



SOUTH CAROLINA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Visual Materials from the Langdon Cheves papers, 1800-1928 SCHS# 1167.00 VM

Description: 2.5 linear ft. (2 boxes)

Scope and content: Collection chiefly consists of photographs and other images of members of the Middleton, Cheves, Dulles, Haskell, and Hunter families and related lines. Of note are photographs of Alexander Cheves Haskell, John Cheves Haskell, Sophie Haskell Cheves, Anne M. Middleton Hunter, Sophia Cheves Haskell, Harriott Kinloch Middleton, Elias Des Brosses Hunter, and William Mason Smith Lesesne. Other subjects include scenes at Acton Briars and Baring's Mill Falls (Flat Rock, N.C.), and a house in Westchester County (N.Y.) owned by Anne M. Middleton Hunter. Oversize material includes artwork by Langdon Cheves and his wife Sophie Haskell Cheves, and a plan (1863) of Battery Gregg on Morris Island.

BOX 1

- 1 Portrait of an unidentified young man. This is a watercolor painting of a young man dressed in a blue coat and white cravat (clothing circa 1800-1810?).
- 2 Family photographs, including photographs of Haskell family members and General Wade Hampton (1818-1902). Identified individuals depicted include Alexander Cheves Haskell, Lewis (or Louis) W. Haskell, Paul Thomson Haskell, John Cheves Haskell, Sophie Haskell Cheves, Mary Cheves Haskell, Anne Middleton Hunter (photo dated 1924), Mary Owens Haskell, and Joseph Cheves Haskell.
- 3 Family photographs, including images of members of the Cheves, Dulles, and Middleton families. Identified individuals include Sophia Cheves Haskell (Mrs. Charles Thomson Haskell), Mary Elizabeth Dulles Cheves (Mrs. Langdon Cheves), H. A. Gaillard (Henry Augustus Gaillard, 1837-1921?), Harriott Kinloch Middleton, 1801-1878 (Mrs. Henry Augustus Middleton), Cleland Kinloch Middleton (?), and Charles Kinloch (photo of his portrait painting).
- 4 Family photographs of places and people. Identified individuals include David Wright, F. H. Haskell, Talbot Bissell, Alice Williams Bissell, and Anne (Annie) M. Middleton Hunter (1831-1923). Places depicted include scenes in Endion Long Lake (N.Y.), scenes at Acton Briars (Flat Rock, N.C.), Baring's Mill Falls (Flat Rock, N.C.; now the

Highland Lake Inn resort), a house at Green Island (N.Y.), and “Miss Annie Sloan’s place at Pendleton, 1928.” Other subjects include a boat, the *Adara*; a Kinloch house in Virginia; a house in Westchester County (N.Y.) owned by Anne M. Middleton Hunter; and a memorial stone erected by Mrs. Ann Lovell relating to the Heatly family.

- 5 Family photographs and sketches, including a pencil sketch of Harriott Kinloch Middleton (Mrs. Henry A. Middleton); and a print of a miniature portrait (1843) of a young woman (possibly Elizabeth Middleton, as indicated by a faint inscription in pencil). Photographs of identified persons include images of Elias Des Brosses Hunter (1853-1943), Alice Middleton, William Mason Smith Lesesne, Robert H. Harleston, Robert Smith, and Mary Esther Middleton Lowndes. Other subjects include a photograph of a bust of Langdon Cheves; and scenes at Acton Briars (Flat Rock, N.C.).

BOX 2 (mostly oversize material)

Artwork by Langdon Cheves (1848-1939) and his wife Sophie Haskell Cheves. A large scrapbook (1858-1862) contains sketches and watercolors of birds, dogs, and other animals, mostly by Langdon Cheves, as well as newspaper clippings (1862) concerning events of the war. Loose items removed from this volume include later paintings of flowers by Sophie Haskell Cheves.

Of note are paintings of wild birds on wallpaper, ca. 1861-1864. These watercolor paintings were likely created by Langdon Cheves (1848-1939) circa 1862-1864, when paper was in short supply. (See the article on Langdon Cheves in the Fall 2009 issue of *Carologue*.)

Another oversize item of note is a plan of Battery Gregg drawn and shaded in ink. The plan shows a side elevation view and footprint, and is captioned: “Battery Gregg, Morris Island, July 1863, Plan, Scale 20 feet to 1 inch.” It was possibly owned by Capt. Langdon Cheves (1814-1863), who designed Battery Wagner.