



Guide to the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection, 1695-1955 and undated

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Summary

Collection Title:

Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton collection, 1695-1955 and undated

Creator:

Dalton, Harry L.

Abstract:

Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton collected art, rare books, and manuscripts, and made many contributions to art museums and libraries, most notably the Duke University Library, the Mint Museum, and the library of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. The Dalton Collection is comprised of sub-collections acquired by Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton.

Extent:

80.5 Linear Feet
approx. 11,160 Items

Language:

Material in English

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Background

Scope and Content

The Dalton Collection is comprised of sub-collections acquired by Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton. Included are family papers, correspondence, diaries, account books, photographs, engravings, land grants, and military papers. The material

largely encompasses the Civil War, Southern [U.S.] history, business and politics. The material ranges in date from 1695-1955.

Each sub-collection is listed in alphabetical order below. Most include their descriptions from the catalog record as well as a link to the record which will serve to state the physical location of the sub-collections. For the small number of sub-collections not yet fully cataloged, a brief description will follow as well as which Dalton Collection box the material resides in.

Biographical/Historical

Harry Lee Dalton was born in Winston, North Carolina on June 13, 1895. A graduate of Trinity College (now Duke University), he served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War I. Dalton had a successful career in banking and finance and served as an officer and investor in numerous companies, including American Viscose Corporation, American Credit Corporation and Wachovia Bank. His other business interests included investments in oil extraction ventures, mainly through the Ancora Corporation.

Dalton and his wife, Mary Keesler, collected art, rare books, and manuscripts, and made many contributions to art museums and libraries, most notably the Duke University Library, the Mint Museum, and the library of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Dalton died in Charlotte on July 26, 1990.

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Administrative Information

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Acquisition Information

The Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection were received by the David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library as a series of gifts in 1977, 1978, 1980, 1982, and 1991.

Processing Information

Compiled by Kimberly Sims, April 2008

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Accessions were merged into one collection, described in this finding aid.

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Related Materials

Related Material

Harry L. Dalton Papers, 1776-1990 Special Collections, J. Murrey Atkins Library, UNC-Charlotte

Separated Material

F. W. Pickens material transferred to the [Francis W. Pickens papers](#) in July 2025.

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Collection Inventory

A-B

Adams Family papers, 1828 **Scope and Contents note**

Land grant signed by John Quincy Adams for William Mason of Huntsville, AL in 1828.

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Andrassy, Count Julius papers, 1832-circa 1873 **Scope and Contents note**

One 1832 letter written in Hungarian, possibly from Andrassy's father, Karoli, as well as a couple of newspaper articles that deal with the acceptance by Count Andrassy of the post of Prime Minister of Hungary, written in English in the 1870s. Items are located in Box 1 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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Arnett Family papers, 1861-1865 **Scope and Contents note**

Two Civil War diaries chiefly concerning camp life. Contributors to diaries are: B. A. Arnett, a private in the Buck Head Guards of the Fairfield District, S.C., his brother R. C., and his sister Sue. Entries include accounts and debts contracted during the war by the Arnett brothers.

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Austin, Benjamin W. papers, 1798-1895 **Scope and Contents note**

This is the autograph and signed letter collection of Benjamin W. Austin. Many of the letters and autographs were obtained through Mr. Austin's written request, but older items appear to have come from the autograph collection of Henry Sheldon of Salisbury, Vermont. Although many items are older, most of Mr. Austin's active collecting was done in the 1880s and 1890s. The group includes items from Congressmen, Civil War heroes, literary figures, and educators. Of special note in the collection is a 1798 message from William Henry Harrison at Fort Washington. Many of the

items are accompanied by biographical clippings and several are attached to photographs. Of particular interest are the vintage photographs of Commander Gilbert C. Wittse, naval engineer William H. Shock, and statesman and educator J. L. M. Curry.

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Balloch, William papers, 1856-1866
Scope and Contents note

Account book (1832-1851) lists transactions with local people (including relatives). Entries document the sale of farm products; the letting of fields, vehicles, and animals; and transactions with a boarder. Occasionally Balloch was paid in labor and in trade. Form 1844-1851 Balloch used part of the book as a memorandum book, recording household and personal purchases. Cash book (1856-1866) lists objects and services bought by Balloch and names the supplier. Purchases include books and newspapers, toys, and a violin as well as household supplies. Entries also document loans made, funds handled for the town of Claremont, N.H., and drugs purchased.

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Baylor, Mary papers, 1861
Scope and Contents note

Three letters from E. R. Brown of North Mountain, Va., to Mary Baylor, concerning her slave, William, who is imprisoned in the Hagerstown (Md.) jail. Brown offers Miss Baylor his assistance in crossing Confederate lines to retrieve William before he is sold. The final letter is an angry reply to an "impertinent" message from Miss Baylor and contains a cartoon vignette of slaves fleeing to Fort Monroe, Va., while a Southern master dressed in a white suit and with a whip attempts to stop them.

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Beatty, Reading K. papers, 1898-1906
Scope and Contents note

Chiefly personal letters written from the Philippines by John Beatty, soldier in Company A, First Tennessee Infantry, to his brother Reading K. Beatty. Topics include: Manila; the Spanish-American War; Philippines culture; John's business ventures in the Philippines; and references to Maryville College in Tennessee. Also includes a few financial papers and printed public documents such as executive orders.

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Beauregard, Doctor [Chevalier?] papers,
1808-1822

Scope and Contents note

Sales slips and bills of Beauregard in Philadelphia, buying medicinal goods and settling accounts (1817-1819); three letters from "Good Rest" (1822), one from his overseer, Richard Newman, one from his manager, John Cotter, and a letter from young Dr. Beauregard to his father in Augusta, Ga. An undated list of the goods and slaves of his plantation is included in the collection.

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Beauregard, [Pierre] Gustave Toutant papers,
1860-1870s

Scope and Contents note

Papers are an estimate signed by Beauregard of the funds necessary for the operations of Fort Jackson, La., during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1861 and a report of "Sherman's March" written on 1870s stationery of the New Orleans and Carrollton Railroad Company, giving mileage and dates.

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Bingham, Lemuel papers, 1815-1816, 1832

Scope and Contents note

Lemuel Bingham's ledger is divided into two parts: an auctioneer's sales book for a Fayetteville, N.C. auctioneers' firm listing sales of groceries and sundries from January 1815 -January 1816 and a subscription book, 1832, for the CATAWBA JOURNAL (Charlotte, N.C.).

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Bradley Family papers, 1774-1882

Scope and Contents note

Stephen Row Bradley and his son William Czar Bradley were lawyers who, as residents of Westminster, Vermont, served in the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives respectively. Later Stephen moved to Walpole, New Hampshire. Many prominent New Englanders corresponded with them about Federalist, Republican, and Democratic politics, patronage, and legal and personal matters. Stephen's son-in-law, Samuel Griswold Goodrich

("Peter Parley") was his most frequent correspondent. Other subjects of the correspondence include the Vermont militia, relations between the U.S. and Tripoli, attitudes toward the War of 1812, surveying of the northeastern boundary between the U.S. and Canada, General Lafayette's visit to Thomas Jefferson in 1824, John Quincy Adams, Henry Clay, and Andrew Jackson.

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Bragg, Braxton papers, 1847-1876

Scope and Contents note

Predominantly letters concerning military affairs. The four items collected by the Daltons were combined with other Bragg materials in 1980.

General

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Brown, Jacob Jennings papers, 1814-1825

Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of two undated engravings of Brown, a letter, and a memorandum bound in pink ribbon. The letter is addressed to the Secretary of the Navy and was written in Brown's capacity as Commander. The full title of the memorandum booklet is "Memoranda of occurrences and some important facts attending the Campaign on the Niagara." Brown narrates the events of the campaign. There are verified copies of major communications during the campaign, including messages from J.C. Calhoun, James Monroe, General Ripley, and others. Of special interest is a sort of appendix consisting of "An Estimate of the British Regular Troops in Upper Canada, July 1, 1814. With a view of their distribution." It is a detailed look at early nineteenth century military conflicts.

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Buchanan, James papers, 1841-1859

Scope and Contents note

One letter dated 1841, land grants signed by Buchanan; and an 1856 pamphlet entitled, The Agitation of Slavery. Who Commenced! and Who Can End It!! Buchanan and Fillmore Compared from the Record.

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Burns, Robert, undated

Scope and Contents note

Letter from Burns to an unnamed friend in Edinburgh thanking him for the gift of a set of the writings of Edmund Spenser. Burns closed the letter with a stanza of poetry. Transcription of the letter is included.

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Butler, Benjamin Franklin papers, 1864-1893

Scope and Contents note

Primarily letters, most to O. D. Barrett regarding financial matters. Also included are references to organized labor, the eight-hour law, and Butler's attitude toward African Americans.

General

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Butler, Matthew Calbraith papers, 1851-1920

Scope and Contents note

Collection is primarily composed of Butler's personal and political correspondence. A few letters relate to his cousins in Louisiana. He sends detailed accounts of the war to his wife, Maria, daughter of S.C. Governor Pickens. Butler vividly describes battles, troop movements, and camp life. After the war, some correspondence deals with his Senate office, including his involvement in the Spanish evacuation of Cuba. Other papers concern his son's murder and legal matters. There are poems, genealogical materials, a 32-page memoir of Reconstruction in S.C. by Butler's daughter, plus an essay by her.

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Cist, Lewis Jacob papers, 1726-1896, undated

Scope and Contents note

283 autographed letters collected by Cist, largely of military officers as well as writers and scientists.

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Civil War, Miscellany papers, 1860-1865

Scope and Contents note

Thirty-eight items that relate to the Civil War. Mainly correspondence, the material represents both the Union and the Confederacy. Of note is an 1862 petition signed by 74 citizens of De Soto and Marshall Counties in Mississippi in an effort to have a negro named Isaac returned to De Soto County from the protection of General Sherman. Isaac was accused of the rape and murder of a local woman, Ellen Vines. The items are located in Box 2 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Clawson, Jacob H. papers, 1820-1862

Scope and Contents note

Collection consists mostly of correspondence concerning business dealings among Clawson's family members in Berkeley County, W. Va. Although most of the items in this collection concern the collection of old debts, several letters from Thomas Dunn outline the hardships of frontier medical life. A few letters are addressed to "Dr." Jacob H. Clawson at the Ebenezer Academy near Rock Hill, S. C.

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Cleburne, Patrick Ronayne papers, 1864

Scope and Contents note

This collection centers on a copy of a speech given by General Cleburne to the regimental commanders and general officers of the Army of the Tennessee on January 2, 1864. The copy was requested from Cleburne by General W. H. T. Walker to be forwarded to Jefferson Davis. Walker considered the address inflammatory and likely to result in "ruin" and "disgrace." The document itself, signed by Cleburne, is his famous suggestion that the Confederacy, by that time in dire circumstances, should free the slaves and muster them into the Army. Cleburne outlined the main reasons this would be beneficial: 1) the wind would be knocked out of Yankee moral zeal, 2) foreign countries would be morally free to give substantial aid to the South, 3) the actual size of the Army would be greatly augmented, and 4) the black population of the South would no longer constitute a threat as spies for the enemy.

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Crawford, Samuel Wylie papers, 1861-1863

Scope and Contents note

Report to Lt. Col. F. T. Locke of the operations of the 3rd Division in the battles near Gettysburg [1863], a letter from John Titcomb Sprague, 1861,

commenting on Fort Sumter and its commander, Robert Anderson; orders from Crawford, 1870, as commander of the United States troops in Alabama instructing officers on the policing of the polls during the coming election; and a letter from the sheriff of Montgomery, 1870, concerning the threat of a riot.

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Davis, James M. papers, 1864

Scope and Contents note

Two letters written by Davis to his wife in Camden, South Carolina, during the Civil War. He wrote the week of May 7-10, 1864, of his efforts to rejoin his command.

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Davis, Jefferson papers, 1841-1938

Scope and Contents note

Four items collected by the Daltons were combined with other Davis materials.

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Deblois, Thomas A. papers, 1833

Scope and Contents note

Letter from Nathan Hale, editor of the Boston Daily Advertiser, to Deblois writing in support of Daniel Webster as a possible presidential candidate. Hale makes reference to Andrew Jackson and asks Dublois to pass an article about Webster on to Major Jack Downing (pseudonym for Seba Smith) for possible publication in the Portland Courier.

General

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De la Rame', Louise papers, circa 1893

Scope and Contents note

This signed manuscript is a translation of Louis-Adrien Levat's "La Disparition des Oiseaux" (La Nouvelle Revue, Vol. 80, Jan.-Feb. 1893, pp. 598-602). De la Rame' was a translator of French who went by the pseudonym Ouida.

General

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De Saussure Family papers, 1788-1916

Scope and Contents note

Correspondence and papers of Henry William De Saussure and of grandson Wilmot Gibbes De Saussure, South Carolina legislator and Confederate Army officer. Subjects include the establishment of South Carolina College (later the University of South Carolina), the Mexican War, conditions in the Confederacy, political phases of Reconstruction, an interview between Carl Schurz and Henry A. De Saussure, effect of the contested election of 1877, and the Charleston earthquake of August 31, 1886. Also included are documents concerning real estate transfers, and genealogical records of the Bacot, Burden, De Saussure, Gourdin, Hamilton, Mood, Pringle, and Swinton families. Among the correspondents and persons mentioned are P.G.T. Beauregard, Henry Alexander De Saussure, John M. De Saussure, Adam T. Millican, Benjamin Silliman, and Henry D.A. Ward. The 5 items collected by the Daltons were merged into this collection.

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District of Columbia, Miscellany papers,

1815-1928

Scope and Contents note

These 22 items are largely correspondence written in Washington, DC or sent to Washington, DC. Examples include a 1928 letter from Herbert Hoover to John Mullaney of Nashville, TN, a 1901 letter from Senator Orville H. Platt to Julius Brown, Esq., an 1884 letter from Secretary of the Interior, Henry M. Teller to U. S. Representative Richard Warner, an 1881 letter from Supreme Court Justice John Marshall Harlan, an 1879 letter from then-U. S. Representative James A. Garfield to Joseph Carter of Missouri, an 1877 letter from Z. Chandler, Chairman of the National Republican Committee to George Carter of New Orleans, an 1863 and an 1866 letter from U. S. Representative Schuyler Colfax, and an 1865 letter written by Confederate veteran, George C. Watkins of Little Rock to Washington lawyer James Carlisle, regarding Watkins' legal post-war woes. This folder is in Box 3 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Dugas Family papers, 1763-1848

Scope and Contents note

Papers in this collection include letters, as well as financial and legal documents. The oldest item is a French marriage contract drawn in 1763, in the name of Louis Renee Adrien Dugas. Most of the material in the collection, however, pertains to Leon Frederick E. Dugas, who traveled extensively as

a cotton merchant and general factor. Letters to Dugas discuss business and prices, as well as numerous lawsuits and disputes with importers. Several letters to Dugas from his brother-in-law and partner Paul Ronignol, are in French. A letterpress volume from 1845 records much of Dugas's correspondence from that year. Many of these letters are in French, and virtually all deal with matters of finance, cotton sales, or estate settlements. Of interest are documents representing Dugas's attempts to gain control of the Habersham Iron Works; papers relating to the sale of slaves to the family; and an inventory showing that in 1827, the Dugas family purchased most of the land, goods, and slaves of "Good-Rest," the Edgefield, S.C. home of Dr. Beauregard.

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Ellet, William papers, 1761
Scope and Contents note

Book of arithmetic problems and rules.

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Espy, James Pollard papers, 1844
Scope and Contents note

Collection centers on the rain theories of Espy. Included is the text of an address on artificial rain-making. There are also two documents from the citizens of Coudersport, Pennsylvania, who tried Espy's theories on a small scale and believed them to be effective.

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Faunce, S.E. papers, 1861-1865
Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of a highly readable account of a Union soldier's experiences in the Civil War. It is in the form of a 48-page, typewritten memoir. There is no substantial clue to the identity of the author, but an attached business card is that of an "S.E. Faunce." The memoir describes events surrounding the 13th Mass. Volunteer Infantry, including the author's witnessing of the battle of Hampton Roads between the MONITOR and the

MERRIMAC. Some relationship probably exists between the author of this memoir and Daniel W. Faunce, also of Plymouth.

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Feaster Family papers, 1755-1860
Scope and Contents note

Collection contains mainly legal items, such as deeds and land grants. The evolution of a tract of land in S.C., 1755, may be traced to the Civil War.

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Fludd, Eliza papers, 1865-1868
Scope and Contents note

Collection contains letters from Fludd mostly written to her friend, Mrs. Jolliffe. Fludd was the sister-in-law of a brother of George A. Trenholm, Secretary of the Treasury of the Confederate States of America. In clear handwriting, Fludd reveals herself to be deeply religious, well-educated, and a witness to the political and social events of the time; her context is Calvinist doctrine. She witnessed the battle and surrender of Fort Sumter and her belongings were destroyed or stolen when Sherman's army passed through Charleston. The letters describe her experiences and trials during the end of the Civil War. She gives an account of her radical change in lifestyle from living with abundance to starvation during Reconstruction, and also of the attitudes of the South to the North.

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Frost, Arthur Burdett papers, 1913-1914
Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of two letters. One is from Katherine Hinton Wootten, librarian of the Carnegie Library in Atlanta, to Frost thanking him for his letter and drawing of Brer Rabbit. His reply from Switzerland gives news of his illness.

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Gaffney Family papers, 1862-1866

Scope and Contents note

Letters to the Gaffney family of Columbia, S.C., from friends and relatives. A letter (1862) written by P. Lemmons of the 12th South Carolina infantry (Gregg's Brigade) while he was at Camp Arsenal Green in Charleston, S.C., describes the stealing of a steamship, THE PLANTER, by a party of African Americans. Several letters were written by William W. Gaffney to his parents during the Civil War: one (1862 May 20) from Camp Jackson in Spottsylvania, Va., These describe the events of battles in Virginia and Pennsylvania. Two items deal with financial matters at Furman University.

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Gales & Seaton records, 1811-1868

Scope and Contents note

Collection contains the business papers of Joseph Gales, Jr., and William W. Seaton, editors of the National Intelligencer. Correspondence pertains to subscriptions, advertising, announcements and letters to the editors. Some prominent names appear in the subscription correspondence. Of particular interest are fifty-six transcripts of Congressional speeches, resolutions, and motions. These were presented for publication and are marked for editing. Among the authors of the manuscripts are Henry Clay, James K. Polk, Martin Van Buren, and Daniel Webster. Many are signed. Part of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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Gaston, William papers, 1814, 1817

Scope and Contents note

Two letters written by Gaston [of New Bern, NC] to an unknown person. These letters are located in Box 4 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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Georgia, Miscellany papers, 1806-1865

Scope and Contents note

Twelve items, miscellaneous in relation to one another, but all relate to Georgia. Items include a pledge of allegiance to the Union, signed by Andrew Young in 1865 and an 1806 pardon for Jedediah Seymore signed by Secretary of State Horatio Marbury. These items are located in Box 4 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Greenaway, Kate papers, 1895-1901

Scope and Contents note

Contains two letters written to a friend she addresses as Lady Maria. In the first letter she is trying to arrange a time for Lady Maria to visit her, and refers to Mr. Ponsonby, presumably Lady Maria's husband. In the second letter she thanks Lady Maria for flowers she has sent from Ireland; says she has influenza; and reports a coming art exhibit that would feature paintings by Sir John Everett Millais.

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Great Britain, Miscellany papers, 1804-1939

Scope and Contents note

Primarily correspondence of various government departments and individuals.

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Hill, Daniel Harvey papers, 1923

Scope and Contents note

Two letters to Hill from the Adjutant General of the State of North Carolina regarding the service of North Carolinians in World War I. They are located in Box 4 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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Huddleston, Eliza A. papers, 1861-1864

Scope and Contents note

Consists of Civil War correspondence between R. R. Huddleston, 6th Regiment of the S.C. Volunteers, and his wife, Eliza A. (Chandler) Huddleston. The first two letters, headed "York District, S.C.," are love letters written before the couple married in 1861. Soon after this, R. R. left for the war. His letters during the period 1862-1864 are from various places in Va., and contain occasional comments on battles and camp life. In one letter (Sept. 12, 1863) Huddleston recounts to his wife the story of having to watch as two fellow South Carolinians were shot for desertion.

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Iredell, James papers, 1831-1842

Scope and Contents note

Three letters by Iredell addressed to John Branch, Secretary of the Navy; Gales and Seaton; and Willie P. Magnum and William A. Graham. The letter to branch recommends James H. Popelston for a midshipman's warrant. The letter to Gales and Seaton pertains to a subscription to the NATIONAL INTELLIGENCER. To Magnum and Graham, Iredell writes in support of James H. Brazier for appointment as midshipman, and requests that they forward his letter to Secretary of the Navy, Abel P. Upshur. On the same page, Magnum and Graham write a note of transmittal to Upshur, stating that they concur heartily with Iredell's recommendation.

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Jackson, Andrew papers, 1820-1836

Scope and Contents note

Papers chiefly concern military and Indian affairs, including a fight with the British at Mobile, Ala., 1814; raids of the Creek and Seminole Indians; relations between the U. S. government and the Indians in Alabama; the use of U. S. troops to remove intruders from Cherokee lands; affairs of the military department of the South when Jackson was in command, 1816; construction of a military road from Nashville to New Orleans, 1816; and the Seminole War, 1835-1842. Several letters discuss politics during and after Jackson's presidency, including his relationships with John Rhea and John C. Calhoun. There is also material about military actions in Florida and Georgia during the War of 1812 and on government relations with the Creek Indians.

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Jesup, Thomas Sidney papers, 1787-1860

Scope and Contents note

This collection consists military and other papers of Gen. Thomas Sidney Jesup relating mainly to the War of 1812, The Seminole War, and the Mexican War. It contains correspondence between Jesup and Major Willson, Hugh McCall, William Linnard, James Brown, L. P. Heintzelman, William Schley, and William Ballard Preston, among others. Topics are mostly related to military matters and relations with the Creeks and Seminoles. A detailed memoir by Jesup entitled "Memoir of the Campaigne on the Niagara" complements a similar item in the Jacob Jennings Brown Papers. Combined, the two memoirs yield a stunning overview of the Niagara

Campaign, and also point to interesting areas of disagreement. Also included in the collection are two items from Washington, D.C., dated 1831. One represents the sale of 21 slaves to Jesup, while the other is the official District of Columbia authorization for such a sale, which is on Department of State Letterhead, and is signed by Secretary of State Edward Livingston. Additionally, the collection contains an 1813 article of agreement between Jesup and Brintnel Robins of Penn., who contracted to supply 65 boats for the U.S. troops. The boats were intended for the expedition that later led to the Battle of the Chippewa.

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Johnson, Andrew papers, 1865
Scope and Contents note

This folder contains a draft of a petition to Johnson, 1865, requesting favorable action on the application for pardon submitted by James H. Wilson of Charlotte.

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Johnson, Thomas papers, 1776-1779
Scope and Contents note

The collection consists of 24 items addressed to the Maryland Council of Safety (of which Johnson was a member) and to Thomas Johnson in his capacity as Governor of Maryland (1777-1779). Most of the letters and documents concern Revolutionary War matters, such as the raising of the militia, the difficulties in getting men to accept military commissions, loyalty vouchers for ships leaving Annapolis, and financial aspects such as checks for the payment of debts for supplies. Many names prominent in Maryland history are mentioned.

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Jones, Iredell papers, 1842-1906
Scope and Contents note

Collection contains Jones's correspondence and focuses on the Civil War. Some letters are from Jones to his parents, written while a student at S.C. College and a member of a volunteer group concerned with abolition. In all of the letters he wrote with a terse style, relating news and events. He includes detailed accounts of the military activities surrounding Charleston and Fort Sumter, such as iron-clad battles, bombardment of Sumter and hand to hand combat. Letters of family members, including his brother

Cadwallader (Waddy) Jones, also give vivid pictures of the military and social aspects of the war in a broad area of the South. There is an account of the June 1862 twelve-day forced march to Fredericksburg. Other correspondence reflects Jones's courtship and marriage to Ellen Adams. He may have been a member of the Ku Klux Klan and letters tell of his arrest and imprisonment in 1871. Other items include legal papers, miscellany such as an unidentified photograph, and papers concerning the United Confederate Veterans, including data on many veterans.

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Kee, C. T. papers, 1866-1878
Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of one volume, which appears to be a records of compensation for agricultural labor. Most of the volume consists of lists of staples, foodstuffs, and cash given to laborers on a per diem basis from 1866 to 1878. The last few pages of the book contain written receipts from wages paid by C. T. Kee. All recipients have signed with an "X." This, and a reference to several laborers as "Freedmen" indicate that Kee's laborers were African American. If so, then this volume, covering the 10 years after the Civil War, is valuable documentation of the ways in which African Americans were co-opted into semi-slavery in many parts of the South.

General

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Kelly, Henry Kuhl papers, 1933
Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of three short notes from Dr. Harry Atwood Kelly to his son Henry Kuhl Kelly. Dr. Kelly, a devout Christian, writes of his travels and cautions his son on the importance of a pious life and the temptations of alcohol.

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Kendall, Amos papers, 1840-1849
Scope and Contents note

Letter (1840 May 20) from James W. Jeffreys, postmaster at Red House, Caswell County, N.C., to Kendall. The author congratulated Kendall on becoming editor of the Extra Globe and listed his qualifications for the position. Letter (1844 Oct. 7) from Andrew Jackson to Kendall. In his letter, Jackson told Kendall how he planned to try to overawe the "nulifiers" of S.C. with a force of around 150,000 volunteers from a number of states. If this

did not work, he planned to punish the leaders only and not "their humble followers." Jackson reminisced about fighting the Creek Red Sticks in the Battle of Talladega and referred to the mutiny and disorder in his camp at Ten Islands. He also revealed that in his 1829 inaugural address, his friends persuaded him to strike a paragraph opposing the Bank of the United States as being unconstitutional. In closing, Jackson spoke of his shortness of breath when he attempted to walk unassisted. Letter from Sears Cook Walker (1849 Aug. 11) soliciting aid in connecting Southern Telegraph Company lines with the Charleston Observatory.

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Kentucky, Miscellany papers, 1795-1865
Scope and Contents note

Collection of miscellaneous items from Kentucky, including a 1795 Commonwealth of Ky. land grant of 9,728 acres in Nelson Co. to Joseph Lewis, among other deed transferrals. Additional items include a letter of recommendation from George Bibb; a letter dated 3 August 1816, from R. Whiting in New York to James Prentiss in Lexington, Ky., concerning the failure of acceptance of bank drafts on the Mechanics Bank and other banks in Philadelphia and New York; and various business letters.

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Kincaid, M. Virginia papers, 1875-1888
Scope and Contents note

This collection contains correspondence written to Virginia "Jennie" Kincaid of Collettsville, NC. The folder is located in Box 4 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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Knox family papers, 1837-1884
Scope and Contents note

The first item in this collection is a letter from Rome written in 1837 to John Knox of Leesville, S.C. The signature is missing from this item, which relates to the sights and art of Rome. The second item is a letter (1866) addressed to James Knox from Robert H. Miller of Lawrence, Kan. Miller discusses in detail his feelings about the recent Civil War. Most of the letter is devoted to a detailed and stirring account of Quantrill's 1863 raid on Lawrence, Kan., and the extraordinary events that happened at Miller's own house. The next three items pertain to W. D. Knox, the son [?] of James Knox. One item is

a personal letter of family news written in 1872. Also from that year is a Davidson report card for W. D. Knox's son, John. The final item (1884) is W. D. Knox's appointment certificate as school commissioner for Chester County, S.C.

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Lafayette, Marie Joseph Paul Yves Roch Gilbert
du Motier, Marquis de papers, 1825-1830
Scope and Contents note

Letter of Lafayette, 1825, written on board the "Natchez" on the Mississippi River, introducing Prince Achille Murat, son of the King of Naples, and a group of Murat's Neapolitan friends; letter from Lafayette in Halifax, N.C., responding to an invitation to visit Tarboro, N.C.; letter from Lafayette to unidentified friend, written from LaGrange, France, 1830, concerning funds for a statue of Thomas Jefferson to be commissioned in Europe on behalf of the University of Virginia (Lafayette favored the appointment of his friend Pierre-Jean David for this commission).

General

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Langley family papers, 1855-1887
Scope and Contents note

This collection consists mainly of Civil War letters written by T. C. Langley (Company J, 12th Regiment, South Carolina Volunteers), to his family near Lancaster Courthouse, South Carolina. Many of the letters are addressed to his father, William C. Langley, and many South Carolina names are mentioned. Although T. C. Langley wrote regularly from 1861-1865, these letters have little military or political content and pertain mainly to personal matters. Langley's main concerns were his brother John (serving with him, and frequently ill) and the state of agricultural matters back home. The regiment to which Langley belonged traveled widely but little is revealed about camp life, battles, or war perspectives, other than occasional lists of casualties. Of interest at one point in the correspondence is the writer's anger that a Lancaster neighbor had tried to buy first T. C.'s father and then his little brother as substitutes in the army (1862). Miscellany for the collection is mainly pre-war legal material from Lancaster District, including

small court suits and the settlement of a James Langley's estate. This folder is located in Box 5 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

General

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Lane, Samuel papers, 1817
Scope and Contents note

One letter in which Lane informs Congress the new Representative and Senate Chambers will be ready by the autumn of 1818. Dated 1817, the letter includes reports from James Hoban, who was put in charge of rebuilding the White House after it was destroyed in the War of 1812. Hoban gives a detailed account of materials, costs and interior finishing and reveals that the Oval Office was originally called the "Elliptical Saloon."

General

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Lee, Robert Edward papers, 1749-1975
Scope and Contents note

The Daltons gifted 27 items which help make up the Lee papers.

General

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Lee, Thomas Sim papers, 1779-1782
Scope and Contents note

Correspondence directed to Governor Thomas Sim Lee of Maryland during the Revolutionary War. Included are two letters from Army provisioners, and various military letters concerning resignations and deserters. One letter from the General Council grants a man and wife the right to return to Great Britain despite the war; another, from Richard Barnes, solicits aid and describes British harassment of boats and citizens at the mouth of the Potomac.

General

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Leech, Abraham Paul, 1796-1955(bulk
1840-1930)
Scope and Contents note

Correspondence, legal and financial papers, photographs, printed material, writings, clippings, and volumes relating chiefly to the Leech family, but also to relations in the Dewey, Warner, and Duryea families. Correspondence

topics include: nineteenth-century American politics; reform movements; lectures and lyceums in New York; late nineteenth-century courtship; and school activities at the Stone School and Williams College. One series of letters from 1841 refer to the American poet Walt Whitman. Another series of letters from the Dewey family, beginning in the 1840s, originate from Ohio. Also included in this collection are papers concerning the Jamaica Lyceum, of which Abraham Paul Leech was secretary pro tem in the 1840s.

General

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Legaré, Hugh Swinton papers, 1837-1843
Scope and Contents note

Miscellaneous correspondence concerning Legaré's legal practice, politics, and the purchase of books for his library. Letter to Legaré (1837) from jurist Frederick Grimke in Delaware, Ohio, while Legaré was in the U.S. Congress, relating to the organization of the court system in the Ohio area and Legaré's planned visit to the "western U. S." Also contains a letter, 1838, from Joel Poinsett, secretary of war of the United States, pertaining to a treaty with the Sioux Indians, and a letter from the sculptor, John Stevens Cogdell, concerning his career.

General

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Leventhorpe, Collette papers, 1862-1931
Scope and Contents note

Records of Confederate Army's 11th Regiment of N.C., formerly 1st Infantry Regiment, also known as the "Bethel Regiment." Includes orders issued by Leventhorpe as commander of the regiment, and orders issued to Leventhorpe; final accounts of members who died in service and inventories of their personal effects; certificates of disability and discharge; and proceedings of courts-martial. Final accounts of deceased members include a physical description of individual, and often his former occupation. Also includes a 1931 clipping with a photograph of Leventhorpe.

General

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Lincoln, Abraham papers, 1861-1938
Scope and Contents note

Chiefly facsimiles of Lincoln letters; clippings; and other miscellany concerning Lincoln and his assassination.

General

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Lockyer, Edmund papers, 1811-1814

Scope and Contents note

Handbills and one letter related to British sale of goods captured from sailing ships during War of 1812. Handbills are for sales in Plymouth, England: one (1811) advertises the auction of the cargo of the brig "Fox," and includes detailed auction sheet; another advertises 1812 auction of the cargo of American schooner "Arrow", whose cargo included items such as silk, brandy, champagne, almonds, dress goods, and toys. Each handbill names William Lockyer as broker, and Edmund Lockyer as customs-house agent. A letter (1814) from George Tobin, captain of the H.M.S. "Andromache" asks Edmund Lockyer for payment of bounty on captured ship.

General

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Long, Benjamin papers, 1854-1856

Scope and Contents note

The Daltons gifted 4 items in 1980 which were cataloged under James R. W. Sellwood's name. The items are correspondence from James Sellwood and his brother, John, to Benjamin Long of Mendon, Ill., chiefly concerning the Sellwoods' mission in and around Grahamville, Beaufort Co., S.C. The letters, including a copy of a report to the mission's trustees, describes Sellwood's living conditions and salary, the religious condition and lives of the inhabitants in and around Grahamville, sermon topics, and local customs. Sellwood also mentions the existing local prejudice against the Episcopal Church and that the Baptists attracted possible communicants away from Anglicanism.

General

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Lucas Family papers, 1813-1867 and undated

Scope and Contents note

Correspondence, legal papers, and financial papers of the Lucas family of Raleigh, N.C. Early letters (1813-1816) were written by Alexander Lucas to his wife Mary while he visited Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C. Legal papers pertain to a lawsuit involving William Lucas, Henderson Lucas, and Margaret Lucas and concerning the estate and Revolutionary War military bounty of their grandfather, Thomas Lucas. A letter written to William Lucas from N. Davidson (1857) on an advertising sheet contains descriptions of inventions of 1857, including a counterfeit preventing machine for the printing of banknotes, a windmill, a pump, and a letter-copying press. Also

included in the collection are letters (1861-1862) from Henderson Lucas of the 34th Regiment of N.C. Troops, Company G, to his sister Margaret. Lucas wrote from Camp Fisher near High Point, N.C., from Camp Davis near Wilmington, and from Hamilton's Crossing. Clippings include one describing Henderson Lucas' heroism at the battle of Gettysburg. Collection also includes a small account book (1821) in which Mary Lucas made a few brief entries.

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Maryland, Miscellany papers, 1775-1860

Scope and Contents note

Collection of miscellaneous items from Maryland. Includes correspondence and an indenture. This folder is located in Box 6 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Mason, George papers, undated

Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of a photostat of pages six and seven of a letter from Mason to an unidentified relative. Mason tells him to proceed to execute a warrant and entry for a grant of land, and he will make an assignment of the entry to him. The land matter involves others, including Messrs. Steptoe and Gosnell. Mason writes that he has delivered to his son a hogshead of tobacco recently received from one of the addressee's tenants, and mentions a snuff mill with which his son Thomson was "concerned" for two years.

General

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Mayer, Brantz papers, 1845-1890

Scope and Contents note

Papers including several letters concerning Bennet Allen, an 18th century Anglican clergymen, pertaining to a riot in Allen's parish and to property he left in America at the time of the Revolution; and correspondence and papers concerning Mayer's interest in Maryland history and archival sources and in the Maryland Historical Society.

General

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McIntosh, Alexander papers, 1860-1865

Scope and Contents note

Chiefly letters to McIntosh from his wife and other relatives. Several are written to him in early 1865 while he was stationed with Company K, 4th Regiment, Senior Reserves in Salisbury, NC, and they primary concern his family and other personal news. Another letter, dated February 4, 1865, is to McIntosh's wife from her brother, R. Gerrard Sifford, while he was being held as a prisoner of war at Point Lookout, MD. McIntosh and his family lived in Martindale, Mecklenburg County, NC. This folder is located in Box 6 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

General

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Medical College of Georgia records, 1833-1859

Scope and Contents note

Collection contains three items. The first is the bill (1833), creating the Medical College from the old Institute. It is signed by Governor Lumpkin and endows the college with funds, land, and trustees. The second item is an 1858 graduation statement, listing graduates and discussing briefly the fact that enrollment is down due to the local economy. A third letter (1859), is from F. Campbell at the college, informing an unknown addressee that he has been appointed to the Board of Trustees.

General

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Megahey Family papers, 1861-1877

Scope and Contents note

Collection contains three letters from T.C. Megahey to his family in Charlotte, N.C. He recounts events of a trip to Petersburg, Va., and writes of camp life. For one letter, the stationery is from the U.S. Sanitary Commission. The final item is an April Fool's rhyme sent to Miss Mary Megahey.

General

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Miscellany papers, 1695-1919

Scope and Contents note

These are miscellaneous items gifted by Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton. Included are deeds and correspondence, including a letter from Jonathan Trumbull, an 1865 oath of allegiance signed by James Stump, a ticket to the trial of Tilton vs. Beecher in 1874, and a rough draft of a letter [1877] to Lucy

Hayes. This folder is located in Box 6 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Montgomery, Josiah papers, 1862-1869
Scope and Contents note

Largely correspondence written by Montgomery to his mother. This folder is located in Box 6 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

General

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Morrow, John W. papers, 1836-1894
Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of Morrow's business papers that cover a wide variety of legal and financial matters. Morrow appears to have specialized in the settlement and disposition of estates. Of note is the correspondence and legal materials of J.E. Hennigan of Texas. Morrow administered the estate of Hennigan's father and the papers reflect the facts of the estate but also family squabbles. The 1888 Articles of Incorporation for the Pineville Cotton mill, as well as two diaries, and an account book are also included.

General

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Murdoch, Susan Butterworth papers,
1894-1912 and undated
Scope and Contents note

Diary, 1894-1900 (ca. 320 p.), kept by Susan B. Murdoch, and four miscellaneous items. The diary, written primarily from Maineville, Ohio, describes daily routines of a homemaker and wife as well as family concerns. There are additional entries for Benjamin Butterworth (1837-1898) ; the 2d Ohio Volunteer Infantry Regiment; floods; elections and women voting; and medical home remedies. An undated essay by Murdoch's husband describes pioneer life in Ohio.

General

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Nadenbousch, John Quincy Adams papers,
1861-1871
Scope and Contents note

Included in this collection are Civil War papers relating to Nadenbousch's service as Provost-Marshal of Martinsburg, [West] Virginia and as a Captain

in the "Stonewall" Brigade. Although several items of family correspondence appear, most letters concern military affairs.

General

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New York, Miscellany papers, 1765-1924
Scope and Contents note

Miscellaneous items related to New York, largely correspondence. This folder is located in Box 6 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

North Carolina, Miscellany papers, 1806-1878
Scope and Contents note

This collection contains miscellaneous items related to North Carolina. Largely correspondence, included is a speech on women, written by North Carolina's first governor, Richard Caswell. This folder is located in Box 6 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Norton, Mary papers, 1852-1895
Scope and Contents note

Chiefly letters from Clara Barton, founder and president of the American Red Cross, to Norton who was an intimate friend. Letters contain references to mutual friends and family and document the administration and operation of the Red Cross. Letters written during the Civil War include instructions for sending relief supplies and detailed observations which illustrate Barton's life in the trenches with the soldiers. Later letters concern Barton's travels, speaking engagements, and charity work; her life in Dansville, N.Y., as she contemplated the future of the Red Cross; and her work as the superintendent of the Reformatory Prison for Women in Southfarmington, Mass. A letter from Barton to her cousin Jerry details her breakdown in London, her views on the Stanley and Livingston affair, and her activities in France during the Franco-Prussian War. Other items include pamphlets on women's schools and charity organizations and a letter to Norton from P.T. Barnum discussing Horace Greeley.

General

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Otis, Harrison Gray papers, 1803
Scope and Contents note

Letter is written to Otis from Alexander Hamilton, and discusses a civil suit related to trade between a New Jersey company and Para, Brazil. Hamilton mentions evidence from Portugal.

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Paca, William papers, 1782-1783

Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of four letters addressed to Paca. Most are requests from various persons, e.g., a British prisoner asking for his freedom and permission to settle in Annapolis with his family, a Maryland Representative writing on behalf of a woman seeking restitution for personal losses to the British, and a Baltimore man seeking an official pass to visit New York City on business. Another letter inventories the losses in the 1783 fire at the Annapolis armory.

General

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Palliser, Hugh papers, 1770s[?]

Scope and Contents note

A note on the cover of a missing letter. The note refers to the enclosed letter on the 14th from Palliser, who has given intelligence information to the British regarding a vessel that is to be purchased or detained for His Majesty's use.

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Payne, John Howard papers, undated

Scope and Contents note

Facsimile of Payne's "Home, Sweet Home." Located in Box 7 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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Pennsylvania, Miscellany papers, 1796-1915

Scope and Contents note

Miscellaneous correspondence written in Pennsylvania. Items are located in Box 7 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Perry, Oliver Hazard papers, 1808-1813

Scope and Contents note

Three letters, two engravings of Perry, and an announcement of a public dinner given by the citizens of Washington, D.C. in honor of Perry's victory on Lake Erie in 1813. The letters, two of which are facsimiles, are written by Perry to Robert Smith, Secretary of the Navy, and General William Henry Harrison, and chiefly concern his military victory on Lake Erie, the delivery of prisoners following that event, and a recommendation that a William Prant Smith be given a midshipman's warrant.

General

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Phillips, John papers, 1743-1798

Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of oversized parchment deeds and indentures pertaining to land in what was called the "Northern Liberties" of Philadelphia in the 18th century. Included is a map [ca. 1778?] of land owned by William Coates, a Revolutionary officer and Justice of the Peace for the township of North Liberties. Of particular interest is the plot of land on Coates Street designated as the property of Benjamin Franklin. This is the plot mentioned in Franklin's last will and testament as "my pasture-ground which I have in Hickory Lane, with the buildings thereon..." The remainder of the collection consists of land indentures made by several different parties.

General

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Pickens, Andrew papers, 1801-1827

Scope and Contents note

Includes correspondence; a memorandum of agreement between Pickens and David Files regarding a loan from Pickens to Files; financial papers relating to the operation of Pickens' plantation in Alabama; a mortgage bond; and an Agricultural Memorandum Book (1822-1826) which discusses the clearing of land for planting cotton and corn, describes the seeds he used, and includes several pages of accounts. Pickens also comments on his visits to Cahaba, Alabama, and the flood which occurred while it was the state capitol.

General

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Picture Collection, after 1860

Scope and Contents note

The major portion of this collection of pictures consists of 53 cartes de viste, dating from the 1860s. Most of them are pictures of Civil War generals.

Many of these cartes bear a U.S. postage stamp, indicating that they were produced before or during the period Sept. 1, 1864-Aug. 1, 1866, when all such photographs transported in the U. S. mail were subject to this form of government tax in order to raise additional wartime revenue. Only five of them have not been identified. Also included in this collection are 30 engravings, most of them of prominent American statesmen. Included in the collection are engravings of Kit Carson, Samuel P. Chase, Horatio Gates, and members of Abraham Lincoln's cabinet. Two non-person pictures include an undated print of the Charlotte Female Institute and an 1863 print of Camp Vermont, Virginia during the Civil War. As of April 2008, these items are located on 6th 16:B.

General

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Pillow, Gideon Johnson papers, 1861
Scope and Contents note

Collection contains largely routine items pertaining to Gen. Pillow. They concern army supplies and skirmishes around, Charleston, Mo.

General

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Poetry, Miscellany papers, 1848-1865
Scope and Contents note

Miscellaneous poems, most of the creators are unidentified. These items are housed in Box 7 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Polk, James K. papers, 1840-1845
Scope and Contents note

Includes a written statement from the Sherriff of Bradley County, Tennessee in addition to two unrelated letters. These items are housed in Box 7 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

General

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G. P. Putnam's Sons records, 1886-1908
Scope and Contents note

Correspondence illustrating the publication and investment relationship of Theodore Roosevelt with the G. P. Putnam's Sons publishing house. Among the items are four notes from Roosevelt to George Haven Putnam, discussing business affairs and Roosevelt's reasons for breaking off business with the company. Two other notes discuss Roosevelt's North Dakota cattle ranches. Other correspondence comes from Douglas Robinson, a New York real estate

man and partner with Roosevelt in an investment venture with the Putnam firm. Robinson questions the timing and amount of his returns.

General

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Revolutionary War autographs, 1776-1784
Scope and Contents note

Individual autographs of Revolutionary War soldiers. These items are located in Box 7 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

General

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Roosevelt, Theodore papers, 1916, undated
Scope and Contents note

Includes a note written by Roosevelt to Judge M. W. Morrow and a thank-you note to a Dr. Muldowney. These items are located in Box 7 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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Saye, James Hodge papers, 1790-1896
Scope and Contents note

Chiefly correspondence of the Saye family. Early letters trace James Saye's progress through the Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Ga. Other correspondence details his pastorships in Henry County, Ga., in Unionville and Fairforest, S.C., then in Chester County, S.C. Several letters are from fellow ministers, and discuss Presbyterian Church matters and national politics. Later correspondence is chiefly between the six Saye daughters and their mother, Rebecca Saye (McJunkins), and concern domestic issues and Reconstruction in the South. A letter by Rebecca details the genealogies of the Saye and McJunkins families. One letter (1883) addressed to James Saye from a professor at Davidson College recounts college affairs. Other documents include legal papers, including one Freedmen's Bureau document of 1866 which indentures an orphaned African-American boy to Rev. Saye for fourteen years.

General

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Schriver, Edmund papers, 1834-1853

Scope and Contents note

Correspondence to Edmund Schriver from two West Point fellow graduates, Robert Selden Garnett and William Wallace Smith Bliss. Topics deal in great detail with army life in general, including politics, scandals, and events; the Cherokee War; the war with Mexico, including the battles of Palo Alto, Resaca de la Palma, Monterey, and Buena Vista; Bliss' role as chief-of-staff to General Zachary Taylor, and, later, as private secretary to President Taylor in Washington; and the reaction to Taylor's election in 1848.

General

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Scott, Winfield papers, 1822

Scope and Contents note

This collection contains 2 items: an 1822 letter from Scott to John Floyd in Washington and Floyd's response to Scott. The letters discuss military publications. These items are located in Box 8 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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South Carolina, Miscellany papers, 1787-1934

Scope and Contents note

This collection includes miscellaneous items related to South Carolina. Correspondence makes up the bulk of the collection and correspondents include Strom Thurmond and Arthur P. Hayne. Also included are financial documents such as receipts and printed material such as pamphlets for The Crosby Military Institute in Feasterville, S.C. and reports regarding S.C. government. The material is housed in Box 8 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Sherman, William T. papers, 1863-1869

Scope and Contents note

Included in this collection are correspondence and orders written by Sherman as well as his address to the 1869 graduating class of the United States Military Academy at West Point. These items are located in Box 8 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

General

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Sims, Joseph Starke papers, 1819-1903 and undated

Scope and Contents note

Correspondence, financial records, legal documents, clippings, account books, commissions, addresses and speeches, and a diploma. Correspondence concerns chiefly cotton growing, trade and prices; slaves who worked in cotton fields; financial matters; Washington, D.C. politics, with references to Henry Clay and John Calhoun; state and national politics; descriptions of newly settled areas of Mississippi and California; and a cholera outbreak in Charleston (1832). Civil War letters detail problems at Fort Sumter (1861), and often refer to economic difficulties and shortages in South Carolina. Other Civil War letters are also written from Manassas, Alabama, and Mississippi. One letter from Mississippi details the desperation of women left alone and unable to flee before the advancing Union Army. Post-war letters reveal the problems of Reconstruction in South Carolina. Many of the letters are to Sims' wife Jane Emily Sims (Farnandis). Includes an autobiographical letter from J. K. Paulding, author and statesman, and an essay by the same, entitled "The history of Uncle Sam and his boys." Some of Sims' addresses and one of the legal documents concern Nullification, which Sims' strongly supported. Other documents include an obituary for Franklin H. Elmore, plantation and general account books, and some material on Sims' student days at South Carolina College (ca. 1817-1819), which includes a letter to his brother in 1819 "in defence of General Jackson," and his "treatment of the Indians."

General

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Sims, William papers, 1770-1860

Scope and Contents note

Correspondence, financial papers, and legal documents, concerning William Sims' extensive plantation holdings in South Carolina. Includes two account books. Correspondence is primarily related to business matters, including cotton trade and prices; the price and availability of slaves; and the beginnings of a textile industry on the plantation. Local and state politicians in South Carolina are often mentioned, as is the general economic plight of the Southern planter in the period (ca. 1819-1830), and currency problems in the state (ca. 1826-1830). One personal letter effusively describes newly settled land in Mississippi and the quality of the cotton grown there. Detailed financial papers form the bulk of the collection, and concern the cotton trade (including weights, bale numbers, shipping, prices, and sales), and household and plantation expenses. Legal papers are confined to deeds,

documents of land litigation, military commissions, and documents relating to slaves, such as indentures and lists of slaves on the plantation. Also includes genealogical information on the Sims family. Cotton grower in Union County, South Carolina.

General

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Samuel Slater & Sons records, 1839

Scope and Contents note

Letters and financial papers from shops and individuals who bought cloth from and sold cloth to Samuel Slater and Sons. Many of the merchants discussed problems in cash availability, as the letters were written during one of the peaks of the 1839 banking crisis.

General

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Sloan, Edwin R. papers, 1861-1863

Scope and Contents note

Civil War letters from Edwin R. Sloan, a private in Company F, 1st Regiment, N.C. Cavalry, chiefly to his wife Sarah in N.C. Letters span Sloan's military career from 1861 to ten days before his death in September, 1863. Some of Sloan's letters are written from Camp Marsh; Camp W. S. Ash; Washington Co., Md.; Culpepper, Va.; Hanover Junction, Va.; Upperville, Va.; and Raccoon Ford, Va. Letters contain accounts of camp life, deprivations, and rumors and predictions about the war. The author expressed strong Southern sentiments. One letter written in 1861 provides an account of Confederate soldiers fraternizing with the United States soldiers under a flag of truce and being entertained and fed by them. Sloan also described scouting expeditions along the Potomac; Union soldiers burying Confederate dead at Upperville; his sorrow on the death of General Jackson; and his attempt to buy a furlough to come home. In August and September of 1863, Sloan reported of rumors that North Carolina would return to the Union. He expressed his desire for peace, but not at the expense of returning to the Union.

General

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Smith, Samuel Francis papers, 1831-1936

Scope and Contents note

Signed holograph copy of four verses of "America," written by Samuel Francis Smith, and a pamphlet published by American Autograph Shop, containing a facsimile of the first and last verses of "America"; a copy of the entire hymn as printed for the celebration by the Boston Sabbath School

Union of Independence Day in 1931; printed copies of two other hymns; a copy of an address to the children by the Rev. Wisner; and a facsimile of notes made by a Dr. Jenks during the celebration.

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Stephens, William papers, 1780-1811
Scope and Contents note

Letters pertaining to Stephens' business and legal affairs, as well as a letter in which he complains to Governor Richard Howley about the lack of a jail in Augusta and the consequent lawlessness in the county. One letter to Abraham Mims in Newport, R.I., was written from the Stephens family vacation home in Providence.

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Sternes, A. L. papers, 1861-1862
Scope and Contents note

Two letters from Sternes to his wife, expressing affection and concern, and a third letter from Lieutenant L. A. Potts informing Mrs. Sterned of her husband's death on August 2, 1862.

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Stuart, J.E.B. papers, 1861-1863
Scope and Contents note

This addition to the Jeb Stuart Papers includes the following: General Order no. 14 issued under Stuart's order and signed by Heros von Bourke; an announcement of the death of Captain Redmond Burke at Shepherdstown, Va.; letters to Major Martin concerning cavalry operations in Va.; and a number of letters to Stuart's wife, Flora, in Wytheville(?), Va. One group of letters to her is from Harper's Ferry and concerns men and arms for an upcoming battle. Others discuss the Union troops' advance, Stuart's advancement in the C.S.A., his concern for his wife's well-being, and efforts to arrange for her a visit to his camp. One holograph message from Stuart states that General Jackson wishes to see Rufus Barringer.

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Sumner, Charles papers, 1862-1868

Scope and Contents note

This collection includes four letters to Sumner, including one from W. H. Seward and one from Edwin Stanton. These items are housed in Box 8 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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Tappan, Mason Weare papers, 1857-1865

Scope and Contents note

Letters to Mason W. Tappan primarily concerning Republican politics. Correspondents include Schuyler Colfax, N.H. senator John Parker Hale, and Amos Tuck. Also includes letters on legal matters from U.S. Attorney General Caleb Cushing.

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Tucker-Coalter Family papers, 1794-1821

Scope and Contents note

Collection of letters chiefly written by John Randolph, known as "Randolph of Roanoke," to various family members, including his half-sister Frances Bland Tucker Coalter, John Coalter, and Henry St. George Tucker. Other correspondents include St. George Tucker, Edmund Randolph, and William Wirt, Attorney General of the U.S. Topics cover family matters, Washington and Virginia politics, legal matters, illnesses, and child-rearing. Another letter mentions "automata," mechanical men Randolph observed while a law student in Philadelphia.

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Tyler, Erastus Barnard, 1856-1863

Scope and Contents note

Primarily letters written during the Civil War by Tyler to his parents from camps in the Kanawha Valley of Virginia as well as posts near Washington, Va., and Culpepper, Va; and the field at the Battle of Gettysburg. These letters reflect Tylers's service under General Rosecrans as well as the movements

and engagements of his forces. One letter was written from Fort Randall, Nebraska Territory in 1858.

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Tyler Family papers, 1834-1881
Scope and Contents note

Papers pertaining to President John Tyler and his family. Petition, 1834, from prominent residents of King and Queen County, Va., asking Tyler to endorse their candidate for the U.S. Senate; letter of recommendation (1841) from Burke Washington concerning a naval candidate, Alexander Jones; letter from John Tyler, Jr. (?) in reply to H. C. Corbin; letter written by Julia (Gardiner) Tyler (1881) in reply to an autograph collector.

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U. S. Dept. of the Navy records, 1802-1877
Scope and Contents note

This collection of correspondence, directed to the Secretaries of the U. S. Navy, consists largely of recommendations for young men desiring appointments to the Naval Academy and other Naval positions. Other contents include incidental messages on Navy finance, notes and letters on legislation affecting the Navy, reports on Naval operations in Gibraltar and elsewhere, on sailors' conduct and on provisioning.

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U. S. War Department records, 1814-1865
Scope and Contents note

A detailed list of a cavalry troop; a letter from Tenn. governor Willie Blount to Capt. James Cowan of the U.S. Rangers, concerning the Creek Wars in Tenn.; a letter from Mass. governor Caleb Strong to Adj. Gen. John Brooks referring to appointments to the War Dept.; four letters of recommendation, two of these directed to Joel R. Poinsett, then Secretary of War; a property document (1865) from the Freedmen's Bureau; and a grant of military bounty lands to a Mrs. Sarah Woolley.

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Van Buren, Martin papers, 1837-1840

Scope and Contents note

This collection includes a letter (1840) to Van Buren from his daughter-in-law, Angelica as well as a land grant from 1837 to Benjamin Crumpacker of La Porte County, Indiana.

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Van Ness, William Peter papers, 1805

Scope and Contents note

Van Ness was the second in Aaron Burr's duel with Alexander Hamilton and was indicted as an accessory to Hamilton's murder. He fled to New York and later became judge of the U.S. Circuit Court for a New York district. The letter is from Burr from Chilicothe. Here, Burr asks Van Ness to meet him in Berkeley Springs and instructs him to contact certain people in New York and Philadelphia.

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Vinson, Fred M. papers, 1944-1946

Scope and Contents note

Included are four short pieces of correspondence addressed to Harry L. Dalton from 1844-1946. A large folder of clippings and miscellany includes articles on Vinson and the Treasury, a long statement delivered to the House Ways and Means Committee (Oct 1, 1945), as well as clippings and the Life magazine cover story on Vinson's swearing in as Chief Justice (1946).

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Virginia, Miscellany papers, 1761-1864

Scope and Contents note

Miscellaneous items related to the Commonwealth of Virginia. Collection includes mainly land grants and correspondence. This material is located in Box 9 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

Voigt, Edward papers, 1839-1874(bulk 1839-1845)

Scope and Contents note

Predominantly correspondence between Edward Voight and Caroline Voigt of Warren Farm, Chester County, Pa., during their courtship and early years of marriage. A majority of the letters are from Edward's hand. The correspondence between the couple concerns Edward's work as a

bookkeeper, and later his mercantile business in Philadelphia; religious devotion and piety; social engagements; the couple's courtship and wedding plans; and travel, particularly by rail between Chester County and Philadelphia. These letters provide a perspective on gender roles and relations during the mid-nineteenth century insofar as they reflect the propriety and etiquette expected of the young couple, as well as Edward's expectations concerning Caroline's religious devotion and her independence on this matter.

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Washington, George papers, 1775-1939
Scope and Contents note

Facsimilies of Washington correspondence and several engravings of both Washington and his wife Martha. These items are located in Box 9 of the Harry L. and Mary K. Dalton Collection.

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White, R. L. C. papers, 1852-1861
Scope and Contents note

Collection is composed of autographs solicited and collected by R.L.C. White of Lebanon, Tennessee. Most of the signatures are from government figures in Washington. A note is also included, dated March 10, 1860, written from Washington, DC by Charles Francis Adams in response to a request for an autograph.

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Whiteside, Thomas papers, 1821-1864
Scope and Contents note

Gentleman's pocket book, bound in suede with flap. Scanty accounts fill only a small portion of the book. "Thos. Whiteside--His book" is written on the front, and the name is mentioned several times inside. Book appears to have originally been owned by Jesse Broomfield whose initials appear above Whiteside's on the cover and the earliest entries bear his name. Broomfield was one of the original sponsors of the Ebenezer Academy (1834) near Rock Hill, SC.

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Wilkes Family papers, 1816-1877

Scope and Contents note

Correspondence of members of the Wilkes family, consisting primarily of letters to Charles Wilkes (1798-1877), naval admiral, and of many letters that he wrote. Letters from prominent scientists such as James Renwick, Asa Gray, James D. Dana, and Jean L. R. Agassiz also appear in the papers, as does correspondence of naval officers, Congressmen, diplomats, and cabinet secretaries, especially Secretaries of the Navy. Included among the numerous subjects mentioned in the papers is the exploring expedition that Wilkes commanded to the Antarctic continent, islands of the Pacific Ocean, and the American Northwest coast from 1838-1842. There is a lot of family correspondence from various members of the Wilkes family which include two wives of Charles Wilkes. Other types of material in the collection are legal papers, financial records, printed material, writings, account books, a science notebook written by Wilkes' son Edmund in 1847, and a volume entitled, "Notes Relative to the Fijii [sic] Islands," written by Charles Wilkes. These items make up part of the Charles Wilkes Papers.

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Willard, Henry A. papers, 1834-1890

Scope and Contents note

Most of the collection deals with Willard's ownership of the famous Willard Hotel. Extensive correspondence documents the comings and goings of clients at the hotel, as well as repair and financial matters there. Legal and financial papers are concerned with the hotel, as well as with Willard's other interests as founder of the National Safe Deposit, Savings and Trust, Co., as a member of the D.C. Board of Public Works, and as chairman of the Board of Trustees for the District of Columbia Reform School in the 1870s and 1880s. Willard received appointments signed by the President every three years. Thus, the signatures of Grant, Hayes and Cleveland appear here. A few personal items are included, such as an icy exchange between Henry and his brother Joseph C. Willard. Of interest is a long document to the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia which details the feud between the two brothers.

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Williams, William Augustus papers, 1825-1867

and undated

Scope and Contents note

Collection consists of correspondence, notebooks, and miscellaneous papers of Colonel William Augustus Williams of Wilmington and Charlotte, N.C.

Correspondence includes letters from Henderson C. Lucas, Williams's nephew, who was wounded at Gettysburg while serving in the 11th Regiment of the N.C. Infantry; and letters related to Williams's efforts to bring the wounded Lucas to Charlotte. Other correspondence is primarily of a financial nature. A letter from William Henry Heyward describes the effects of reconstruction on South Carolina Coastal planters. A letter from Rev. Aldert Smedes mentions the financial hardships suffered by St. Mary's School in Raleigh, N.C. and is written on stationery describing the school's tuition and curriculum. Notebook dated 1827 contains exercises in penmanship and renderings of famous poems, while one dated 1825 is an arithmetic practice book. Also included are papers related to the Raleigh City Guards.

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Wirt, William papers, 1810-1854
Scope and Contents note

Papers of William Wirt and of Elizabeth Washington (Gamble) Wirt, including letters concerning William's law practice; a letter relating an anecdote concerning William Wirt, Henry Clay, and a General Parker; fragmentary letter, 1833, from Wirt to a law student at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, discussing education; and a fragment of Wirt's draft of his biography of Patrick Henry. Correspondence of Elizabeth Washington (Gamble) Wirt, wife of William, and two sons, Dabney Carr and William C., concerns the purchase and sale of land, a debt incurred by Wirt for land he planned to develop in Florida, the widow's financial affairs, the erection of a monument to her husband, and other family matters.

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Woodruff, Isabella papers, 1768-1865
Scope and Contents note

This collection contains correspondence, primarily containing observations of a social and political nature regarding the period in South Carolina before, during and immediately following the Civil War. Much of the subject matter deals with viewpoints of the women. Correspondants include: her mother, Mrs. Louisa Roberts; her brother, Samuel C. Roberts; and her best friend, Countess Aniela N. Pinkind, as well as Charles F. A. Holst, her future husband.

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