

The Filson Historical Society

**The Papers of
Willis Green**

The papers of Willis Green, landowner, miller, lumber man, merchant, postmaster, Whig, Kentucky legislator, and Congressman of Falls of Rough, Ky.

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

Size of Collection

1 cubic

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Scope and Content Note

Papers consist mainly of letters, 1818-1856, to Green concerning trade with New Orleans; the improvement of Green River; legal matters; Ky. politics; his campaigns for reelection to Congress; the convention of the Loco Foco Party at Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 1840; the presidential campaign of William Henry Harrison in 1840; formation of the Native American party at Hopkinsville, Ky. in Nov. 1844; friendly relations with Henry Clay; letters from his constituents requesting aid in obtaining pensions, appointments to office, etc.; proceedings of a meeting of Whigs of Breckinridge County, Ky. at Hardinsburg, 1843 May 15.

Also includes statements of account, 1825-1854, with business firms in Philadelphia, Louisville, and other cities; legal papers in the case of Willis Green v. Benjamin Sebastian, William Sebastian, and N.D. Anderson, 1820-1831, about land, including the mill seat at Falls of Rough; miscellaneous legal papers about slavery, the shipment of lumber in flatboats, etc.; and day book, 1830-1831, of the general merchandise store at Falls of Rough, containing Green's name as a customer.

Also includes two manuscripts: "Bank of the United States," and "The Tariff and Distribution Bill."

Lafayette Green's letters and papers, 1861-1893; and papers of Lafayette Green's father-in-law, Robert W. Scott of Franklin County, Ky., consisting of letters, 1847-1885, a volume of poetry transcribed at Transylvania University in 1826, and his farm day book with accounts and diary entries, 1834-1859.

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Papers. 1818-1893.

Box 1

- fl. 1 Correspondence, 1818-1838.
- fl. 2 Correspondence, 1839.
- fl. 3 Correspondence, 1840.
- fl. 4 Correspondence, 1841-1842.
- fl. 5 Correspondence, 1843-1844.
- fl. 6 Correspondence, 1845-1856.
- fl. 7 Correspondence, n.d.
- fl. 8 Correspondence and papers, 1861-1893.
Scott letters and papers, 1847-1885.
- fl. 9 Certificate of membership in the Filson Club, 1889 Dec. 2.

Box 2

- fl. 10 Willis Green v. Benjamin and William Sebastian and N.D. Anderson, 1820-1831.
- fl. 11 Statements of account with Philadelphia, Louisville and other firms, 1825-1854.
- fl. 12 Miscellaneous legal papers, 1826-1855.
- fl. 13 Proceedings at a meeting of Whigs of Breckinridge County, 1843 May 15, for selecting a candidate to represent the district in Congress.
- fl. 14 Petition requesting the appointment of George Holmes as postmaster, n.d.
- fl. 15 Revolutionary War pension papers.
- fl. 16 Notes on "Bank of the United States."
- fl. 17 Notes on "The Tariff and Distribution Bill."

Box 3

- fl. 18 Pamphlet: A Sketch of the life and public services of General William Henry Harrison . . . [1840]. Two copies.
- fl. 19 Political pamphlets.
- 20 Day book of a general merchandise store at Falls of Rough, 1830 Oct. 1-1831 Feb. 23.
- 21 Robert W. Scott's poetry book.
- 22 Robert W. Scott account book.