Dunkin family papers, 1837-1876
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Creator: Dunkin family.

Description: 69 items.

Biographical/Historical Note: Family of South Carolina and Massachusetts. Benjamin Faneuil Dunkin (1792-1874) was born in Philadelphia (Pa.), and later lived in Charleston, South Carolina, where he became an attorney and later a judge and state representative. Ann B. Adams (wife of Dr. Horatio Adams, resident of Waltham, Mass.) was the sister of Benjamin Faneuil Dunkin, and their brother was Bethune Dunkin. Alfred Huger Dunkin (1822-1906), an attorney, was the son of Benjamin Faneuil Dunkin.

Scope and Content: Correspondence of Alfred H., and Bethune Dunkin and Ann B. Adams between Charleston, (S.C.), Massachusetts, and elsewhere. Miscellaneous papers, including commissions for office.

Alfred H. Dunkin's papers (1844-1860s) include commissions, letters, agreements, and other papers of Dunkin and other family members. There are business letters to Dunkin from his father, Benjamin F. Dunkin (1844), from John Belton O'Neall concerning personal matters, and one letter of Dunkin about his anxiety over a woman acquaintance meeting with another man. Also contains Dunkin's commissions (1845-1849) for the Charleston Light Dragoons and as a notary public (1849), articles of agreement (1851) between Dunkin and Charles R. Brewster, husband of his mother's sister, concerning their law practice in Charleston, and manumission papers (1860) for slave Josephine Smith by Mary Levin.

Benjamin F. Dunkin's family papers (1837-1876) include a commission (1837) for the office of Chancellor of the Court of Equity, and a letter (1845) from Alfred Huger Dunkin concerning general and religious matters. Also includes correspondence (1865-1874) of Benjamin F. Dunkin with Bethune Dunkin and Ann B. Adams of Waltham, Mass. and others concerning family matters, worries of Northern relatives about post-Civil War conditions in Charleston and Columbia (1865), the S.C. constitution, Dunkin's job as a judge (1868), and other personal and political matters. Also contains a title to land at 220 Calhoun Street in Charleston, S.C.

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Search terms:
Adams, Ann B.
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Dunkin, Alfred Huger, 1822-1906.
Dunkin, Benjamin Faneuil, 1792-1874.
Dunkin, Bethune.
Levin, Mary, 1819-1887.
O'Neall, John Belton, 1793-1863.
Smith, Josephine.
Duncan family.
Dunkin family.
Judges -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
Law firms -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
Slaves -- South Carolina -- Emancipation.
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Charleston (S.C.) -- Social conditions.
Columbia (S.C.) -- Social conditions.
South Carolina -- History -- Sources.
South Carolina -- Politics and government.
Genre Letters (correspondence).
Deeds.
Military commissions.

Container listing:

11/128/1-3  Dunkin, Alfred H.  
Papers, 1837-1860  
Charleston lawyer. Commissions, letters, agreements and other papers (1837-1860) of AHD and other family members. Letters to AHD from his father, Benjamin F. Dunkin regarding beginning business [text missing?] 91844); John Belton O’Neal regarding personal matters and letter of AHD regarding his anxiety over a woman acquaintance meeting another man. Commissions of AHD (1845-1849) for the Charleston Light Dragoons and as a notary public. Articles of agreement (1851) between AHD and Charles R. Brewster regarding their law practice in Charleston. Papers of Benjamin F. Dunkin include a latter (1845) from Alfred Huger regarding general and religious matters and commission (1837) for the office of Chancellor of the Court of Equity. Also manumission papers (1860) for the slave Josephine Smith by Mary Levin.

11/128/4-8  Dunkin, Benjamin Fanevil, 1792-1874  
Family Papers, 1865-1876  
Charleston lawyer, state representative, and Judge. Correspondence (1865-1874) of BFD, his brother Bethune Dunkin and sister Anna D. Adams; Waltham MA and others regarding family matters, worries of Northern relatives about post-civil war conditions in the South (1865), the SC Constitution and his job as a judge (1868) and other personal and political matters. Also title to land at 220 Calhoun St, Charleston.