

The Filson Historical Society

**The Papers of
Alexander Jeffrey**

The papers of Alexander Jeffrey, businessman of New York and Kentucky, and president of the Lexington City Gas Co.

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Size of Collection

3 cubic feet

Locator Number Mss.\A\J46

Scope and Content Note

Includes correspondence, 1835-1899, personal and family accounts, 1846-1899, land papers, tax receipts, including receipts for taxes on land in Kent, Van Buren, and Allen counties, Mich., Talbot County, Md., and Olympia and Tacoma, Wash.

Correspondence includes letters from Jeffrey's brother, Robert, at Toledo, Ohio, 1836-1838; letters to Delia Granger, a student at the Emma Willard School in Troy, N.Y., and later Jeffrey's wife; letters of recommendation, 1841, from John Grieg, Francis Granger, and others; letters from Jeffrey's brother, John, chiefly concerning the business of their firm, John Jeffrey and Co., which planned, built, and managed gasworks in the 1850s in many southern and midwestern cities and in Havana and Matanzas, Cuba; letters from Clarence George Keats, who was associated with the firm of John Jeffrey and Co.; letters, 1851-1867, from Jeffrey's brother, William, about his agency of the Grieg, Hornby, and Colquhoun estates in N.Y. state; letters, 1862, from John B. Paine, Jr., of Lexington, Ky., concerning local events; letters about the administration of the estates of William Jeffrey and of his aunt, Mrs. Jane Charlotte Ross; letters from Oswald Tilghman regarding the sale of "Hope Farm" in Talbot County, Md.; letters, 1883-1894, from Henry D. Fitch of Louisville, and others, regarding the management of the Vicksburg Gas Light Co., in which Jeffrey and his relatives were stockholders; papers, 1853-1892, of the Lexington Gas Co. of which Jeffrey was president and manager; and letters, 1890-1894, from T. N. Allen of Olympia, Wash., father-in-law of Alexander Jeffrey, Jr.

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A Alexander Jeffrey
J46 Papers. 1835-1899.

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fl. 1 Personalia.
fl. 2 Correspondence, 1835-1836.
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fl. 5 Correspondence, 1839.
fl. 6 Correspondence, 1840-1844.
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- fl. 31 Correspondence, 1885 Jan.-Apr.
- fl. 32 Correspondence, 1885 May-Dec.
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- fl. 35 Correspondence, 1890.
- fl. 36 Correspondence, 1891.
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- fl. 38 Correspondence, 1893.
- fl. 39 Correspondence, 1894.
- fl. 40 Correspondence, 1895-1899, and n.d.
- fl. 41 Correspondence, 1858-1890 and n.d.

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- fl. 42 Accounts, 1846-1856.
- fl. 43 Accounts, 1857.
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- fl. 48 Accounts, 1862 Jan.-June.
- fl. 49 Accounts, 1862 July-Dec.
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- fl. 65 Accounts, 1880 Jan.-June.
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- fl. 77 Accounts, 1893.
- fl. 78 Accounts, 1894.
- fl. 79 Accounts, 1895.
- fl. 80 Accounts, 1896.
- fl. 81 Accounts, 1897 Jan.-June.
- fl. 82 Accounts, 1897 July-Dec.
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- fl. 84 Accounts, 1898-1899.
- fl. 85 Accounts, n.d.

Box 9

- fl. 86 Lexington Gas Co. records, 1853-1892.
- fl. 87 William McConnell papers, 1782-1813.
- fl. 88 Tax receipts, 1836-1898.
- fl. 89 Land papers, 1838-1892.
- fl. 90 Jane Charlotte Ross correspondence, 1849-1869.
- fl. 91 Delia Jeffrey papers.
- fl. 92 Contracts for the hire of female slaves, 1858-1860.
- fl. 93 Notes on making gas and electricity, 1884.
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Will, 1869 Mar. 30.
- fl. 96 Miscellaneous.