John F. Morrall research papers, 1872-1987
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Description: 3.5 linear ft.

Biographical/historical note: A native of Georgia, John F. Morrall spent his early childhood in Walterboro, S.C., until his family moved to Beaufort, S.C. He operated the Morrall Furniture Company, founded by his father in 1908. He was a local historian and city councilman, active in historic preservation and civic improvement.

Scope and content: John F. Morrall's research on Beaufort (S.C.) and nearby areas forms the main part of this collection. Research material, much of which pertains to the early explorations and settlement of the Beaufort area, includes notes, clippings, printed material, and related correspondence. Topics include Jean Ribault, Henry Woodward, the Bull family and the town of Radnor, the Beaufort Volunteer Artillery (a militia unit), historic preservation in Beaufort, churches, forts, and military history. Part of the research consists of notes on a series of index cards. Some of the cards are categorized into topics such as bridges, business, climate, clubs, islands, pilots, plantations, railroads, ships, the Spanish explorers, street names, and the War Between the States. The rest of the cards are a miscellany of notes focusing mainly on the early history of Beaufort. Also included are notes on Colleton County and Walterboro (S.C.), and information on various individuals and families associated with the Beaufort area, including the Talbird family.

John F. Morrall's personal and family papers include correspondence (1911-1980); John F. Morrall's reminiscences about growing up in Walterboro (S.C.); genealogical data on the Morrall family and related families of Fripp, Pawley, and Gignilliat; records (1911-1980) of the Morrall Furniture Company; papers (1920-1951) pertaining to Cotton Hope Plantation (Beaufort County); and a scrapbook (1872). The scrapbook is marked with the names "Edward Townsend" and "Ed. Roche." It contains engraved illustrations of notable American buildings, as well as drawings, maps, and clippings pasted into a bound volume identified as "Address Book of Sargent & Co." (N.Y.).


Search terms:
Ribaut, Jean, approximately 1520-1565.
Woodward, Henry, ca. 1646-ca. 1686.
Bull family.
Fripp family.
Gignilliat family.
Morrill family.
Pauley family.
Talbird family.
Beaufort Volunteer Artillery.
Fortification -- South Carolina -- Beaufort County.
Islands -- South Carolina -- Beaufort County.
Plantations -- South Carolina -- Beaufort District.
Shipping -- South Carolina -- Beaufort.
Beaufort (S.C.) -- Commerce.
Beaufort (S.C.) -- History.
Beaufort (S.C.) -- History, Military.
Beaufort County (S.C.) -- Genealogy.
Beaufort County (S.C.) -- History.
Cotton Hope Plantation (S.C.)
Port Royal (S.C.)
Radnor (S.C.)
Walterboro (S.C.)
Clippings.
Letters (correspondence)
Research (document genres)
Local historians

**Series overview:**

375.01 John F. Morrall Papers
375.02 Morrall Family Papers

**Container List:**

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375.01 (G) Genealogy (Morrall and related families)

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375.01 (G) Genealogy (Morrall and related families)
375.01 (M) Miscellaneous items
375.01 (R) Research material
375.01 (R) 01 Research material: clippings
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375.01 (R) 04  Research files (arranged by topic alphabetically)
375.01 (R) 04.01  Beaufort bells
375.01 (R) 04.02  Beaufort history (Spanish period to 19th century)

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375.01 (R) 04.25  Plantations
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**BOX 7**

375.01 (R) 05  Notes on index cards.

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375.01 (R) 05-01  Bridges and ferries; business and industry; churches; climate; clubs and organizations; Colleton County and Walterboro; fires; forts; islands; names of individuals and families associated with Beaufort.

**BOX 8**

375.01 (R) 05-02  Pilots and captains of ships; plantations; railroads; schools; ships; slavery; the Spanish; streets and roads; 20th century topics; War Between the States; wills. Also, notes on miscellaneous unrelated topics (U.S. politics, etc.); and miscellaneous notes on Beaufort history.

**BOX 9**

375.01 (R) 05-03  Miscellaneous notes on Beaufort history.

**BOX 10**

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