Henry E. Young papers, ca. 1860-1918
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Creator: Young, Henry Edward, 1831-1918

Description: 3 linear feet (7 boxes)

Biographical/Historical note: Henry E. Young was the son of Rev. Thomas John Young (1803-1852) of Charleston, S.C. He graduated from the College of Charleston and subsequently studied law in Berlin. He was admitted to the South Carolina bar in 1855. In the Confederate Army he obtained the rank of major and served on the staff of Gen. Robert E. Lee as Judge Advocate of the Army of Northern Virginia. Just after the war he resumed the practice of law in the firm of Rutledge & Young. Henry E. Young was a founding member of the American Bar Association and was president of the S.C. Bar Association in 1889. He dissolved his law partnership with Benjamin H. Rutledge around 1887, but continued in active practice in Charleston until 1916. From about 1899 to 1915 he practiced law in partnership with his son Arthur Rutledge Young in the firm of Young & Young.

Scope and content: Papers of Henry E. Young consist of case records, correspondence, estate records, financial records, and miscellaneous items. Most of these papers pertain to his law practice after the dissolution of Rutledge & Young around 1887. Case records include documents (1888-1890) concerning a survivor's claim made by Janie Smalls of Charleston, daughter of Adam Bryan (Byan?), a black man who enlisted in the U.S. Army at Beaufort (S.C.) during the Civil War; papers (1892-1895) relating to a pension for Simon Scott, a former U.S. African American soldier of the Civil War who became the operator of the Ashepoo Ferry near Charleston (S.C.); documents (1887-1892) concerning a foreclosure on Dean Hall Plantation (Dunham v. Carson); records (1891-1894) of a property dispute over land in or near Aiken (S.C.), with genealogical data on the Baynard and Cornish families; records (1898) of a case concerning land in Hampton County (S.C.) sold by Mrs. Catherine A. Tison to John K. Garnett; and legal documents (1890) relating to a case against William Larsen, a seaman on board a U.S. revenue cutter charged with embezzlement of federal funds. In addition, there is correspondence (1890-1896) of Rev. S.F. Flegler, an African American clergyman who emigrated to Liberia on the ship Azor and returned to America in the 1880s. Flegler's letters concern a house and land in Summerville (S.C.).

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Search terms:
Bellinger, John, 1804-1860 -- Estate.
Bryan, Adam.
Fentonhime, Honoria W., d. 1888.
Flegler, S.F.
Gadsden, Prince.
Garnett, John K.
Hanley, James F. (James Frederick), 1892-1942.
Harleston, John, 1805-1877 -- Estate.
Legare, John Sydney Ashe, 1835-1907.
Lowndes, James, b. 1835.
Morrison, William, 1846-1900 -- Estate.
Prioleau, Martha, 1784-1873.
Scott, Simon, d. ca. 1893.
Seabrook, Thomas W.
Whaley, E. Clarence.
Young, Arthur Rutledge, 1876-1947.
Young, Henry Edward, 1831-1918.
Baynard family.
Cornish family.
McFeely family.
United States. Army -- African American troops.
Young & Young (Charleston, S.C.)
African American soldiers -- South Carolina.
African Americans -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
Child abuse -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
Lawyers -- South Carolina -- Charleston.
Military pensions -- South Carolina.
Patents.
Real property -- South Carolina -- Hampton County.
Real property -- Spartanburg County.
14 Legare Street (Charleston, S.C.)
Legare Street (Charleston, S.C.)
Romney Street (Charleston, S.C.)
Sunday legislation.
Survivors' benefits -- South Carolina.
Brooklands Plantation (Edisto Island, S.C.)
Dean Hall Plantation (S.C.)

Collection Outline:

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BOX 1

309.01  Case Records

309.01.01  Peter Aiken desertion case records, 1890. Document concerning Peter Aiken, a seaman who deserted from the schooner [Frederick Roessner] at Charleston, S.C.

309.01.02  Baynard v. Cornish case records, 1891-1894. Case about a property dispute over land in or near Aiken, S.C. Contains some genealogical information about the Baynard and Cornish families. Some letters are from Cainhoy, S.C.

309.01.03  Adam Bryan case records, 1888-1890. Notes and a copy of a letter pertaining to survivor's claim made by Janie Smalls of Charleston, daughter of Adam Bryan (Byan?), a black man who enlisted in the U.S. Army at Beaufort during the Civil War. He died in Charleston and left a widow, Phoebe, and two children.

309.01.04  Dunham v. Carson case records, 1887-1892. Documents concern a foreclosure lawsuit on Dean Hall Plantation.

309.01.05  S.F. Flegler case records, 1890-1896. Mostly correspondence regarding a house and land in Summerville, S.C. in dispute. Rev. Flegler was an A.M.E. missionary who traveled to Liberia on the ship Azor. He returned to the U.S. in the 1880s. His first name may be Solomon or Santania.

309.01.06  John K. Garnett case records, 1898. Case mainly concerns title to land in Hampton County, S.C. called Hamilton Ridge [Plantation], sold by Mrs. Catherine A. Tison to Garnett. Garnett was a resident of Hampton County and Savannah, Ga. He was probably the John Garnett who was a native of Screven County, Ga. and established a hunting preserve in Hampton County. Includes records of Julian Tison v. Porter et al.

309.01.07  Halsey v. Calvary Baptist Church case records, 1890. Halsey sued this Charleston Church for non-payment for his services as a lumber merchant.

309.01.08  Simon Scott pension claim case records, 1892-1895. Papers relating to the request for and award of a pension for a former U.S. colored soldier of the Civil War living near Charleston, S.C. at
Ashepoo Ferry. He was a sergeant, Company I, 35th U.S. Colored Troops. He was aged 47 in 1892. Scott died in 1892 or 1893. After his death the claim is pursued by his widow Minty Scott. Includes a copy of an act (1891) establishing the ferry and naming Scott as its operator.

309.01.09 United States v. William Larsen, 1890. Warrant, testimony and other material pertaining to a case against Larsen, a seaman on board a U.S. revenue cutter, charged with embezzlement of federal funds.

309.01.10 Valk v. Willis et al. case records, 1870-1889. Defendants include the Wando Phosphate Company.

309.01.11 Young v. Farmer case records, 1897-1900. Henry E. Young’s lawsuit against Isabella Farmer.

BOX 2

309.02 Correspondence

309.02.01 Letter box file, 1889-1890. Arranged by correspondent (a few items are apparently out of place).

BOX 3

309.03.01 Baker, Susan A. Estate records, 1888-1896.

309.03.02 Bellinger, John, 1804-1860. Estate records, 1874-1893.

309.03.03 Galloway, Mary. Will, 1888.

309.03.04 Harleston, John, 1805-1877. Estate records, 1890.

309.03.05 Miller, Catherine. Will, 1891.

309.03.06 Morrison, William, 1846-1900. Estate records, 1894-1901.

309.03.07 Murray, Marie. Estate records, 1898-1907.
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309.03.08 Prioleau, Martha, d. 1873. Estate case records, 1873-1890. Includes data on the Ravenel and Gaillard families, and the Dawson family of Mobile, Ala.

309.03.09 Tadini, Elizabeth Oldofredi (Countess, nee Hutchinson), d. 1889. Estate case records, 1882-1893. Correspondence, legal documents, etc., concerning lawsuits over lands Countess Tadini owned in South Carolina, including Hutchinson’s Island (Colleton County). Clement March versus Pierre Gabriel Oldofredi Tadini, Henry Cary (Carey?) Bankhead, Charles March Pyne, et al. Includes a list of tenants on the island plantation (1889), and data (in a letter from the countess, 1888) on conditions at the plantation before Federal Troops arrived there during the Civil War.

309.04 Financial Records


309.04.02 Bills and receipts, 1894-1895. Arranged alphabetically.

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309.04.02 Bills and receipts, 1897-1903.

BOX 6

309.04.02 Bills and receipts, 1900-1913.

BOX 7

309.05 Miscellaneous Items

309.05.01 Blue law project papers, 1880. Correspondence and research of Henry E. Young concerning the Sunday or “blue” laws of South Carolina and their relation to similar laws in other states. Young solicited lawyers in many states for information that he would use in a paper he presented to the American Bar Association.

309.05.02 Book of forms, n.d. Forms of legal instruments.
Heyward property records, 1888. Plats, letters, notes, etc. about land in Spartanburg County, S.C. belonging to Mrs. Sallie B. Heyward.

Legare St. house maintenance records, 1875. Specifications for a kitchen, front fence, and plumbing work for 14 Legare Street, for H.E. Young, and accounts and agreements for same.

Patent papers, 1888-1889. Material mainly concerns a patent for a crank rotary device made by James F. Hanley (of New York). Includes letters, contracts, printed material, etc.

Romney St. property records, 1872-1888. Mostly deeds and titles pertaining to property on Romney Street in Charleston. Property was owned by, respectively, Prince Gadsden (an African American), Charles M. Cook, and the South Carolina Railroad Company.

Notes on Thomas W. Seabrook, 1888. A New York death certificate for Honoria Fentenhime (or Fentonhime), daughter of Thomas [W.] Seabrook; and notes (in a letter from W.H. McFeely) on Thomas W. Seabrook, who emigrated from Edisto Island, S.C. to Florida, his wife and daughter, and his estate.