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Size of Collection

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Biographical Note

John O'Fallon was a soldier from Ky. who fought in the War of 1812. He was a half-brother of Charles W. Thruston of Louisville, Ky. Later in life, O'Fallon was a businessman in St. Louis, Mo.

Scope and Content Note

The papers primarily consist of O'Fallon's letters to Charles W. Thruston, but also include letters to O'Fallon by various persons. The letters deal with O'Fallon's business affairs; the various branches of the family, particularly the Clarks and Thrusons, including William Clark and Meriwether Lewis Clark; allusions to contemporary events; the fur trade and expeditions regarding it; Osage Indian trade; and reminiscences of officers and battles of the War of 1812, particularly the battles of Tippecanoe and the Thames.

Prominent correspondents include Henry Atkinson, Robert Campbell, John Croghan, Benjamin Harrison, William Henry Harrison, Lawrence Taliaferro, Charles S. Todd, and Robert S. Todd.

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