

Collection: PRATT, JOSEPH HYDE, COLLECTION
Hartford, Connecticut

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1684-1926

Physical Description: c. 50 items; correspondence, bonds, wills, deeds, appointments, commissions, lists, orders, citations, and miscellaneous.

Acquisition: Gift of Col. Joseph Hyde Pratt, Chapel Hill. Receipt date unknown. Biennial Report, 1924-1926, indicates papers were bound during that period.

Description: ^{partial} See calendar on following pages.

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Correspondence - 1855-1940

1855, November 17, J. G. Pratt, Opelousas, to Joseph Pratt, Hartford, Connecticut, describing preparations for duel, commenting on stock raising, election, and building of Episcopal church; December 9, J. G. Pratt, Opelousas, to Joseph Pratt, Hartford, Connecticut, acknowledging receipt of pistols and other presents, commenting on farming and sugar raising.

1857, March 10, James C. Pratt, Opelousas, to Father, describing fishing and other activities, a Catholic funeral, and giving family news.

1858, January 6, J. G. Pratt, Opelousas, to Joseph Pratt, Hartford, relating difficulties arising from financial crisis; January 20, J. C. Pratt, Opelousas, to Father, giving family news and detailing problems with overseer.

1861, August 21, P. A. Gray, Opelousas, to Captain Pratt, concerning local events.

1862, January 22, Captain Pratt, Washington, [Louisiana], to Captain Pratt, discussing war and home front news; February 9, G. W. Hudspeth, Camp Carondolet, Virginia, to James C. Pratt, explaining reasons for not re-enlisting; May 8, John Taylor, Camp Bragg, Rockingham County, Virginia, to Captain J. C. Pratt, Opelousas, telling of movements of Pratt's former regiment; May 13, John Taylor, Camp Bragg, to Capt. [Pratt], explaining delay in sending letter of recommendation; July 19, John Taylor et al, Camp near Gordonsville, Virginia, to Captain James C. Pratt, Louisiana, stating conviction of Pratt's loyalty to southern cause and signed by members of his former regiment; November 25, W. H. S. Taylor, Treasury Department, Second Auditor's Office, to Captain James C. Pratt, Company F, Eighth Louisiana Volunteers, acknowledging account in disbursement for payments of bounty.

1863, January 24, W. H. S. Taylor to Captain Pratt, acknowledging account for disbursements.

1919, March 14, C. H. Foort, London, to Colonel [Joseph Hyde] Pratt, acknowledging report on the St. Quentin Canal and Tunnel and requesting full notes on collaboration of United States and Australia corps of engineers; June 6, John J. Pershing, France, to Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt, commending Pratt for his services in the Army of France; June 12, General W. M. Black, Chief of Engineers, Washington, to Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt, Chapel Hill, expressing appreciation of engineers of the United States for their services during World War I.

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1920, June 28, Haig, St.-Peter's-in-Thamet, [England], to Colonel Pratt, acknowledging copy of history of the 105th Engineers of the 30th Division of the American Army.

1921, October, Byng of Vimy, Government House, Ottawa, to Colonel Pratt, acknowledging copy of history.

1940, October 11 - Joseph Hyde Pratt, Chapel Hill, to Dr. Crittenden, Raleigh, explanation of part of a letter (enclosed) from Private Brown, Third Mobile Regiment, C.S.A., to his sister in Mobile, Alabama, giving an account of the "Merrimac" and "Monitor" naval engagement.

Miscellaneous - 1684-1926

1684, June 18 - Bond of John Pratt, Hartford, Connecticut, to Hephzibah Ladd, wife of John Ladd; October 20, will of John Pratt, Hartford.

1686, April - Deed between John Pratt, Sr., Hartford County, Connecticut, to John Pratt, Jr., for 1 1/2 acres in Hartford.

1716, November 28 - Bond of Daniel White, Windsor, Hartford County, to John Pratt, Sr., Hartford County.

1765, April - Deed from Amy Pratt to son Joseph Pratt, Hartford, for 3/4 of an acre, part of a house lot, Hartford; June 25 - Letter of administration for estate of Nathaniel Pinney, Windsor, to Amy Pratt from Court of Probate, Hartford.

1766, May 23 - List of deaths, Hartford.

1804, December 16 - Verses by L. Peck (?).

1844, August 21 - Deed from Rufus Watrous, Hartford, to Joseph Pratt, Jr.

1855, May 2 - Appointment of Joseph Pratt, First Lieutenant, Company A, Connecticut Militia; July 28 - Copy of a request by mutual friends of Colonel J. G. Pratt and G. R. King for withdrawal of offending correspondence.

1861, May 8 - Commission of James C. Pratt as captain in Opelousas Guards; June 11 - list of clothing, camp, and garrison equipage transferred by Colonel J. T. Winemore to Captain James C. Pratt, Opelousas Guards, New Orleans; June 11-June 11, 1862; 1861, June 23-30, June 30, June 31-August 31, August 31-October 31, June 26, 1862 - Muster Roll of Captain James C. Pratt, Eighth Regiment, Louisiana Militia (Volunteers) and Confederate States Army.

1862, February - return of James C. Pratt, Company F, Eighth Regiment of Louisiana, Army of Confederate States of America; April 9, General Orders, No. 22, War Department, Adjutant and Inspector General's Office, Richmond - regulations for guidance of recruiting officers; April 17 - statement of amount spent for bounty payments, Captain James C. Pratt, Richmond; April 21 - "An Act to Organize Bands of Partizan Rangers," Confederate Congress of the United States; May 24 - Special Orders, No. 2, Adjutant General's Office, Headquarters of Louisiana Militia, Opelousas (authorization for Pratt to raise company of "Partizan Rangers").

1917, April 24 - Appointment of Joseph Hyde Pratt, Major, National Guard, signed by Governor T. W. Bickett; August 5, appointment of Joseph Hyde Pratt as major in National Guard, signed by Assistant Secretary of War; November 7, appointment of J. H. Pratt as Lieutenant Colonel of Engineers in the National Army.

1918, October 9 - Appointment of Joseph H. Pratt, Colonel of Engineers, United States Army; November 26 - General Orders, No. 49, Headquarters, 30th Division, A.E.F., France - Commendation of Division Staff Officers, Brigade, and Regimental Commanders for devotion to duty.

1919, November 28 - Appointment of Joseph Hyde Pratt, Colonel, Engineer Section, Officers' Reserve Corps of the Army of the United States.

1920, June 11 - Citation to Colonel Joseph Hyde Pratt, 105th Engineers, commanding officer, A.E.F., for meritorious service.

N.D. - Typed copy of Distinguished-Service Medal Citation.

Finding Aids

Main Entry Card

Subject Cards

WAR--CIVIL--Muster rolls

--Naval engagements, "Merrimac" and "Monitor"

WAR--WORLD WAR I--citations

Finding Aid completed by Beth G. Crabtree, November, 1965.

SEE ALSO World War I Papers, Private Collections, Boxes 39-66, Joseph Hyde Pratt.