



Guide to the Lee Family papers, 1780-1851

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Summary

Collection Title:

Lee Family papers, 1780-1851

Creator:

Lee family

Abstract:

Delaware and Maryland residents and owners of Louisiana sugar plantation. Chiefly letters and papers of John Lee, lawyer and Federalist politician, and his brother-in-law, Outerbridge Horsey, attorney general of Delaware and U.S. senator from Delaware, relating to their joint ownership of a sugar plantation in Thibodeauville, Louisiana, 1828-1834, including a number of items from the lawsuit which ended the partnership pertaining to the management of the plantation. There is also a plantation account book (with index), dated 1829-1836, for the sugar plantation, which includes information about overseers, inventories, slave lists, debts, purchases (both slaves and land), expenses for provisioning slaves and for operations, planting and harvesting dates for crops, production totals, and crop sales, and more. Also contains a few papers of Thomas Sim Lee concerning his service as governor of Maryland, 1779-1783.

Extent:

0.5 Linear Feet
224 Items

Physical Location:

For current information on the location of these materials, please consult the Library's online catalog.

Language:

English

Language:

Material in English

Collection ID:

RL.00802

Permalink:

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Background

Scope and Content

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Acquisition Information

The Lee Family papers were received by the David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library as a purchase in 1967.

Processing Information

Processed by Rubenstein Library staff, 1967

Encoded by Elizabeth Shesko, May 2011

Accession(s) described in this finding aid: 67-147

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Names and Subjects

- Slavery -- Louisiana -- History -- 19th century
- Sugar growing -- Louisiana -- History -- 19th century
- Slaves -- Louisiana
- African Americans -- Louisiana
- Maryland -- Politics and government -- 1775-1865
- Louisiana -- History -- 1803-1865
- Plantation life -- Louisiana -- History -- 19th century
- Plantations -- Louisiana -- Records and correspondence
- Sugar growing -- Louisiana
- Sugar growing -- Louisiana -- Lafourche Parish

- Account books
- Plantations -- Louisiana
- Governors -- Maryland
- Lee, Thomas Sim, 1745-1819
- Lee, John, 1788-1871
- Lee family
- Lee family
- Horsey, Outerbridge, 1777-1842

Collection Inventory

Lee Family papers, 1780-1851

Physical Description: 1 box

Plantation account book, 1829-1836	Box 1
Legal papers: Horsey vs. Lee	Box 1
Physical Description: 3 folders	
Thomas Sim Lee papers, 1780-1794	Box 1
Bills and receipts, 1833-1836	Box 1
Correspondence, 1833-1851	Box 1
Financial papers and accounts, 1834-1836	Box 1

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