

Work Sheet

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NAME OF COLLECTION: BRYAN, RICHARD DOBBS SPAIGHT, Collection

DATES: 1766-1932

ACQUISITION INFORMATION: Loaned by Mr. Richard D. S. Bryan, [REDACTED], [REDACTED], New York City; accessioned 30 September 1970.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:

30 items; letters, commissions, diplomas, broadsides, and miscellaneous.

HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:

See following pages.

Letters, 1825-1932 and undated. 10 items.

- 1825 Dec 25 James W. Bryan, Newbern, to John H. Bryan, Washington.
This letter reports family and private business matters, and it appears to be answered by John H. Bryan's letter of January 8, 1826, to James West Bryan, in the John Heritage Bryan Papers, P. C. 6.7, in the Archives.
- 1831 Dec 24 J[ohn?] Cobb, Harmony Grove, to James W. Bryan.
- 1839 Jul 11 [Mrs. James W. Bryan,] Newbern, to James W. Bryan, c/o Dr. James A. Washington, New York.
- 1873 Nov 28 Mary A. Bulkley, on board the SS Trimountain, to "My own dearest Mother." Attached to this letter is the note, "Copy by Aunt Annie."
- 1873 Nov 28 "Sarah Adams Bulkley, Lost on the Ville Du Havre, in Mid-Ocean. November 22, 1873." This is a printed copy of Mrs. Bulkley's letter noted above.
- 1882 Dec 27 J. E. McWhorter, USS Juniata, Fayal, Azores, to "Aunt Mamie," Mrs. M. A. Bulkley, Rye, N. Y. Reporting the progress of the cruise; mentioned the Captain's [George Dewey] illness; entertainment for the ship by rival political factions ashore.
- 1891 Oct 28 Edwin G. Weed, Bishop of Florida, St. Augustine, to Mrs. Charles F. Bryan, c/o Mrs. Geo. G. McWhorter, Augusta, Ga. Enclosing baptismal certificate for Gray McWhorter Bryan, born August 14, 1891.
- 1904 May 30 "Aunt Josey," n.p., to Annie [Mrs. Charles F. Bryan?] Sending genealogical information.
- 1932 Nov 5 "Father," Asheville, to "My dear Son." Forwarding a copy of Spaight genealogy.
- n. d.
[c. 1900] "Your loving Aunt, M. D. N.," to Gray [McWhorter Bryan]. A birthday message.

Commissions, Diplomas, and Broadsides, 1834-1865. 7 items.

- 1834 James B. Shepard's A. B. diploma, U. N. C.
- 1838 James B. Shepard's Certificate of Admission to Bar, N. C. Supreme Court, signed by Thomas Ruffin, J. T. Daniel, and William Gaston.
- 1840 J[ames]. B. Shepard's Commission as U. S. Attorney, signed by Martin Van Buren and John Forsyth, Secretary of State.

Commissions, (Cont'd.)

- 1856 John R. D. Shepard's A. B. diploma, U. N. C.
- 1856 John R. D. Shepard's Certificate of Membership in Philanthropic Society, U. N. C.
- 1865 Richard S. Donnell's Pardon, signed by Andrew Johnson.
- 1865 Certified copy of above pardon.

Miscellaneous Records, 1766-1899 and undated. 13 items.

- 1766 "A Sermon Preached at the Ordination of ... John Wyeth
...." Printed.
- 1776 Plat of Lands of Samuel Davis and others. Mutilated.
- 1842 "Commencement Day: A Vision...." Ms. poem.
- 1860 James W. Bryan's will.
- 1864 John R. Donnell's will. 1865 certified copy.
- 1880 "Sketch of the Life of Richard Dobbs Spaight of North Carolina,"
by John H. Wheeler. Printed.
- 1899 "Genealogical Record of the Martin Family," by Annie Robertson
Martin, 1899. Printed.
- n. d. American Express Company note.
- n. d. Typescript of genealogical notes on Washington family.
- n. d. Photograph of portrait of Thomas Spaight of Dunratty. 2 copies.
- n. d. Land grant.
- 1868 Baptismal record of Anne Adams McWhorter.