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Benjamin Benson Cahoon was a native of Smyrna, Delaware. He began reading law after service in the Civil War, and he passed the bar examination in Washington, D.C., in 1868. He moved to Madison County, Missouri, in the same year, setting up practice in Fredericktown. He was appointed Madison County attorney in 1869, and served as circuit attorney for the 20th Judicial Circuit in 1870-1872, but he never ran for public office. He enjoyed an extensive legal and land business throughout southeastern Missouri, and was joined by his brother, Medford H. Cahoon, in a firm styled Cahoon & Cahoon.

A larger group of Cahoon's papers has been previously cataloged at the Western Historical Manuscript Collection-Columbia as collection number C81.

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1868, Oct 14	Certification of Cahoon's study of law under N. B. Smithers, Kent County, Delaware.
1870, Apr 08	Joseph W. McClurg, Jefferson City, Missouri.
1878, Jan 24	Photograph of B. B. Cahoon, Fredericktown, Mo., by A. J. Fox, St. Louis, Missouri.
1879, Apr 05	John W. Emerson, Ironton, Missouri.
1880, Jan 23	William Einstein, St. Louis, Missouri.
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1885, Feb 10	Charles Deguire, Fredericktown, Missouri.
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1895, Mar 26	William Stone, Jefferson City, Missouri.
1895, Oct 15	John Rothensteiner, Fredericktown, Missouri.
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1896, May 07	William J. Stone, Jefferson City, Missouri.
1902, Jan 05	Alexander M. Dockery, Jefferson City, Missouri.
1902, Nov 17	Alexander M. Dockery, Jefferson City, Missouri.
1903, Dec 08	Joseph W. Folk, St. Louis, Missouri.
1907, Nov 20	Herbert S. Hadley, Jefferson City, Missouri.

1911, July 10 Robert M. LaFollette, Washington, D.C.
 1911, Aug 01 Herbert S. Hadley, Jefferson City, Missouri.
 1912, Aug 13 Walter Monday, secretary to Woodrow Wilson, Sea Girt, New Jersey.
 1912, Aug 26 Herbert S. Hadley, Jefferson City, Missouri.
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 1913, Apr 11 Elliott W. Major, Jefferson City, Missouri.
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 1921, Sep 12 "The Old Time Lawyer...", an address by B. B. Cahoon, Sr., on the
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