



Robert W. Smith Family Papers
SCHS 529.00

Description: ca. 4 linear ft. (7 boxes)

Biographical/historical note: David Casper Smith (1849-1912) of Waterloo, S.C., the son of John Robert Smith, married Janie Maria Anderson (1847-1900), the daughter of Dr. Joel L. Anderson (1801-1855) and Rebekah Neely of Waterloo. Dr. Joel L. Anderson was also the father of Captain Joel W. Anderson (1832-1875). Among the children of David Casper Smith (1849-1912) and his wife Janie was Joel Casper ("Cap") Smith (1876-1949), who married Genevieve Wharton (1876-1922), the daughter of Colonel John Henry Wharton (1847-1922) of Waterloo. Joel C. Smith's second wife was Lola Lake Smith (1885-1968). One of the children of Joel C. Smith and Genevieve Wharton Smith was Robert Wharton Smith (1907-1989), who married Mildred Irene Lanford (1912-2001), the daughter of Rex W. Lanford (183-1963) and Clara Winn Lanford (1888-1985). Robert W. Smith was a textile executive. Clara Winn Lanford was the daughter of Hillary D. Winn (1862-1912) and his wife Lucy Eugenia Madden Winn (1868-1933), and the grand-daughter of Charles Madden (1831-1917) and Salle Carter Madden (1839-1924) of Waterloo.

Scope and content: Collection chiefly contains papers of the Smith family of Laurens County (S.C.) and related lines including the families of Anderson, Madden, Lanford and Wharton. Collection also includes numerous photographs of members of the Smith, Lanford, Madden, Winn and related families, many of which are identified, as well as some images of Waterloo (S.C.). Photographs have been removed to the SCHS Visual Material collection.

Preferred citation: Robert W. Smith family papers, 1813-1994. (0529) South Carolina Historical Society.

Container list:

BOX 1

Anderson Family Papers

- 1 Financial records, chiefly relating to Dr. Joel L. Anderson and Joel W. Anderson, 1836-ca. 1864 and undated. Includes receipts, promissory notes, bills and accounts.
- 2 Receipts and accounts relating to the estate of Dr. Joel L. Anderson; and receipts, promissory notes, and other financial records relating to Joel W. Anderson and Charles S. Anderson, 1854-1858.
- 3 Receipts and other financial records relating to the estate of Dr. Joel L. Anderson, and to Joel W. Anderson and David W. Anderson; also, a subpoena issued on behalf of R. W. Anderson, 1858.
- 4 Bills, receipts, and other financial records relating to Joel W. Anderson, 1858-1859.
- 5 Bills, receipts, and other financial records, including Confederate tax in kind forms (1863-1864), all relating to Joel W. Anderson, 1860-1864.
- 6 Financial records, 1860-1887. Includes bills, receipts, a stock certificate (1872) for the Ashley Land Phosphate Company, and a letter (1873) relating to Joel W. Anderson, 1865-1872; and a receipt and invoice relating to D. C. Smith, 1880-1887.
- 7 Miscellaneous items: includes a memorial inscription pertaining to David Anderson (1764-1836); and a fragment of an issue of the *Due-West Telescope* newspaper, January 18, 1861.
- 8 Joel W. Anderson military records, 1863-1864. Sixteen original documents including Anderson's certificate of retirement (1864); pay receipts (1863-1864); furloughs (1864); and orders (1863-1864).
- 9 Joel W. Anderson financial and tax records, 1863-1864, including a certificate for the purchase of Confederate bonds.
- 10 Joel W. Anderson oath of allegiance issued at Laurens, SC, July 1865.
- 11 Joel W. Anderson military records: photocopies of records at the SC Dept. of Archives and History.
- 12 Historical information relating to Joel W. Anderson's military service, CSA.
- 13 Commonplace book of Nannie Anderson, 1857-1859. This "Illustrated Tablet" contains inscriptions and poems to her from family and friends.

- 14 Commonplace book of M. E. Anderson, 1857-1858. A "Souvenir Album" containing inscriptions and poems to "Lizzie" from friends and family.

Madden Family Papers

- 15 Financial records, mainly relating to Charles Madden, 1855-1869. Includes receipts and accounts (including cotton sales accounts).
- 16 Financial records, mainly relating to Charles Madden, 1870-1871. Includes receipts, cotton sales accounts, and bills.
- 17 Mostly financial records relating to Charles Madden, 1872. Includes a letter to "A. Madden," receipts, a promissory note, cotton sales accounts, and a flyer issued by Wheless & Company, cotton factors of Augusta, Georgia, which gives notice of reduced commissions and comments on "speculative farming" and the condition of the cotton market and Southern economics since the end of the war. "At the termination of the war, the Southern country was devastated and greatly impoverished..."

BOX 2

Madden Family Papers

- 1 Financial records, 1873, mostly relating to Charles Madden, including receipts and bills.
- 2 Financial records, 1874, mostly relating to Charles Madden, including receipts and bills.
- 3 Mostly financial records, 1875, relating to Charles Madden; also two letters concerning business. One letter is addressed to "A. Madden" from Joseph T. Ligon, a cotton buyer in Augusta, Ga.
- 4 Mostly financial records, 1876, relating to Charles Madden; also, a letter to him from F. N. Blakely in Greenville, SC, inquiring about a "Photographic Carr."
- 5 Mostly financial records, 1877, relating to Charles Madden.
- 6 Mostly financial records, 1878, relating to Charles Madden.
- 7 Mostly financial records, 1879, relating to Charles Madden.
- 8 Mostly financial records, 1880-1882, relating to Charles Madden.
- 9 Mostly financial records (receipts and bills), 1882-1883, relating to Charles Madden.
- 10 Mostly financial records, 1885-1887, relating to Charles Madden.

- 11 Mostly financial records, 1888, relating to Charles Madden; includes a promissory note of J. H. Madden.
- 12 Mostly financial records, 1889, relating to Charles Madden and John S. Madden.
- 13 Mostly financial records, 1890, relating to Charles Madden; also, a letter to him from a merchant in North Carolina about a shipment of tobacco.
- 14 Mostly financial records, 1891, relating to Charles Madden; includes a lien and mortgage, Charles Madden to R. N. Cunningham, pertaining to a plantation in Laurens County known as "the Madden place."
- 15 Mostly financial records, 1892, relating to Charles Madden; includes a collection notice to him from F. P. McGowan, an attorney in Laurens, SC; a mortgage on a horse and mule; and ballots for the primary election (August 30, 1892) for delegates to the State Convention, Congress, state senate, state house, sheriff, clerk of court, county commissioners, coroner, etc.
- 16 Mostly financial records, 1893, including receipts and bills, relating to Charles Madden. Also includes a fire insurance policy on property in Waterloo, SC; articles of agreement between Charles Madden and Ed Walker ("freeman"), signed by Walker's mark, relating to Walker's employment by Madden; a bill to Charles Madden for "tuition for Hampton" from a Mr. McElroy; a small memorandum book containing some accounts and note from McElroy to Charles Madden about planting some corn; and a note and mortgage on hogs, Dick Sims to Addie Madden, signed by the mortgagee's mark.
- 17 Mostly financial records, 1894, relating to Charles Madden; also, a note and mortgage on cattle, Simmons Brothers to Charles Madden.
- 18 Mostly financial records, 1895, relating to Charles Madden.
- 19 Financial records, mostly receipts, 1896-1897, relating to Charles Madden.
- 20 Financial records, mostly receipts, 1898-1899, relating to Charles Madden.
- 21 Financial records, mostly receipts, 1900-1901, relating to Charles Madden.
- 22 Financial records, mostly receipts, 1902-1903, relating to Charles Madden and S. E. Madden.
- 23 Financial records, mostly receipts, 1905-1908, relating to Charles Madden and Sallie E. Madden.
- 24 Financial records, mostly receipts, 1909-1915, relating to Charles Madden and Sallie E. Madden.

- 25 Receipts, 1916-1919, mostly relating to Charles Madden.
- 26 Receipts, 1920-1922, relating to Charles Madden and S. E. Madden.
- 27 Undated Madden family papers, mostly financial records
- 28 Miscellaneous family papers.
- 29 Miscellaneous family papers: a handwritten essay (ca. 1880?) about the evils of liquor entitled "Ardent Spirits."
- 30 Miscellaneous family papers: cloth tobacco pouch with advertising for "Dixie Tobacco" manufactured by Ogburn, Hill & Company in Winston, NC.
- 31 Miscellaneous family papers: notebook belonging to Charles Madden containing accounts, 1883-1892, with various persons for purchases of bacon, tobacco, flour, salt, shoes, etc.; and other transactions. Also contains some records of "time lost" by workers.

BOX 3

Smith Family Papers

- 1 David C. Smith papers: miscellaneous items, 1869-1911, including a lease (1885) between D.C. Smith and L.M.W. Odell; and estate records (1911-1913), including legal documents and a copy of his will (1911).
- 2 David C. Smith papers: property records: title and mortgage on Laurens County land, 1879.
- 3 David C. Smith papers: property records, 1880-1889.
- 4 David C. Smith papers: property records, 1893-1894.
- 5 David C. Smith papers: property records, 1895-1899.
- 6 Smith family property records, 1864-1877.
- 7 Smith family property records, 1886-1889.
- 8 Smith family property records, 1893-1896.
- 9 Smith family property records, 1900-1909.
- 10 Smith family property records, 1911-1914.
- 11 Smith family property records, 1916-1921.
- 12 Smith family property records, 1922-1951.

- 13 Smith family property records, 1952-1958.
- 14 Smith family papers: notes, ca.1960, on Smith family financial and property transactions.

BOX 4

- 1 Smith family papers: papers of Joel C. and Genevieve Wharton Smith, 1886-1922. Includes their marriage certificate (1897); and an obituary of Mrs. Smith (1922).
- 2 Smith family papers: scrapbook of Genevieve Wharton Smith. Includes clippings, and genealogical information on the Wharton family.
- 3 Smith family papers: papers of Joel C. and Lola Lake Smith, 1933-1979. Includes tax returns, correspondence, and a clipping of an article about the Bank of Waterloo and Joel C. Smith.
- 4 Smith family papers: booklet belonging to Joel C. Smith. Published in Atlanta, Ga., its title is '96, and it pertains to money and economic policies.
- 5 Smith family papers: papers of Robert W. and Mildred Lanford Smith: wedding book.
- 6 Smith family papers: papers of Robert W. and Mildred L. Smith: memorabilia, including shower gift cards, a poem, and clippings.
- 7 Smith family papers: papers of Robert W. and Mildred L. Smith: miscellaneous items, including a marriage license, birth certificates, and biographical information.
- 8 Smith family papers: Robert W. Smith papers: correspondence, 1952-1989.
- 9 Smith family papers: Robert W. Smith papers: clippings relating to Robert W. Smith and the cotton trade.
- 10 Smith family papers: Robert W. Smith papers: correspondence (postcards and greeting cards).
- 11 Smith family papers: Robert W. Smith papers: military records, 1928-1941.
- 12 Smith family papers: Robert W. Smith papers: membership certificates, tributes, etc.
- 13 Smith family papers: Robert W. Smith papers: muniments found in his estate papers, 1813-1891. These include plats and conveyances mostly relating to land in Laurens District (later Laurens County). Some pertain to the estate of Joel W. Anderson. Other persons represented include James Neely, Sally Fuller, Maria S. Anderson, Jane M. Smith, and J. H. Wharton.

- 14 Smith family papers: Robert W. Smith papers: muniments found in his estate papers, 1900-1937. These consist of survey plats relating to land in Laurens County. Persons represented include J. C. Smith, D. C. Smith, and Lola Lake Smith.
- 15 Smith family papers: Robert W. Smith papers: property records, 1928-1960. A note with these states that they were located in a “lockbox” at the time of his death. These consist of titles to property in Waterloo and elsewhere in Laurens County, as well as property in Anderson County and Greenwood County. Persons represented include Mrs. Lola Lake Smith, J. C. Smith, and Robert W. Smith. Also included is a safety deposit box inventory form pertaining to the estate of Robert Wharton Smith.
- 16 Smith family papers: miscellaneous items, 1872-1939. These include a booklet, *The Causes of Secession, An Essay Prepared by J. J. McSwain in 1896 While a Student at South Carolina College* (1917); and a copy of the will (1911) of Mary Emma Lake.

BOX 5

- 1 Smith family papers: miscellaneous papers relating to the Wharton family, 1886-1994.
- 2 Smith family papers: papers relating to the Lanford family: scrapbook of Clara Winn Lanford.
- 3 Smith family papers: loose items removed from the Clara Winn Lanford scrapbook. Includes transcripts of family data from her Bible; information about Rosemont Plantation (home of Anna Pamela Cunningham); and a note (ca. 1917) “written by one of the Lockwood boys when they were on their way to Europe during World War I.” The Lockwoods were cousins of the Lanfords.
- 4 Smith family papers: correspondence of Clara Winn (Lanford): postcards, mostly dated 1906.
- 5 Smith family papers: correspondence of Rex W. and Clara Winn Lanford: postcards, 1907-1918.
- 6 Smith family papers: correspondence of Rex W. and Clara Winn Lanford, 1906-1913.
- 7 Smith family papers: correspondence of Rex W. and Clara Winn Lanford, 1961-1974.
- 8 Smith family papers: miscellaneous papers relating to the Lanford family.
- 9 Smith family papers: papers relating to the Lanford family: clippings.
- 10 Smith family papers: papers relating to Clara Winn Lanford, 1969-1980.
- 11 Smith family papers: papers relating to the estates of Rex W. and Clara Winn Lanford.

- 12 Smith family papers: papers relating to the estate of Clara Winn Lanford, including copies of her will and death certificate.
- 13 Smith family papers: papers relating to the Winn family.

BOX 6

- 1 Smith family papers: genealogical papers: privately printed booklet [1960?] entitled "Family Data: Records, Incidents, Traditions, and Obituary Notices Concerning: The Smiths, Fullers, Cooks, McDavids, Shumates, McCulloughs." The information was compiled by Nell McC. Glenn and Inez McC. Lawson. This book contains genealogical data on various families principally of the South Carolina upcountry including transcriptions of wills, family Bibles, estate records, newspaper articles, and correspondence.
- 2 Smith family papers: genealogical papers: photocopies of family documents consisting of family history entries from the Joel W. Anderson family Bible; and a royal grant (1774) to James Neely, of 100 acres in Craven County, South Carolina, "on the waters of Cane Creek."
- 3 Smith family papers: genealogical papers: research, notes, family charts, etc. relating to the families of Smith, Lanford, Winn, Madden, Wharton, Fuller, and Anderson.
- 4 Smith family papers: genealogical papers: clippings of newspaper articles and other printed material.
- 5 Smith family papers: genealogical papers: clippings pertaining to Stony Point, a historic plantation house in Greenwood, S.C. once owned by William Smith and later Joel Smith, and currently owned (in 2015) by Smith descendants.

BOX 7

OVERSIZE MATERIALS:

- 1) Joel Casper Smith diploma, 1897, Wofford College.
- 2) Genevieve Wharton diploma, 1895, Greenville College for Women.
- 3) Joel Casper Smith diploma, 1897, Calhoun Literary Society, Wofford.
- 4) Blank membership certificate, Joseph B. Kershaw Chapter, UDC.
- 5) Clara Winn Lanford membership certificate, 1923, Robert A. Walker Chapter, UDC.
- 6) J. H. Wharton election certificate, 1908, state senator for Laurens County.

