



Guide to the Frederick Fraser Papers, 1700-1911 and undated

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Summary

Collection Title:

Frederick Fraser papers, 1700-1911 and undated

Creator:

Fraser, Frederick

Abstract:

The Frederick Fraser Papers comprises documents of a cotton planter in South Carolina. Papers include correspondence concerning the sale of cotton, some personal correspondence, assorted financial transactions concerning cotton, some miscellaneous personal papers, and a scrapbook that contains a variety of materials related to social life in South Carolina and the Civil War, including: correspondence, newspaper clippings, poems, copies of tombstone engravings, invitations, photographs, and postcards.

Extent:

2 Linear Feet

Language:

English

Language:

Materials in English

Collection ID:

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Permalink:

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Background

Scope and Content

The Frederick Fraser Papers include correspondence concerning the sale of cotton, some personal correspondence, assorted financial transactions concerning cotton, some miscellaneous personal papers, and a scrapbook (152 p.). Includes an 1872 letter from Iredell Jones concerning his trial as a member of the Klu Klux Klan. The scrapbook contains a variety of materials related to both the social lives of the De Saussure, Fraser, and several other South Carolina families, as well as their activities during the Civil War, including: correspondence, newspaper clippings, poems, copies of tombstone engravings, invitations, photographs, and postcards. Scrapbook also includes letters from Henry De Saussure Fraser, a surgeon in Virginia. His letters describe military activities and life as a Union prisoner from 1863-1864 in Fort McHenry and Old Capitol Prison, as well as the Charleston earthquake in 1886. The scrapbook also includes a small volume of the De Saussure family genealogy. Persons mentioned in the collection include Thomas Boone Fraser, Sr., Daniel De Saussure, and Henry William De Saussure.

Biographical/Historical

Frederick Fraser was a cotton planter in the South Carolina low country in the early to mid-1800s. He was associated with the Fraser and Thompson firm in the Charleston, S.C., cotton business.

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Processing Information

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Names and Subjects

- American Civil War
- South Carolina -- Social life and customs
- Cotton trade -- South Carolina -- Charleston
- United States -- History -- War of 1812
- Charleston (S.C.) -- History
- Charleston earthquake, S.C., 1886
- Scrapbooks
- Southern States -- Genealogy
- Soldiers -- Confederate States of America
- United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865

- United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Prisoners and prisons
- Ku Klux Klan (19th cent.)
- De Saussure family
- Fraser family
- De Saussure, Daniel, 1735-1798
- De Saussure, Henry William, 1763-1839
- Confederate States of America. Army -- Surgeons

Collection Inventory

Correspondence, 1791-1907 and undated Box 1

Physical Description: 8 folders

Scope and Contents

Business correspondence concerning the sale of cotton, including commercial problems during the War of 1812, and particularly in Charleston, South Carolina. Includes an 1872 letter from Iredell Jones concerning his trial as a member of the Klu Klux Klan. Also includes some personal correspondence, primarily with the individuals John Dawson, Ladson, H. Cunningham, and B. W. Martin, and an anonymous individual identified only as I.H.L.

Bills and receipts, 1700-1809 Box 2

Physical Description: 6 folders

Scope and Contents

Assorted financial transactions on the sale of cotton

Bills and receipts, 1810-1903 Box 3

Physical Description: 5 folders

Scope and Contents

Assorted financial transactions on the sale of cotton

Miscellaneous documents, 1878 and undated Box 3

Scope and Contents

Shopping lists, property deeds and agreements

Scrapbook, 1778-1911 and undated Box 4

Scope and Contents

Scrapbook containing correspondence, newspaper clippings, biographical profiles, poems, photographs, copies of tombstone engravings, and postcards.