



French Protestant Church records, 1846-1945 (bulk 1864-1898)
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Creator: French Protestant Church

Description: 38 items. 1 v.

Biographical/Historical Note: In 1681 the Huguenot Church of Charleston, S.C. was organized by French Protestant refugees from France. The present-day church building was erected in 1845 and was damaged by shelling during the Civil War.

Scope and Content: Records chiefly consist of correspondence and a receipt book (1884-1898) including receipts for J.S. Baker (organ builder), plumbers, coal suppliers, and many others. Correspondence includes a letter (1846 Dec. 14) to Robert N. Gourdin from an unidentified person in [Hargicourt] concerning the observance of communion in the Reformed (Protestant) Church of France. In addition, there are letters, notes, and extracts and copies of correspondence (1864-1865) of Rev. T.R.G. Peck, Col. John F. Lay, Robert N. Gourdin, Henry Gourdin, and Daniel Ravenel concerning Rev. Peck's resignation as pastor and his "objectionable" communications with his brother Henry in the North about "political sentiments of the South," reconciliation of the North and South, and the continued shelling of the church giving Peck the opportunity for a "long, jolly vacation." Letters are from Charleston and Cheraw (S.C.).

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Search terms:

Gourdin, Henry, 1804-1879.

Gourdin, Robert Newman, 1812-1894.

Lay, John F.

Peck, Thomas R.G.

Ravenel, Daniel, 1789-1873.

French Protestant Church of Charleston, S.C. -- Records and correspondence.

Huguenots -- South Carolina -- Charleston.

Lord's Supper.

Charleston (S.C.) -- Commerce.

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Charleston (S.C.) -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865.

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Genre Letters (correspondence)
Receipts.
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Correspondence, 1846, 1864-1898. 38 items. 1 bd. Vol**

Charleston Huguenot Church. Correspondence (1864-1865) of Robert N. Gourdin, Rev. T.R.G. Peck, Henry Peck, Col. J.F. Jay and Daniel Ravenel. Letters from Charleston and Cheraw regarding Rev. Peck's views about a quick end to the Civil War, his hope for a long vacation after the war and the Church trustees' outrage and negotiations to remove Peck from the pastorage of the Church, military censorship and suppression of political views not in line with the Confederacy. Also includes vol. of receipts for the Church (1884-1898). Included are receipts for I.S. Baker, organ builder, Charleston Gaslight Co., plumbers, coal supplies, hardware and many others.