

The Filson Historical Society

**The Papers of
Hew Ainslie**

The papers of Hew Ainslie, poet, and his son, James Wellstood Ainslie, were received as a gift.

For information regarding literary and copyright interests for these papers, see the Curator of Manuscripts, James J. Holmberg.

Size of Collection

0.33 cubic ft.

Locator Number Mss.\A\A296

Biographical Note

Hew Ainslie (1792-1878) poet from Scotland who settled in Louisville. [For more information consult the Dictionary of American Biography.]

Scope and Content Note

Collection includes the papers of Hew Ainslie and his son, James Wellstood Ainslie. Collection begins twelve years after Hew Ainslie's 1822 move to the United States and ends in 1900. Correspondence is mainly personal but also discusses Ainslie's business interests and his poetry. Correspondence of his son is also predominantly personal with the exception of some printed material concerning the trials of the Goebel assassination defendants.

Correspondents include James Grant Wilson, Archibald Wilson, Thomas C. Latta, Sara D. Vandervoort, Benson J. Lossing, Daniel Ricketson, Archibald G. Constable, and George Donaldson.

Ainslie, Hew 1792-1878
Papers. 1834-1900

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| Box | 1 | |
| fl. | 1 | Letter from David Prentice to his father, Archibald Prentice, 18 Mar. 1813. |
| fl. | 2 | Personal correspondence 1834-1836. |
| fl. | 3 | James Grant Wilson-Hew Ainslie correspondence 1865-1877. |
| fl. | 4 | Archibald Wilson-Hew Ainslie correspondence 1864-1877. |
| fl. | 5 | Personal correspondence 1868-1878. |
| fl. | 6 | Draft of his letter to Daniel Ricketson, Sept. 1872, and to J.G. Colson, 12 Sept. 1873. |
| fl. | 7 | James Wellstood Ainslie correspondence.
Printed material from the Citizen's Committee concerning the Goebel assassination trial. |
| fl. | 8 | James Ainslie-Andrew Murray correspondence 12 Jan. 1889. |
| fl. | 9 | The Kilmarnock Standard and Ayrshire Advertising Leader of 9 Apr. 1892.
Contains and article on the centenary of Hew Ainslie.
Obituary of James W. Ainslie 14 Sept. 1902. |
| fl. | 10 | Memorial to Reuben Post Halleck.
Letters of condolence.
Obituary. |