



R.J. Turnbull papers, 1931-1950
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Containers 11/431

Creator: Turnbull, Robert J.

Description: 0.25 linear ft.

Biographical/Historical Note: Attorney, businessman, collector, and researcher. Born in New Orleans, La., he was the son of Robert J. Turnbull, a cotton planter, and Catherine Van Rensselaer Screven. He spent most of his life in New York, N.Y. After graduating from Yale, he attended the Columbia Law School, receiving his law degree in 1901. Robert J. Turnbull practiced law in New York and in 1911 married Dorothy Pierrepont Edwards. After serving in World War I, Turnbull became treasurer of the National Exploration Company and was also associated with the Union Oil Company. After retirement he spent much time at Twickenham Plantation (located near Yemassee, South Carolina), a property he inherited from his grandfather. He was the author of "Bibliography of South Carolina, 1563-1950" (1956).

Scope and Content: Papers chiefly consist of Robert J. Turnbull's correspondence with Stuart W. Jackson (New York, N.Y.), F. de Sales Dundas (Philadelphia, Pa.) and others regarding his research on Dr. Andrew Turnbull (ca. 1720-1792), a Scottish-born physician who established the New Smyrna settlement in east Florida and later resided in Charleston (S.C.). Other items include research notes, clippings, and photocopies of printed material concerning Dr. Andrew Turnbull and the New Smyrna colony.

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Search terms:

Dundas, Francis de Sales, 1873-
Jackson, Stuart Welles.
Turnbull, Andrew, 1718-1792.
Florida -- History -- English colony, 1763-1784.
New Smyrna Beach (Fla.) -- History.
South Carolina -- History.
Clippings.
Letters (correspondence)
Research (document genres)

Container listing:

11/431/1-9 Turnbull, Robert , 1876-1951

Research, 1931-1950. 238 items.

Yemassee researcher. Correspondence of R.J.Turnbull, Stuart W. Jackson, F. deSales Dundas, and others regarding Dr. Andrew Turnbull, Scottish-born physician who established the New Smyrna settlement in East Florida before moving to Charleston. Some research notes on Andrew Turnbull and the Turnbull family history.