 1889]**

Fd. 1            *In Memoriam: Mrs. Sophronia R. McKee* by Rev. John F. Baird,  
[not before 1889]

1 v.

The first half of the book is a biography of McKee's life. Letters  
comprise the remainder of the volume.