



Washington family papers, 1841-1877
SCHS 1110.00
Container 11/451

Creator: Washington family.

Description: 40 items.

Biographical/Historical Note: Charleston, South Carolina family.

Scope and Content: The earliest letters in this collection were written by William Washington (1810-1849), the third of that name, to John Y. Stock (1809-1876), merchant of Charleston, to Anna Bowen Stock, John Y. Stock's wife and Washington's cousin, and to his wife, Theodosia Narcissa McPherson (1817-1898), between 1841-1848. South Carolina politics and family matters are his chief topics. One of the letters (1841 December 8) describes the impeachment proceedings against Judge [Baylis John] Earle (1795-1844) by John Lyde Wilson (1817-1898).

The papers of William Washington's son, J.E. McPherson Washington, include letters to his mother and sister, an autograph album he kept at the University of Virginia in 1855-1856, and a diary (1856) begun at the University of Virginia and continued in Charleston concerning student life, weather, and other matters. The journal also contains many directions for needlework in a different handwriting. The letters begin with his dismissal from West Point (1855) and continue through his early business career and social life in Charleston (1856-1858). They conclude with letters written by Washington while serving as a lieutenant in the Confederate Army at Fort Johnson, S.C. and later in Virginia. There are several letters from fellow officers attesting to his gallantry and popul

The collection also includes a return (ca. 1790s?) of Capt. James McPherson's Troop of Horse in the 20th Regiment, S.C. Militia; letters to William Washington's daughter, Martha Washington, from Wade Hampton (1818-1902), John L. Manning (1816-1889), George Herbert Sass (1845-1908), and others; miscellaneous poems, some by George Herbert Sass; and notes on the family.

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Search terms:

Earle, Baylis John, 1795-1844 -- Impeachment.

Manning, John L. (John Lawrence), 1816-1889.

Hampton, Wade, 1818-1902.

Sass, George Herbert, 1845-1908.

Stock, John Y., 1809-1876.

Washington, J. E. McPherson.
Washington, Martha, fl. 1860s.
Washington, Theodosia Narcissa McPherson, 1817-1898.
Washington, William, 1810-1849.
Wilson, John Lyde, 1784-1849.
Washington family.
Fort Johnson (S.C.)
South Carolina. Militia. Regiment, 20th.
United States Military Academy.
University of Virginia -- Students.
Impeachments -- South Carolina.
Students -- Virginia.
Charleston (S.C.) -- Climate -- Observations.
Charleston (S.C.) -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Sources.
Charleston (S.C.) -- Social life and customs.
South Carolina -- History -- Sources.
South Carolina -- Politics and government -- 1775-1865.
Virginia -- Climate -- Observations.
Virginia -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Sources.
Autograph albums.
Diaries.
Letters (correspondence).
Poems.

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Letters 1841-1877. 40 items.

Charleston family. Letters (1841-1877) of Washington family include William Washington III letters regarding SC politics, the attempted impeachment of Judge Baylis J. Earle, and family matters to his wife, Theodosia Washington and others; letters (1855-1861) of J.E. McPherson Washington to his mother and sister regarding his dismissal from West Point (1855), theatre and social life in Charleston, service (1861) at Fort Johnson, Charleston Harbor and Monterey VA and letters regarding his death and service from his fellow officers. Also letters to Martha Washington from Wade Hampton Jr., John L. Manning, George H. Sass, and others regarding courtship. Poems of George H. Sass and others.

11/451/6 Washington, J.E. McPherson d. 1861

Diary, knitting instructions 1856 1 ms. vol.

Charleston, University of Virginia student. Journal (1856) of J.E. McPherson Washington at the University of Virginia regarding student life, weather, news from Charleston and other matters. Also in volume many directions for knitting designs of clothing (n.d.)