



Elizabeth H. Stringfellow Research Papers, SCHS 448.00

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Scope and content: Collection consists of notes and research compiled by Elizabeth H. Stringfellow for her history of St. Johns Parish (S.C.) including information on Johns Island, Edisto Island, Wadmalaw Island, Kiawah Island, Morris Island, and Seabrook Island. Topics include early settlers, agriculture, diseases, transportation, plantations, slavery, Confederate history, and natural disasters. Also included is genealogical research on a number of families including those of Beamer, Beckett, Blake, Bonny, Boone, Bower, Bryan, Chisolm, Cole, Davis, Fenwick, Freer, Gibbes (and Gibbs), Godfrey, Grimball, Grimshaw, Hanscome, Henderson, Hext, Hills, Jenkins, Jones, Ladson, LaRoche, Legare, Lighbourn, Madsen, Mathewes (and Mathews), McClure, Peter, Raven, Reynolds, Roper, Rush, Sams, Simmons, Smith, Sosnowski, Stanyarne, Torquett, Turnbull, Waight, Walpole, Ward, Whaley, Wilkins, Williams, Wilson, and Woodward.

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Container Listing:

BOX 1

1. Early Settlers, Land Grants, etc. (Some early history of the Islands; jury lists, first census 1790; Governor Joseph Morton; narratives of early SC)
2. Malaria, Yellow Fever, Small Pox, and Other Diseases in Early South Carolina
3. Houses, House Building, Materials, etc. (Fenwick, Stanyarne, Gibbes plantation structures)
4. Land Warrants, Real Estate and Property Owners
(Salley's warrants; SC Dept. of Archives; John MacKenzie, son-in-law of Landgrave Smith; residents shown on the Moll Map of 1711)

BOX 1 (cont.)

5. Early South Carolina Agriculture - Native and Later Crops, Flowers, Herbs, Timber, etc. (narratives of early SC; cassena tea; Impressions of William Hilton, 1663; Gourds, corn, feasts of the Indians)
6. Early Transportation (Roads, Bridges, Ferries, Boats, Railroads; the old swing bridge)
7. John's Island Societies, Church Charities, etc.
8. Town of Rockville, Wadmalaw Island, Adjacent Plantations, Land Transfers (some early history; the Regatta; some plantations: The Rocks; Cassina Point, New Cut research by Alva J. Rivers; High Point, Rose Bank, Bugby; houses in the village; Grace Chapel)
9. Initial Writings, and Notes for the Book (outlines and discussions or talks)
10. Pirates ("A Girl with a Gallows in Her Future" by Tom Hamrick)
11. Miscellaneous Papers, classification uncertain (some copies of obituaries; picture of cornerstone of the WPA built St. John's high school building)
12. Notes for talks and discussions by Mrs. Stringfellow

BOX 2

1. Burnet R. Maybank, Mayor of Charleston, Governor of SC (campaign pamphlet running for Governor, re Maybank Highway to Rockville)
2. SC Department of Archives & History Index (partial listing of land owners)
3. Waterways and Water Transportation (Forts, Look-out Posts; Scout Boats; Haulover Cut and New Cut)
4. Kiawah Island (owners, artifacts, history)
5. Seabrook Island (description, history)
6. Plantations (business dealings, timber sales, lumber sale from the shipwrecked "Margaret A. May" in 1911; notes from plantation "Silver Bluff" on Savannah River manual of Gov. Hammond)
7. Blacks in the Union Service, Confederate War
8. Slavery (slave trade, merchants and factors; runaway slaves, freed slaves, Gullah Language, craftsmen; black churches; rice planting)
9. Stono Slave Rebellion in 1739, Former Slave Denmark Vesey's Uprising in 1822

BOX 2 (cont.)

10. War of the Confederacy in the Sea Islands (battles; The Citadel prisoners on Morris Island; Gen. Johnson Hagood; Gen. Samuel Jones; Yankee naval expedition; siege of Charleston; blockading the coast)
11. Legareville, John's Island (property owners; burning of the village; war activity)
12. Service Men Surviving the Confederate War
13. Early SC Tools, Pottery, Furniture, Clovis culture
14. Early Dining, food preparation
15. Early American enterprises (lavish living; toys)
16. SC Beaches, General Information
17. Storms, Hurricanes, Tornados
18. Charleston Earthquakes

BOX 3

(Mostly genealogical information on listed families)

1. Miscellaneous Families (Some names mentioned: Arnold, Beamer, Beckett, Bonny, Boone, Bryan, Chisolm, Cole *, Dart, Davis, Holmes, Hills, Reynolds, Roper *, Sams *, Smith, Sosnowski, Taylor, Torquett, Ward, Wilkins *, Williams. Some have been extensively researched while little is known about others. **Asterisk indicates that there is also a separate file listed below.*)
2. Blake
3. Boone
4. Cole
5. Fenwick
6. Freer
7. Fripp
8. Gibbes/ Gibbs
9. Godfrey
10. Grimball
11. Hanscome & Wilkins

BOX 3 (cont.)

12. Henderson (“Chief” Henderson was for many years the only peace officer who served the people of John’s Island and Wadmalaw. He was very efficient, faithful, and popular. He lived on Wadmalaw with his family, his wife and two girls. Some of his descendants still live on the Islands.)

BOX 4

1. Hext & Peter (also Bower family connections)
2. Jenkins, LaRoche, Sams
3. Jones
4. Ladson
5. Legare
6. Lightbourn
7. Mathewes/ Mathews
8. McClure
9. Raven
10. Roper
11. Rush family
12. Seabrook

BOX 5

1. Simmons
2. Stanyarne
3. Turnbull
4. Waight
5. Walpole
6. Whaley
7. Williams
8. Wilson, Gimshaw, Madsen
9. Woodward (The family of Henry Woodward, first English settler of South Carolina. There appears be inadequate information on sources.)

BOX 6

1. Thomas Stanyarne I (ca. 1625-1682)
2. Col. James Stanyarne (1658-1703) and some descendants
3. James Stanyarne, Jr. (1692-1717)
4. Benjamin Stanyarne (1715-1751)
5. Elizabeth Stanyarne Mathewes
6. John Stanyarne (1660-1716)
7. Gen. John Stanyarne ((1695-1772)
8. John Stanyarne III (1734-1762)
9. Joseph Stanyarne
10. Archibald Stanyarne (1728-1773)

BOX 7

1. Joseph Stanyarne, Jr. (1732-1777)
2. William Stanyarne (1734-1784)
3. Ann Stanyarne (ca. 1769-1834/36)
4. James Stanyarne (1737-1781)
5. Ann Stanyarne (1747-1826)
6. Rivers Stanyarne (1709-1754)
7. Susan Stanyarne (d. 1807)
8. William Stanyarne (ca. 1664-1716) and descendants
9. Thomas Stanyarne, Jr. (ca. 1662-ca. 1720) and descendants
10. Two dvd productions by Betty Stringfellow: "Betty Stringfellow's Seabrook Island Then & Now," and "The American Revolution: Johns Island, Kiawah & Seabrook Islands, S.C."