



**Alexander H. Brown papers, 1849-1878**  
**SCHS Call # 1012.00**  
**Container 11/94**

**Creator:** Brown, Alexander H., 1809-1879.

**Description:** 0.5 linear ft.

**Biographical/Historical Note:** Charleston, S.C. attorney. His first law partner was Stephen Elliott, and he later became the partner of W.D. Porter. Brown also served as sheriff of Charleston and trial justice of Charleston County. He was a delegate to the state convention which passed the Ordinance of Secession and was colonel of a regiment of reserves during the Civil War. He married Sarah Anne Calhoun in 1832.

**Scope and Content:** Papers consist of legal documents, financial and estate records, correspondence, and other items.

A group of papers (1865-1872) including insurance policies, receipts, tax returns, and a power of attorney, pertains to a house at 6 Lynch Street in Charleston (S.C.) and a plantation called Hillsboro located west of the Ashley River in St. Andrews Parish (S.C.). These properties were apparently part of the estate of Alexander H. Brown (Sr.?) and his wife and later belonged to Alexander H. Brown (1809-1879).

Correspondence (1865-1878) of Alexander H. Brown mostly concerns legal matters and includes letters from Isaac Hayne regarding the dissolution of the law partnership of Isaac Hayne and Isaac W. Hayne. Financial records of Brown's law practice include a volume marked "Clients Accounts" (1867-1878) recording monies received and paid out on behalf of legal clients, and a receipt book (1867-1878).

Papers also include bills, accounts, and correspondence (1871-1876) regarding claims against Bissell & Co. (for which Alexander H. Brown acted as assignee); correspondence (1870-1871) among William States Lee, Alexander H. Brown, Wilmot G. DeSaussure, and others regarding a trust estate and a bond, with related accounts; legal and financial documents (1869-1877) pertaining to a judgement against George W.S. Legare; estate records of William Naylor (or Naylor) and Hanker Enick Meisner; financial records of the Presbyterian Church on Edisto Island (S.C.); account statements and other papers (1869-1871) relating to bonds held by Alexander H. Brown and W.D. Porter; and accounts, letters, and other items relating to the case of Rusch v. Merker.

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**Inventory:**

**11/94/1-12     Brown, Alexander H.**

Charleston lawyer. Personal, financial but mostly legal clients papers (1866-1878) of AHB. Personal and miscellaneous insurance, financial, and other papers regarding AHB's residence and 6 Lynah St. Charleston, his law practice and other matters. Papers of AHB's legal clients include administrative papers of Bissell & Co., Charleston, financial papers of William States Lee and Wilmot G. DeSaussure; Legare family financial papers, William Naylor estate papers, Hanker Enick Meisner estate papers; legal and financial papers of the Presbyterian Church, Edisto Island and W.E. Mikell; W.D. Porter financial papers and other papers. Also receipts and accounts of clients (1867-1878).