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INTRODUCTION

The creation of history as a scholarly discipline has always depended on the discovery, preservation, and accessibility of primary sources. Some of the leading figures in the first generation of academic historians in the United States spent much of their time and energy on this endeavor and in so doing made possible the work of their colleagues who wrote monographs and general histories. The inventions of microfilm and photocopying have vastly improved access to such sources.

At any given time the prevailing conceptions of what is significant in the past will determine which sources are sought and valued. When politics and diplomacy are the center of historians’ concern, government documents, treaties, newspapers, and correspondence of political leaders and diplomats will be collected and made accessible. When intellectual history is ascendant, the works of philosophers and reflective thinkers will be studied, analyzed, and discussed. Economic historians will look for records of trade, evidence of price fluctuations, conditions of labor, and other kinds of data originally collected for business purposes. The propensity of modern governments to collect statistics has made possible whole new fields for historical analysis.

In our own time social historians have flourished, and for them evidence of how people of all kinds have lived, felt, thought, and behaved is a central concern. Private diaries and personal letters are valued for the light they throw on what French historians label the mentalité of a particular time and place. The fact that such documents were usually created only for the writer, or for a friend or relative, gives them an immediacy not often found in other kinds of records. At best the writers tell us—directly or by implication—what they think and feel and do. Even the language and the allusions in such spontaneous expression are useful to the historian, whose inferences might surprise the writer could she know what was being made of her words.

This microfilm series focuses on a particular group (women) in a particular place (the South) in a particular time (the nineteenth century). The fact that many of these documents exist is a tribute to the work of several generations of staff members at the leading archives of the South such as the Southern Historical Collection at Chapel Hill, North Carolina; the William R. Perkins Library at Duke University; the Alderman Library at the University of Virginia; the South Caroliniana Library; the Lower Mississippi Valley Collection, Louisiana State University; the Swem Library at the College of William and Mary, Colonial Williamsburg; and several state historical societies. The legend of Southern Historical Collection founder J. G. DeRoulhac Hamilton who, in his effort to preserve the evidence of the southern past, traveled about in his Model A Ford knocking on doors, asking people to look in their attics and cellars for material, is well known. The result of his labors and those of his counterparts and successors is a vast collection that includes thousands of letters from women of all ages and hundreds of diaries or diary fragments. Only a small part of this material has been studied by professional historians. Some family collections cover decades, even several generations. Others are fragmentary: diaries begun in moments of enthusiasm and shortly abandoned; letters sporadically saved.
The years of the Civil War are particularly well documented, since many women were convinced that they were living through momentous historical events of which they should make a record. After the war ended and the “new South” began to take shape, other women wrote memoirs for their children and grandchildren, hoping to preserve forever their memories of a better time “before the war” or to record the sacrifices and heroism they had witnessed. The United Daughters of the Confederacy made a special effort to persuade women to record their wartime memories. In the best of circumstances—and each collection included in this edition was chosen precisely with this consideration in mind—the collections preserve the voices of one or more women through letters or diaries that cover many years.

Although women’s letters to soldiers were often lost in the mud and carnage of battlefields, soldiers’ letters were treasured and have survived in abundance. If it is true, as Virginia Woolf once wrote, that in writing a letter one tries to reflect something of the recipient, then these letters, too, may add to our understanding of the lives of women and families.¹ Moreover so many of the soldiers’ letters respond to women’s questions, give hints or instructions on managing property, and allude to family life and routine at home, that they can be used to draw valid inferences about the activities of their female correspondents, even when the woman’s side of the correspondence is altogether lost.

Seen through women’s eyes, nineteenth-century southern social history takes on new dimensions. Subjects that were of only passing interest when historians depended on documents created by men now move to center stage. Women’s letters dwell heavily on illness, pregnancy, and childbirth. From them we can learn what it is like to live in a society in which very few diseases are well understood, in which death is common in all age groups, and in which infant mortality is an accepted fact of life. A woman of forty-three, writing in 1851, observed that her father, mother, four sisters, three brothers, and two infants were all dead, and except for her father, none had reached the age of thirty-six.²

Slavery has been a central concern of southern historians, generally from the white male perspective. Seen through the eyes of plantation mistresses, the peculiar institution becomes even more complex. We can observe a few women searching their souls about the morality of the institution, and many more complaining bitterly about the practical burdens it places upon them. We can find mothers worrying about the temptations slave life offers to husbands and sons—and even occasionally expressing sympathy for the vulnerability of slave women. Some claim to be opposed to the institution but do not take any steps to free their own slaves. Others simply agonize. There is, unfortunately, no countervailing written record to enable us to see the relationship from the slaves’ point of view.

Until late in the century the word feminism did not exist, and in the South “women’s rights” were often identified with the hated antislavery movement. “Strong-minded woman” was a term of anathema. Even so we find antebellum southern women in their most private moments wondering why men’s lives are so much less burdened than their own and why it is always they who must, as one woman wrote, provide the ladder on which a man may climb to heaven. Very


²Anne Beale Davis Diary, February 16, 1851, Beale-Davis Papers, Southern Historical Collection.
early in the nineteenth century women’s letters sometimes dwelt on the puzzling questions having to do with women’s proper role. After the Civil War a Georgia diarist reflected, apropos the battle over black suffrage, that if anyone, even the Yankees, had given her the right to vote she would not readily give it up. As early as the 1860s a handful of southern women presented suffrage arguments to the state constitutional conventions. After 1865 a surprising number of women spoke out in favor of suffrage and a larger number were quiet supporters. There were, of course, equally ardent opponents, and until 1910 or so, organizing suffrage associations was uphill work. As one goes through these records, however, suffragists and advocates of women’s rights emerge from the dim corners in which they tended to conceal themselves when they were alive.

The conventional view that southern women eschewed politics will not survive a close reading of these records. In 1808 one letter writer regretted the fact that a male literary society would have no more parties since she enjoyed listening to the men talk politics. As early as the 1820s there is evidence for women’s participation in political meetings and discussions. Such involvement continued through the secession debates and the difficult days of reconstruction. A South Carolina memoir offers a stirring account of the role of women in the critical election of 1876. By the 1870s southern women were already using their church societies to carve out a political role, and by the end of the century they had added secular clubs, many of them focused on civic improvement.

Reading women’s documents we can envision the kinds of education available to the most favored among them. Many women kept records of their reading and much of it was demanding: Plutarch’s Lives, for example, or Gibbon’s Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire. A very young woman who recorded reading Humboldt’s Kosmos, Milton’s Paradise Lost, Madame De Stael’s Corinna, and Guizot’s History of Civilization was not altogether unique. Others castigated themselves for reading novels and resolved (sometimes over and over) to undertake more serious study. At the very beginning of the nineteenth century a young woman from southwest Virginia had gone to Williamsburg to school, presumably to a female academy or seminary. There are many examples of strenuous efforts at self-education, and in the privacy of their diaries some women admitted to a passionate longing for knowledge (reading clubs, for example, were described as “a peace offering to a hungry mind”). Of course one of the limitations of sources such as these is precisely that they come principally from the minority who had some education. It is up to the perceptive historian to extrapolate from these documents to the poorer women, the slave women, and all those who seldom left a record at all. (There are occasional letters from slaves in these voluminous collections, but they are rare.)

Papers that cover a considerable period provide us with many real-life dramas. Courtship patterns and marriage and family experience emerge. We see the widow left with children to support as she tries various options to earn a living—and in some cases takes to drink to ease her burdens. We see the single woman cast on her own resources as she tries teaching or housekeeping for a widower to keep body and soul together. Single sisters of wives who died

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1Ella Gertrude Clanton Thomas Diary, November 2, 1868, William R. Perkins Library, Duke University.
2Jane C. Charlton to Sarah C. Watts, Sarah C. Watts Papers, Swem Library, College of William and Mary.
3Sally Elmore Taylor Memoir, Franklin Harper Elmore Papers, Southern Historical Collection.
4Sarah C. Watts Papers.
young were likely to wind up first taking care of the bereft children and then marrying the widower. Other single women bemoan their fate and reflect that it might be better to be dead than to live single. The Majette Family Papers from the holdings of the Virginia Historical Society provide one good example among many in the series where a husband and wife corresponded as he moved a slave force into new western lands (in Arkansas) while she managed an established plantation in the old southeast. Married or single, rich or poor, many women inadvertently reveal the socialization that has persuaded them that they should never complain, that they must be the burden bearers of family life.

Through the whole century, while the rest of the country was restlessly urbanizing, the South remained predominantly an agricultural society. Women’s records allow us to see the boredom of rural life in which almost any bit of news, any adolescent wickedness, any youthful romance is subject for comment. We see also the profound religious faith that supported many women through poverty, childbirth, widowhood, and the other trials that filled their lives. The religious history of the Civil War emerges as we see faith challenged by defeat, and many women beginning to question things they had always believed. In an act of stoical determination, the mortally ill Ann (Randolph) Fitzhugh penned a comprehensive essay of advice to her pre-teen daughters bequeathing them her ethics on the importance of religion in personal deportment, on the choosing of husbands, and even on sexual relations.

No reader of these documents can any longer doubt that plantation women, in addition to supervising the work of slaves, worked very hard themselves. Depending on their level of affluence, women might take care of livestock and chickens, plant and harvest gardens, card, spin and weave, make quilts, sew clothes, and perform many other specific tasks. The Soldiers’ Aid Societies that formed so quickly after secession rested on just these skills developed in the previous years.

One of the most interesting aspects of southern culture that emerges from papers such as these is the views women and men had of each other. No matter how much a woman admired any particular man, she often viewed men in general with extreme skepticism and sometimes with outright bitterness. Men were often described as selfish, authoritarian, profligate, given to drinking too much, and likely to judge women as a class, not in terms of their individual attributes. Many women found their economic dependence galling. In spite of the rather general chafing at the confines of patriarchy, individual women were devoted to and greatly admired their own husbands, sons, and fathers. Women who traveled spoke with admiration of the independence exhibited by northern women (this both before and after the Civil War). Discontent with their own lot included a good deal of private railing against constant childbearing and the burdens of caring for numerous children.

The concept of a woman’s culture is borne out by much of what can be read here. Women frequently assume that they say and feel things that only other women can understand.

It would be difficult to exaggerate the significance of this microfilm publication. Historians of women have been making use of many of these collections for three decades or more. Now it is gradually becoming clear that they are useful to the student of almost any aspect of southern culture and society. In a recent example, Clarence Mohr, writing about slavery in Georgia, realized that women’s records were virtually his only source for testing the well-established southern myth that all slaves had been docile, helpful workers when men went to war and left

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8 Majette Family Papers, Virginia Historical Society.
9 George Bolling Lee Papers, Virginia Historical Society.
their wives and children to supervise plantations. Years earlier Bell Irwin Wiley had suggested that the story was more complicated than that, but it did not occur to him to look for evidence in women’s papers. The description of such docility never seemed reasonable, but it was believed by many people, even some who had every reason to know better. In a close examination of women’s diaries and letters, Mohr found a quite different picture, one of slaves who, when the master departed, became willful and hard to direct and who gave the mistress many causes for distress. To be sure, they did not often murder families in their beds, but they became lackadaisical about work, took off without permission, talked back, and ran away to the Yankees when opportunity presented itself. They made use of all the thousand and one ways of expressing the frustration bondsmen and women must always feel.10

Wartime documents are revealing in other ways. We can see rumors flying, as victories and defeats were created in the mind, not on the battlefield. We sense the tension of waiting for word from men in the army. We see the women gradually losing faith that God will protect them from the invaders. For some, religion itself is called in question by the experience of invasion and defeat.

As we move into the remaining decades of the nineteenth century, these records allow us to trace some of the dramatic social changes of the postwar world. In one family we see a member of the generation of post–Civil War single women earning her living in a variety of ways and then beginning a full-time career as a teacher at the age of fifty-eight. She continued to teach well into her eighth decade. This particular set of papers is especially valuable since it goes through three generations—a wonderful exposition of social change as revealed in the lives of women.11

We must be struck by the number of men in the immediate postwar years who chose suicide over the challenges of creating a new society without slaves. In records from the second half of the century we can see lynching from the white perspective, observe the universal experience of adolescence, watch the arrival of rural free delivery of mail and the coming of the telephone, and many other evidences of change. Reading these personal documents the historian may be reminded of Tolstoy’s dictum that all happy families are alike, while unhappy families are each unhappy in their own way. One may be tempted to revise the aphorism to say that every family is sometimes happy and sometimes unhappy—the balance between the two states makes for a satisfactory or unsatisfactory life. Reading family papers one may also be forcefully reminded of Martha Washington, writing about the difficulties she faced as first lady. She was, she said, “determined to be cheerful and to be happy, in whatever situation I may be; for I have also learned from experience that the greater part of our happiness or misery depends upon our dispositions, and not upon our circumstances.”12

From the larger perspective of the social historian, records such as these will help us develop a more comprehensive picture of life as it was experienced by the literate part of the southern population over a century. They help us understand the intricate interaction of individual lives and social change. We can see the world through eyes that perceive very differently from our own and understand better the dramatic shifts in values that have occurred in the twentieth century. Like any other historical data these must be used with care, with empathy, with detachment, and with humility. But given those conditions they will add significantly to our

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11Mary Susan Ker Papers, Southern Historical Collection.

understanding of a world that in one sense is dead and gone, and in another sense lives on in the hearts and minds and behavior patterns of many southern people.

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NOTE ON SOURCES

The collections microfilmed in this edition are holdings of the Virginia Historical Society, P.O. Box 7311, Richmond, Virginia 23221-0311. The description of the collections provided in this user guide are adapted from inventories and indexes compiled by the Virginia Historical Society. The inventories and indexes are included among the introductory materials appearing on the microfilm at the beginning of each collection.

Historical maps, microfilmed among the introductory materials, are courtesy of the Map Collection of the Academic Affairs Library of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the Virginia Historical Society. Maps consulted include:

- Thomas G. Bradford, *Comprehensive Atlas*, 1835;
- J. H. Colton, *Colton’s Condensed Octavo Atlas of the Union*, 1864; and
- *The People’s Illustrated and Descriptive Family Atlas of the World*, 1887.

EDITORIAL NOTE

The Reel Index for this edition provides the user with a précis of the collections included. Each précis gives information on family history and many business and personal activities documented in the collection. Omissions from the microfilm edition are noted in the précis and on the microfilm. Descriptions of omitted materials are included in the introductory materials on the microfilm.

Following the précis, the Reel Index itemizes each file folder and manuscript volume. The four-digit number to the left of each entry indicates the frame number at which a particular document or series of documents begins.
REEL INDEX

Mss1B4255c, Bemiss Family Papers, 1848–1933,
New Orleans, Louisiana; also Kentucky and Tennessee

Description of the Collection
This collection consists of seventy-one items arranged in sections by name of individual and type of document.

Section 1 consists of three items, correspondence, 1869–1876, of Dr. Samuel Merrifield Bemiss ([1821–1884] of New Orleans, Louisiana) with Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss (b. 1850), John Harrison Bemiss ([1856–1897] at the University of Virginia), and John Dickson Bruns.

Section 2 consists of nine items, correspondence, 1848–1893, of Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss ([1827–1901] at Clarksville, Tennessee, New York City, and Washington, D.C.) with Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss ([b. 1850] of New Orleans, Louisiana), Dr. John Harrison Bemiss (1856–1897), Samuel Hamilton Bemiss (b. 1868), Bishop Benjamin Bosworth Smith (1794–1884), and Harriett L. Smith.

Section 3 consists of two items, an account, 1866, of Wright & Swearin of Louisville, Kentucky, with Mary Francis (Lockert) Bemiss (1827–1901); and an invitation, 1849, of Mrs. [otherwise unidentified] Barker to Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss.


Section 5 consists of three items, letters, 1892–1910, written to Amy Lacy (Bemiss) Blodgett ([b. 1854] of New Orleans, Louisiana) by Margaret (Lockert) Doak, Harper & Brothers of New York City, and The Daily Picayune of New Orleans, Louisiana.

Section 6 consists of two items, a letter, 1890, written by Mrs. C. R. Railey to Dr. John Harrison Bemiss ([1856–1897] of New Orleans, Louisiana); and a visiting card of Dr. John Harrison Bemiss.

Section 7 consists of two items, a letter, 1917, written by Benjamin Rice Lacy (b. 1854) to Eli Lockert Bemiss ([1859–1924] concerning the Lacy family); and a letter, undated, written by Eli Lockert Bemiss (1898–1961) to Cyane Dandridge (Williams) Bemiss (1866–1952).
Section 8 consists of twenty-three items, genealogical notes, undated, concerning the Bemiss, Cocke, Lacy, and Overton families.

_N.B._ Related collections among the holdings of the Virginia Historical Society include Mss1B4255d, Bemiss Family Papers, 1779–1921, and Mss1B4255e, Bemiss Family Papers, 1823–1915, included in the present edition. Other related collections include Mss1W6767a, Williams Family Papers, 1830–1946, included in part in *Southern Women and Their Families in the 19th Century: Papers and Diaries, Series D, Part 2.*

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_Mss1B4255d, Bemiss Family Papers, 1779–1921, New Orleans, Louisiana; also Kentucky and Tennessee_

**Description of the Collection**

This collection consists of 189 items arranged in sections by name of individual and type of document.

Section 1 consists of one item, a bond, 30 March 1790, of Jacob Remey, Loudoun County, Virginia, to James Wiley, Fairfax County, Virginia, for the sum of £6 19s 2d. The bond is witnessed by Nathaniel Foster, and verso bears a receipt, 27 November 1792, of Charles Eskridge.

Section 3 consists of four items, materials, 1794–1864, concerning the estate of Dr. John Bemiss ([1773–1851] of Bloomfield, Kentucky). Items include an affidavit, 1794, of Eliphalet Nott ([1773–1866] of Plainfield Academy, Plainfield, Connecticut); a will (copy) 1851, probated in Nelson County, Kentucky; an inventory (copy) 1851, of the estate; and a settlement (copy) 1864, of the estate.


Section 5 consists of twenty items, materials, 1863–1865, concerning the service of Dr. Samuel Merrifield Bemiss (1821–1884) in the Confederate Army of Northern Virginia and as Assistant Medical Director of Hospitals of the Army of Tennessee at Columbus and Macon, Georgia; Macon, Mississippi; and Montgomery, Alabama. Items include accounts, inventories of supplies, orders, passes, and printed forms recommending furloughs and retirements.

Section 6 consists of six items, materials, 1865–1885, concerning Dr. Samuel Merrifield Bemiss (1821–1884). Items include a license, 1865, to practice medicine in Louisville, Kentucky, issued by the U.S. Collector of Internal Revenue, 3rd District of Kentucky (signed by Philip Speed and bears seal); an appointment, 1876, as delegate to the International Medical Congress, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, issued by the American Medical Association (signed by William Biddle Atkinson [1832–1909]); memorials, 1884–1885, of the Charity Hospital of the State of Louisiana, New Orleans (by authority of Edwin Marks) and the Medical Department of Tulane University of Louisiana (by authority of J. D. Bloom, B. W. Inman, Albert J. Meyer, Charles L. Seemann, and M. E. Singleton); and photographs.

Section 7 consists of one item, a scrapbook, 1843–1897, of Eli Lockert Bemiss (1859–1924). The volume was kept in New Orleans, Louisiana, and concerns Dr. John Harrison Bemiss (1856–1897) and Dr. Samuel Merrifield Bemiss (1821–1884). The volume also includes correspondence of John B. Adger (1810–1899), Paul E. Archinard, John J. Barr, J. M. Batchelor, Nettie H. Bearegard, Harriet C. Beckurts, Mary Bell, Salie Bell, Eli Lockert Bemiss, Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss (b. 1850), John Harrison Bemiss, Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss (1827–1901), Samuel Merrifield Bemiss, Amy Lacy (Bemiss) Blodgett (b. 1854), Henry Ingersoll Bowditch (1808–1892), John E. Britton, Henry Dickson Bruns (1859–1933), Margaret Lockert (Bemiss) Bryan (b. 1862), Samuel Bryan, James H. Bryson, Andrew Buchanan, Anna A. Burrell, James Lawrence Cabell (1813–1889), Thomas Henry Carter (1831–1908), Stanford Emerson Chaille (1830–1911), Harvey L. Christie (b. 1860), W. A. Croxton, Mary M. Davis, Richard H. Day, Mrs. Edith Bayne Denegre, H. M. Doak, Margaret (Lockert) Doak, Thomas Waln-Morgan Draper (b. 1855), Fayette Dunlap, W.

Section 8 consists of twenty-eight items, correspondence, 1843–1901, of Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss ([1827–1901] of Clarksville, Tennessee; Fredericktown, Kentucky; and New Orleans, Louisiana) with Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss (b. 1850), Amy Lacy (Bemiss) Blodgett (b. 1854), Mrs. Kate H. Breckenridge, Mrs. Anna M. Caruthers, Horace Gaither, Mary (Lacy) Gee (concerning the Lacy family), Amy Jones Cocke (Lacy) Lockert (b. 1800), Eli Lockert (b. 1790), James L. Lockert (while serving in the Confederate Army of the Tennessee at Chattanooga, Tennessee, and Dalton and Tarboro, Georgia), Mrs. Anna H. Lyon (concerning Dr. John Harrison Bemiss [1856–1897]), W. A. McClure (bears an invitation to a dance), M. L. Montgomery, Catharine Gifford Skelton (1821–1897), Stephen Osborne Southall (1857–1943), Mrs. Anne Stone
(bears a letter of James A. Gaither), Davis Stone, Benjamin Miller Wible (1814–1877), and Elizabeth M. Wight.

Section 9 consists of seven items, letters, 1884–1914, written to Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss ([b. 1850] of New Orleans, Louisiana) by Margaret (Lockert) Doak, L. K. Hunt, J. Jamison, and Mildred H. O’Connor.

Section 10 consists of six items, letters, 1897–1906, written to Amy Lacy (Bemiss) Blodgett ([b. 1854] of New Orleans, Louisiana, and Richmond, Virginia) by William Sterling Lacy (concerning the Lacy family), Benjamin Morgan Palmer (1818–1902), John W. Ross, and William Glover Stanard ([1858–1933] concerning the Cocke and Lacy families).

Section 11 consists of three items, letters, 1887–1896, written to Dr. John Harrison Bemiss ([1856–1897] of New Orleans, Louisiana) by J. D. Bloom and Benjamin Morgan Palmer (1818–1902).

Section 12 consists of eight items, bonds, 1871, of Eli Lockert Bemiss (1859–1924) and Dr. John Harrison Bemiss (1856–1897) to Brunson & Co. of New Orleans, Louisiana; a receipt, 1871, of Brunson & Co. of New Orleans, Louisiana, to Eli Lockert Bemiss and Dr. John Harrison Bemiss; and photographs of Dr. John Harrison Bemiss.


Section 14 consists of two items, a letter, 1897, written by Gustav Keitz (of New Orleans, Louisiana) to Samuel Hamilton Bemiss (b. 1868); and a letter, 1909, written by John Williams Bemiss ([1896–1911] of Richmond, Virginia) to Mamie [otherwise unidentified].

Section 15 consists of one item, an account, 1779–1787, of Aaron Lockert, with the state of South Carolina for militia service and public service claims. This item is a copy made from the originals in the Historical Commission of South Carolina, Columbia, in 1916.

Section 16 consists of nine items, correspondence, 1833–1868, of Amy Jones Cocke (Lacy) Lockert ([b. 1800] of Clarksville, Tennessee) with Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss (b. 1850), Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss (1827–1901), Samuel Hamilton Bemiss (b. 1868), Stephen Frederick Cocke (1810–1856), Horace Gaither, Mrs. N. H. Grundy, Elizabeth (Overton) Lacy, Martha C. Lacy, and Sarah E. (Lockert) Stone (d. 1848).

Section 17 consists of three items, letters, 1848–1862, written by or addressed to Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss (1827–1901), Margaret (Lockert) Doak, Amy Jones Cocke (Lacy) Lockert (b. 1800), Eli Lockert ([b. 1790] of Clarksville, Tennessee), James L. Lockert, E. J. McClure, Isaac D. Stone (of Bloomfield, Kentucky), and Sarah E. (Lockert) Stone (d. 1848).

Section 18 consists of four items, letters, 1828–1829, written to William H. Lacy (of Clarksville, Tennessee, and Harrodsburg, Kentucky) by Thomas G. Corley and James M. Lockert ([d. 1845] while serving in the U.S. Navy on board the Guerriere); an essay, 1832, of William H. Lacy (concerning schools in Kentucky); and a letter, 1833, of George Edward Chase ([ca. 1805–1844] of New Orleans, Louisiana) to Alexander Hamilton Bowman ([ca. 1803–1865] concerning William H. Lacy).

Section 19 consists of fourteen items, genealogical notes, undated, concerning the Bemiss, Stone, and Williams families.

Section 20 consists of one item, a letter, 28 January 1866, of Mary Anna Randolph (Custis) Lee (1808–1873), Lexington, Virginia, to Caroline (Steenbergen) Blackford. The letter concerns George Washington Custis Lee (1832–1913), Robert Edward Lee (1807–1870), Robert Edward
Lee (1843–1914), William Henry Fitzhugh Lee (1837–1891), and William Tecumseh Sherman (1820–1891); Romancoke, King William County, Virginia; White House, New Kent County, Virginia; and secession.

N.B. Related collections among the holdings of the Virginia Historical Society include Mss1B4255c, Bemiss Family Papers, 1848–1933, and Mss1B4255e, Bemiss Family Papers, 1823–1915, included in the present edition. Other related collections include Mss1W6767a, Williams Family Papers, 1830–1946, included in part in Southern Women and Their Families in the 19th Century: Papers and Diaries, Series D, Part 2.

Reel 1 cont.

Introductory Materials

0235 Introductory Materials. 9 frames.

Papers

0244 Section 1, Jacob Remey, Bond, 1790. 4 frames.
0248 Section 2, John Bemiss, Correspondence, 1799–1845. 63 frames.
0311 Section 3, Various Persons, Materials Concerning John Bemiss, 1794–1864. 17 frames.
0328 Section 4, Folder 1 of 5, Samuel Merrifield Bemiss, Correspondence, 1840–1882, Unidentified and Bemiss. 75 frames.
0403 Section 4, Folder 2 of 5, Samuel Merrifield Bemiss, Correspondence, 1840–1882, Billings–Breckinridge. 18 frames.
0421 Section 4, Folder 3 of 5, Samuel Merrifield Bemiss, Correspondence, 1840–1882, Brown–Gaither. 21 frames.
0442 Section 4, Folder 4 of 5, Samuel Merrifield Bemiss, Correspondence, 1840–1882, Gamble–Hardee. 11 frames.
0453 Section 4, Folder 5 of 5, Samuel Merrifield Bemiss, Correspondence, 1840–1882, Hopkins–Stout. 26 frames.
0516 Section 6, Various Persons, Materials Concerning Samuel Merrifield Bemiss, 1865–1885. 13 frames.
0529 Section 7, Eli Lockert Bemiss, Scrapbook, 1843–1897. 310 frames.
0839 Section 8, Folder 1 of 5, Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss, Correspondence, 1843–1901, Unidentified and Bemiss–Breckinridge. 25 frames.
0864 Section 8, Folder 2 of 5, Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss, Correspondence, 1843–1901, Carruthers–Gee. 13 frames.
0877 Section 8, Folder 3 of 5, Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss, Correspondence, 1843–1901, Lockert–Lyon. 44 frames.
0921 Section 8, Folder 4 of 5, Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss, Correspondence, 1843–1901, McClure–Southall. 25 frames.
0946 Section 8, Folder 5 of 5, Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss, Correspondence, 1843–1901, Stone–Wight. 20 frames.
0966 Section 9, Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss, Correspondence, 1884–1914. 19 frames.
0985 Section 10, Amy Lacy (Bemiss) Blodgett, Correspondence, 1897–1906. 26 frames.
1011 Section 11, John Harrison Bemiss, Correspondence, 1887–1896. 7 frames.
Reel Index

Frame No.

Reel 2

Mss1B4255d, Bemiss Family Papers, 1779–1921 cont.

Papers cont.

0001 Section 12, Eli Lockert Bemiss and John Harrison Bemiss, Bonds, Receipt, and Photographs, 1871 and Undated. 12 frames.

0013 Section 13, Eli Lockert Bemiss, Correspondence, 1897–1921. 27 frames.

0040 Section 14, Samuel Hamilton Bemiss and John Williams Bemiss, Correspondence, 1897–1909. 5 frames.

0045 Section 15, Aaron Lockert, Accounts, 1779–1787. 8 frames.

0053 Section 16, Amy Jones Cocke (Lacy) Lockert, Correspondence, 1833–1868. 40 frames.

0093 Section 17, Various Persons, Correspondence, 1848–1862. 13 frames.

0106 Section 18, William H. Lacy, Correspondence, Essay, and Letter Concerning Him, 1828–1833. 16 frames.

0122 Section 19, Various Persons, Genealogical Notes, Undated. 14 frames.

0136 Section 20, Mary Anna Randolph (Custis) Lee, Letter, 1866. 6 frames.

Mss1B4255e, Bemiss Family Papers, 1823–1915,

New Orleans, Louisiana; also Kentucky and Tennessee

Description of the Collection

This collection consists of seventy-four items arranged in sections by name of individual and type of document.

Section 1 consists of one item, a diary, 1839–1843, of Samuel Merrifield Bemiss (1821–1884). The volume was kept in Ballardsville, Bardstown, Bloomfield, and Louisville, Kentucky, and New York, New York, and also includes correspondence (copy), 1839–1841, of Mrs. E. M. Bemiss, Dr. Samuel Merrifield Bemiss (1821–1884), and M. E. Waldo. The volume also includes notes concerning medical lectures, 1842, of Dr. John Revere of the Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and minutes, 12 May 1843, of the Broad Tread Fellows, Bloomfield, Kentucky.

Section 2 consists of six items, letters, 1871–1880, written by Dr. Samuel Merrifield Bemiss ([1821–1884] of New Orleans, Louisiana) to Eli Lockert Bemiss (1859–1924), Dr. John Harrison Bemiss (1856–1897), and Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss ([1866–1952] of the Hawaiian Islands [with map] and enclosing drawing of the Kilauea crater).

Section 3 consists of two items, accounts, 1841, of Samuel Merrifield Bemiss (1821–1884). The accounts were kept in Bloomfield, Kentucky.

Section 4 consists of seventeen items, correspondence, 1876–1901, of Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss ([1827–1901] of Clarksville, Tennessee, and New Orleans, Louisiana) with Cyane Dandridge (Williams) Bemiss (1866–1952), Eli Lockert Bemiss (1859–1924), and Dr. John Harrison Bemiss ([1856–1897] of the Hawaiian Islands [with map] and enclosing drawing of the Kilauea crater).

Section 5 consists of two items, an account, 1859, of Mary Frances (Lockert) Bemiss (1827–1901) with N. V. Gerhart, Louisville, Kentucky; and a pass book, 1893–1900, of Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss (b. 1850) with the Germania Savings Bank, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Section 6 consists of four items, letters, 1823–1881, written by or addressed to Eli Lockert Bemiss (1859–1924), Elizabeth Lacy Bemiss (b. 1850), Dr. John Harrison Bemiss ([1856–1897] of
the Hawaiian Islands), Margaret Lockert (Bemiss) Bryan (b. 1862), J. A. Hassinger, Amy J. (Lacy) Lockert (b. 1800) of Clarksville, Tennessee) and Robert Mills Lusher ([1823–1890] concerning Dr. John Harrison Bemiss).

Section 7 consists of nine items, certificates of merit, 1873–1876, issued to Dr. John Harrison Bemiss (1856–1897) by the University of Virginia (signed by Dr. John Staige Davis [1824–1885], Noah Knowles Davis [1830–1910], Dr. James Francis Harrison [b. 1822], John William Mallet [1832–1912], William Elisha Peters [1829–1906], Charles Scott Venable [1827–1900], and William Wertenbaker [1797–1882] and bears seals); a report card, 1873, issued to Dr. John Harrison Bemiss by the University of Virginia; and diplomas, 1878, issued to Dr. John Harrison Bemiss by the Medical Department of the University of Louisiana (bears seals).

Section 8 consists of fifteen items, accounts, 1886–1900, of Eli Lockert Bemiss (1859–1924). The accounts were kept in New Orleans, Louisiana, and Richmond, Virginia (concerning the construction of a residence at 117 East Grace Street).

Section 9 consists of two items, certificates of merit, 1879, issued to Eli Lockert Bemiss (1859–1924) by the University of Virginia (signed by Noah Knowles Davis [1830–1910], Dr. James Francis Harrison [b. 1822], and John William Mallet [1832–1912] and bears seals).

Section 10 consists of eleven items, materials, 1904–1915, concerning Samuel Merrifield Bemiss (1894–1966). Items include certificates of merit issued by Miss C. M. Colquitt’s School, Richmond, Virginia (signed by Carrie Moore Colquitt [1859–1943]), McGuire’s University School, Richmond, Virginia (signed by Dr. Karl Sigismund Blackwell [1879–1940], Elam W. Bosworth, John William Eggleston [1886–1976], Edmund C. Harrison, John Peyton McGuire [1866–1948], H. L. Roberts, and Dr. Benjamin M. Rosebro [1876–1936] and bears seal), and the University of Virginia (signed by William Muse Hunley, Charles Alphonso Smith [1864–1924], and Howard Winston [b. 1852]); and report cards issued by McGuire’s University School, Richmond, Virginia.

Section 11 consists of five items, genealogical charts concerning the Bemiss, Cocke, Lacy, Lockert, and Overton families.

N.B. Related collections among the holdings of the Virginia Historical Society include Mss1B4255c, Bemiss Family Papers, 1848–1933, and Mss1B4255d, Bemiss Family Papers, 1779–1921, included in the present edition. Other related collections include Mss1W6767a, Williams Family Papers, 1830–1946, included in part in Southern Women and Their Families in the 19th Century: Papers and Diaries, Series D, Part 2.
Reel 2 cont.

Introductory Materials

0362 Introductory Materials. 4 frames.

Autograph Album

0366 Fannie Rebecca Black, Autograph Album, 1857–1934. 69 frames.

Mss5:7C6933:1, Frances Cornelia (Barbour) Collins Scrapbook, 1827–1833, London, England; also Virginia

Description of the Collection

Reel Index

Reel 2 cont.

Introductory Materials

0435 Introductory Materials. 4 frames.

Scrapbook

0439 Frances Cornelia (Barbour) Collins, Scrapbook, 1827–1833. 59 frames.

Mss1C7345a, Comfort Family Papers, 1848–1900, Thomas County, Georgia; also Virginia

Description of the Collection

This collection consists of 174 items arranged in sections by name of individual and type of document.

Section 1 consists of two items, letters, 1854–1861, written to Daniel McIntosh (of Thomas County, Georgia) by H. B. Robinson and James Lindsay Seward (1813–1886).

Section 2 consists of four items, an affidavit, 1848, of John Bissell (bears seal) and William H. Lawrence (concerning M. M. McIntosh and Co., Anderson & Co. of New York, New York); receipts, 1858, of C. A. Groover and James Parker to Daniel McIntosh (of Thomas County, Georgia) for the sale of slaves; and a letter, 1862, of James Lindsay Seward (1813–1886) of Thomasville, Georgia to Alexander Hamilton Stephens (1812–1883) concerning Daniel McIntosh.

Section 3 consists of one item, a letter, 1866, of the Female School, Charlotte Court House, Virginia, to an unidentified addressee. The letter was issued by authority of David Comfort, and concerns courses of instruction and financial terms.


Section 5 consists of eight items, materials, 1857–1865, concerning David Comfort (1837–1873). Items include a certificate of merit, 1857, in mathematics from Hampden-Sydney College (signed by Lewis Littlepage Holladay [1832–1891]); a discharge, 1861, from the Confederate States Army (Department of the Northwest, 20th Virginia Infantry Regiment, G Company) by order of John Archer; an account, 1863, with Isaac Read (1807–1887); a certificate, 1863, of exemption from service in the Confederate States Army (signed by Dr. T. W. Elliott, Dr. E. Lea, and Dr. W. H. Wheeler); a license, 1863, as a minister issued by the Roanoke Presbytery (signed by Samuel Joseph Price [1809–1871]); a commission, 1864, as a domestic missionary issued by the Presbytery of Florida (signed by John E. Dubose); a commission, 1864, as a member of the Thomas County Relief Committee to the Confederate States Army of Georgia (signed by George W. Adams and Ansel Dekle and bears seal of the Inferior Court of Thomas County, Georgia); and an oath of allegiance, 1865, to support the United States (witnessed by Henry H. Tooke).

Section 6 consists of ten items, letters, 1873–1886, written to Charlotte C. (McIntosh) Comfort (of Boston, Georgia) by David Comfort ([1807–1877] of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia), James Comfort ([1842–1900] of Knoxville, Tennessee), Kate Douglas (Garrett) Comfort, Mary Louisa (Read) Comfort ([b. 1813] of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia), John Anderson McIntosh (b. 1819), and Catherine Scott (Comfort) McKelway ([1836–1891] of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia).

Section 7 consists of one item, an oath of allegiance, 15 December 1865, of Charlotte C. (McIntosh) Comfort, Thomas County, Georgia, to support the United States. The oath is witnessed by Henry H. Tooke.

Section 8 consists of four items, letters, 1857–1881, written by James Comfort ([1842–1900] of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia, and Knoxville, Tennessee) to Benjamin McIntosh Comfort (of Boston, Georgia), David Comfort (b. 1868), Samuel Read Comfort ([1840–1863] concerning Edward Payson Terhune [1830–1907] and the Village Presbyterian Church, Charlotte County, Virginia), and Sarah Embra (Comfort) Watkins (1848–1921).

Section 9 consists of six items, letters, 1879–1884, written to David Comfort ([b. 1868] of Boston, Georgia) by Jane King Comfort (1802–1883), Mary Louisa (Read) Comfort ([b. 1813] of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia), and Alexander Jeffrey McKelway ([1866–1918] of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia).

Section 10 consists of three items, letters, 1882–1885, written to Benjamin McIntosh Comfort (of Boston, Georgia) by Mary Louisa (Read) Comfort ([b. 1813] of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia) and David Comfort McKelway ([1870–1914] of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia); and a letter, 1885, of Mary Louisa (Read) Comfort (of Moldavia, Charlotte County, Virginia) to Kate Comfort (of Boston, Georgia).

Section 11 consists of ten items, letters, 1857–1865, written by or addressed to Mary J. (McIntosh) Cave (of Boston, Georgia), James M. Davison (concerning land in Georgia), J. Randolph Hardison (while serving in the Confederate States Army of Tennessee, 25th Texas Infantry Regiment, G Company), Richard McIlwaine ([1834–1913] of Petersburg, Virginia,

Section 12 consists of four items, obituary notices, 1873–1900, of David Comfort (1837–1873), James Comfort (1842–1900), and Paulina Cabell Read (1819–1900); and a newspaper (handwritten), *Moldavia Register*, 2 June 1888, compiled by the Moldavia Female School, Charlotte County, Virginia.
Reel Index

0100  Section 11, Various Persons, Correspondence, 1857–1865. 41 frames.
0141  Section 12, Various Persons, Obituary Notice and Moldavia Register, 1873–1900. 17 frames.

Mss5:7D8697:3, Nora M. Duerson Scrapbook, 1891–1901, La Grange, Kentucky

Description of the Collection
This collection consists of one item, a scrapbook, 1891–1901, of Nora M. Duerson (d. 1918). The volume was kept in La Grange, Kentucky, and includes newspaper articles, programs, and catalogs concerning the Funk Seminary and the La Grange Academy of La Grange, Kentucky.


Reel 3 cont.
Frame No.

Introductory Materials

0158  Introductory Materials. 3 frames.

Scrapbook

0161  Nora M. Duerson, Scrapbook, 1891–1901. 78 frames.

Mss5:7D8697:1, Nora M. Duerson Scrapbook, 1894–1900, La Grange, Kentucky

Description of the Collection
This collection consists of one item, a scrapbook, 1894–1900, of Nora M. Duerson (d. 1918). The volume was kept in La Grange, Kentucky, and includes miscellaneous newspaper articles by or about women.


Reel 3 cont.

Introductory Materials

0239  Introductory Materials. 3 frames.
Scrapbook

0242 Nora M. Duerson, Scrapbook, 1894–1900. 97 frames.

Mss5:7D8697:4, Nora M. Duerson Scrapbook, 1895–1902, La Grange, Kentucky

Description of the Collection

This collection consists of one item, a scrapbook, 1895–1902, of Nora M. Duerson (d. 1918). The volume was kept in La Grange, Kentucky, and includes lines of verse and miscellaneous newspaper articles by or about women.


Reel 3 cont.
Frame No.

Introductory Materials

0339 Introductory Materials. 3 frames.

Scrapbook

0342 Nora M. Duerson, Scrapbook, 1895–1902. 131 frames.

Mss5:7D8697:2, Nora M. Duerson Scrapbook, 1895–1904, La Grange, Kentucky

Description of the Collection

This collection consists of one item, a scrapbook, 1895–1904, of Nora M. Duerson (d. 1918). The volume was kept in La Grange, Kentucky, and includes miscellaneous newspaper articles by or about women.

Reel 3 cont.

Introductory Materials

0473 Introductory Materials. 3 frames

Scrapbook

0476 Nora M. Duerson, Scrapbook, 1895–1904. 60 frames.

\textit{Mss5:7D8697:5, Nora M. Duerson Scrapbook, 1899–1910, La Grange, Kentucky}

\textbf{Description of the Collection}

This collection consists of one item, a scrapbook, 1899–1910, of Nora M. Duerson (d. 1918). The volume was kept in La Grange, Kentucky, and includes lines of verse and miscellaneous newspaper articles by or about women.


Reel 3 cont.

Frame No.

Introductory Materials

0536 Introductory Materials. 3 frames.

Scrapbook


\textit{Mss5:5D8697:2, Nora M. Duerson Commonplace Book, 1906, La Grange, Kentucky}

\textbf{Description of the Collection}

This collection consists of one item, a commonplace book, 1906, of Nora M. Duerson (d. 1918). The volume was kept in La Grange, Kentucky, and includes secular proverbs, many concerning the work ethic.

Reel 3 cont.

**Introductory Materials**

0699 Introductory Materials. 2 frames.

**Commonplace Book**

0701 Nora M. Duerson, Commonplace Book, 1906. 13 frames.

*Mss5:5D8697:1, Nora M. Duerson Commonplace Book, 1908, La Grange, Kentucky*

**Description of the Collection**

This collection consists of one item, a commonplace book, 1908, of Nora M. Duerson (d. 1918). The volume was kept in La Grange, Kentucky, and includes secular proverbs, many concerning the work ethic.


Reel 3 cont.

**Introductory Materials**

0714 Introductory Materials. 3 frames.

**Commonplace Book**

0717 Nora M. Duerson, Commonplace Book, 1908. 60 frames.

*Mss1G6596a, Gordon Family Papers, 1887–1901, Baltimore, Maryland; also District of Columbia and Virginia*

**Description of the Collection**


This collection contains letters from Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon (1836–1901), an aging, wealthy widow, to her sons Douglas Huntly Gordon (1866–1918) and Basil Brown Gordon (1860–1901). There are also a few letters to their wives, Lelia Sinclair (Montague) Gordon Barnett (1871–1959) and Elizabeth Iris Southall (Clarke) Gordon Biddle Gordon (1871–1958). By the 1890s Anne Eliza Gordon and both of her sons resided in Baltimore, Maryland, but the family
continued to own property in Rappahannock County, Virginia. She travelled widely in Virginia, New York, and New Jersey, but her correspondence concerns the daily lives of a small circle of friends and family and her emotional responses to them. The letters contain few descriptions of her surroundings and most are undated. They illuminate the relationship between mothers and adult sons in the late nineteenth century.


Reel 3 cont.

*Frame No.*

**Introductory Materials**

0777 Introductory Materials. 3 frames.

**Papers**

0780 Folder 1 of 12, Lelia Sinclair (Montague) Gordon Barnett, 1897–1898 and Undated. 31 frames.
0811 Folder 2 of 12, Basil B. Gordon, 1895–1898 and Undated. 166 frames.

Reel 4

*Mss1G6596a, Gordon Family Papers, 1887–1901 cont.*

**Papers cont.**

0001 Folder 3 of 12, Douglas H. Gordon, Undated (ca. 1887–1901). 298 frames.
0509 Folder 5 of 12, Douglas H. Gordon, Undated (ca. 1887–1901). 310 frames.

Reel 5

*Mss1G6596a, Gordon Family Papers, 1887–1901 cont.*

**Papers cont.**

0001 Folder 7 of 12, Douglas H. Gordon, Undated (ca. 1887–1901). 92 frames.
0093 Folder 8 of 12, Douglas H. Gordon, Undated (ca. 1887–1901). 90 frames.
0315 Folder 10 of 12, Douglas H. Gordon, Undated (ca. 1887–1901). 82 frames.
0397 Folder 11 of 12, Elizabeth Iris Southall (Clarke) Gordon Biddle Gordon, 1898–1899 and Undated. 29 frames.
0426 Folder 12 of 12, Miscellany, 1893–1896 and Undated. 16 frames.
Mss1G6596b, Gordon Family Papers, 1885–1900, 
Baltimore, Maryland; also District of Columbia and Virginia

Description of the Collection
This collection consists of 163 items, including letters written to Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon ([1836–1901] at Baltimore, Maryland) by M. Baldwin, Basil Brown Gordon (1860–1901), Douglas Huntly Gordon (1866–1918), Elizabeth Iris Southall (Clark) Gordon Biddle Gordon (1871–1958), James Morrison, and DeCourcy Wright Thom (1858–1932). The collection consists primarily of letters from Douglas Huntly Gordon (1866–1918) to his mother, Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon (1836–1901). Both resided in Baltimore, Maryland, but the family also owned property in Virginia, and family members travelled extensively in the East.

Douglas Gordon’s letters focus on the activities of family members, especially the health and political aspirations of his brother, Basil Brown Gordon (1860–1901). They also include some information on the maintenance of family residences and sources of income. 


Reel 5 cont.

Introductory Materials

Papers

0442 Introductory Materials. 3 frames.

0459 Folder 2 of 10, Douglas Huntly Gordon, 1886–1890 and Undated. 56 frames.
0515 Folder 3 of 10, Douglas Huntly Gordon, 1891–1893. 28 frames.
0543 Folder 4 of 10, Douglas Huntly Gordon, 1894. 72 frames.
0615 Folder 5 of 10, Douglas Huntly Gordon, 1895. 8 frames.
0623 Folder 6 of 10, Douglas Huntly Gordon, 1896. 65 frames.
0688 Folder 7 of 10, Douglas Huntly Gordon, 1897. 62 frames.
0750 Folder 8 of 10, Douglas Huntly Gordon, 1898. 48 frames.
0822 Folder 10 of 10, Elizabeth (Clarke) Gordon–DeCourcy Wright Thom, 1897–1899. 9 frames.

Mss1G6596c, Gordon Family Papers, 1844–1951, 
Baltimore, Maryland; also District of Columbia and Virginia

Description of the Collection
This collection consists of 3,899 items arranged in sections by name of individual and type of document.
Section 1 consists of nine items, correspondence, 1864–ca. 1875, of Douglas Hamilton Gordon (at Brooklandville, Maryland, and Fredericksburg and Wakefield Manor, Rappahannock County, Virginia) with John Adams Dix (bears endorsement of Benjamin Franklin Butler), Douglas Huntly Gordon, William Levis James, Montgomery Cunningham Meigs, Richard Robins, William Henry Seward (bears seal of the U.S. State Department), and Edwin McMasters Stanton.

Section 2 consists of six items, an appointment, 1862, of Douglas Hamilton Gordon to the Board of Visitors of the University of Virginia (signed by John Letcher and George Wythe Munford and bears seal of Virginia); a pardon, 1865, of Douglas Hamilton Gordon issued by the president of the United States (signed by William Hunter and Andrew Johnson and bears seal); affidavits, 1865, of William Henry Seward (bears seal of the U.S. State Department) and E. B. Townsend concerning the oath of Douglas Hamilton Gordon to support the United States; an affidavit, 1865 (i.e., 1866), of Dr. H. G. Bates concerning a house of Douglas Hamilton Gordon in Fredericksburg, Virginia; and a poem, “Lines to Virginia,” undated, written by Douglas Hamilton Gordon.

Section 3 consists of 134 items, correspondence, 1863–1901, of Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon (of Baltimore, Maryland) with Lelia Sinclair (Montague) Gordon Barnett (of Wakefield Manor, Rappahannock County, Virginia), Mrs. J. D. Coulter, Basil Brown Gordon (of Wakefield Manor, Rappahannock County, Virginia), Douglas Huntly Gordon, Elizabeth Bolling (Skipwith) Gordon, Elizabeth Iris Southall (Clarke) Gordon Biddle Gordon, John Triplett Haxall, Rose Stanley (Gordon) Haxall, Nannie Campbell (Gordon) Lovell (bears photograph of Mountain Top Hotel and Springs, Afton, Virginia), Dr. Hunter Holmes McGuire, Lelia (Sinclair) Montague, P. Neville, Caroline Thomson (Massie) Pleasants, James Pleasants, Mrs. M. C. Somerville, De Courcy Wright Thom, Mary McDonald (Thomas) Whyte, Ellen Douglas (Gordon) Wilson, Dr. Hiram Woods, and Joel Gutman & Co. of Baltimore, Maryland.


Section 5 consists of seven items, a certificate, 1889, of election of Basil Brown Gordon to the Virginia Senate (signed by Henry Wood Flournoy [Secretary of the Commonwealth] and bears seal of Virginia); a lease, 1895, of James S. Forbes to Basil Brown Gordon for land in Baltimore, Maryland (witnessed by J. Edwin F. Mann); an account, 1901, of Basil Brown Gordon; and notes of Basil Brown Gordon concerning Arthur Pue Gorman, Isaac Freeman Rasin, Democratic Party leaders in Virginia, chinaware, and horses.

Section 6 consists of twelve items, correspondence, 1901–ca. 1920, of Lelia Sinclair (Montague) Gordon Barnett (of Baltimore, Maryland) with Kate B. (Montague) Catlin, Douglas Huntley Gordon, John Quitman Lovell, Nannie Campbell (Gordon) Lovell, Lelia (Sinclair) Montague, J. Peterson, and Archibald Henderson Taylor.

Section 8 consists of five items, telegrams, 1901, to John Quitman Lovell (of Baltimore, Maryland) from William Cabell Bruce, Bolling Haxall Harrison, Baker Hull, and Alfred Magill Randolph; and an account, 1909–1911, of John Quitman Lovell.

Section 9 consists of three items, correspondence, 1901, of Rose Stanley (Gordon) Haxall (of Baltimore, Maryland) with Hannah [otherwise unidentified], John Triplett Haxall, and Caroline Thomson (Massie) Pleasants.

Section 10 consists of four items, letters, 1896–1901, written to De Courcy Wright Thom (of Baltimore, Maryland) by Meta [otherwise unidentified], John Triplett Haxall, and John Skelton Williams.

**Omissions**

A list of omissions from Mss1G6596c, Gordon Family Papers, 1844–1951, is provided on Reel 6, Frames 0218–0219. Omissions consist of Sections 11–37, Douglas Huntly Gordon (1866–1918);

Elizabeth Iris Southall (Clarke) Gordon Biddle Gordon (1871–1958); Douglas Huntly Gordon (b. 1902); Elizabeth Stith (Gordon) Bingley (b. 1898); Anne Huntly (Gordon) Dahlgren (1899–1936); Virginia Southall (Gordon) Keppel-Palmer (b. 1903); John Hampden Pleasants (1797–1846); Sallie E. (Clarke) Aylett (d. ca. 1951); Mrs. Annie E. Clarke; Archibald Henderson Taylor (b. 1851); Clarance A. Wyche; and others. Omitted materials are predominately 20th century but include extensive 19th century women’s correspondence.

*N.B.* Related collections among the holdings of the Virginia Historical Society include Mss1G6596a, Gordon Family Papers, 1887–1901, and Mss1G6596b, Gordon Family Papers, 1885–1900, included in the present edition.

**Reel 5 cont.**

**Introductory Materials**

0831 Introductory Materials. 26 frames.

**Papers**

0857 Section 1, Douglas Hamilton Gordon, Correspondence, 1864–ca. 1875. 20 frames.
0877 Section 2, Douglas Hamilton Gordon, Other Papers, 1862–1866 and Undated. 14 frames.
0891 Section 3, Folder 1 of 5, Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon, Correspondence, 1863–1901, Unidentified and Barnett–Gordon, Basil Brown. 85 frames.
0976 Section 3, Folder 2 of 5, Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon, Correspondence, 1863–1901, Douglas Huntly Gordon. 111 frames.
1087 Section 3, Folder 3 of 5, Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon, Correspondence, 1863–1901, Gordon, Elizabeth Bolling (Skipwith)–Gordon, Elizabeth Iris Southall (Clarke) Gordon Biddle. 75 frames.
1162 Section 3, Folder 4 of 5, Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon, Correspondence, 1863–1901, Haxall–Neville. 30 frames.
1192 Section 3, Folder 5 of 5, Anne Eliza (Pleasants) Gordon, Correspondence, 1863–1901, Pleasants–Woods and Joel Gutman & Co. 48 frames.
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*Mss1J6365a, Martha (Waller) Johnson Papers, 1864–1926, Washington, District of Columbia*

**Description of the Collection**

This collection consists of 294 items. Items include letters received by Martha (Waller) Johnson while in Washington, D.C., from Benjamin Brewster (1860–1941), Emily Tyler Carow, Frances (Folsom) Cleveland (1864–1947), later Mrs. Thomas Jex Preston, Jr., Stephen Grover Cleveland (1837–1908), Ethel C. (Roosevelt) Derby, Emma C. (Harmon) Folsom, Gertrude (Elliott) Forbes-Robertson, Ian Forbes-Robertson, Florence Mabel (Kling) De Wolfe Harding (1860–1924), Oliver Wendell Holmes (1841–1935), Harriet Lane Johnston, George Washington Custis Lee (1832–1913), Silas Weir Mitchell (1829–1914), Thomas Nelson Page (1853–1922), Emma (Folsom) Perrine, Corrine (Roosevelt) Robinson (1861–1933), Edith Kermit (Carow) Roosevelt (1861–1948), Theodore Roosevelt (1858–1919), George Henry Story (1835–1922), Helen (Herron) Taft, Henry Van Dyke (1852–1933), Edward Douglass White (1845–1921), and Katherine Willard; letters written to Florence Waller of Washington, D.C., and Winchester, Virginia, by Frances (Folsom) Cleveland; letters written to Gabriella Page (1874–1949) of Richmond, Virginia, by Norman Duncan (1871–1916), Harriet Lane Johnston, and Milton C. West; letters written by Frances (Folsom) Cleveland of New York, New York, and Marion, Massachusetts, to Mabel Johnson and John H. Steuart; invitations extended by Stephen Grover Cleveland and (his wife) Frances (Folsom) Cleveland, Eppa Hunton (1822–1908), Theodore Roosevelt and (his wife) Edith Kermit (Carow) Roosevelt, Helen (Herron) Taft, Joseph Edward Willard (1865–1924) and (his wife) Belle Layton (Wyatt) Willard, and Edith Bolling (Galt) Wilson to Florence Waller, Martha (Waller) Johnson, and Gabriella Page; photographs of Frances (Folsom) Cleveland, Giuseppe Garibaldi (1807–1882), Oliver Wendell Holmes, George Washington Custis Lee, Ferdinand Maximilian (1832–1867), Alice Roosevelt, and the family of Theodore Roosevelt; photographs of Pine Knot, Albemarle County, Virginia, and Sagamore Hill, Nassau County, New York; a miniature of Sir Walter Raleigh (ca. 1552–1618); a certificate of qualification granted to Legh Richmond Page (1835–1893) to practice as an attorney and counsellor before the United States Supreme Court; and newspaper clippings.
Reel 6 cont.

Introductory Materials

0220 Introductory Materials. 3 frames.

Papers

0223 Folder 1, Benjamin Brewster and Emily Tyler Carow to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1916–1917 and Undated. 18 frames.
0241 Folder 2, Frances (Folsom) Cleveland to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1887–1891. 94 frames.
0335 Folder 3, Frances (Folsom) Cleveland to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1892–1899. 80 frames.
0415 Folder 4, Frances (Folsom) Cleveland to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1900–1909. 60 frames.
0475 Folder 5, Frances (Folsom) Cleveland to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1910–1913 and Undated. 49 frames.
0524 Folder 6, Stephen Grover Cleveland–Florence Mabel (Kling) De Wolfe Harding to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1889–1922. 26 frames.
0550 Folder 7, Oliver Wendell Holmes–Corinne (Roosevelt) Robinson to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1879–1922. 44 frames.
0594 Folder 8, Edith Kermit (Carow) Roosevelt to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1905–1914. 48 frames.
0624 Folder 9, Edith Kermit (Carow) Roosevelt to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1915–1921. 54 frames.
0696 Folder 10, Edith Kermit (Carow) Roosevelt to Mrs. Ralph Cross Johnson, 1924–1926 and Undated. 45 frames.
0768 Folder 12, Frances (Folsom) Cleveland to Florence Waller, 1887–1894. 82 frames.
0850 Folder 13, Frances (Folsom) Cleveland to Florence Waller, 1887. 5 frames.
0855 Folder 14, Norman Duncan, Harriet Lane Johnston, and Milton C. West to Gabriella Page, 1902–1915. 24 frames.
0879 Folder 15, Frances (Folsom) Cleveland to Mabel Johnson and John H. Steuart, 1889. 5 frames.
0884 Folder 16, Invitations, 1887–1907 and Undated. 22 frames.
0906 Folder 17, Photographs and Miniature, 1864–1926 and Undated. 15 frames.
0921 Folder 18, Legh Richmond Page, 1873. 3 frames.
0924 Folder 19, Newspaper Clippings, Undated. 7 frames.
0931 Folder 20, Miscellaneous, 1883 and Undated. 11 frames.

Mss1J7676a, Jordan and Stabler Family Papers, 1807–1916, Montgomery County, Maryland; also District of Columbia and Virginia

Description of the Collection

This collection consists of 886 items arranged in sections by name of individual and type of document.


Section 2 consists of four items, accounts, 1810–1828, of Marcus Tellius Cicero Jordan (bookseller and stationer at Norfolk, Virginia); and an account, 1813, of Mrs. Elizabeth Jordan.
Section 3 consists of two items, letters, 1808, written by Augustus C. Jordan ([d. 1810] of Norfolk, Virginia) to Margaret (Jordan) Poole Newton and Thomas Newton (concerning customs administration).

Section 4 consists of 179 items, correspondence, 1838–1863, of Augustus Jordan (member of the Society of Friends and an engineer in Fayetteville, North Carolina; Norfolk, Virginia; and Washington, D.C.) with Sally (Stabler) Jordan ([1816–1904] of Spring Garden, Montgomery County, Maryland).

Section 5 consists of 109 items, correspondence, 1833–1884, of Augustus Jordan (member of the Society of Friends and an engineer in Baltimore, Maryland; Fayetteville, North Carolina; Norfolk, Virginia; and Washington, D.C.) with S. M. Baldwin, E. T. Blamire, Eliza (Jordan) Brooke (of Brooke Grove, Montgomery County, Maryland), Mary Brooke (Briggs) Brooke (b. 1798), J. E. Bryan, Mrs. Sarah P. Bryan, Hannah Carlile, Stanton Dorsey, James S. Hallowell (at Fultford Female Seminary, Montgomery County, Maryland), William M. Hartshorne, Elias Ellicott Hewes (b. 1814), George S. Hodges, Rebecca A. Hodges, Dr. Jenkins, J. H. B. Jenkins, Marshall Jewell (1825–1883), Elizabeth Pleasant Jordan, Sally (Stabler) Jordan (1816–1904), David McKendree Key ([1824–1900] concerning Thomas J. Collins), Samuel B. McConnico, Abby (Pusey) Jordan Maigne (ca. 1790–1869), Henry J. Maigne, Joseph C. Maigne (d. 1842), Francis Mallory (1807–1860), Mrs. Anna M. L. Newton, John Newton (1822–1895), G. Sanford, Alice (Brooke) Stabler (b. 1845), Caleb Bentley Stabler (b. 1799), Edward Stabler (1794–1883), Edward Stabler (b. 1836), Elizabeth P. (Brooke) Stabler (b. 1794), George Stabler (b. 1818), Howard Stabler (1829–1876), James Pleasant Stabler (b. 1839), John Stabler (b. 1820), Mary W. (Paxson) Stabler, Pleasant Stabler (b. 1817), Thomas Pleasant Stabler (1791–1864), William Henry Stabler ([1802–1883] of Sandy Spring, Montgomery County, Maryland), W. Stebbins, Brainard H. Warner (b. 1847), and Thomas C. Basshor & Co. of Baltimore, Maryland (concerning the U.S. Post Office building, Washington, D.C.), and the Union Republican Congressional Committee of Washington, D.C.

Section 6 consists of four items, accounts, 1850–1874, of Augustus Jordan (of Norfolk, Virginia, and Washington, D.C.).

Section 7 consists of seventeen items, a deed of trust, 1864, made by Augustus Jordan and Sally (Stabler) Jordan with Joseph T. Fales for land in Washington, D.C.; a plat of land in Washington, D.C., owned by Augustus Jordan; reports, 1854, of the Ferry Committee of Norfolk, Virginia, concerning ferry operations between Norfolk and the Gospport Navy Yard; notes, 1874–1879, of Augustus Jordan concerning Thomas J. Collins; and instructions for adjusting and operating Augustus Jordan’s patent postal car model.

Anna M. L. Newton, Margaret (Jordan) Poole Newton, L. H. Pinkham, Elizabeth A. Pleasants, Eliza Redmond, A. Riggs, Deborah (Stabler) Russell (b. 1836), Cecilia Saunders, Alice Ann (Bentley) Stabler (d. 1880), Alice (Brooke) Stabler (b. 1845), Anna Stabler, Anna B. Stabler (b. 1859), Brooke Stabler (b. 1814), Clara Stabler (b. 1861), Cora L. Stabler (b. 1856), Deborah (Pleasants) Stabler (d. 1854), Edward Stabler (1794–1883), Edward Stabler (b. 1836), Eliza Brooke Stabler (b. 1863), Elizabeth P. (Brooke) Stabler (b. 1794), Fannie Stabler (b. 1860), George Stabler (b. 1818), Henry Stabler, Howard Stabler (1829–1876), James Stabler (b. 1827), James Pleasants Stabler (1796–1840), John Stabler (b. 1820), M. P. Stabler, Mary Annis Stabler (d. 1838), Mary C. Stabler, Mary W. (Paxson) Stabler, Phebe A. (Russell) Stabler, Rebecca Stabler, Robinson Stabler, Sarah Bentley (Briggs) Stabler (b. 1801), Susan Stabler, Thomas Pleasants Stabler (1791–1864), Thomas Pleasants Stabler (b. 1840), William Stabler (concerning the Red Sulphur and Salt Sulphur Springs, Monroe County, Virginia), William Henry Stabler (b. 1833), Mrs. Annie P. Sturtevant, and Enos B. Whitmore.

Section 9 consists of five items, letters, 1846–1873, written by or addressed to Annie Brooke (b. 1859), Eliza (Jordan) Brooke (of Brooke Grove, Montgomery County, Maryland), Elizabeth Pleasants Jordan, Sally (Stabler) Jordan ([1816–1904] at Norfolk, Virginia), Thomas Pleasants Jordan (d. 1856), Edward Leadbeater, Abby (Pusey) Jordan Maigne (1790?–1869), Cora L. Stabler (b. 1856), Elizabeth P. (Brooke) Stabler (b. 1794), Susan [Stabler], Thomas Pleasants Stabler (1791–1864), and William Stabler.

Section 10 consists of three items, accounts, 1869–1873, of Sally (Stabler) Jordan (1816–1904) of Washington, D.C.; and an invitation received by Sally (Stabler) Jordan to attend a cotillion in Norfolk, Virginia.

Section 11 consists of eleven items, correspondence, 1864–1903, of Marcus Tellius Cicero Jordan ([b. 1852] of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Washington, D.C.) with Alice Hallowell (b. 1851), Elizabeth Pleasants Jordan, Cora L. Stabler (b. 1856), and William Henry Stabler (b. 1833).

Section 12 consists of thirty-one items, letters, 1871–1916, written to Elizabeth Pleasants Jordan (of Washington, D.C.) by Charles Burnett, Mrs. J. M. Burnett, Mary Ream Fuller, George W. Lee, Alice Bentley Stabler (b. 1868), Anna B. Stabler (b. 1859), Cora L. Stabler (b. 1856), Eliza Brooke Stabler (b. 1863), Fannie Stabler (b. 1860), John Stabler (b. 1820), and William Henry Stabler (b. 1833).

Section 13 consists of twelve items, correspondence, 1807–1885, of Thomas Pleasants Stabler ([1791–1864] of Spring Garden, Montgomery County, Maryland) with C. F. Bown, Thomas Pleasants Jordan (d. 1856), Deborah (Pleasants) Stabler (d. 1854), Elizabeth P. (Brooke) Stabler (b. 1794), and George Stabler (b. 1818).

Section 14 consists of four items, correspondence, 1834–1837, of Deborah (Pleasants) Stabler ([d. 1854] of Sandy Spring, Montgomery County, Maryland) with Alexander Jordan, Sally (Stabler) Jordan (1816–1904), Elizabeth A. Pleasants, Brooke Stabler (b. 1814), George Stabler (b. 1818), John Stabler (b. 1820), and Mary C. Stabler.

Section 15 consists of four items, correspondence, 1841–ca. 1880, of John Stabler ([b. 1820] at Baltimore, Maryland, and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania) with Stanton Dorsey, Anna B. Stabler (b. 1859), and William Henry Stabler (b. 1833).

Section 16 consists of fifteen items, letters, 1839–1872, written by or addressed to Elizabeth (Stabler) Bond, Eliza Brooke, Margaret (Jordan) Poole Newton, Deborah (Stabler) Russell ([b. 1836] of Spring Garden, Montgomery County, Maryland), Alice Ann (Bentley) Stabler (d. 1880), Anna Stabler, Edward Stabler (1794–1883), Florence Stabler (b. 1852), James Stabler...
Section 17 consists of two items, a deed, 1859, made by William Henry Stabler (b. 1833) and Zachariah D. Waters for land in Montgomery County, Maryland; and a deed, 1887, made by Elizabeth Pleasants Jordan and the Seaboard Land, Improvement, and Manufacturing Company of Georgia (bears seal) for land in Naval City, Glynn County, Georgia.

Section 18 consists of seven items, correspondence, 1842–1852, of Abby (Pusey) Jordan Maigne ([ca. 1790–1869] at Norfolk, Virginia, and Brooke Grove, Montgomery County, Maryland) with Eliza (Jordan) Brooke, Mrs. Martha Hodges, Sally (Stabler) Jordan (1816–1904), Henry J. Maigne, and Joseph C. Maigne (d. 1842).

Section 19 consists of twenty-seven items, correspondence, 1838–1877, of Eliza (Jordan) Brooke (at Brooke Grove, Montgomery County, Maryland, and Norfolk, Virginia) with Emma Gresham, Augustus Jordan, Elizabeth Pleasants Jordan, Sally (Stabler) Jordan ([1816–1904] of Spring Garden, Montgomery County, Maryland), Abby (Pusey) Jordan Maigne (ca. 1790–1869), Henry J. Maigne, Mrs. Anna M. L. Newton, Margaret (Jordan) Poole Newton, Edward Stabler (1794–1883), John Stabler (b. 1820), and Mrs. Margaret Stark.


Section 21 consists of four items, a speech, undated, delivered by an unidentified person in Roanoke, Virginia; and lines of verse, 1838–1847.

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0967 Section 5, Folder 6 of 11, Augustus C. Jordan, Correspondence, 1833–1884, Mallory–Sanford. 17 frames.
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0062 Section 5, Folder 10 of 11, Augustus C. Jordan, Correspondence, 1833–1884, Stabler, William Henry–Warner. 10 frames.
0072 Section 5, Folder 11 of 11, Augustus C. Jordan, Correspondence, 1833–1884, Thomas C. Basshor & Co.–Union Republican Congressional Committee. 10 frames.
0082 Section 6, Augustus C. Jordan, Accounts, 1850–1874. 4 frames.
0086 Section 7, Augustus C. Jordan, Other Papers, 1854–1879. 46 frames.
0132 Section 8, Folder 1 of 33, Sally (Stabler) Jordan, Correspondence, 1829–1901, Unidentified. 43 frames.
0175 Section 8, Folder 2 of 33, Sally (Stabler) Jordan, Correspondence, 1829–1901, Bentley–Brooke, Charles F. 20 frames.
0195 Section 8, Folder 3 of 33, Sally (Stabler) Jordan, Correspondence, 1829–1901, Brooke, Eliza (Jordan). 166 frames.
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Mss5:5M2795:1, Jane E. Owen (Smith) Mahon Album, 1834–1845,
Washington, D.C.

Description of the Collection
This collection consists of one item, an album, 1834–1845, of Jane E. Owen (Smith) Mahon. The volume was kept in Washington, D.C., and includes lines of verse and bears the signatures of Thomas Chilton (1798–1854), Henry Clay (1777–1852), and Edmund DeBerry (1787–1859)

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Introductory Materials

0072  Introductory Materials. 3 frames.
Mss2R1516b, Laura Henrietta (Wirt) Randall Papers, 1819–1857, Washington, D.C.; also Florida and Virginia

Description of the Collection
This collection consists of seventy-four items, including correspondence, 1819–1831, of Laura Henrietta (Wirt) Randall ([1803–1834] of Washington, D.C.; Richmond, Virginia; and Belmont, Florida) with Henry Carrington (1793–1867), Louisa Elizabeth (Cabell) Carrington ([1798–1865] of Montevideo, Buckingham County, and Melrose and Ingleside, Charlotte County, Virginia), [otherwise unidentified] Lebzeltern, Cora Livingston, and Maria H. Middleton (at St. Petersburg, Russia). The papers also include abstracts (typescript) of letters, 1829–1834, written to Louisa Elizabeth (Cabell) Carrington by Agnes Sarah Bell (Gamble) Cabell (1783–1863), William H. Cabell (1772–1853), and Elizabeth Hannah (Cabell) Daniel (1811–1892); a will (typescript copy), 1857, of Elizabeth Washington (Gamble) Wirt (1784–1857) probated in Anne Arundel County, Maryland; a will (typescript copy), 1834, of William Wirt (1772–1834) probated in Anne Arundel County, Maryland; and genealogical notes concerning the Cabell and Gamble families. Letters from Laura to her sister Louisa concern social matters, family life, marriage, and politics in the District of Columbia and Virginia. Letters after her marriage in 1827 are from Florida concerning the changes in attitude and routine accompanying her new status as plantation owner and mother. Laura died in Florida in 1834 after the birth of four daughters.

N.B. Related collections among the holdings of the Virginia Historical Society include Mss1C2355a, Henry Carrington Papers, 1807–1875; Mss1C2358c,e,f, Carrington Family Papers, 1761–1954; and Mss1C2358a–b, Carrington Family Papers, 1835–1890.

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Introductory Materials

0114 Introductory Materials. 5 frames.

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0119 Laura Henrietta (Wirt) Randall, Papers, 1819–1857. 212 frames.

Mss5:1R5306:1–3, Mahala Perkins Harding (Eggleston) Roach Diary, 1851–1865, Vicksburg, Mississippi

Description of the Collection
This collection consists of three items, diaries, 1851, 1852, and 15 October 1864–25 December 1865, of Mahala Perkins Harding (Eggleston) Roach (1825–1905). The volumes were kept in Vicksburg, Mississippi, and concern family affairs, social matters, household routines, slaves, and activities of her mother, husband, son, and daughters.
N.B. A related collection among the holdings of the Southern Historical Collection, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill is the Roach and Eggleston Family Papers, included in part in UPA’s *Southern Women and Their Families in the 19th Century: Papers and Diaries, Series A, Part 2.*

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**Introductory Materials**

0331 Introductory Materials. 4 frames.

**Papers**

0335 Mahala Perkins Harding (Eggleston) Roach, Diary, 1851, 1852, and 1864–1865. 503 frames.

*Mss1T3977b, Thornton Family Papers, 1744–1945,*

*Durhamville and Memphis, Tennessee*

**Description of the Collection**

This collection consists of 1,248 items arranged in sections by name of individual and type of document.

Section 1 consists of three items, a will (abstract copies), 1744, of Philip Lee (of Prince Georges County, Maryland) probated in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, and an affidavit (copy made by William Harvie Richardson), 1798, of James Wood concerning Philip Richard Francis Lee.

Section 2 consists of two items, letters, 1778–1786, written to Thomas Sim Lee ([of Frederick County, Maryland]) by Philip Lee (of Westmoreland County, Virginia) and Alice (Lee) Weems (of Charles County, Maryland).

Section 3 consists of three items, correspondence, 1829–1850, of Mary Jacqueline (Smith) Lee (of Durhamville, Tennessee) with Dr. John Augustine Smith, Mary Dabney Smith, Dr. Benjamin F. Stewart, and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton.


Section 5 consists of one item, an account book, 1859–1861, of John Stuart Thornton (1780–1866) and Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (1792–1867). The volume was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 6 consists of fourteen items, accounts, 1857–1864, of John Stuart Thornton (1780–1866). The accounts were kept at Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee, and concern, in part, Dr. N. M. Johnson.
Section 7 consists of five items, agreements, 1859–1860, of John Stuart Thornton (of Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee) with Francis W. Stevens, S. A. Thornton, Joshua Whitmore (concerning Oakley and witnessed by S. R. Botts and W. W. Ferguson), Mrs. Martha D. Whitmore, and W. G. Clemons, Brown & Co. of Columbus, Georgia (concerning a cotton gin).

Section 8 consists of six items, a decree (copy), 1860, in the lawsuit of James G. Anthony and William Austin Anthony (trustees of Mary Jacqueline Smith (Lee) Anthony) v. Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover, James Bankhead Thornton, John Stuart Thornton, Gordon Thornton, and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton; a will, 1860, of John Stuart Thornton written in Shelby County, Tennessee (witnessed by G. E. Moore and William J. Shaw); a deed of trust (incomplete), 1861, of John Stuart Thornton to Mary Jacqueline Thornton concerning land in Lauderdale and Shelby counties, Tennessee (for the benefit of Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover, Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton, and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton); a pass (no. 38), 1864, issued to John Stuart Thornton by the U.S. Army, District of Memphis (by authority of Ralph Pomeroy Buckland and signed by Charles W. Dustan, E. T. Morgan, and J. M. Toney); and an affidavit, 1860, of Francis W. Stevens concerning John Stuart Thornton.

Section 9 consists of one item, a diary, 5 May–30 December 1866, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (1792–1867). The diary was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 10 consists of 273 items, correspondence, 1848–1877, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton ([1792–1867] of Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee) with M. J. Anderson, George Clarke, William Conner (bears a broadside, “... Premium Cotton Gins ... W. G. Clemons, Brown & Co., Columbus, Georgia ... S. A. Thornton ... Memphis, Tennessee ...,” 1859), Asher Robbins Eddy, James Fitzgerald Forbes (enclosing an account), R. Gravatt, [otherwise unidentified] Neely, Mrs. Virginia B. Rogers, Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover (at Arlington, Fairfax County, Virginia; Baltimore, Maryland; Montpelier, Rappahannock County, Virginia; and New York, New York), William Harrison Shover (while serving in the U.S. Army in Mexico), Henry G. Smith, Melancthon Smith, John Sutherland, James Tallmadge, Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Conner Thornton, James Bankhead Thornton, John Stuart Thornton, Mary Jacqueline Thornton, and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (also bears correspondence of Asher Robbins Eddy, J. V. Lewis, Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover [of Montpelier, Rappahannock County, Virginia], John Stuart Thornton, and Mary Jacqueline Thornton; an agreement, 1863, of R. Gravatt and Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton; and a pass, 1863, issued to Mary Jacqueline Thornton by the U.S. Army, District of Memphis [by authority of Melancthon Smith and signed by Andrew J. Enlow and Arthur W. Amendenhall]).

Section 11 consists of one item, an account book, 1858–1859, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (1792–1867). The volume was kept at Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee, and concerns, in part, William Austin Anthony (trustee of Mary Jacqueline (Smith) Lee).

Section 12 consists of one item, an account book, 1858–1861, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (1792–1867). The volume was kept at Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 13 consists of four items, accounts, 1858–1863, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (1792–1867). The accounts were kept at Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.
Section 14 consists of two items, agreements, 1863–1866, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (of Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee) with C. C. Lyman (concerning bonds of John Stuart Thornton and Mrs. Martha D. Whitmore) and Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover.

Section 15 consists of four items, bonds, 1849–1862, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (of Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee) with Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover and William Harrison Shover.


Section 17 consists of one item, a commonplace book, ca. 1860, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (1792–1867). The volume was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee, and includes genealogical notes concerning the Lee, Smith, Thornton, and Washington families; a likeness of Evelyn Byrd; lines of verse; and an acrostic of [otherwise unidentified] Thornton. The volume also includes a diary, 8–20 August 1845, of William Harrison Shover concerning his activities in the U.S. Army at Fort McHenry, Maryland (written 21 January 1846 at Corpus Christi, Texas).

Section 18 consists of one item, a commonplace book, ca. 1860, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton (1792–1867). This item is a copy made by Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover and Susan Stuart Thornton and includes the genealogical notes concerning the Lee, Smith, and Thornton families.

Section 19 consists of one item, a commonplace book, 1936–1939, of Susan Stuart Thornton (b. 1895). The volume was kept at Hilly Farm, Culpeper County, Virginia, in Gould’s Universal Index, and Every Body’s Own Book (New York: Alexander S. Gould, 1942) by Marcus Tullius Cicero Gould. It includes genealogical notes concerning the Rightor and Stuart families; a copy of genealogical notes compiled by Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton concerning the Lee, Smith, Thornton, and Washington families; and notes of Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover.

Section 20 consists of three items, wills, undated, of Susan Hancock (Lee) Gordon Thornton written in Shelby County, Tennessee.


Section 22 consists of one item, an account book, 1863–1865, of James Bankhead Thornton (1806–1867). The volume was kept while serving in the Confederate States Army of Alabama, Mississippi, and East Louisiana at Demopolis, Gainesville, and Selma, Alabama; Atlanta, Georgia; and Meridian, Mississippi.

Section 23 consists of ten items, accounts, 1862–1864, of James Bankhead Thornton (1806–1867). The accounts were kept while serving in the Confederate States Army of Alabama, Mississippi, and East Louisiana at Demopolis and Gainesville, Alabama.

Section 24 consists of three items, a marriage license, 1854, of James Bankhead Thornton and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton issued by Lauderdale County, Tennessee (signed by J. C. Marley and bears affidavit of James Hervey Otey); an agreement (copy), 1854, of James Bankhead Thornton and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton; and a deed of trust, 1861, of James Bankhead Thornton and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton to Mary Jacqueline Thornton concerning the estate of Mary Jacqueline (Smith) Lee (bears affidavits of James W. King and John P. Trezevant).

Section 25 consists of five items, notes, undated, of James Bankhead Thornton (of Memphis, Tennessee) concerning a lawsuit of [otherwise unidentified] Doyle v. Anderson & Garvin; a pass, 1861, issued by the Confederate States of America War Department to James Bankhead Thornton (signed by J. B. Jones); a pass, 1864, issued by the provost marshal (at Gainesville, Alabama) to James Bankhead Thornton (by authority of T. A. Boon and Toby Hart); a power of attorney, 1864, of James Bankhead Thornton (while serving in the Confederate States Army of Alabama, Mississippi, and East Louisiana at Gainesville, Alabama) to David M. Taliaferro; and an affidavit (ca. 1862) of Dr. W. M. Gentry concerning James Bankhead Thornton (approved by George Bibb Crittendon).

Section 26 consists of one item, a diary, 19 September–1 November (ca. 1855), of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (b. 1818). The diary was kept in Durhamville, Memphis, and Ripley, Tennessee.

Section 27 consists of 288 items, correspondence, 1837–1882, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (of Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee) with Frannie L. A. J. (Jones) Barton, William P. Bond, [otherwise unidentified] Bright, Sydney (Smith) Bruce, John Campbell, Mrs. Mary Smith Campbell, Benjamin Cash, Mrs. J. A. Cummings, Virginius Dabney (at the Loudoun School, Middleburg, Virginia), Mary Deneale, Mrs. Katie Edmonson, Frances Thornton (Fitzhugh) Foote (of Waverley, Fauquier County, Virginia), Frederick Foote (of Waverley, Fauquier County, Virginia), [J. R. Frazier], L. E. Gay, Dr. John Ingram, Anne Cary (Randolph) Jones (of Carysbrook, Fluvanna County, and Vaucluse, Frederick County, Virginia), Letitia Corbin Jones, Mary Ann Jones (of Carter Hall, Clarke County, Virginia),

Section 28 consists of one item, an account book, 1857–1858, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (b. 1818). The volume was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 29 consists of one item, an account book, 1858–1895, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (b. 1818). The volume was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee; and was also kept by an unidentified painting contractor in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton (concerning hogs).

Section 30 consists of one item, an account book, 1862–1864, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (b. 1818). The volume was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 31 consists of one item, an account book, 1865–1877, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (b. 1818). The volume was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 32 consists of one item, an account book, 1869–1871, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (b. 1818). The volume was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 33 consists of thirty-two items, accounts, 1854–1883, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (b. 1818). The accounts were kept at Durhamville, Lauderdale County, and Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 34 consists of one item, a commonplace book, 1861–1876, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (b. 1818). The volume was kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee, and includes lists of agricultural equipment and livestock; and accounts.

Section 35 consists of five items, bonds, 1877–1886, of Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (of Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee) with Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover and Dr. Gustavus Brown Thornton.

Section 36 consists of five items, materials, 1850–1871, concerning Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton (of Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee). Items include agreements with [otherwise unidentified] Sullivan; an affidavit concerning Mary Jacqueline (Smith) Lee and Mary Jacqueline Thornton (witnessed by G. M. Lewis and John L. Wellford); a prescription; and notes concerning a worsted flower.

Section 37 consists of twenty-eight items, correspondence, 1847–1850, of William Harrison Shover (at Culpeper Court House and Norfolk, Virginia, and while serving in the U.S. Army in Mexico and at the U.S. Military Academy, West Point, New York) with Braxton Bragg, Dr. Thomas Nash (of Norfolk, Virginia), Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover, and Mrs. Ruth Shover; and a letter, 1847, of Joseph King Fenno Mansfield (at Monterey, Mexico) to Joseph Gilbert Totten (concerning William Harrison Shover).
Section 38 consists of one item, a diary, 19 October 1853–21 November 1854, of Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover (1816–1898). The volume was kept in Baltimore, Maryland (concerning a dinner with Robert Edward Lee, 24 March 1854); Jordon’s White Sulphur Springs, Frederick County, Virginia; New York City; Rosemont, Clarke County, Virginia; Washington, D.C.; and Winchester, Virginia. The volume also includes lines of verse and notes on spiritualism.


Section 40 consists of five items, accounts, 1863–1897, of Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover (1816–1898). The accounts were kept in Memphis, Tennessee.

Section 41 consists of one item, a commonplace book, ca. 1865, of Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover (1816–1898). The volume was kept, presumably, in Memphis, Tennessee, and includes lists of clothing and accounts.

Section 42 consists of four items, an affidavit, 1850, of William H. Jennings (of Fauquier County, Virginia) concerning the marriage of Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover and William Harrison Shover; a pass, 1865, issued to Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover by the U.S. Army of West Tennessee (at Memphis and signed by Cadwallader Colder Washburn); a notice, ca. 1866, of the marriage of Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover and Frederick William Crew; and a bond (copy), 1883, of Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton to Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover.

Section 43 consists of two items, memoranda, ca. 1864, of Felicia Lee Cary (Thornton) Shover concerning a house in Memphis, Tennessee, and spiritualism.


Section 45 consists of one item, a diary, 1865–1867, of Mary Jacqueline Thornton (d. 1896). The diary was kept at St. Louis, Missouri; and Memphis, Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis],
and Ripley, Tennessee. The diary also includes accounts, 1864–1877, of Mary Jacqueline Thornton and Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton.


Section 47 consists of seventeen items, accounts, 1865–1887, of Mary Jacqueline Thornton (d. 1896). The accounts were kept at Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee.

Section 48 consists of four items, passes, 1862–1863, issued to Mary Jacqueline Thornton by the U.S. Army of West Tennessee (at Memphis and signed by Robert M. Gardner and C. L. White); and oaths, 1863, of Mary Jacqueline Thornton to support the United States government (witnessed by Andrew J. Enlow, R. Hough, and Melancthon Smith [bears seal]).

Section 49 consists of three items, a bond, 1879, of Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton and Mary Jacqueline Thornton to Woodruff & Oliver of Memphis, Tennessee; notes, ca. 1880, concerning a lawsuit of Mary Jacqueline Thornton and the sale of Oakley, Shelby County [now Memphis], Tennessee, by Joshua Whitmore and Mrs. Martha D. Whitmore to John Stuart Thornton; and a deed, 1889, of Giles Dunn to Mary Jacqueline Thornton concerning a horse (witnessed by Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton).

Section 50 consists of twenty-eight items, manuscripts, ca. 1872–1885, of novels written by Mary Jacqueline Thornton. Items include The Carmine Mummy, Di Cary (with review), Dolly, A February Day, How Judge Gratten Came Out at the Little End of the Horn, Nollie, Old Farthingale, Peedee Cooking Class, So-Wench, and That Man.

Section 51 consists of three items, correspondence, 1878–1882, concerning Mary Jacqueline Thornton. Correspondents include C. T. Dillingham, James Grant Wilson, and D. Appleton & Co. of New York City, G. W. Carleton & Co. of New York City, Clapp & Taylor of Memphis, Tennessee, and Harper & Brothers of New York City.

Section 52 consists of three items, an oath, 1861, of E. K. Fulton and Alfred Horner Thornton to abstain from the use of alcohol; and orders, 1865, of the Confederate States of America Adjutant and Inspector General’s Office (signed by John Withers) and Army of Alabama, Mississippi, and East Louisiana (signed by Eustace Surget).

Section 53 consists of six items, correspondence, 1859–1862, of Dr. Gustavus Brown Thornton (at New York City) with Dr. Paul Fitzsimons Eve (bears Confederate States of America postage stamp), Dr. W. [otherwise unidentified] Hyer, Dr. D. A. Shepherd, Frances Mildred Thornton (at Glen Welby, Fauquier County, Virginia) and James Bankhead Thornton (at the University of Virginia).
Section 54 consists of one item, a commonplace book, ca. 1859, Gustavus Brown Thornton (1835–1914). The volume was kept, presumably, by Dr. Thornton in New York City, and includes notes on medicine and prescriptions.

Section 55 consists of three items, a ticket, ca. 1859, of Dr. Gustavus Brown Thornton to attend classes at the University of New York; an advertising card, undated, of Dr. Gustavus Brown Thornton (of Memphis, Tennessee); and an invoice, 1862, of medical supplies sent by Dr. Gustavus Brown Thornton (at Columbus, Kentucky) by the Confederate States of America Quartermaster Department (signed by Dr. Richard Potts).

Section 56 consists of four items, correspondence, ca. 1865, of Frances Mildred Thornton (of Memphis, Tennessee) with Mollie [otherwise unidentified], Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton and V. A. Walker; and an essay, undated, of Frances Mildred Thornton concerning painting.


Section 58 consists of seventeen items, accounts, 1877–1883, of Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton (1858–1923). The accounts were kept in Memphis, Tennessee.

Section 59 consists of four items, essays and speeches, ca. 1875, of Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton (of Memphis, Tennessee).

Section 60 consists of two items, an agreement, 1883, of Thomas Thompson and Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton (witnessed by Susan Stuart (Thornton) Thornton); and a bond, 1899, of Gibbon Lee Fitzallen O’Connor Thornton to the State Savings Bank of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee (bears tax stamp).


Section 62 consists of six items, accounts, 1858–1883, of M. J. Anderson, W. A. Collier, R. B. Meriwether, Thomas Thompson, and F. Wymer.

Section 63 consists of one item, a commonplace book, ca. 1906, of an unidentified compiler. The volume was kept, presumably, in Memphis, Tennessee, and includes notes on religion and lines of verse.

Section 64 consists of nine items, lines of verse; an acrostic of William Gibbon Thornton; notes, 1857–1858, concerning dreams and phrenology (by Nathaniel Pitcher Tallmadge); and miscellany.

Section 65 consists of twenty-five items, genealogical notes concerning the Ambler, Jacqueline, Lee, Stark, Stuart, and Thornton families.
Section 66 consists of seven items, obituary notices, 1826–1945, of Andrew J. Harris, Henry Bedinger Lee, Isobel (Greene) Peckham, Mary (Marye) Thompson, Frances Thornton, and Stuart Gregory Thornton.

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Introductory Materials

0001 Introductory Materials. 24 frames.

Papers

0025 Section 1, Philip Lee and James Wood, Will and Affidavit, 1744–1798. 15 frames.
0040 Section 2, Thomas Sim Lee, Correspondence, 1778–1786. 7 frames.
0047 Section 3, Mary Jacqueline (Smith) Lee, Correspondence, 1829–1850. 12 frames.
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**Description of the Collection**

This collection consists of three items, commonplace books, ca. 1870, of an unidentified person, E. M. W. The volumes were kept in Louisville, Kentucky, and include lines of verse, many written by or concerning women.

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**Description of the Collection**

This collection consists of one item, an autograph album, 1788–1903, of Mary M. (Coppuck) Welby (1836–1880). The volume was compiled to raise funds for the Great Southern Fair sponsored by the Southern Relief Association in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1866.


Also includes letters, 1846–1849, written by Amelia Ball (Coppuck) Welby ([1819–1852] of Louisville, Kentucky) by Samuel Hambleton [1812–1886] (p. 120), George Dennison Prentice [1802–1870] (p. 136), and Tench Tilghman [1810–1874] (p. 120).

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