



# SOUTH CAROLINA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## **Mary Pringle Anderson Papers, 1862-1981 (bulk 1930-1970)** **SCHS # 712.00**

**Description:** 1.25 linear ft. (3 boxes)

**Biographical/Historical Note:** Mary Pringle Anderson was born Mary Ford Pringle in 1907. She was the daughter of Ernest Henry Pringle (1881-1955) and Nell Thomas McColl Pringle (1879-1937) of Charleston, S.C. In 1929 she married G. Corner Fenhagen (1884-1955), a Baltimore architect who played a key role in saving the Joseph P. Manigault House (328 Meeting Street) from demolition. After his death she worked as a librarian at the Enoch Pratt Library in Baltimore, and she authored several genealogical articles for the *South Carolina Historical Magazine*, including “John Ashmead and Some of His Descendants” (v. 47), “Letters and Will of Robert Pringle (1702-1776)” (v. 50), and “Descendants of Judge Robert Pringle” (v. 62). In 1963 she married Dr. Charles Roberts Anderson (1902-1999), a professor of American literature at Johns Hopkins University. After his retirement, the Andersons moved to Charleston, living at 4 Legare Street, and spending their summers at their home in England, Church Cottage, in Linton, Cambridgeshire. The Andersons were active in Charleston’s cultural life. Mrs. Anderson passed away in 1993.

**Scope and content:** This collection chiefly consists of Mary Pringle Anderson’s genealogical research and correspondence, most of which relates to the Pringle family of South Carolina and related families, including the Ashmead, Edwards, Ford, Garden, Reid, McPherson, and Thomas families. Correspondents include Chalmers G. Davidson. The collection also contains miscellaneous printed material, clippings, and an application for the Maryland Society of Colonial Dames. Photographs have been removed to the Visual Material collection, and include images of Pringle and McColl family members, as well as Smailholm

Tower in Scotland. Of note is a photograph of Captain John Alexander William Thomas (1822-1896) in Confederate uniform.

**Search terms:**

Anderson, Charles Roberts, 1902-1999.

Anderson, Mary Pringle, 1907-1993.

Thomas, J. A. W. (John Alexander William), 1822-1896 -- Photographs

Anderson family.

Ashmead family.

Edwards family.

Ford family.

Garden family.

McCall family.

McPherson family.

Pringle family.

Thomas family.

South Carolina -- Genealogy

**BOX 1**

- 1      Genealogical research: Alston, Allston family.
- 2      Genealogical research: Anderson, Lanier families.
- 3      Genealogical research: Ashmead.
- 4      Genealogical research: Bethea.
- 5      Genealogical research: Clarke.
- 6      Genealogical research: Clarkson.
- 7      Genealogical research: Donnom, Edwards.
- 8      Genealogical research: Ford.
- 9      Genealogical research: Ford, Sanders.
- 10     Genealogical research: Garden.
- 11     Genealogical research: Alexander Garden.
- 12     Genealogical research: Glaze.

- 13 Genealogical research: Guerard.
- 14 Genealogical research: Hayne, Ford.
- 15 Genealogical research: Johnstone.

## BOX 2

- 1 Genealogical research: Ladson.
- 2 Genealogical research: McColl.
- 3 Genealogical research: McKinley.
- 4 Genealogical research: McPherson.
- 5 Genealogical research: Maxwell.
- 6 Genealogical research: O'Driscoll.
- 7 Genealogical research: Pelot.
- 8 Genealogical research: Peronneau.
- 9 Genealogical research: Pipkin.
- 10 Genealogical research: Postell.
- 11 Genealogical research: descendants of Robert A. Pringle.
- 12 Genealogical research: Pringle, Lynch.
- 13 Genealogical research: correspondence relating to Pringle family research.
- 14 Genealogical research: James Reid Pringle.
- 15 Genealogical research: J. Maxwell Pringle.
- 16 Genealogical research: Pringles of South Carolina, California, etc.
- 17 Genealogical research: research for James Maxwell Pringle descendants.
- 18 Genealogical research: Pringles "who seem to be not our family."
- 19 Genealogical research: miscellaneous Pringle family research.
- 20 Genealogical research: Pringle family coat of arms.

- 21 Genealogical research: “Scottish cousins.”
- 22 Genealogical research: Scottish Pringles.
- 23 Genealogical research: correspondence relating to a portrait of Thomas Pringle.

### BOX 3

- 1 Genealogical research: Reid family.
- 2 Genealogical research: Rhodes.
- 3 Genealogical research: Rivers.
- 4 Genealogical research: Sanders.
- 5 Genealogical research: Screven.
- 6 Genealogical research: Thomas.
- 7 Genealogical research: Wood.
- 8 Mary Pringle (Fenhagen) Anderson’s applications for the Society of Colonial Dames.
- 9 Correspondence and information on books.
- 10 Clippings relating to the War Between the States.
- 11 Information on Smailholm Tower (Scotland).
- 12 Printed material relating to Charleston and Charleston culture.
- 13 Printed material relating to Charleston hospitals.
- 14 Miscellaneous printed material.

### **0712 VM VISUAL MATERIALS (located in the single folder VM collection)**

Photographs of Pringle family members and relations including Clara (Minnie) Ashmead Pringle, Nell McColl Pringle, Henry Fowles Pringle, James Maxwell Pringle, Ernest Henry Pringle, John Julius Pringle (1784- 1807; depicted in a photo

of a portrait painting), John McPherson Pringle (b. 1811), James Pringle (1813-1884), James Reid Pringle (1782-1840), Ernest Henry Pringle and his family, Sarah Forrester Ashmead Pringle, David McColl, Duncan Donald McColl (1842-1911), and Captain J.A.W. Thomas (1822-1896) in Confederate uniform (ca. 1862). There are also photographs of “Scottish cousins” of the Pringle family, including Sir Leander Starr Jameson (1853-1917; depicted in a photo of a portrait painting), as well as images of Smailholm Tower in Scotland.