

# Mitchell & Smith records, 1839-1925 SCHS 152.00 97 boxes

**Creator:** Mitchell & Smith.

Description: Ca. 40 linear ft.; 29 v.

**Scope and content:** Records include legal documents, correspondence, law firm records, estate records, financial and property records, and other items chiefly pertaining to lawsuits and other legal business handled by the firm of Mitchell & Smith.

Included are estate records of E.J. Hanahan, John Lovatt, Middleton family members, Thomas Pinckney, J.R. Pringle, A.M. Rutledge, C.W. Stiles, H.P. Walker, and C.O. Witte; records of or pertaining to organizations including the Carolina Yacht Club, Charleston Museum, Church of the Redeemer (Charleston, S.C.), the Otranto Club, Pine Grove Club, and the S.C. Bar Association; papers pertaining to public buildings, works, and utilities including records of the Coast Line Telephone Co., Sea Island Telephone Co., Summerville Electric Light and Power Co., and records of cases involving the construction of a U.S. post office and courthouse in Charleston (S.C.) and the state capitol building in Columbia (S.C.); records pertaining to various plantations and other properties including Bull Island (S.C.), Chicora Place (North Charleston, S.C.), land in High Falls (N.C.), Newport, Sheldon, and Tomotley plantations (S.C.), Pinckney Island (S.C.), and lots in Wraggsborough (Charleston, S.C.); and papers of or pertaining to individuals and families including Caroline Carson, the Dawson family, F.W. Ford, the Izard family, William McBurney, and William H. Trescot.

In addition, there are business records of various companies (mostly South Carolina businesses) including Adger's Wharves (Charleston, S.C.), Anderson Phosphate and Oil Co., Augusta & Knoxville Railroad Co., Bank of Charleston, Cape Romain Land and Improvement Co., Carolina, Cumberland Gap and Chicago Railway, Charleston and Summerville Interurban Railway Co., Charleston Teapot, Charleston Terminal Co., A.G. Cudworth & Co., Fort Sumter Hotel, Inc., Germofert Manufacturing Co., Gulf Development Co., Hacker Manufacturing Co., Interstate Chemical Co., the News & Courier, Port Royal and Augusta Railway, Sea Island Steamboat Co., South Carolina Steamboat Co., Southern Mahogany Co., Standard Railroad Crosstie Co., Summerville Hotel Co., Tampa Fertilizer Co., Tilghman Phosphate Co., George A. Trenholm & Son, F.W. Wagener Co., Walterboro Cotton Mills, Winnsboro Granite Co., and the Woodstock Hardwood and Spool Manufacturing Co.; records pertaining to phosphate and fertilizer companies; and a group of records pertaining to shipping which includes several ships' logs.

Records of legal cases involving South Carolina businesses include records pertaining to an ale boycott in Charleston (S.C.) and records of cases concerning the American Tea Growing Co., the Carolina Rice Co., Germania Brewing Co., the South Carolina Exposition Commission, the South Carolina Land and Lumber Co., the Virginia-Carolina Co., and J.R. Pringle & Co.

Miscellaneous case records include papers pertaining to the Bark Azor, F.W. Bound v. the South Carolina Railroad, Gatewood v. the South Carolina Railroad, a murder in Charleston (S.C.), Lebby v. Ahrens, a News & Courier libel case, libel suits brought against newspapers (including the News & Courier) by Annie Oakley, and Simonds et al. v. Pierce; as well as cases involving individuals such as Frank B. Gilbreth, E.W.M. Mackey, and Samuel R. Venning. Other items include an essay on railway

rates (1880s), papers pertaining to the Neeley Cotton Press, and records of Charleston County (S.C.) elections in 1874-1875.

Law firm records consist of correspondence (1874-1919), as well as accounts, dockets, lists of books in the law firm's library, a collection register, legal notes, and other items.

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0152.01 Estate Records

# BOX 1

0152.01.01 Mitchell & Smith.

E.J. Hanahan estate book, 1891-1893.

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A bound volume contains items (pasted in), mostly receipts and invoices (Berkeley County and Charleston, S.C.), pertaining to the assigned estate of E.J. Hanahan.

0152.01.02 Mitchell & Smith.

John Lovatt estate records, 1905-1912.

Ca. 50 items.

Estate records consist of correspondence, mainly that of Barney Lovatt (son of John Lovatt) in Newark (N. J.) and elsewhere with Mitchell & Smith (Charleston, S.C.) regarding estate lawsuits and heirs (Ester and Peslia Letvin) living in Russia. Other correspondents include Sol Mirmov (a Summerville, S.C. merchant) and Themistocles Mancusi-Ungaro (a Newark, N. J. lawyer).

John Lovatt, an emigrant from Russia, was a Summerville, S.C. merchant.

0152.01.03 Mitchell & Smith.

Middleton family estate records, 1905-1917.

Ca. 0.75 linear ft.

Records consist of legal documents, including decrees, stipulations, notices, and testimony; correspondence (1910-1917); estate accounts; notes by Langdon Cheves and others; printed material (bound in two volumes); and plats (oversized).

Records chiefly pertain to the case of Harriott M. Lesesne v. Langdon Cheves and Henry C. Cheves et al The case, as stated in a decree, involved "questions of law arising under the will of Miss Harriott Middleton, creating the trust and the proper method of disposing of the trust estate and final administration and distribution of the same."

Correspondents include Langdon Cheves, Mitchell & Smith, Whaley, Barnwell & Grimball, W. Turner Logan of Logan & Grace, Moffett & Hyde, and others.

Real property involved in the case includes property in Summerville (S.C.), a tract in Berkeley County (S.C.) called Bloomville, lots in Newport (R.I.), 690 acres in Berkeley County (S.C.), a house and lot located at 68 South Bay Street in Charleston (S.C., former home of Henry A. Middleton), and property along [Murray] Boulevard in Charleston (S.C.). There are two blueprint plats of boulevard lots. Other defendants (respondents) in the case include Louise G. Logan, Anne M. Hunter, Harriott Barnwell Phelps, Joseph Woodward Barnwell, and Charles Edmund Barnwell. Some papers pertain to the estate of Alicia (Alice) Middleton.

# BOX 2

0152.01.04 Mitchell & Smith.

Henry A. Middleton estate records, 1887-1894.

7 items.

Records consist of three letters, including one (1887 Jury 6) to Henry A.M. Smith, estate executor, from a U.S. Department of Agriculture commissioner regarding an experimental tea farm formerly located on land in Summerville (S.C.) belonging to the estate; estate accounts (kept by Langdon Cheves); and plats of property at South Bay Street (Charleston, S.C.), in Summerville (S.C.), and Berkeley County (S.C.), with notes by Langdon Cheves.

152.01 .05 Mitchell & Smith.

Williams Middleton family estate records, 1873-1903.

Ca. 0.25 linear ft.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents pertaining to the case of Elizabeth M. Heyward v. Henry Middleton (her brother) and Julius H. Heyward (her husband), which "involved the settlement of the

estates of Williams Middleton [owner of Middleton Place] and his widow Susan Middleton, between their children and the plaintiff, Elizabeth M. Heyward and the defendant, Henry Middleton."

Other items include the will (1899) of Susan S. Middleton (d. 1900); galley proof of a pamphlet concerning the case of Edward Middleton v. John Izard Middleton, Williams Middleton, et al. (1873?); contracts between Elizabeth M. Heyward and United Timber Co. for timber on lands in Dorchester and Charleston counties (S.C.); and warrants of attachment against the property of Henry Middleton (190-?). There is some information on Middleton Place.

#### BOX 3

0152.01.06 Mitchell & Smith.

O'Neill estate case records, 1908-1911.

Ca. 20 items.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents (including a disbound volume) pertaining to the case of T. Moultrie Mordecai, executor of Michael C. O'Neill, deceased, v. Michael V. Canty, Elizabeth P. O'Neill, Mary A. O'Neill, Edmund Kemble, John A. O'Connell, et al. Includes related correspondence; a galley proof of a pamphlet concerning the case; and extracts of the will of Michael C. O'Neill. Michael C. O'Neill was the proprietor of a Charleston (S.C.) shoe business called D. O'Neill & Sons.

0152.01.07 Mitchell & Smith.

Thomas Pinckney estate records, 1915-1919.

142 items.

Records chiefly consist of correspondence regarding administration of the estate of Thomas Pinckney. Some letters and contracts pertain to El Dorado Plantation (Charleston County, S.C., near McClellanville, on the Santee River). Correspondents include Camilla S. Pinckney (widow of Thomas Pinckney), Charles Cotesworth Pinckney (his son), and Josephine Pinckney (his daughter), Mary E. Seabrook, Thomas P. Bryan of the law firm of McGuire, Riely, Bryan & Eggleston (Richmond, Va.), and J.J. Pringle Smith (of Mitchell & Smith).

# BOX 4

152.01.08 Mitchell & Smith.

James R. Pringle estate records, 1861-1879.

5 items

Records include a bound volume (1874?-1879) containing accounts for the assigned estate of James Reid Pringle, Jr., assigned to Charles H. West, which includes names of individuals in various South Carolina counties and in Brunswick, Ga.); a bound volume (1874-1877) containing cash accounts pertaining to the bankrupt estate of J.R. Pringle & Company [of Charleston, S.C.]; an indenture (1869); a partnership agreement between James R. Pringle and James R. Pringle, Jr. for a factorage and commission business in Charleston (S.C.); a promissory note (1861) between these parties; and an (unrelated?) letter (1861 Aug. 28) form John G. Barnwell to Coffin & Pringle regarding financial matters and his cotton crop [at Bay Point Plantation?].

152.01.09 Mitchell & Smith.

Arthur M. Rutledge estate records, 1883-1914.

Ca. 75 items.

Records consist of correspondence (1912-1914) mainly concerning a lawsuit over cedar timber on estate lands in Tennessee; related legal documents; and two copies of a deed of partition (1883) between Elizabeth Rutledge Young and Henry Edward Young, Emma Rutledge Smith and Henry A.M. Smith, and Arthur Middleton Rutledge (b. 1855). Correspondents include Arthur Crownover (Winchester, Term.), Arthur Rutledge Young (b. 1876), and J.J. Pringle Smith.

#### BOX 4

0152.01.10 Mitchell & Smith.

Charles W. Stiles estate records, 1853-1896.

Ca. 25 items.

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Records chiefly consist of correspondence and property records. Correspondence (1894-1896) of Mitchell & Smith, chiefly with Stiles' relatives in Rhode Island and Nova Scotia, concerns the settlement of the estate; certain kerns belonging to the estate including a painting, watch, and masonic "suit"; and other matters.

Property records (1854-1889), consisting of mortgages and conveyances, pertain to land and buildings in Charleston (S.C.) on the "south east corner of Spring and President streets," also described as lots in "the village of Pettigrew County of Charleston" owned by Israel and Essie Brown, and conveyed to Mrs. Jane Adams.

Other items include a certificate of U.S. citizenship (1853) for Charles W. Stiles, "a native of Nova Scotia, by profession a painter"; an estate account book (1894-1896); bonds; a lock of hair of Miss Sarah [D.] Stiles (n.d.); and a deed to a cemetery lot.

# 152.01.11 Mitchell & Smith.

Henry P. Walker estate records, 1887-1902.

Ca. 20 items.

Records include letters (1 897, 1 898) from a London (England) law firm regarding Henry Pinckney Walker's estate; an affidavit (1898) by his wife Dorothy Box [Modd?] Walker (which contains biographical information on her husband, a diplomat); his will (1887); and other items. There are also estate records of Dorothy Box Walker, consisting of her will (1899); receipts (1900); letters (1901-1902); accounts; lists of furnishings; and a warrant of appraisement.

# BOX 5

0152.01.12 Mitchell & Smith.

Charles O. Witte estate records, 1857-1913.

Ca. 0.5 linear ft.

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Records consist of correspondence, financial records, property records, and other items. Correspondence concerns the construction of a monument in Magnolia Cemetery (Charleston, S.C.); transfers of stocks, funds, and other property to the estate; sales of estate properties including Green Hill Plantation (Kershaw County, S.C.) and other lands in several South Carolina counties; division of the estate among the heirs (Witte's six daughters); and other matters. Correspondents include Mitchell & Smith, Earle Sloan, Lewis W. Parker (president of the Olympia Cotton Mills in Greenville, S.C.), M.L. Copeland (Laurens, S.C.), various businesses and financial organizations, and Witte's daughters Alice W. Sloan, Belle W. Mitchell (wife of Julian Mitchell), Fay W. Ball, Carlotta W. Van Boskerck, Beatrice Witte Ravenel, and Laura W. Waring. Letters include information about the Franklin Phosphate Company (Newberry, Fla.).

Property records include a lease (1909) on a lot and cottage on Sullivans Island (S.C.); and abstracts of title to a lot on the south side of Broad Street (Charleston, S.C.) near Savage Street (1869) and a lot and buildings on the west side of East Bay Street (ad.). There are also three bills of sale (1863) for slaves purchased by Charles O. Witte [Sr.?] in Charleston (S.C.).

Financial records include receipts; invoices; an account book (bound volume, 1859-1871) which includes cash accounts and a record of invoices for shipments of cotton; and a cash book (bound volume,

1851-1866) which includes accounts for sales and shipments of cotton and other items, some shipped by blockade runners. Other items include a drawing (plan) of the Witte grave monument.

# BOX 6

0152.01.13 Mitchell& Smith.

Miscellaneous estate records, 1879-1914.

16 items

Estate records, including legal documents, correspondence, and financial records, pertain to the estates of Count Oscar Peter Augustus Moltke (1885-1887), Thomas H.

Hood (1899), John H.N. Meyer and Anna C. Meyer (1913-1914), William Beckett (1879-

1880), and Bernard Boyd (1890-1892). Included is a Beckett family chart listing descendants of William Beckett (d. 1854) and Martha B. Beckett (d. 1879) of St. Johns Colleton Parish (S.C.).

0152.02 Organizations

0152.02.01 Mitchell & Smith.

Deed of trust, 1891.

1 item.

Indenture between the Agricultural Society of South Carolina and Julian Mitchell and C.I. Walker, trustees, concerns the issue and payment of bonds and the conveyance in trust of real estate in Charleston (S.C.).

0152.02.02 Mitchell & Smith.

John L. Ancrum bequest records, 1900-1914.

20 items.

Records consist of correspondence (1900,1913-1914) mostly regarding John L. Ancrum's bequest to the Charleston Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (which afterwards bore his name); his will (1901); notes; estate accounts; and other items. Correspondents include J. Alwyn Ball, J. Waties Waring, and Mitchell & Smith.

0152.02.03 Mitchell & Smith.

Carolina Yacht Club purchase records, 1917-1922.

62 items.

Records pertain to property on East Bay Street in Charleston (S.C.) purchased from the Charleston Terminal Company by the Carolina Yacht Club. Records include correspondence, conveyances, and a plat. Correspondents include W.E. Huger (president of the Charleston Terminal Company), John B. Grimball (commodore, Carolina Yacht Club), Julian Mitchell, and Edwin DuBose (Charleston Terminal Co.).

0152.02.04 Mitchell & Smith.

Charleston Museum incorporation records, 1914-1915.

20 items.

Records consist of correspondence concerning the incorporation and reorganization of the museum; a proposed constitution; constitution (1915); a notice of intention to incorporate; and other items. Correspondents include Julian Mitchell and Paul M. Rea (museum director).

# **BOXES 6-7**

0152.02.05 Mitchell & Smith.

Church of the Redeemer records, 1855-1925.

Ca. 1 linear ft.

Records consist of correspondence, financial and property records, printed material, and other items. Correspondence (1897-1916) concerning the construction of a seamen's chapel and home in Charleston (S.C.) includes letters between Thomas Pinckney, William M. Aiken (a New York architect), attorney Thomas W. Bacot, A.T. Smythe, Walker & Burden (Charleston architects and engineers), Julian Mitchell (of Mitchell & Smith), and others, with estimates and proposals. Correspondence (1918), mostly proposals, regarding the remodeling of a two-story brick building on East Bay Street (Charleston, S.C.) as an annex to the Harriott Pinckney Home for Seamen. Other correspondence (1878-1922, n.d.) concerns financial and other matters.

In addition, there are incorporation records (1855-1905) including minutes and a legislative bill (printed); specifications (1906) by William M. Aiken for a proposed mariners' chapel and a club house; projects (1914); drafts of a proposed union of the Charleston Port Society and the Church of the Redeemer; blueprints and plans (oversized) of a church lot and annex; a contract (1915) with P.D. Hay to build a church and home for seamen on the northwest corner of Market and East Bay streets (Charleston, S.C.); accounts, bills, receipts, and other items concerning the construction of the church and home for seamen (1915-1916); a contract (1918) with Walker & Burden for alterations to a two-story brick building at 231 East Bay Street; and invoices (1918) mainly for alterations to 231 East Bay. Property records (1855-1918, n.d.) include a conveyance (1855) of Pinckney family land on East Bay Street in trust; a bill of sale (1879) for buildings on an East Bay lot; a lease (1891); conveyances (1909-1918) of lots and buildings on East Bay Street; and an abstract of title (1909?) to a lot on the west side of East Bay Street. Additional financial records include invoices, bills, and receipts (1899-1916) for taxes, insurance, and other expenses; invoices, statements, and miscellaneous items (1900-1924); a petty cash book (1893-1899) kept by T.P. Lowndes; bank books (1896-1919); cancelled checks and check stub books (1896-1925); treasurer's account book (1892-1895) kept by E. Montague Grimke; insurance policies and bills (1895-1915); and F. Montague Grimke's accounts with the Church of the Redeemer (1895-1896) and a receipt (1896) regarding same.

Other items include lists of members of the Charleston Port Society (n.d.); miscellaneous items (1899-1918, ad.); memorials (pamphlets) of Rev. Charles C. Pinckney; Thomas Pinckney memorials (1915); addresses (pamphlets, 1899-1902) concerning seamen's ministries; reports (1902-1904) and a brochure (1904) concerning the New York (N.Y.) Protestant Episcopal Church Missionary Society for Seamen; annual reports (1904-1905) of the Churchmen's Missionary Association for Seamen of Philadelphia (Pa,); and British publications (1904-1905) regarding missions to seamen.

# BOX 7

0152.02.06 Mitchell & Smith.

Church and charities publications, 1876-1915.

18 items

Printed material includes a report (1876 pamphlet) to the Episcopal Diocese of South Carolina concerning the admission of a "congregation composed altogether of colored persons" (St. Mark's); an annual report (1910) of the Associated Charities Society (Charleston, S.C.), and a letter of endorsement; and anniversary reports (1913-1915) of the Ladies' Benevolent Society (Charleston, S.C.).

0152.02.07 Mitchell & Smith.

Commercial Club records, 1904-1905.

12 items.

Records consist of reports to the president and members concerning the club's facilities and patronage, with recommendations; letters (some on club stationery with letterheads depicting the club's building on Meeting Street in Charleston, S.C.); printed booklet of the club constitution, bylaws, rules, officers, and list of members (1904); and a cigar list and menus of the Virginia Club (Norfolk, Va.).

# BOX 8

0152.02.08 Mitchell & Smith.

Otranto Club records, 1916-1924.

21 items

Records consist of drafts of constitutions and bylaws (1918); a letter (1916) regarding timber on club property in Berkeley County (S.C.); stockholders' notices; treasurer's statement (1924); two copies of a published constitution and bylaws (n.d., includes a history of the club); stockholders' proxies appointing Henry A.M. Smith as proxy; and other items.

The Otranto Club was a hunting club established in 1872. It was located in Berkeley County, S.C.

0152.02.09 Mitchell & Smith.

Pine Grove Club records, 1911-1916.

42 items.

Records of this Berkeley County (S.C.) hunting club include correspondence of Julian Mitchell and others regarding club finances, meetings, and other matters, with related financial statements; and minutes (Feb. 1912) of a special stockholders' meetings.

0152.02.10 Mitchell & Smith.

South Carolina Bar Association records, 1915-1916.

Ca. 150 items.

Records chiefly consist of correspondence concerning meetings, speakers, finances, and other matters. Also included are lists of members; a clipping; and two business cards. Correspondents include Julian Mitchell and prominent legal and political figures.

0152.03 Public Works, Utilities, and Buildings

0152.03.01 Mitchell & Smith.

Coast Line Telephone Co. records, 1904-1911.

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12 items.

Records of this South Carolina company consist of a minute book (1904-1909); cash account book (1904-1909, large bound volume); a bank book (1908-1911); a stock certificate book (1904); a company charter (1904); commission of corporators (1904); a bond (1909); lists of stockholders; financial statements; and a letter (1911).

0152.03.02 Mitchell & Smith.

Edisto Island Township bond records, 1917-1918.

Ca. 95 items.

Records include typewritten copies of "An Act to Authorize the Township Commissioners for the Island of Edisto in Charleston County to Issue Six Thousand Dollars in Ten Year Interest Bearing Coupon Bonds for the Purpose of Erecting a Bridge at or Near Sands Bluff across the Dawhoo River..."; printed bill of same; notices of a bond offering; miscellaneous items; and related correspondence. Correspondents include Mitchell & Smith, J.G. Murray (Chairman of Township Commissioners) and James Simons (Charleston, S.C.).

#### BOX 9

0152.03.03 Mitchell & Smith.

Highway Commission case records, 1908.

8 items.

Records consist of a typewritten copy of a conveyance of a strip of land near the United States Navy Yard belonging to the estate of J.J. Noisette, conveyed by his devisees of his will to the Highway Commission of Dorchester, Berkeley and Charleston Counties (S.C.); notes (marked "Exhibit A") on a bridge over Noisette's Creek; a draft of a conveyance of a parallel strip of land (to same) owned by the E.P. Burton Lumber Company; and plats.

The land was acquired by the commission for the purpose of constructing a highway from Summerville to Charleston (S.C.).

0152.03.04 Mitchell & Smith.

McClellanville public landing case records, 1850-1881.

Ca. 25 items.

Records consist of correspondence, legal documents, and plats pertaining to access and use of a public landing in McClellanville (S.C.), located on property owned by Archibald J. McClellan (d. 1846). Included is a lease (1850) between Sarah A. Brightman and A.J. McClellan; plats (one oversized); notice and grounds of appeal presented by Mitchell & Smith regarding a petition by citizens of McClellanville (1881); extracts of conveyances and a will; legal documents pertaining to the case "Certain Citizens of McClellanville v. J. Palmer McClellan"; and other items. Correspondents include A.J. McClellan, J. Palmer McClellan, George T. Taylor, and Julian Mitchell.

0152.03.05 Mitchell & Smith.

Sea Island Telephone Company records, 1897-1904.

3 items.

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Records consist of a "Draft Agreement Tripartite" (ad.) between Cecil G. Fennell and Reginald F. Fennell, the Sea Island Telephone Company, and its subscribers; an indenture (1900) or lease agreement between the Sea Island Telephone Co. and the Gordon Telephone Co.; a list (ad.) of subscribers (attributed to the Sea Island Telephone Co.); and a minute book (1897-1904) of the Gordon Telephone Co. of West Virginia.

# **BOXES 9-10**

0152.03.05 Mitchell & Smith.

State House construction litigation records, 1903-1905.

Ca. 0.5 linear ft.

Records consist of legal documents, correspondence, printed material, and a clipping pertaining to the case of the State of South Carolina v. McIlvain-Unkefer Company and Frank P. Milburn.

Legal documents include transcripts of testimony, complaints, and answers. Printed material consists of six pamphlets, mostly reports to the South Carolina legislature. Correspondents include Mitchell & Smith, Robert Aldrich, William M. Aiken, and Clark & Clark (a Columbia law firm.)

Frank P. Milburn, an architect and engineer, and McIlvain-Unkefer Co., builders and contractors, were sued by the state for failure to perform a contract to complete work on the South Carolina State House in Columbia.

#### **BOX 10**

0152.03.07 Mitchell & Smith.

Summerville Electric Light and Power Co. case records, 1905-1907.

Ca. 40 items.

Records chiefly consist of correspondence concerning disputes between the town of Summerville (S.C.), the Summerville Electric Light and Power Company, and John H. Devereux, Jr. over payments for coal supplied by Devereux and town street lighting. Correspondents include W.W. Fuller, Daniel Miler, and

George Tupper. Also included are accounts; an agreement; and a legal document pertaining to the case of John H. Devereux, Jr. v. the Town of Summerville.

#### **BOXES 10-12**

0152.03.08 Mitchell & Smith.

U.S. Post Office construction Litigation records, 1890-1905.

1 linear ft.

Records consist of legal documents, correspondence, financial records, and other items pertaining to construction of the United States post office and courthouse building (Broad and Meeting streets, Charleston, S.C.) and an ensuing lawsuit involving William M. Bird, James F. Redding, and Henry F. Welch v. Daniel A, J. Sullivan, John H. Steinmeyer and Thomas Young.

Legal documents include transcripts of testimony. Financial records include canceled checks, accounts, and invoices. Correspondents include Mitchell & Smith and those named in the lawsuit. Other items include copies of a bond and contract (1890).

D.A. J. Sullivan, a Charleston (S.C.) builder, entered into a contract with the United States in 1890 for the building of a post office and courthouse building in Charleston (S.C.). The other persons named in the case, as well as John Rugheimer, were sureties on Sullivan's bond. When Sullivan became unable to carry on the contract in 1892 "it became incumbent on his sureties to do so." Those sureties who carried on the contract sued Daniel A.J. Sullivan (who died after 1895 but before 1902) and the named defendants for failure to perform the terms of the bond.

#### **BOX 12**

0152.03.09 Mitchell & Smith.

Wappoo Creek bridge records, 1898.

6 items.

Records include a printed memorial (1898?) to the South Carolina General Assembly objecting to the location of a proposed bridge across Wappoo Creek and Cut (Charleston, S.C.); a list of petitioners (mostly steamboat and tug masters); and letters to the South Carolina General Assembly, the U.S. Secretary of War, and John F. Ficken, president of the Wappoo Bridge Company.

152.04 Land Records

0152.04.01 Mitchell & Smith.

Alston v. Limehouse case records, 1892-1902.

Ca 60 items

Records consist of legal documents, correspondence, and other items pertaining to the case of Charles P. Alston (and sometimes Susan P. Alston) v. James F. Limehouse et al, an adjudication of rights (traceable to early land grants) to marshland in the Waccamaw Neck area of Georgetown County (S.C.). Correspondence, mostly that of Charles P. Alston (one of the owners of land abutting the marsh), concerns poaching on the oyster beds and marshlands in question, hunting and fishing rights there, and related matters. Other items include transcriptions (1892) of early 18th century Hobcaw Barony land grants; and copies of late 18th century and early 19th century conveyances of land in Georgetown District.

### **BOX 13**

0152.04.02 Mitchell & Smith.

Ashley Avenue boundary dispute records, 1915-1916.

15 items.

Records chiefly consist of correspondence concerning a dispute over property lines of a lot at No. 69 Ashley Avenue in Charleston (S.C.) owned by Edna M. Cogswell. Correspondents include Mitchell & Smith, W.H. Cogswell, and Mary C. Delahunty. Also included is an agreement between Edna M. Cogswell and J.B. Hamlin (owner of 65 Ashley Ave.).

0152.04.03 Mitchell & Smith.

Bull Island records, 1907-1909.

9 items.

Papers chiefly consist of legal documents and property records concerning title to Bull's [Bull] Island (S.C.) and a boundary line dispute. Included are two affidavits (1907, n.d.); transcriptions (1909, n.d.) of a conveyance (1851) of property on Bull Island and a court document (1826) regarding the case of Paul Fitzsimons, Wade Hampton, Jr., and wife v. Christopher Fitzsimons et ah; a court document concerning a petition of Henry F. Welch (1907); an agreement (1907) between Julius B. Hyer and Robert and Susan Magwood regarding a boundary line on Bull Island; a plat (oversized) of property on Bull Island (1907); two letters (1909) to Henry A.M. Smith; and a letter (n.d.) to Frank M. Patterson (N.Y.) regarding legal title to the island.

0152.04.04 Mitchell & Smith.

Chicora Place records, 1903-1909.

12 items.

Records include three letters, two concerning lots in Chicora Place, a real estate development in North Charleston (S.C.) adjoining the Navy Yard. Correspondents include Claudian B. Northrop, Gibbs E. Shaffer, and Julian Mitchell. Other items consist of a plat (1903, oversized) of Chicora Place; advertising material including a handbill announcing an auction sale at Chicora Place; a raffle ticket; printed testimonial letters to the Navy Yard Home Corporation; a circular letter announcing an auction; Carolina Corporation applications to purchase lots; two booklets containing forms for bonds for a deed with the Carolina Corporation and the Navy Yard Home Corporation; charter (1908) of the Navy Yard Home Corp.; conveyances; and an agreement (1908) between the Carolina Corp. and the Navy Yard Home Corp.

0152.04.05 Mitchell & Smith.

Fort Dorchester case records, 1891-1902.

45 items.

Records include legal documents, mostly affidavits, court orders, and answers (1900-1902) in the case of the State of South Carolina v. F.C.W. Behlmer, concerning the ownership of property on which old Fort Dorchester and the town of Dorchester (S.C.) was located; a document (1900) issued by the S.C. Secretary of State appointing Edward McCrady and the South Carolina Historical Society protectors of the old fort; and correspondence (1891-1902), including a letter (1891) from William Izard Bull to Rev. C.C. Pinckney regarding a Eustis family burial site in Old Dorchester, and letters (1900-1902) relating to the case.

0152.04.06 Mitchell & Smith.

High Falls property records, 1890.

10 items.

Records include correspondence between attorney S.P. Dendy (Walhalla, S.C.), A.G. Rose (Charleston, S.C.), and Mitchell & Smith concerning the High Falls property of W.A. Strother in Oconee County (S.C., formerly Pickens District); abstracts of title to the property; a contract (option to buy) between W.A. Strother and A.G. Rose for the High Falls property including "the water power, all buildings, houses, mills, cotton gin and fixtures, and all machinery"; and two plats (oversized).

0152.04.07 Mitchell & Smith.

Newport Plantation records, 1905-1911.

0.25 linear ft.

Records consist of invoices and accounts for sales and milling of rice from Newport Plantation (Beaufort County, S.C.) on the account of Henry C. Cheves, milled at West Point Mills and Bennett's Rice Mills in Charleston (S.C.). Also included are related notes by Langdon Cheves.

#### **BOX 14**

0152.04.08 Mitchell & Smith.

Niver v. Rockwell case records, 1898.

2 items.

Papers consist of a letter from [S.T.] Donaldson to [Henry A.M.] Smith; and Judge [W.H.] Brawley's charge to the jury in the case of C. W. Niver v. Rockwell et al, a dispute over a land grant for property on Parris Island (S.C.).

0152.04.09 Mitchell & Smith.

C.B. Northrop land grant and plats, 1890-1891.

3 items.

Copies (1890-1891) of an 1855 South Carolina land grant of 1,040 acres of marshland in Christ Church Parish (S.C.) to Claudian B[ard] Northrop; and two plats of the marshland.

0152.04.10 Mitchell & Smith.

Pinckney Island rent statements, 1913.

2 items.

Statement of rents collected by Mr. George Waterhouse from Pinckney Island (S.C.), submitted to members of the Pinckney family (Mrs. C.C. Pinckney, Miss Mary E. Pinckney, and Mr. E.R. Pinckney) lists tenants and amounts of rent paid. Also included is an account of rental income due to the estate of Miss Mary E. Pinckney, submitted by Henry Schachte & Sons (Charleston, S.C.).

0152.04.11 Mitchell & Smith.

S. Lewis Simons affidavit and plat, 1905.

2 items.

Affidavit by S. Lewis Simons, an engineer and surveyor (Simons-Mayrant Co.), concerns a plat (attached) of land owned by the Charleston, S.C. Mining and Manufacturing Company in St. Andrew Parish (Charleston, S.C.) called the Oaks Plantation or the "Ramsey tract." Document pertains to the case of C.C. Pinckney et al. v. the Charleston, S.C. Mining and Manufacturing Company. Plat is oversized.

0152.04.12 Mitchell & Smith.

Sheldon Plantation records, 1899-1907.

7 items

Records consist of property records, mostly abstracts of title and related documents (1907) pertaining to Sheldon Plantation (Beaufort County, S.C.); a letter (1899) to Bishop Ellison Capers concerning "the status of Sheldon Church...and the rights of a new church soon to be consecrated at McPhersonville in Hampton County"; and a copy of minutes (1899) of a meeting of "surviving members of, and those interested in Sheldon Church.

0152.04.13 Mitchell & Smith.

Title examination notes, [1908].

1 item.

A notebook contains extracts from deed books and other information pertaining to title to a parcel of land on the corner of Richland and Henderson streets in Columbia (S.C.).

0152.04.14 Mitchell & Smith.

Tomotley Plantation records, 1898-1907.

17 items.

Records pertaining to this Beaufort County (S.C.) plantation include a lien on crop (1902) made by C J.C. Hutson to Ravenel & Company of Charleston (S.C.); notes; related correspondence; a "List of Deeds and Muniments of Title in Connection with the Title to Tomotley1 Plantation"; abstracts of title; and other items.

0152.04.15 Mitchell & Smith.

War claims records, 1863-1914.

Ca. 35 items.

Records consist of correspondence, clippings, printed material, and other items pertaining to claims made in South Carolina against the U.S. government for property seized or abandoned during or after the Civil War, specifically, Pinckney Island (S.C.), an island plantation belonging to the Pinckney family, and cotton owned by James M. Seabrook, James M. Rhett, members of the Pinckney family, and others. Printed material includes a report (1875, reprinted 1900) by the U.S. Treasury Secretary concerning the cotton seized "after the close of the war"; a petition for the restoration of Pinckney Island (1867); and claimant's petition (1908) for cotton claims on behalf of the Rhett and Means families (which includes genealogical information on the Means family of Beaufort District, S.C.).

Correspondents include Mitchell & Smith (Charleston, S.C.), B.R, Tillman (U.S. Senate), Robert M. Means [Jr.?] of Atlanta (Ga.), and others. Other items include a petition of Cato A. Seabrook, son of James B. Seabrook (1908); James M. Rhett's invoices for cotton sales (1864); cotton insurance records; and an agreement (1863) between James M. Rhett and Robert [N.] Lewis concerning the sale of land near Columbia (S.C.).

0152.04.16 Mitchell & Smith.

Whaley family land redemption application, 1882.

1 item.

Application form submitted by William Whaley, Washington A. Whaley, and Joseph Whaley to the South Carolina Secretary of State for the redemption of forfeited land on Edisto Island (S.C.).

0152.04.17 Mitchell & Smith.

Wraggborough property records, 1850-1864.

9 items.

Records consist of an agreement (1850) between Eliza R. Toomer, executrix of the estate of Joshua W. Toomer, and James Gadsden concerning title to and purchase of a lot and buildings on the corner of Meeting and Ann streets in Charleston (S.C.); notes on a chain of title; a conveyance (1850) of property on Meeting and Ann streets in Wraggborough (a section of Charleston, S.C.), sold by Eliza R. Toomer and other Toomer family members to James Gadsden; two certificates concerning unsatisfied judgments, mortgages, or decrees against James Gadsden (1860); bonds of Samuel Y. Tupper to James Tupper (1862); and Samuel Y. Tupper's mortgages on a lot and a "large brick residence" on the northwest corner of Meeting and Ann streets (1860).

0152.04.18 Mitchell & Smith.

Miscellaneous property records, 1839-1884.

10 items.

Records consist of plats; a mortgage; conveyances; an extract (1858) of the will of Mrs. Elizabeth Singleton concerning claims to land in Summerville (S.C.); and two "Head of Family Land Certificates"

(1865,1866) issued by U.S. Direct Tax commissioners conveying acreage on Port Royal Island (Beaufort County, S.C.) to Bull Grant, "the head of a family and a colored citizen."

Plats (oversized items) depict a lot in Summerville (S.C.) owned by Daniel Knights (1877); and the "Subdivision of The Allen Farm on Charleston Neck" (1878) in Charleston (S.C.), showing land along Shipyard Creek. Conveyances pertain to a lot and house on Smith Street in Cannonsboro (Charleston, S.C.), sold by William Robinson to Thomas Gates in 1846, and in 1853 conveyed from Robert W. Disher to Harriet Beaufort Trescott, "a Free Colored Woman of the City of Charleston."

Mortgage (1839) is on a lot on Anson Street (Charleston, S.C.), mortgaged by Elizabeth C. Chazal, John Philip Chazal, and Peter Augustus Chazal to the Bank of the State of South Carolina.

0152.05 Individuals and Family Papers

0152.05.01 Mitchell & Smith.

Sam Brick legal papers, [1904?].

2 items.

A legal opinion and a brief concern the bankruptcy of Sam Brick, a Russian Jewish immigrant who made a living as an itinerant peddler and country store owner in locales including McColl (S.C.), Clio (S.C.), and Mt. Olive (N.C.).

# **BOXES 15-17**

0152.05.02 Mitchell & Smith.

Caroline Carson legal papers, 1865-1898.

Ca. 0.75 linear ft.

Papers chiefly consist of legal documents pertaining to lawsuits concerning the sale and ownership of Dean Hall Plantation (S.C.). Cases involved included Caroline Carson v. William McBurney et al; C.T. Dunham v. Caroline Carson; Caroline Carson v. C.T. Dunham; and William Carson and James Petigru Carson v. C.T. Dunham, William McBurney, et al.

Other items include related correspondence (1866-1895, n.d.); two pamphlets (1891,1893) relating to Dunham v. Carson; Dean Hall Plantation accounts (1866-1875); and testimony and other information concerning Dean Hall. Caroline P. Carson, daughter of James Louis Petigru (1789-1863), a

South Carolina attorney, writer, and politician, was an artist and poet. She married William Augustus Carson (1800-1856), a South Carolina rice plantation owner, in 1841. She died in Rome, Italy, where she had moved during the Civil War.

### **BOX 17**

0152.05.03 Mitchell & Smith.

D.H. Chamberlain letter, 1889 Nov. 16.

1 item.

Letter to Daniel H. Chamberlain in Charleston (S.C.) as receiver of the South Carolina Railway [Co.] from "your humble workmen" informing him of misdoings at the railroad shops and complaining about the actions of a Mr. Smith.

#### **BOXES 17-19**

0152.05.04 Mitchell & Smith.

Dawson family papers, 1878-1913.

Ca. 1 linear ft.

Papers chiefly consist of correspondence of and pertaining to the family of Francis W. Dawson, editor of the News & Courier, a Charleston (S.C.) newspaper. Correspondence includes letters (1889-1909) from

Mrs. Sarah Morgan Dawson to her lawyer and friend Henry A.M. Smith concerning personal affairs subsequent to the murder of her husband, Francis W. Dawson, in 1889; interest income from News & Courier bonds and other financial matters; her daughter Ethel; the career and health of her son [Francis] Warrington Dawson (1878-1962); the illness and death of her sister Miriam; and other matters. Her letters are from North Carolina, New York, Paris (France), and elsewhere.

Also included are letters (1900-1911) to Henry A.M. Smith from [Francis] Warrington Dawson (1878-1962) in France, Africa, New Jersey, and elsewhere, concerning his health and that of his mother, his work as a correspondent for the News & Courier, and other matters; letters (1903?-1909) to Smith from Ethel Dawson Barry; and letters (1897-1913) to Smith from Herbert Barry in New York (N.Y.) regarding Barry's engagement to Ethel Dawson, Mrs. Sarah M. Dawson's financial affairs, Mrs. Sarah M. Dawson's death and burial arrangements, her estate, and other matters. There are a few letters (1882-1888) of Francis Warrington Dawson (1840-1889); and correspondence (1889-1911) of Mitchell & Smith regarding Dawson family legal, business, and financial affairs.

Other papers of Sarah Morgan Dawson include financial records and estate records (1880-1910), including wills and other legal documents. Morgan family correspondence (1879-19w) includes letters of James Morris Morgan and Emily St. Pierre Morgan (Annandale, S.C.) to Mitchell & Smith. Papers (1889) relating to the murder of Francis W. Dawson and the ensuing investigation and trial include statements and testimony of witnesses; statements to police and a police report; a letter in French written by Helene (the French or Swiss domestic employed by Dawson); a photograph and negative of Francis W. Dawson; an autopsy report by Dr. Middleton Michel; notes; and other items.

Papers pertaining to the case of Mary E. [W.] Mayfield v. Bartholomew R. Riordan and Francis W. Dawson (a controversy over her rights to property co-owned by the News & Courier) include a bound volume containing pamphlets concerning the case (1878?-1879) and handwritten notes; loose notes; and a pamphlet (1879). Another bound volume (1888-1909) contains accounts of F.W. Dawson and his estate.

Sarah M. Dawson's Civil War memoirs were first published in 1913 as "A Confederate Girl's Diary."

### **BOX 19**

0152.05.05 Mitchell & Smith.

James S. Farnum business papers, 1902-1921.

Ca. 80 Items.

Papers of James S. Farnum, president of the Consumer Beer Bottling Establishment (Charleston, S.C.), consist of correspondence (1902-1921) mainly concerning his business interests and activities including the distribution of "Bevo" (an unfermented beverage containing one quarter of 1% alcohol); contracts and agreements; receipts, including one from Herman Strauss (N.Y.) for money received in return for half the profits of two vaudeville acts by Strauss; and miscellaneous items including a black hand (threat?). Other items include an agreement (1917) between James S. Farnum and James Sotille and other papers concerning the New Charleston Hotel Company.

# **BOXES 19-22**

0152.05.06 Mitchell & Smith.

F.W. Ford legal papers, 1869-1904 (bulk 1897-1902)

1 linear ft.

Papers chiefly consist of legal documents, including complaints, answers, and opinions, correspondence, and other items pertaining to the case of S.M. Ward and Company (St. Julien M. Lachicotte and A.A. Springs, copartners) v. Frederick W. Ford. These date between 1898 and 1901.

Included are four pamphlets (18997-1901?) relating to the case and one galley proof of a related pamphlet; and copies of an agreement (1898) between S.M. Ward and Co. and F.W. Ford and A.M. Manigualt concerning the use of White Oak and Kinloch creeks.

Papers also include legal documents, including complaints and answers, financial records, correspondence, and other items (1897-1904) pertaining to the case of Frederick W. Ford v. Arthur M. Manigualt, a dispute over an agreement between the two men concerning Ford's oversight of Manigault's Bowman Plantation, Ford's salary and financial interest, and the use of workers from Ford's Rice Hope and Bear Hill plantations at Bowman Plantation.

Financial records (1898-1902) include check stub books; plantation accounts, including a [Woodside] Plantation account book kept by R.M. Doar (1900-1901); Lynchfield [Plantation] store accounts; invoices and accounts of A.M. Manigault; F.W. Ford invoices, receipts, and accounts; a Bowman Plantation stock and receipt book; a "mill book" (1898-1901) listing workers, their days worked, and wages; and rice toll sheets and invoices (1898-1902) for rice of A.M. Manigault milled at the Georgetown Rice Milling Company and sold by William P. Cook of New York (N. Y.).

Correspondence (1897-1904) includes letters between F.W. Ford at Annandale [Plantation] concerning workers, tenants, erection of buildings, rice fields, plantation conditions, and other matters; correspondence of A.M. Manigualt, F.W. Ford, Henry A.M. Smith, Mitchell & Smith, and others regarding a dispute over right of way through Rice Hope, Woodside, and Newland plantations to Bear Hill Plantation, a floodgate on Kinloch Creek, and the two lawsuits. There is also a letterpress copybook (1897-1899) of A.M. Manigault; an (unrelated?) letter dated 1878, from A.H. Ford to H.A.M. Smith; an (unrelated?) letter (1869 May 26) to Porter & Conner from Paul T. Horry (executor of the estate of E.S. Horry) at North Santee concerning a tract of land belonging to the estate of Elias Horry (1773-1834); a letter (1898 Aug. 2) to Smythe, Lee & Frost (Charleston, S.C.) from [P.] Dismukes (Tenn.) regarding land near Lynchfield and Annville plantations (Georgetown County, S.C.); and letters (1898) between Claudian B. Northrop (Charleston, S.C.), William M. Atkinson (a Winchester, Va. attorney and judge), and Florence C. Trenholm (Annandale, S.C.) concerning Pine Grove Plantation (Georgetown County, S.C.).

Also included is a memorandum (ad.) "for Mr. Northrop" concerning Annandale, Ravenel, Annville, Lynchfield, and other properties owned by William Miles Hazzard (husband of Emily St. Pierre Trenholm); and an oversized plat (1902) of land in Georgetown County (S.C.). In the case of S.M. Ward and Co. v. F.W. Ford, all the parties were Georgetown County (S.C.) rice planters. Plaintiffs alleged that Ford, having control over the banks of the North Santee River and its canals and creeks, caused the rice fields of Woodside Plantation (owned by S.M. Ward and Co.) to be overflowed and rendered useless for cultivation. Ford owned the adjoining Rice Hope Plantation. In these papers "Bowman Plantation" is also referred to as the Bowman property, which seemed to be formed by Annville and Lynchfield plantations.

# **BOX 22**

0152.05.07 Mitchell & Smith. Izard family papers, 1891-1893. 11 items.

Papers chiefly consist of legal documents, including complaints in the case of Louis Manigault et al v. Julius de Lancey [DeLancey] Pedersen et al, an estate dispute involving Samuel G. Stone's claims on a plantation in Berkeley County (S.C.) known as Westover or Blue House. In addition, there are copies of wills of Izard family members including George Izard, Ralph Izard (d. 1711), Ralph Izard (16887-1743), and Ralph Izard (1742-1804); an Izard family chart; and a copy of a release (1767) of property in Charleston (S.C.).

0152.05.08 Mitchell & Smith. Izard family legal papers, 1846-1891. 7 items. Charleston, S.C law firm. Papers relating to French spoliation claims made by Emma M. Izard, executrix of the estate of Allen Smith Izard (born Smith), son and sole heir at law of Joseph Allen Smith, consist of three pamphlets (petition, claim, and evidence of claimant); a blank form for submission of evidence; and a petition and certificate (1846) pertaining to Joseph Allen Smith's change of name to [Joseph] Allen Smith Izard.

0152.05.09 Mitchell & Smith.

William McBurney construction accounts, 1865-1894.

11 items.

These are mostly John H. Devereux's accounts (1865-1893) with William McBurney and Hyatt, McBurney & Company (Charleston, S.C.) for repairs and improvements on buildings located at 26 Rutledge Street (McBurney's residence), 18 George Street, and 29 Broad Street (premises of Hyatt, McBurney & Co.?) in Charleston (S.C.). There is also a "Statement of Work and Materials on 29 Broad St." (1873-1894); and [related?] accounts for unspecified property on Broad Street and Hayne and Market streets (1865-1886). Accounts detail charges for material and labor.

The Hayne Street property may have been the site of John S. Fairly & Company, McBurney's employer.

0152.05.10 Mitchell & Smith.

Letter of appointment, 1877 Feb. 14. 1 item.

Letter from M.H. Collins, Charleston County (S.C.) coroner, appointing A.P. Prioleau as deputy coroner for St. John's [Berkeley] Parish (S.C.).

0152.05.11 Mitchell & Smith.

T.D. Ravenel letter, 1893 March 16.

1 item.

Unsigned letter written on stationery of the Cameron & Barkley Company (Charleston, S.C.), addressed to T.D. Ravenel in St. Cloud (Fla.), concerns experimental rice planting in Florida.

0152.05.12 Mitchell & Smith.

S.L. Simons papers, 1900-1901.

Ca. 25 items.

Papers consist of correspondence, affidavits, specifications, and other items pertaining to S.L. Simons' agreement with the U.S. Navy Department's Bureau of Yards and Docks to conduct test borings "on the waterfront of Cooper River in the vicinity of Chicora Park and Lawton's property" and elsewhere in North Charleston (S.C.). Affidavits of Simons' employees concern the borings and the use of derricks on the marshlands.

0152.05.13 Mitchell & Smith.

A.W. Taylor papers, 1882.

3 items.

Charleston, S.C. law firms.

Papers consist of a document certifying that W.M. [Pattaway] sold to A.W. Taylor of Summerville (S.C.) a "power brick machine" and a "clay crusher"; a patent license (blank form) for "Kennedy's Patent Brick Machine"; and an indenture for the sale of a power brick machine and clay crusher sold by Lewis B. Kennedy of Keokuk (Iowa) to A.W. Taylor and T.W. Stanland of Berkeley County (S.C.), partners doing business under the name of A.W. Taylor & Company (Summerville, S.C.).

#### **BOX 23**

0152.05.14 Mitchell & Smith.

William H. Trescot letters, 1866-1874.

16 items.

Letters to Julian A. Mitchell and William Whaley from William H. Trescot in Washington (D.C.) and elsewhere concern the Freedmen's Bureau, General O.O. Howard, the Direct Tax, and other political matters as well as personal, financial, and business affairs.

William Henry Trescot was a South Carolina plantation owner, state legislator, and U.S. official and diplomat. After the Civil War he was the state's agent for the recovery of lands seized and taxes levied under the direct tax imposed by Congress.

#### 0152.06 Business Records

0152.06.01 Mitchell & Smith.

Adger's Wharves claims records, 1898-1900. Ca. 70 items.

Records consist of correspondence, financial records, notes, and other items relating to claims by C.H. Betts, agent for Adger's Wharves (Charleston, S.C.), and by others, against the United States War Department for "charges for accommodations furnished United States troops, laborers under command of General Roy Stone, and other purposes" during the Spanish-American War. Financial records include invoices issued to the "Quartermaster Dept., U.S.A." by Adger's Wharves and statements of cotton stored and shipped in 1898.

0152.06.02 Mitchell & Smith.

Anderson Phosphate and Oil Co. records, 1906-1911.

16 items.

Records of this Anderson (S.C.) company ("manufacturers of cotton seed products, sulphuric acid and fertilizers") consist of property records pertaining to land in Greenwood County (S.C.) including a lease, plat, conveyances, and abstracts of title; letters; and agreements. J.R. Vandiver, the company president, is one of the correspondents.

0152.06.03 Mitchell & Smith.

Augusta & Knoxville Railroad Co. minute book, 1877-1886. 1 v.

Large bound volume contains minutes of meetings in Augusta (Ga.), some of which concern the company's line through South Carolina. Volume in poor condition.

0152.06.04 Mitchell & Smith.

Bank of Charleston publications and circular letters, 1913-1922.

50 items.

Included are circular letters sent out by the Bank of Charleston (S.C.) and the Charleston Security Company (1917-1922); pamphlets and folders published by the Bank of Charleston and others (1913-1921) including reports of the condition of the bank and pamphlets concerning cotton financing; application forms; and other items. Circular letters concern bonds and other investment offerings, loans, financial condition of the bank, changes in personnel and offices, and other topics. The name of E.H. Pringle (president of the bank from 1894 to 1922) figures prominently in the papers. There are also newspaper and magazine clippings.

0152.06.05 Mitchell & Smith

R.H. Brown Shoe Co. records, 1905.

3 items.

Records consist of an agreement between the Drake-Innes-Green Shoe Company of Charleston (S.C.) and R.H. Brown "to conduct a retail shoe business at 269 King Street" in Charleston (with letterhead featuring an image of the Drake-Innes-Green building on Meeting St., Charleston, S.C.); a circular letter (1905 Jury 25) from the R.H. Brown Shoe Co. announcing the opening of the store; and a commission of corporators.

0152.06.06 Mitchell & Smith.

Cape Remain Land and Improvement Co. records, 1891-1909. 24 items.

Records chiefly consist of property records pertaining to lands in South Carolina owned by the Cape Remain Land and Improvement Company, including "fifteen Marsh Islands among the creeks and marshes east of Bulls Bay and west of Raccoon Key," property known as "Cassinas" near Cape Romain, and land (marsh) near Sullivans Island (S.C.). Land was used for the cultivation of shellfish (oysters) "within the streams included within the boundaries of the said five tracts of

Included are plats (oversized); abstracts of title; deeds; correspondence of Henry F. Welch (secretary and treasurer of the company); Welch's affidavit pertaining to the case of the South Carolina Loan and Trust Co. v. the Cape Romain Land and Investment Company (1907); a conveyance to the Cape Romain Land and Improvement Company of marshland known as the White Banks (in Bulls Bay, Charleston County, S.C.) and other lands (1907); a company charter (1891); and a legal document pertaining to the case of the Cape Romaine Land and Improvement Co. v. Isaac Wilson et al.

0152.06.07 Mitchell & Smith.

Carolina, Cumberland Gap and Chicago Railway Co. stockholder list, 1894.

1 item.

A typewritten list of company stockholders and their share holdings.

0152.06.08 Mitchell & Smith.

Charleston and Summerville Inter-urban Railway records, 1904-1919 40 items.

Records consist of agreements, grants, correspondence, and other items pertaining to the railroad company's procurement and maintenance of right-of-way. Correspondence (1904-1919) mainly concerns right of way through lands owned by the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company (headquartered in Richmond, Va.) and the Charleston, S.C. Mining and Manufacturing Company for the railroad of the Charleston and Summerville Electric Railway Co. and later the Charleston & Summerville Interurban Railway.

Included are grants of right of way to the Charleston and Summerville Electric Railway Co. and the Charleston & Summerville Interurban Railway Company; papers pertaining to the Southern Power Company of New York; and a plat of land situated along the Ashley River (S.C.).

# **BOX 24**

0152.06.09 Mitchell & Smith.

Charleston exposition records, 1900-1904.

Ca. 0.5 linear ft.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents, correspondence, financial records, leases, and other items pertaining to the case of Henry Oliver et al v. the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition Company et al., and the case of Duryea & Potter v. the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition Company.

Leases (1900) are for a tract of land at the southwest corner of Rutledge Avenue and Grove Street (Charleston, S.C.) including lands "late of the South Carolina Jockey Club." Legal documents include transcripts of testimony. Financial records of the South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition Co. include invoices and a statement of cash receipts and disbursements (1902).

Correspondence concerns the lease between Mr. Louis Dunnemann and the S.C. Interstate and West Indian Exposition Co., financial problems of the company, art exhibits for the exposition, and the company's receivership. Correspondents include Louis Dunnemann, John H. Averil, Ficken, Hughes & Ficken, Mitchell & Smith, and Elliott Daingerfield.

Included is an appraiser's report (1900) and a plat (oversized); and a contract (1901) between the S.C. Interstate and West Indian Exposition Co. and the Cameron & Barkley Co. for iron pipe, with a plat

(oversized). In addition, there are legal documents pertaining to the case of W.H. Welch and others (as receivers of the exposition company) v. the Germania Brewing Company (1902); and records of the Exposition Transfer Line, including its charter (1901), an agreement (1901), and financial records.

#### **BOX 25**

0152.06.10 Mitchell & Smith.

Charleston Teapot records, 1909-1914.

1 items.

10 v.

Records of this Charleston (S.C.) company, "a general wholesale and retail grocery business," chiefly consist of financial records and legal documents.

Financial records (large bound volumes) consist of a cash account book (1912-1914); general ledger (n.d.); two additional ledgers (n.d.); and six bank books (6 v., 1909-1914).

Included are incorporation records (1909) of the Charleston Teapot; and documents pertaining to the dissolution of the firm of Samuel H. Wilson & Company (1909).

0152.06.11 Mitchell & Smith.

Charleston Terminal Co. records, 1910.

4 items.

Records include three drafts of a history of the company and the minutes of a meeting of the "Joint Committee of City Council on Streets and Railroads, with Merchants and Business Men of Charleston, held at City Hall" Meeting concerned the Charleston Terminal Company and the terminal facilities of Charleston (S.C.)

0152.06.12 Mitchell & Smith.

A.G. Cudworth & Co. records, 1880-1884.

2v.

7 items

Records of this Charleston (S.C.) saddle and harness business chiefly consists of two bound volumes, a petty cash account book (1881-1884), and a book (1880-1884) containing records of shipments of saddlery by railroad. Loose items include receipts and an inventory.

Bound volumes in fragile and damaged condition.

0152.06.13 No series

# **BOXES 25-26**

0152.06.14 Mitchell & Smith.

Germofert Manufacturing Co. records, 1892-1913.

Ca. 35 items.

Records of this Charleston (S.C.) fertilizer and germicide manufacturer include a company charter, agreements, trademark and patent assignments, and correspondence. Correspondents include Henry A.M. Smith, B.M. Baruch, and W.B. Chisolm (company president).

# **BOX 26**

0152.06.15 Mitchell & Smith.

Gulf Development Co. records, 1909-1910.

Ca. 30 items.

Records of the Gulf Development Company of Arizona include agreements between the company and W.B. Chisolm (a Charleston, S.C. businessman) and others concerning oil and mineral rights to land in Brazoria County (Texas); a plat (oversized) of "north east quarter of Austin mound labor, Bryan Heights, Brazoria County, Texas"; correspondence of William A. Hall (New York, N.Y.), Henry A.M. Smith (Charleston, S.C.), and F.R. Pendleton (Houston, Texas).

0152.06.16 Mitchell & Smith.

Hacker Manufacturing Co. records, 1909-1915.

2 items.

Records consist of an invoice book (1914-1915) for railroad shipments; and a commission of corporators of the Hacker Manufacturing Company of (Charleston, S.C.) issued by the South Carolina Secretary of State, Corporators were J.B. Davis, A. W. Robb, and Julian Mitchell. The company manufactured wood products.

#### **BOX 27**

0152.06.17 Mitchell & Smith.

Interstate Chemical Co. records, 1909-1915.

Ca. 0.5 linear ft.

Records of the Interstate Chemical Company, doing business in New York, South Carolina, and elsewhere, include incorporation and licensing records; bylaws; correspondence; agreements; legal documents; patent assignments; financial records; and conveyances of property in Greenwood County (S.C.), Florida, and elsewhere.

Correspondents include Henry A.M. Smith (Charleston, S.C.), W.B. Chisolm, and B.M. Baruch (New York).

The Interstate Chemical Company of South Carolina was involved in "buying, manufacturing, mixing, manipulating and selling chemicals, phosphate rock and phosphate deposits, sulfur" and other materials used in the fertilizer industry.

# **BOX 28**

0152.06.18 Mitchell & Smith.

C.F. Lesemann grocery account books, 1886-1888.

18 v.

Eighteen (18) small notebooks containing grocery accounts of various individuals with C.F. Lesemann, a grocer probably in Summerville or Charleston (S.C.). One of the notebooks contains accounts of Gerard & Lesemann. Accounts list purchases of grocery items. Names on the notebooks include Mrs. H.A.M. Smith, Mr. W. Randal, Mrs. R.M. Smith, Mrs. Minott, Mrs. Hastie, Mrs. Manigault, Rev. Guerry, Mrs. Weston, Mr. A. Buck, and Mrs. Webb.

# **BOXES 28-30**

0152.06.19 Mitchell & Smith

News and Courier legal and financial records, 1875-1916.

1.25 linear ft.

B.R. Riordan and Francis W. Dawson were the proprietors of the News and Courier, a Charleston (S.C.) newspaper. Mary E.W. Mayfield claimed she was a "tenant in common of the specific material owned by the partnership." Both Mayfield and Wood were residents of New York (N.Y.).

Records chiefly consist of legal documents, legal notes, correspondence, indentures, and other items pertaining to the case of Mary E.W. Mayfield v. Bartholomew R. Riordan and Francis W. Dawson

(1875-ca. 1879). Mayfield was the assignee of a copartner of Riordan and Dawson, namely Benjamin Wood.

There are also legal documents, notes, letters, and other items pertaining to the cases of Mayfield v. Riordan, Dawson, and George R. Cinnamond (1879-1880); George H. Purser v. Riordan and Dawson (1881-1882); Abraham B. De Frece v. Riordan, Dawson & Co. (1878-1879); Samuel R. Dickerson v. Riordan, Dawson & Co. (1877); and Robert B. Mooney v. Riordan, Dawson & Co. (1878). In the case of Samuel R. Dickerson v. Riordan, Dawson & Co., a libel suit, Dickerson, a black Charleston (S.C.) attorney, charged that the News and Courier newspaper defamed him by printing a story in which he was accused of cheating a client.

Later documents (1915-1916) include correspondence, minutes, stockholders' proxies, galley proofs of printed material, and other items concerning the retirement of outstanding income bonds of the News and Courier and the issuing of preferred stock and coupon bonds.

# **BOX 31**

0152.06.20 Mitchell & Smith.

Port Royal and Augusta Railway financial records, 1893-1896.

57 items

Records consist of forms entitled "Comparative Statement of Earnings and Operating Expenses" and "General Balances and Assets and Liabilities" signed by John H. Averill, receiver, Port Royal (S.C.).

#### **BOXES 31-34**

0152.06.21 Mitchell & Smith.

Records relating to the phosphate and fertilizer industry, 1869-1916.

2 linear ft.

Records consist of legal documents, printed material, business and financial records, correspondence, and other items chiefly pertaining to phosphate mining and fertilizer manufacturing in South Carolina and the operations and legal affairs of various phosphate and . fertilizer companies including the Williman's Island Phosphate Co., Cooper River Phosphate Co., V Marine and River Phosphate Mining & Manufacturing Co., F.S. Royster Guano Co., Read Phosphate Co., the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., Runnymede Phosphate Co., Farmer's Phosphate Co., the Charleston, S.C. Mining and Manufacturing Co., Ashley Phosphate Co., Bull River Phosphate Co., Pacific Guano Co., Phosphate Mining Co., and Coosaw Mining Co. Included is correspondence (1870-1873) concerning property on Williman's [Williman] Island; a log book or journal (1880-1882) of a [phosphate mining?] company superintendent on Williman's Island; pamphlets (1913-1916) concerning the case of Barrett & Company [Ga.] v. H.D. Still, the F.S. Royster Guano Co., Read Phosphate Co., F.W. Wagener & Co., and C.F. Rizer; a minute book (1893-1903) and stock certificate book (1896) of the Oak Grove Mining Company; a report on various phosphate and chemical companies in several Southern states including South Carolina and Georgia; plats (one oversized); pamphlets concerning commercial fertilizers (1882-1899); South Carolina laws and bills relating to phosphate deposits, commercial fertilizers, and related industries (1887-1905); production reports of the Farmers' Mining Co. (1890-1893); a letterpress copybook (1886-1895) of the Coosaw Mining Co.; and accounts, minutes, and other records (1884-1908) of the Carolina Mining Co.

#### **BOXES 35-36**

0152.06.22 Mitchell & Smith.

Sea Island Steamboat Co. records, 1876-1907.

0.5 linear ft.

Records of this Charleston (S.C.) company consist of financial records, legal documents, correspondence, and other items. Much of the material pertains specifically to the steamship St. Helena.

St. Helena records (1879-1887) include payroll records, a mortgage, agreements, orders to pay, invoices, receipts, master's reports, insurance policies, and other items. Records of the Sea Island Steamboat Company (1876-1907?) include treasurer's statements, agent's statements, legal documents, stockholders' proxies, financial statements, minutes, and correspondence. Minute book (1880-1887, large bound volume) is inscribed with the company's former or provisional name, the Sullivans Island Steam Boat Company. Correspondence (1877-1906) concerns a lawsuit involving the steamship Pilot Boy (1870s) and other ships. Correspondents include Mitchell & Smith and Augustine T. Smythe. In addition, there are papers pertaining to the steamers Howard Drake and Pilot Boy including enrollment certificates, an abstract of title, bills of sale, agreements, and a mortgage.

#### **BOX 36**

0152.06.23 Mitchell & Smith.

Shipping records, 1881-1912.

33 items

Records consist of bills of sale of vessels (1881-1898), mostly steamers enrolled at the port of Charleston (S.C.); legal documents; a log book; and other items. Log book (1905-1906; located in bound volumes) of the schooner Fortuna contains entries concerning a voyage from Salem (Mass.) to Savannah (Ga.), a return trip to Boston (Mass.), and a voyage from Boston to Charleston (S.C.). There is also a small book (1885-1887) inscribed "Tug Bull River & Lighters, Capt. P. Scarper" containing a log entries and accounts for shipments of phosphate rock and other freight. Legal documents (1911-1912), including an answer and transcripts of testimony, pertain to the South Carolina admiralty court case of James J. Igoe (master of the steamtug Protector) and William G. Revels (managing owner of the steamtug Waban) v. the American Schooner Anna R. Heidritter (G.E. Bean, master and claimant).

Also included are records of the steam tug Cecilia, consisting of a mortgage (1896) and a log book (1898-1899); and the minute book (1880-1887, large bound volume) of the Sea Island Steamboat Company (originally the Sullivans Island Steam Boat Co.). William G. Revels (managing owner of the steamtug Waban) v. the American Schooner Anna R. Heidritter (G.E. Bean, master and claimant).

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0152.06.24 Mitchell & Smith.

South Carolina Steamboat Co. records, 1884-1886.

16 items.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents and correspondence pertaining to the legal affairs of the South Carolina Steamboat Company, in particular a complaint to the United States War Department regarding a bridge built over the Wateree River by the South Carolina Railroad Company which obstructed navigation.

0152.06.25 Mitchell & Smith.

Southern Mahogany Company records, 1881-1911.

Ca. 35 items.

Records of this Charleston (S.C.) timber and lumber company include correspondence; incorporation records; agreements; patent specifications for chemicals and processes pertaining to wood; and a plan (oversized blueprint) for a timber treating plant. Correspondents include the American Mahogany Company (N.Y.), Henry A.M. Smith, and W.B. Chisolm

0152.06.26 Mitchell & Smith. Standard Railroad Crosstie Co. records, 1909, 3 items. Records of this Charleston (S.C.) company consist of bylaws; a petition for incorporation; and a return of incorporators (who were W.B. Chisolm and Henry A.M. Smith).

# **BOX 37**

0152.06.27 Mitchell & Smith.

Summerville Hotel Co. records, 1888-1891.

Ca. 0.25 linear ft.

Records consist of legal documents, correspondence, financial records, and other items chiefly relating to the case of William M. Bird & Company et al. v. the Summerville Hotel Company et al. The William M. Bird & Co. supplied the building materials for the Dorchester Hotel [Summerville, S.C.?] and sued on behalf of it and other creditors who were not paid by the Summerville Hotel Co. One of the defendants in the case is the Perkins Manufacturing Company of Augusta (Ga.).

Financial records include invoices for hardware and other building materials from the Perkins Manufacturing Co., William M. Bird & Co., Cameron & Barkley Co., and others. Other items include a pamphlet (1890) of the plaintiffs complaint; by laws of the Summerville Hotel Co.; legal documents pertaining to lawsuits of the Summerville Hotel Co. against stockholders who defaulted on stock subscriptions; legal documents pertaining to the cases of E.S. Greeley & Company v. several individuals (respectively), and Simons & Huger v. the Summerville Hotel Co.; lists of stockholders; and indentures. Includes many billheads.

0152.06.28 Mitchell & Smith.

Tampa Fertilizer Co. records, 1910-1911.

Ca. 30 items.

Records include correspondence, minutes of stockholders' meetings, and a conveyance of lands in Hillsborough County (Fla.). W.B. Chisolm (a Charleston, S.C. businessman) was the company's president. Correspondents include Henry A.M. Smith (Charleston, S.C.).

0152.06.29 Mitchell & Smith.

Tilghman Phosphate Co. records, 1891-1912.

Ca. 35 items.

Records of this Charleston (S.C.) company include financial records, plats, conveyances of property in Florida, minutes of stockholders' meetings, letters, and other items. W.B. Chisolm was the company's president.

### **BOX 38**

0152.06.30 Mitchell & Smith.

Tom Point Store inventory, 1895.

1 item.

Handwritten inventory of "showcase #1 & 2" lists hardware items, hats and dry goods, shoes, crockery, groceries, and medicines. Several names appear on the inventory including J.C. Mehrtens and J.M. Humbert.

There is a Tom Point Creek in Charleston County (S.C.), in or near Adam's Run.

0152.06.31 Mitchell & Smith.

George A. Trenholm & Son correspondence, 1876-1879.

9 items.

Copies of correspondence between the Charleston (S.C.) firms of George A. Trenholm & Son, John Torr (London, England), Laces & Company (Liverpool, England), George A. Trenholm, A.G. Magrath, and W.L. Trenholm concerning the payment of a debt to John Torr, a member of the British parliament.

0152.06.32 Mitchell & Smith.

F.W. Wagener Company records, 1892-1920.

12 items.

Records pertain to the charter, incorporation, and abandonment of the corporate name of F.W. Wagener Company, Inc. They include a petition and declaration for charter; minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors; a bill of sale; bylaws; a prospectus of the F.W. Wagener Company ("wholesale grocers, cotton factors, dealers in fertilizer, liquor, etc."); and a plat (oversized) of land in Lexington County (S.C.) showing subdivisions of the property of F.W. Wagener & Company of Charleston (S.C.), a 1917 copy of a plat made in 1897. The land was located between the Broad River and the public road from Columbia to Newberry, seven miles from Columbia (S.C.).

0152.06.33 Mitchell & Smith.

Walker, Evans & Cogswell Co. records, 1886-1887.

4 items.

Records include a petition for a certificate of incorporation, a letter from the petitioners to the South Carolina Secretary of State, and an agreement between Walker, Evans & Cogswell and the News & Courier newspaper (Charleston, S.C.).

0152.06.34 Mitchell & Smith.

Walterboro Cotton Mills records, 1905-1910.

Ca. 0.25 linear ft.

Records chiefly consist of correspondence and financial records pertaining to the Walterboro Cotton Mills (Walterboro, S.C.). Included are forms detailing weekly production information and costs (1906-1910); inventories; financial statements, including an audit report (1907); and an insurance report (1905) concerning an injury to a child (ten year-old girl) employee.

Correspondence of John F. Lucas (company president), Julian Mitchell, Jr. (secretary and treasurer), Mitchell & Smith, and others concerns insurance matters, company stocks, and other matters. Also included is a report (1905) on the Colleton Cotton Mills (Walterboro, S.C.).

0152.06.35 Mitchell & Smith.

Winnsboro Granite Co. records, 1902-1903.

7 items.

Records include a contract (1902?) between George F. Payne & Company of Philadelphia (Pa.) and the Winnsboro Granite Company (S.C.) for the latter furnishing labor, scaffolding, and material for the completion of exterior granite work of the Pennsylvania State Capitol building in Harrisburg. Related documents include a resolution (1903) of the Board of Directors of Winnsboro Granite Company, and an agreement between W.W. Hepburn and P.B. Shaw of Pennsylvania and the Winnsboro Granite Company.

# **BOX 39**

0152.06.36 Mitchell & Smith.

Woodstock Hardwood & Spool Manufacturing Co. records, 1905-1907.

9 items.

Records of this Charleston (S.C.) textile mill supply company chiefly consist of correspondence of J. Freeman Williams (sales manager) concerning stagnant waters in the swamps near the company's factory near Goose Creek (S.C.) and dangers of malaria. Principal correspondent is Dr. A.H. Hayden (a Summerville, S.C. physician). Also included is a letter (1907) to Henry A.M. Smith concerning legal and financial affairs of the company; insurance information; an architectural drawing (oversized) of the company's factory (1905); a pamphlet (1907) of proceedings of a meeting of the Charleston (S.C.)

City Council concerning the Goose Creek Waterworks and other public works and utilities.

# **BOXES 39-40**

0152.06.37 Mitchell & Smith.

Miscellaneous business records, 1865-1916.

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Ca. 1 linear ft.

Records of various South Carolina businesses, mostly companies based in Charleston (S.C.) and environs, include reports, financial records, legal documents, charters and incorporation records, and minutes. Some items are bound volumes.

Companies include the Mount Pleasant and Georgetown Railway Co. (1903); Carolina Midland Railway Co. (1899); Charleston Electric Printing and Lithograph Co. (1901); Southern Investment Co. (1899); Empire Mining Co. (1897); Riverside Ironworks (1899); Battery Development Co. (1909); Crystal Ice Co. (1916-1917); Peoples National Bank of Charleston (1865-1880); the King Corporation (1912); Commercial Wharf and Cotton Press Co. (1875); Atlantic Rice Co. (1902); Rivers Mercantile Co. (1901); Marshlands Investment Co. (1902); Ingleside Mining and Manufacturing Co. (1891-1904); Continental Fertilizer Co. (1906); Southern Exchange Co. (1909); Fulmur Supply Co. (1909); Counts Manufacturing Co. (1908); Realty and Surety Co. (1899-1901); the Carolina Mining Co. (1906-1908); Tyger River Manufacturing Co. (1895); Navy Yard Building and Investment Co. (1908-1911); the De La Vergne Refrigerating Machine Co. (1896); the Charleston Basket and Veneer Co. (1896-1896); Howard Grocery Co. (1903-1907); Palmer Manufacturing Co. (1888-1912); Commercial Real Estate, Loan and Improvement Co. of Charleston, S.C. (1892); Ravenel, Holmes & Co. (1881-1882); Central Mills (1881-1883); and H[enry] Bischoff& Co. (1886-1890, includes large bound volume).

0152.07 Business Case Records

### **BOX 41**

152.07.01 Mitchell & Smith.

Ale boycott records, 1890.

5 items.

Records consist of clippings, notes, a handbill, and affidavits concerning a boycott in Charleston (S.C.) against Tracy & Russell's ale and its dealers by the Central Labor Union. The handbill issued by the Central Labor Union of New York and Vicinity urges Charleston workers to boycott because of wage reductions affecting workers in the Tracy & Russell brewery. Affidavit of Bernard Boyd of Boyd Brothers (Charleston, S.C.) claims that several individuals "conspired to unlawfully, corruptly and violently prevent the sale [of the ale]" by Boyd Brothers.

0152.07.02 Mitchell & Smith.

American Tea Growing Co. case records, 1907.

23 items.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents pertaining to the case of Roswell D. Trimble v. the American Tea Growing Company (Adam's Run, Colleton County, S.C.) et al. Trimble's allegations involved his removal as manager of the company and the subsequent deterioration of the company's affairs.

0152.07.03 Mitchell & Smith.

Carolina Rice Co. case records, 1911-1915.

Ca. 60 items.

Records consist of correspondence, legal documents, and other items pertaining to the case of the Carolina Rice Company v. West Point Mill Company (Charleston, S.C.), an action concerning the loss of

stored rice during a 1911 hurricane in Charleston. Correspondence (1911-1915) includes letters of Samuel G. Stoney (president of the West Point Mill Co.), John L. Sheppard, and Mitchell & Smith. Included are four pamphlets (1914, n.d.) relating to the case; transcriptions of testimony, a notebook containing handwritten extracts of articles published in the News & Courier (newspaper) in August and September of 1893; and weather reports and charts.

# **BOXES 41-42**

01 52.07.04 Mitchell & Smith.

Germania Brewing Co. bankruptcy records, 1915-1918.

0.25 linear ft.

Records consist of correspondence, legal documents, financial records, and other items pertaining to the bankruptcy of the Germania Brewing Company of Charleston (S.C.), the case of York Manufacturing Co. (Pennsylvania) v. the Germania Brewing Co., and other cases against the brewery. Correspondents include J. Henry Doscher (president of Germania Brewing Co.). Included are shipping bills; proposals from the York Manufacturing Co. for ice making and refrigeration machinery (1915); and a clipping.

#### **BOX 42**

0152.07.05 Mitchell & Smith.

South Carolina Exposition Commission case records, 1915-1917.

Ca. 50 items.

Records consist of correspondence and legal documents pertaining to several lawsuits against the South Carolina Exposition Commission, an association formed "to raise funds sufficient to erect a building on the Panama-Pacific International Exposition grounds at San Francisco, California." Members of the commission included F.W. Wagener of Charleston (S.C.). Cases involved non-payment of debts.

0152.07.06 Mitchell & Smith.

South Carolina Land and Lumber Co. case records, 1892-1906.

Ca. 85 items.

Records consist of correspondence, legal documents, and other items chiefly concerning two cases: William Stopford v. the S.C. Land and Lumber Co. and J.L. Risley; and Albert E. Turner v. the S.C. Land and Lumber Co. Cases involved property in Berkeley County (S.C.), developments or "colonies" known as Chicora and Berkeley, promoted by the U.S. Realty and Mining Company (Denver, Colorado), the South Carolina Land and Lumber Company (Charleston, S.C.), and the Berkeley Railroad Company (Colorado and South Carolina).

Correspondence concerns financial and legal problems pertaining to the properties, their promotion, timber on some of the land, a logging railroad, and allegedly fraudulent dealings by the promoters. Correspondents include Daniel L. Risely (president of the S.C. Land and Lumber Co. and the Berkeley Railroad Co.), Jesse L. Risley (secretary and treasurer of the Berkeley Railroad Co.), J.R. Weaver (president of Risley"s Real Estate Company of Pittsburgh, Pa.), Albert E. Turner (Boston, Mass.), Mitchell & Smith, and others.

Legal documents include affidavits of persons who claimed they were swindled by Risley's Real Estate Company. Other items include bylaws of the South Carolina Land and Lumber Company (pamphlet, 1892), clippings, and a list of stockholders of the Berkeley Railroad Co.

0152.07.07 Mitchell & Smith.

Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. case records, 1910-1913.

2 items.

Records consist of a bound volume entitled "Record of Cars Received" (1910-

1913) listing railroad cars and their contents (guano, niter, etc.) received at an unnamed mill, presumed to be Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company (Charleston, S.C.); and a writ of subpoena (1913) issued in Charleston (S.C.) and addressed to Dr. John C. Haskell in a case of Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co. v. the Southern Railway

#### Box 42-43

0152.08 Miscellaneous Case Records

0152.08.01 Mitchell & Smith.

Bark Azor case records, 1878-1880.

1 linear ft.

Records consist of legal documents, correspondence, evidentiary material (including invoices and other financial records), and other items chiefly pertaining to the case of Sidney E. Home v. the Bark Azor, a libel "filed to enforce a maritime lien for certain advances of money made in Boston [Mass.], to pay for repairs, supplies and necessaries, for the Azor which had been purchased by the Liberia Exodus Joint Stock Steamship Company, and intended for the passage of emigrants to Liberia; and also for a further advance made in London for the same purpose."

Correspondence includes letters between the president and directors of the Liberia Joint Stock Steamship Company (Charleston, S.C.), Sidney E. Home (London, England), and E.W. Holmes (captain of the Bark Azor).

Legal documents include tissue copies of testimony in the case (1879). There is also a document (1878) relating to the case of William J. Robinson v. the Liberian Exodus Joint Stock Steamship Company.

# **BOX 43**

0152.08.02 Mitchell & Smith.

Bayer case records, 1918-1919.

12 items.

Records chiefly consist of correspondence concerning a dispute over a bill for a room and other services rendered to John B. Bayer and family by the Calhoun Mansion (16 Meeting Street, Charleston, S.C.). Correspondents include Mrs. Mary Bertolett (proprietor).

0152.08.03 Mitchell & Smith.

F.W. Bound v. S.C. Railway Co. case records, 1893.

6 items

Records chiefly consist of legal documents concerning the case of F.W. Bound v. the South Carolina Railway Company and other lawsuits against the railroad company, which was accused of violating state dispensary laws by bringing into the state "certain packages containing intoxicating liquors." Included is a legal opinion concerning the "validity and effect" of the Dispensary Act; and an invoice for liquor purchases in Charleston (S.C.).

0152.08.04 Mitchell & Smith.

De la Steyrie case records, 1880-1882.

16 items.

Records consist of legal documents, printed material, letters, and other items pertaining to the case of Robert de la Steyrie and Marie de la Steyrie v. the United States. The de la Steyries, French citizens, made claims to the French and American Claims Commission for losses sustained during and after the

Civil War including income from Rockville Plantation (Wadmalaw Island, S.C.) and Jenkins Mill Plantation (Edisto Island, S.C.) as well as cotton.

Legal documents include the claimants' memorial to the commission (pamphlets, 1881); and testimony [1882?] of Benjamin S. Whaley. Also included are a pamphlet, "Rules of the French and American Claims Commission" (1880); receipts; and two letters (1882) to Julian Mitchell, one of which is from B. Seabrook Whaley.

The island plantations and other property were owned at the time of the Civil War by the claimants' parents, Ferdinand de la Steyrie and his wife Martha Washington Seabrook, daughter of William Seabrook (1773-1836) of Edisto Island (S.C.).

0152.08.05 Mitchell & Smith.

Election fraud case records, 1902.

11 items.

Records consist of affidavits, and a protest and request for a vote recount, filed by George F. Von Kolnitz, a candidate for the South Carolina state senate, alleging voting fraud in the Democratic Primary election in Charleston (S.C.) in August 1902.

0152.08.06 Mitchell & Smith.

Theodore S. Gaillard case records, 1894-1895.

9 items.

Records consist of correspondence (1895) concerning the ill health and cause of death of Theodore S. Gaillard and insurance claims made after his death; a death certificate (1895); and a life insurance policy (1894). Correspondents include Dr. John L. Ancrum, W. Schirmer, Mitchell & Smith, and Dr. R.B. Rhett. Access restricted.

0152.08.07 Mitchell & Smith.

Gatewood v. S.C. Railroad Co. case records, ca. 1880.

1 v.

Bound volume contains transcriptions of legal documents (late 1870s) pertaining to the case of Calvin Claflin Cyrus Gatewood et al v. the South Carolina Railroad Company et al. Volume in damaged condition.

#### **BOX 44**

0152.08.08 Mitchell & Smith.

Frank B. Gilbreth case records, 1905-1913.

Ca. 80 items.

Records consist of correspondence, legal documents, and other items pertaining to the case of the Medical Society of South Carolina v. Frank B. Gilbreth, Gilbreth's countersuit, and related cases involving claims against Gilbreth by subcontractors Cameron & Barkley Company and Halsey Lumber Company (Charleston, S.C.). The Medical Society of South Carolina brought suit against Gilbreth for violating the terms of a contract for the construction of Roper Hospital in Charleston (S.C.). Correspondents include Frank B. Gilbreth, Mitchell & Smith, Cameron & Barkley Company, and Halsey Lumber Company. Frank B. Gilbreth was a general contractor "for architectural and engineering construction." He became a well-known industrial engineer, along with his wife Lillian Gilbreth. Their family was immortalized by a popular book "Cheaper by the Dozen."

0152.08.09 Mitchell & Smith.

Lebby v. Ahrens case records, 1884-1888.

25 items.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents and correspondence relating to the case of H.S. Lebby v. W.H. Ahrens, a dispute concerning the ownership of a printing press and other property used for the publication of the Summerville Herald, a Summerville (S.C.) newspaper. Also included are legal notes.

Correspondents include Henry A.M. Smith and George Tupper.

The Summerville Herald began publication in 1884 and possibly ceased publication in 1886.

0152.08.10 Mitchell & Smith.

Libel case records, 1907-1908.

Ca. 40 items.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents pertaining to a South Carolina libel case against W.R. Dehon, a Summerville (S.C.) newspaper editor. Included is correspondence of Jesse W. Walters, Jr., an Albany (Ga.) attorney, and others; and a newspaper clipping concerning this case involving miscegenation. Access restricted.

0152.08.11 Mitchell & Smith.

E.W.M. Mackey case records, 1879-1883.

19 items.

Records consist of bills submitted by A.E. Philippy, "notary public for South Carolina," for services rendered "in the matter of the contest of E.W.M. Mackey against M.P. O'Connor for a seat in the 46th Congress of the U.S."; and related letters, affidavits, and powers of attorney.

0152.08.12 Mitchell & Smith.

Murder case records, 1883.

8 items.

Clippings, sworn statements, and notes pertain to a murder in Charleston (S.C.) in 1883.

# **BOX 45**

0152.08.13 Mitchell & Smith.

News and Courier libel case records, 1903-1906.

Ca. 40 items.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents pertaining to a libel lawsuit against the News and Courier Company in which the newspaper listed a white man as "colored." Also included are newspaper clippings; a pamphlet (1904) concerning the case (with galley proof of same); and a letter (1905). Access restricted.

# **BOXES 45-46**

0152.08.14 Mitchell & Smith.

Annie Oakley libel case records, 1903-1907.

Ca. 0.75 linear ft.

Records chiefly consist of legal documents, some in printed form (pamphlets), as well as correspondence, clippings, and other items pertaining to lawsuits brought against numerous U.S. newspapers by Annie Butler, better known as Annie Oakley, and her husband Frank E. Butler. She charged that the newspapers libeled her by picking up a story about the arrest of a drug-addicted woman in Chicago (111.) who claimed to be Annie Oakley.

Much of the material concerns her suit against the News and Courier and the Evening Post of Charleston (S.C.). Others involved in the suits and countersuits include the publishers of the Enquirer (Cincinnati, Ohio), the Evening Times (Rochester, N.Y.), the News-Leader (Richmond, Va.), and the Rochester Herald (N.Y.).

Most of the correspondence is between Mitchell & Smith and other lawyers and firms involved in the cases. Legal documents include complaints, depositions, testimony, and briefs.

# **BOX 46**

0152.08.15 Mitchell & Smith.

Simonds et al. v. Pierce case records, 1885-1887.

22 items

Records chiefly consist of correspondence and legal documents concerning the case of Andrew Simonds et al. v. Charles D. Pierce, a dispute over an agreement between Pierce (of Pierce Iron Works, Long Island, N.Y.) and several other individuals including Andrew Simonds [Sr.?] of Charleston (S.C.) concerning the drilling and construction of an artesian well in Charleston (S.C.).

Correspondents include Charles D. Pierce and Joseph McGee (proprietor of the Long Island City Foundry). Other items include a contract for the well; a mortgage between McGee and Pierce on a derrick rig and other equipment; and a diagram of the well.

0152.08.16 Mitchell & Smith.

Samuel R-Yenning case records, 1910-1911.

13 items.

Records consist of correspondence and financial records concerning the indebtedness of Samuel R. Yenning, a Mt. Pleasant (S.C.) farmer, to Ravenel & Company (Charleston, S.C. factors and commission merchants). Financial records include Venning's account with Ravenel & Co. and notes and mortgages on cotton crops, a mule, and two carts.

0152.09 Miscellaneous Records

# **BOX** 47

0152.09.01 Mitchell & Smith.

Essay on railway rates, 1881.

1 item.

Notebook contains an essay or article concerning "railway discriminations" by John B. Peck. Notebook in poor condition.

0152.09.02 Mitchell & Smith.

Millbrook account, n.d.

1 item.

Account of material and labor used in the construction of buildings at Millbrook [Plantation].

0152.09.03 Mitchell & Smith.

Records relating to the Neely Cotton Press, 1902-1905.

17 items.

Records consist of reports, descriptive information, patent specifications, photographs, correspondence, and other items pertaining to the Neely Cotton Press, invented by Samuel M. Neely of Chester County (S.C.). Principal correspondent is Julian Mitchell, Jr.

0152.09.04 Mitchell & Smith.

Stock of boats and boat material at Castle Pinckney, n.d. 1 item. —Typewritten list of items including launch hulls, a sail boat, wood, and machinery.

0152.09.05 Mitchell & Smith.

Election records, 1874-1875

2v. (located with bound volumes at end of collection)

Records of Charleston County (S.C.) elections for 1874 and 1875 include a

voucher book for payments made to precinct workers by the Commissioners of Election for Charleston County; and a volume containing a list of "polling precincts," accounts of the Commissioners of Election, letters (pasted in), and other items.

#### 0152.10 Mitchell & Smith.

Law firm records, 1866-1919.

Ca. 2.75 linear ft.

Records consist of three account books (1878-1882, 1878-1883, 1908-1912); five check stub books (1895-1919); a trial balance book (1913-1914); collection register (18957-1910); a register of claims (1910-1916); an index to claims (n.d.); legal notebooks (1880s?, n.d., and 1890s); an "index of old papers" (n.d.); index of deeds (1880); a docket book (1877-1883) of Henry A.M. Smith; two additional docket books (1866-1876, 1870-1877) which include docket records of the previous law firms of Whaley, Mitchell & Clancy and Whaley & Mitchell; lists of books in the law firm's library (n.d.); invoices (1915-1919, n.d.); and building renovation records including a contract (1887) between Mitchell & Smith and Colin M. Grant for the "building, rebuilding, remodeling, and repairs of a building [at] 31 Broad Street" (Charleston, S.C.), with specifications, drawings, notes, and other related items.

0152.10.1	Law library lists, n.d.
0152.10.2	Index to old papers, n.d.
0152.10.3	Legal notebooks, 1880s?, n.d., 1890s
0152.10.4	Claim register, 1910-1916
0152.10.5	Claims index, n.d.
0152.10.6	Index of deeds, 1880
0152.10.7	Henry A.M. Smith docket book, 1877-1883

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0152.10.8	Check stub books, 1895-1919 (5 bound volumes)
0152.10.9	Account books, 1878-1912 (3 bound volumes)
0152.10.10	Trial balance book (bound volume)
0152.10.11	Collection register, 18957-1910 (bound volume)
0152.10.12	Invoices, 1915-1919
0152.10.13	Building renovation records, 1880s
0152.10.14	Docket books, 1866-1877 (2 bound volumes)

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0152.10.15 Mitchell & Smith.

Correspondence, 1874-1919 (bulk 1875-1913)

20 linear ft.

Charleston, S.C. law firm In 1877 Julian A. Mitchell (1836-1907), who had earlier practiced law with William Whaley (1817-1879) and William D. Clancy (b. ca. 1835), formed a partnership with Henry A.M. Smith. Julian A. Mitchell's son Julian Mitchell (1867-1960) and grandson Julian Mitchell (1897-1985) succeeded him as the partners in the firm of Mitchell & Smith, and later, Mitchell & Horlbeck. Frederick H. Horlbeck joined the firm of Mitchell & Smith around 1908, and Henry A.M. Smith continued as a partner in the firm until 1911, when he was appointed to a federal judgeship for the eastern

district of South Carolina. His son, John Julius Pringle Smith (b. 1887), was also a member of the firm of Mitchell & Smith. Around 1919 the firm became Mitchell & Horlbeck.

Correspondence of the 1870s, 1880s, and 1890s, chiefly incoming letters, concerns the settlement of estates and French spoliation claims and other legal business and cases handled by Julian Mitchell, Sr. and Mitchell & Smith; business interests (in phosphate companies and other ventures) of Julian Mitchell, Sr. and Henry A.M. Smith; Julian Mitchell's activities and concerns as a commissioner of schools (statewide and local; includes information on school curricula) and as a plantation owner; family and personal affairs; and other matters. Figuring prominently during this period is correspondence regarding the legal and financial affairs of the South Carolina Railroad (reorganized in 1881 as the South Carolina Railway Co.), much of it from Henry P. Talmadge (company president) and Daniel H. Chamberlain, who became receiver for the company. Also of note are letters (1875) concerning the execution of a African-American man by Confederate troops near Murrells Inlet in 1863; letters (late 1870s and beyond) concerning the estate of George A. Trenholm; and a humorous drawing of a starving lawyer included with a letter (1887 June 20) from Henry P. Butler.

Beginning in the late 1890s there are more frequent references to state and national politics as well as Henry A.M. Smith's historical and scientific pursuits. Up to 1907 there are frequent letters to Julian Mitchell, Sr. (and Jr.?) from M.M. Seabrook concerning

Mitchell's Edisto Island plantation, Swallow Bluff£ which Seabrook managed; thereafter Seabrook corresponds with Julian Mitchell, Jr. (1867-1960) and Henry A.M. Smith until sometime in 1910.

Correspondence of the 1900s includes many letters concerning the legal and financial affairs of numerous phosphate and railroad companies and other businesses including the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co., the Tampa Fertilizer Co. (Fla.), the Charleston, S.C. Mining and Manufacturing Co., Woodstock Hardwood and Spool Manufacturing Co., Germofert Manufacturing Co., Tilghman Phosphate Co., Navy Yard Home Corp., and the American Mahogany Company. Julian Mitchell, Jr.'s personal correspondence includes many letters to him from automobile manufacturers and auto parts makers including B.F. Goodrich Co., Michelin Tire Co., and the Premier Motor Manufacturing Co. (Indianapolis, Ind.).

Frequent correspondents include Augustine T. Smythe and numerous other lawyers and law firms in South Carolina and elsewhere, Langdon Cheves, A.M. Manigault, William Elliott, Charles D. Pierce (Pierce Ironworks, Long Island, N. Y.), R.N. Gourdin Smith, Townsend Mikell, August Kohn, A.S. Salley, Gustavus M. Middleton, T. Moultrie Mordecai, William E. Earle (Washington, D.C.), B.R. Riordan, and F.M. Mitchell (Edisto Island, S.C.). Other correspondents include George A. Trenholm & Son, Riordan & Dawson, F.W. Wagener, Augustus Sachteleben (1886 July), R. Tilghman Smith, Samuel T. Atkinson (Kingstree, S.C.), R. de la Steyrie (France), Robert S. Pringle (Sumter, S.C.), E.L. Trenholm, William Whaley, William H. Brawley, J.E. Luten (Fla.), John H. Devereaux, Rev. DJ. Jenkins (Jenkins Orphanage), William A. Courtenay, W.L. Beckett (Edisto Island, S.C.), Charles C. Jones (Augusta, Ga.), Benjamin R. Stuart (1882), author Ludwig Lewisohn (mostly 1909), Claudian B. Northrop, ornithologist Arthur T. Wayne, Charles P. Alston, F.W. Ford (a Georgetown County rice planter), J.T. Gantt (S.C. Secretary of State), B.M. Baruch, Barnett A. Elzas, Thomas R. Waring, W.W. Ball, U.S Representative Richard S. Whaley, B.R. Tillman, Marie N. Buckman (U.S. secretary, Egypt Exploration Fund), John J. Dargan, W.B. Chisolm, R.G. Rhett, and Dr. A.C. McClennan.

Scattered throughout the correspondence are miscellaneous legal documents, printed material, and other items.

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