

St. George's Society records, 1813-1977 (bulk 1873-1939)

## **SCHS 1124.0**

Creator: St. George's Society.

**Description**: 1 linear ft.

Biographical/Historical Note: Charleston, S.C. charitable and social organization founded in 1733.

**Scope and Content:** Records consist of financial records, correspondence, memorabilia, minutes of meetings, and other items.

Financial records (1813-1939) include accounts; receipts; tax records; cancelled checks; stock certificates; insurance policies; a mortgage (1880) on a lot and buildings in Mt. Pleasant (S.C.) sold by Elizabeth W. Warne to the St. George's Society; and invoices for printing jobs, groceries, dishes, wine and liquors, and other expenses. There are also numerous orders to pay or otherwise assist various persons who applied to the Society's relief fund. Many receipts are those of the Alms House (Charleston, S.C.) for reimbursement for lodging provided to those in need of assistance. Invoices include many billheads of Charleston (S.C.) businesses, including one depicting Brookbanks' Palace & Ice Cream Saloon at 77 Meeting Street.

Correspondence concerns financial matters, assistance for various persons, social events, aid to Great Britain during World War I and afterwards, and other matters. Included are letters (1883) to H.P. Walker and others regarding a resolution by the St. George's Society to withdraw from the North America St. George's Union; a letter (1893) to treasurer Thomas Frost from John McDonald, a "Hospital Nurse" and member of the Red Cross who is working among the Sea Islanders; a letter (1903) to T.W. Bacot from E.A. Ransome, an Englishman applying to the Society for assistance; and letters from persons applying for membership in the Society. Other correspondents include William G. Mazyck (secretary) and British consular officials.

Memorabilia includes programs for dinners. Other items include an affidavit (1887) of William Lee, an Englishman who came to the U.S. seeking employment and fell ill; memorials of deceased members, including one for George Rivers Walker, son of H.P. Walker; a conveyance (1871) of a lot in Magnolia Cemetery; a pamphlet (1898) containing Society by-laws and a list of officers and members; later membership lists (1974-1977); a resolution (1899) congratulating Queen Victoria on her birthday; and membership certificates.

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Bacot, Thomas Wright, 1849-1927.

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Frost, Thomas, 1829-1899.

Mazyck, William Gaillard, 1845-1942.

Walker, George Rivers, 1847-1882.

Walker, Henry Pinckney, 1816-ca. 1890.

Warne, Elizabeth W.

Alms House (Charleston, S.C.)

Great Britain. Consulate (Charleston, S.C.)

Saint George's Society (Charleston, S.C.) -- Records and correspondence.

British Americans -- South Carolina -- Charleston -- Charities.

British Americans -- South Carolina -- Charleston -- Societies, etc.

Charleston (S.C.) -- History.

Charleston (S.C.) -- Social life and customs.

Great Britain.

Mount Pleasant (S.C.)

South Carolina -- History.

Billheads.

Financial records.

Letters (correspondence)

Membership lists.

Memorabilia.

Minutes.

Pamphlets.

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Records, 1813-1939. 1 1/4 ft.

Charleston organization. St. George's Society papers (1813-1939). Included are accounts, membership list and applications, invitations, replies, greetings, minute books, convention in formation, obituaries of members, insurance, financial information, and receipts for groceries, whiskey, printing and from the Charleston Alms house. Also included are many requests for charity. Material mostly of H.P. Walker, Alex W. Marshall, Thomas W. Bacot and William G. Mazyck who ran the Society. Chronologically arranged.