



Clergy Society records, 1762-1989
SCHS Call # 319.00

Creator: The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of South Carolina.

Description: 3 linear ft.

Biographical/Historical note: The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of South Carolina was formed in 1762 as the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the Church of England in the Province of South Carolina. Its name was altered slightly after the American Revolution, but it is commonly called the Clergy Society. Formed by clergymen as a benevolent organization, the society began admitting laymen in 1770 and its membership subsequently included many of the political and economic leaders of South Carolina. The Clergy Society was incorporated in 1786.

Scope and content: Collection consists primarily of correspondence (1932-1985), financial records (1822-1989), and minutes (1762-1979). Also included is a cash book (1955-1965) of the Society for the Relief of the Aged and Disabled Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church of South Carolina, an organization whose membership appears to have overlapped with that of the Clergy Society.

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Note: Minutes, 1762-1813; 1813-1861, available on microfilm (45-207 & 45-207).

Search terms:

Episcopal Church -- South Carolina -- Charities.
Episcopal Church -- South Carolina -- Clergy -- Societies, etc.
The Society for the Relief of the Aged and Disabled Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church of South Carolina.
The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of South Carolina.
The Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of South Carolina -- Records and correspondence.
Financial records.
Letters (correspondence)
Minutes.

Container listing:

Box 1

0319.01 (C) 01: Correspondence, 1932-1985

Mostly concerning beneficiaries of the Clergy Society

Box 2

0319.01 (F) 01: Financial Records, 1822-1989

0319.01 (F) 01 (a) 01 (1833-1873): Account Book, January 1833-October 1873

0319.01 (F) 01 (b): Bonds

0319.01 (F) 01 (b) 01: South Carolina bonds, 1855-1878

0319.01 (F) 01 (b) 02: Confederate bonds, 1861-1863

0319.01 (F) 01 (c) 01: Cash Books, 1824-1989

0319.01 (F) 01 (c) 01 (1824-1891): Cash Book, October 1824-April 1891

0319.01 (F) 01 (c) 01 (1899-1964): Cash Book, November 1899-July 1964

0319.01 (F) 01 (c) 01 (1925-1965): Cash Book, May 1925-May 1965 (OVERSIZED)

0319.01 (F) 01 (c) 01 (1966-1989): Cash Book, 1966-March 1989 (loose papers)

Boxes 3-4

0319.01 (F) 01 (p) 01: Property Records, 1922-1931

0319.01 (F) 01 (s) 01: Statement of Funds, 14 October 1822

0319.01 (M) 01: Minutes, 1762-1979

0319.01 (M) 01 (1762-1813)-01: Minutes, 1762-1813 (one volume) USE TRANSCRIPTION, 1762-1787

Minutes, 1813-1824 (one volume)

Minutes, September 1824-October 1861 (one volume, OVERSIZED)

Minutes, 1862-1943 (one volume, OVERSIZED)

Minutes, May 1944-May 1962 (one volume, OVERSIZED)

Minutes, May 1963-1979 (loose papers—incomplete)

0319.01 (R) 01: Rules, 1773-1910: Transcriptions, 1773, 1857, 1910

0319.02: Society for the Relief of the Aged and Disabled Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church of S.C.:

Cash Book, May 1955-May 1965 (OVERSIZED). NOTE: The management and membership of this organization appear to have overlapped with that of the Clergy Society.