

Work Sheet

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NAME OF COLLECTION: DAMERON, MATTIE WIGGINS JONES, COLLECTION

DATES: c. 1825- c. 1925

ACQUISITION INFORMATION: Gift: Mrs. Kenan Smith, Siler City and Mrs. C. David Hyatt, Waynesville, North Carolina

1965, September 3

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: Correspondence, genealogy, and miscellaneous material. Approximately 600 items.

HISTORY AND DESCRIPTION:

Papers came through Mrs. W. H. Dameron to her daughters, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Hyatt. Originally in what is now called the "Cornwallis House" in Wilmington.

These papers arrived in two old trunks, and, for the most part were packaged in envelopes with various family names on each envelope, indicating that they were papers relative to the genealogy of that particular family.

For a preliminary survey of the collection, papers were removed from envelopes and foldered. The covering envelopes have been retained. Some papers, photographs, etc. were loose and without any identification. These items are in several miscellaneous folders.

While most of this material consists of correspondence of a genealogical nature addressed to a Miss Wiggins or a Mrs. McRary, there is no immediate indication what connection these two individuals had.

- Folder 1. Letters to Mrs. Mary Wiggins, Hilliardston, N. C., 1840-1850's.
For the most part from family in Alabama. A few items deal with an estate for which Mrs. Wiggins was guardian and trustee. c. 40 items.
- Folder 2. Genealogical Materials, Wiggins family, c. 1750-1910. Earlier materials are typed transcripts of official records relating to family matters. c. 50 items.
- Folder 3. Genealogical Materials, Harris (Harriss, HARRISSE) family. Includes a letter from U. S. Senator Isham G. Harris (Tennessee), dated January 15, 1895, to John A. Dahlgren, Atlanta, stating Harris's ignorance of family information. c. 15 items.

- Folder 4. Genealogical Materials, Arrington family. c. 10 items.
- Folder 5. Genealogical Materials, Crawford and Carter families. c. 20 items.
- Folder 6. Miscellaneous. Includes a few original letters, 1826-1862, several transcripts of early wills, etc. some family correspondence, etc. c. 30 items.
- Folder 7. Miscellaneous. Recipes. c. 15 items.
- Folder 8. Genealogical materials, Baker family items. c. 10 items.
- Folder 9. Genealogical materials, Carey, Davis, Van Wyck families.
- Folder 10. Genealogical materials, Nicholas Smith (Virginia) family. 1 item.
- Folder 11. Genealogical materials, Smith, Plummer, Weldon, Hall, Whitmell Hill, Norfleet, Barnes families. c. 5 items.
- Folder 12. Genealogical materials, Harris family. c. 25 items.
- Folder 13. Genealogical materials, Walton family. c. 100 items.
- Folder 14. Genealogical materials, Walton family. c. 25 items.
- Folder 15. Genealogical materials, Walton, Arrington families. Some other Wiggins-McRary correspondence. c. 25 items.
- Folder 16. Miscellaneous correspondence, Wiggins-McRary. c. 50 items.
- Folder 17. Miscellaneous correspondence, McRary. c. 25 items.
- Folder 18. Newspapers (See separate list attached.)
- Folder 19. Miscellaneous portrait photographs. Few are identified.
- Information from accession sheet, 9/2/65. Collection not worked.