



Smith Family Papers, 1748-1953
SCHS #1287.00

Description: 3.25 Linear Feet (7 boxes)

Scope and content: Collection includes correspondence, account books and other financial records, legal papers, clippings, photographs, and writings and sermons of Bishop Robert Smith (1732-1801), rector of St. Philip's Church, Charleston, S.C., and first bishop of Protestant Episcopal Church of South Carolina. Some of Bishop Smith's writings concern education. Included is correspondence of William Mason Smith (1788-1838); a plantation book (1847-1861) containing lists of slaves belonging to William Mason Smith (1818-1851) and J.J. Pringle Smith, and other information on Smithfield Plantation (in Colleton District, S.C. on the Combahee River, St. Bartholomew's Parish) and Beech Hill Plantation (on the Savannah River, Beaufort District, S.C.); a Union Club rules and account book (1835-1837); a European travel journal (1819-1820) of Maria H. Middleton (Pringle); slave lists and slave bills of sale (1778-1851); records (1854-1856) of the Freshet Bank Association (an association formed by a group of Savannah River rice planters for the purpose of building a freshet bank or dam); and estate records of various family members including Daniel E. Huger (1779-1854), Bishop Robert Smith, and D.E.H. Smith (1846-1932). Papers of Eliza Carolina Middleton Huger Smith (1824-1919) consist of estate records (1918-1920), a prescription and recipe book (1847), and correspondence, including a letter of consolation (1863) to her concerning the death of her son Joseph Allen Smith (1851-1863). Papers of John Julius Pringle Smith includes correspondence, some of which pertains an embankment or dam to be built at Vernezobre Creek (Jasper County, S.C.)

Photographs have been removed to the SCHS Visual Material Collection. They include images of Augusta Winthrop Ravenel, Robert Tilghman Smith, James Ravenel (1818-1880), James Ravenel Smith (1878-1924), William Ravenel (1806-1888), Alice Ravenel Huger Smith, William Mason Smith (1874-1964), Eliza C. Middleton Huger Smith, Harriott Horry Ravenel (1832-1912), Daniel Ravenel (1789-1873), Lilli Huger Smith, D.E. H. Smith, Henry Winthrop (1803-1890), Marie Huger Lowndes Cottenet, Caroline Ravenel Smith (Mrs. D.E.H. Smith), Dr. William Harleston Huger (1826-1906), William C. Ravenel (1828-1905), and Mr. and Mrs. James Ladson. There are also photographs of mostly 18th century portrait paintings of Rev. Robert Smith and members of the families of Mazyck, Ravenel, Elliott, Winthrop, and LeSurruier.

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Search Terms:

Pringle, Maria Henrietta Middleton, 1802-1838.
Ravenel, Augusta Winthrop, 1822-1891.
Ravenel, Daniel, 1789-1873.
Ravenel, Harriott Horry, 1832-1912.
Smith, Alice R. Huger (Alice Ravenel Huger), 1876-
Smith, Caroline Ravenel, 1844-1889.
Smith, D. E. Huger (Daniel Elliott Huger) -- Estate.
Smith, Eliza Carolina Middleton Huger, 1824-1919.
Smith, John Julius Pringle, 1816-1894.
Smith, Robert, 1732-1801.
Smith, Robert Tilghman, 1845-1932.
Smith, William Mason, 1788-1838.
Smith, William Mason, 1818-1851.
Winthrop, Henry, 1803-1890.
Smith family.
Episcopal Church -- Bishops.
Episcopal Church -- Clergy.
Episcopal Church -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
St. Bartholomew's Parish (S.C.)
St. Philip's Church (Charleston, S.C.)
Classical education.
Cooking -- South Carolina.
Dams -- South Carolina.
Decedents' estates -- South Carolina.
Flood dams and reservoirs -- South Carolina.
Medicine -- Formulae, receipts, prescriptions.
Plantation owners -- South Carolina.
Plantations -- South Carolina.
Rice -- South Carolina -- Planting.
Slave records -- South Carolina.
Slaves -- South Carolina.
Education.
Beech Hill Plantation (Jasper County, S.C.)
Charleston (S.C.)
Beaufort District (S.C.)
Colleton County (S.C.)
Colleton District (S.C.) -- History.
Combahee River (S.C.)
Jasper County (S.C.)
Savannah River Region (Ga. and S.C.)
Smithfield Plantation (Colleton County, S.C.)
South Carolina -- History.
Letters (correspondence)
Photographs.
Recipes.
Resolutions.
Sermons.

Container listing:

BOX 28/656

- 1 Miscellaneous legal papers, 1748-1909 (30 items)
- 2 Bonds, 1809-1852 (21 items)
- 3 Promissory notes, 1790-1854 (14 items)
- 4 Indentures, contracts and leases, 1790-1870 (7 items)
- 5 Indentures, contracts and leases, undated (12 items)
- 6 Resolutions and proclamations, 1775-1838.
- 7 Bills and receipts, 1783, 1802-1814 (15 items)
- 8 Bills and receipts, 1815-1820 (33 items)
- 9 Slave bills of sale, 1778-1851 (32 items)
- 10 Slave lists, 1847 (27 items)
- 11 Bills and receipts, 1821-1830 (34 items)
- 12 Freshet Bank Association, 1854-1856 (30 items)
- 13 Bills and receipts, 1831-1834 (36 items)
- 14 Bills and receipts, 1835-1837 (32 items)
- 15 Bills and receipts, 1838 (42 items)
- 16 Bills and receipts, 1839-1840 (18 items)

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- 1 Bills and receipts, 1841-1908 (40 items)
- 2 Bills and receipts, undated (41 items)
- 3 Account books, 1767-1825 (4 items)
- 4 Account books, 1826-1839 (7 items)
- 5 Account books, 1826-1839 (4 items)
- 6 Account book, 1840-1860 (1 item)

- 7 Account books, 1915-1920 (5 items)
- 8 Account books, undated (2 items)
- 9 D.E.H. Smith cash books (2 items)
- 10 D.E.H. Smith calendar, cash book, calling cards, 1878-1900.

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- 1 Bishop Robert Smith estate records, 1798-1851 (21 items)
- 2 William Mason Smith estate records, 1838-1851 (7 items)
- 3 Robert Smith estate records, 1849.
- 4 Elizabeth P. Smith estate records, 1873-1882 (5 items)
- 5 Emma Smith Pringle estate records, 1893.
- 6 Eliza Caroline Middleton Huger Smith estate records, 1918-1920 (46 items)
- 7 Eliza Caroline Middleton Huger Smith estate records, 1918-1920 (34 items)
- 8 Eliza Caroline Middleton Huger Smith estate records, 1918-1920 (9 items)
- 9 D.E.H. Smith estate records, 1932-1933 (37 items)
- 10 Robert Tilghman Smith estate records, 1926-1933 (7 items)
- 11 James Ravenel Smith estate records, 1924 (17 items)
- 12 Mabell Shippe Clarke Smith estate records, 1936-1943 (11 items)
- 13 Techaria Philips estate records, 1841.
- 14 John Julius Pringle estate records, 1844.
- 15 Daniel E. Huger estate records, 1856-1860 (52 items)
- 16 Ross C. Davis estate records, 1870-1874 (5 items)
- 17 Joseph A. Winthrop estate records, 1870-1880 (5 items)
- 18 Joseph Manigault estate records, 1908-1911 (3 items)
- 19 Maria W. Ravenel estate records, 1919-1920 (20 items)

- 20 Augusta Winthrop Ravenel estate records, 1924 (10 items)
- 21 Daniel Ravenel estate records, 1873-1874 (2 items)

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- 1 Union Club rules and account book, 1835-1837.
- 2 Church records, 1798-1838 (7 items)
- 3 Smithfield Plantation book, 1847-1861.
- 4 Correspondence, 1780-1800 (6 items)
- 5 Correspondence (Pinckney, Charles), 1782.
- 6 Correspondence, 1801-1810 (7 items)
- 7 Correspondence, 1811-1815 (13 items)
- 8 Correspondence, 1816-1820 (10 items)
- 9 Correspondence, 1821-1829 (6 items)
- 10 Correspondence, 1830 (12 items)
- 11 Correspondence, 1831-1834 (15 items)
- 12 Correspondence, 1835 (10 items)
- 13 Correspondence, 1836-1837 (16 items)
- 14 Correspondence, 1838-1839 (13 items)
- 15 Correspondence, 1840-1850 (23 items)
- 16 Correspondence, 1851-1854 (37 items)
- 17 Correspondence, 1855 (January – February)

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- 1 Correspondence, 1855 (March – December)
- 2 Correspondence, 1856-1866 (26 items)

- 3 Correspondence, 1867-1900 (20 items)
- 4 Correspondence, 1911-1913 (18 items)
- 5 Correspondence, 1914-1918 (16 items)
- 6 Correspondence, 1919 (31 items)
- 7 Correspondence, 1920-1925 (11 items)
- 8 Correspondence, 1926-1929 (24 items)
- 9 Correspondence, 1930-1931 (18 items)
- 10 Correspondence, 1932-1940 (34 items)
- 11 Correspondence, 1941-1942 (10 items)
- 12 Correspondence, 1943-1953 (17 items)
- 13 Correspondence, undated (48 items)
- 14 Correspondence, 1901-1910 (15 items)

BOX 28/661

- 1 Studies of Nature by Bishop Robert Smith, undated (2 items)
- 2 Biographical information on Bishop Robert Smith, undated (20 items)
- 3 Writings and sermons of Bishop Robert Smith, 1759-1799 (4 items)
- 4 Writings and sermons of Bishop Robert Smith, undated (6 items)
- 5 Writings and sermons of Bishop Robert Smith, undated (16 items)
- 6 Eliza Caroline Middleton Huger Smith recipe book and prescriptions, 1847 (21 items)
- 7 Maria Henrietta Middleton journal, 1819-1820. (This was likely Maria Henrietta Middleton, 1802-1838, who was the wife of Edward Jenkins Pringle, 1802-1838. They both died in the wreck of the steamship *Pulaski* in June 1838.)
- 8 Maria Henrietta Middleton verse book, 1821.
- 9 Robert Smith notebook, 1801.
- 10 Notebook, undated.

- 11 William Mason Smith valedictory address before the Calliopean Society, 1863.
- 12 Clippings, 1834-1873 (9 items)
- 13 Miscellaneous items (21 items)
- 14 Poems, undated (8 items)

BOX 28/662

Photographs

- 1 Two cabinet size photographs of Augusta Winthrop Ravenel (1822-1891), who was Mrs. James Ravenel; one of the photos has been hand tinted. Photographs of Maria Winthrop Ravenel (1851-1919), Robert Tilghman Smith (1845-1932), James Ravenel (1818-1880), William Ravenel (1806-1888), and Alice Ravenel Huger Smith (1876-1958). There is also a photo of William Mason Smith (1874-1964) as a young man and as a boy ("Mason").
- 2 Includes duplicates of the children in folder 1, and photographs of Eliza C. Middleton Huger Smith (1824-1919), who was Mrs. William Mason Smith, multiple photos of James Ravenel Smith (1878-1924) standing with a child, and two photos of Augusta Winthrop Ravenel (1822-1891).
- 3 Two photographs of Augusta Winthrop Ravenel (1822-1891), one oval photo of Harriott Horry Ravenel (1832-1912), who was Mrs. St. Julien Ravenel, marked "Cousin Hal," a photo of Lilli Huger Smith in costume, a photo of the drawing room at 69 Church Street fixed up with beds for servicemen (1942), a photo of Lilli Huger Smith at 69 Church Street, a photo of a lady on horseback, and two photos of an automobile.
- 4 Four copies of an engraved portrait of Daniel Ravenel (1789-1873), as well as one photograph of him dated 1862, and another photo of him taken at age 79, a photo of "Lilli Huger Smith" (who may be Eliza Huger Smith, 1871-1940), a carte de visite of James Ravenel (1818-1880) in 1861, a tinted carte de visite of "Aunt Eliza" (who may be Eliza Huger Dunkin, 1828-1910), a small oval photo of "Mason" (William Mason Smith, 1874-1964), a miniature photo of "Lily, Lilli & Caroline," a snapshot of "Julian Wells, Aunt Bella, [Dana], Lilli, and Caroline Smith" (1907), a photograph of two seated men dated 1918, a group snapshot of "Alice Smith, Young Dan Huger, Frances Pelzer Huger, Lou Huger" and Frances, Louisa and Mary, a photograph of Dan and Lou Huger "with their grandchild Mary Huger," two photographs of unidentified children, and a photo of Dan Huger, Jr.

- 5 Includes two carte de visites of a boy, one of which is dated 1893, three copies of photos of Daniel Elliott Huger Smith (1846-1932) with a mustache, a photograph of D. E. H. Smith in 1866, a cabinet size photo of D. E. H. Smith as an older man, a photo of Robert Tilghman Smith, a carte de visite of Henry Winthrop (1803-1890), a carte de visite of Marie Huger Lowndes Cottenet (1835-1915), who was Mrs. Edward Laight Cottenet, two photos of Caroline Ravenel Smith (1844-1889), who was Mrs. D. E. H. Smith, and a carte de visite of “Granmother W-----“ (Winthrop?).
- 6 Includes a carte de visite of William Mason Smith (1843-1864) in Citadel cadet uniform, three carte de visites of D. E. H. Smith, a photo (detail) of Eliza C. Middleton Huger Smith (1824-1919), a tinted carte de visite of Augusta Winthrop Ravenel, two carte de visites of “Caroline Ravenel Huger Smith” as a baby with a black nurse (Caroline was later Mrs. D. E. H. Smith), a tinted carte de visite of Mrs. D. E. H. Smith, two photos of a child, Lilli Huger Smith, a snapshot of a man in uniform with a boy, marked “Mase & Matey,” and another photograph of Mrs. D. E. H. Smith.
- 7 Two copies of a photo of Augusta Winthrop Ravenel and her daughter Caroline (later Mrs. D. E. H. Smith), two copies of a photo of Caroline Ravenel “aged 16,” and two copies of her photo portrait “aged 25 or 26.”
- 8 A photograph of “Dr. William H. Huger” (William Harleston Huger, 1826-1906), a photo of Joseph Winthrop (1832-1911), a photo of “Aunt Mary Winthrop” (likely Mary Drayton Winthrop, 1819-1902), an oval photo of Dr. William C. Ravenel (William Chardon Ravenel, 1828-1905), and photos of portrait paintings of Catherine LeNoble Ravenel, Rene Louis Ravenel, Elizabeth LeSerurier, and James LeSerurier (or Lesurruier).
- 9 Photographs of 18th century portrait paintings of Rev. Robert Smith 1732-1801, Catherine LeNoble Ravenel, Isaac Mazyck and his wife Mariana Le Serrurier, Suzanne Ravenel Mazyck, Stephen Mazyck, Rene Louis Ravenel, Mr. and Mrs. William Elliott, and Mrs. Williams Middleton.
- 10 A photograph of Mrs. D. E. H. Smith, a cabinet photograph of Robert Tilghman Smith and William Mason Smith, oval photographs of two portrait paintings of “Aunt Jane Winthrop,” “Mrs. James Ladson,” and “James Ladson,” a photographic image on glass of D. E. H. Smith in uniform, and four photographs of D. E. H. Smith as an elderly man.