

The Filson Historical Society

**The Papers of
Harry Innes Todd**

The papers of Harry Innes Todd, keeper of the Kentucky Penitentiary, sheriff of Franklin County, Ky., and state representative from Franklin County, 1871-1873; and his son, George D. Todd, mayor of Louisville.

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

Size of Collection

0.66 cubic feet

Locator Number Mss.\A\T634

Biographical Note

George D. Todd

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| 1856 | Born in Frankfort, Kentucky. |
| 1874 | Moved to Louisville and worked as a bookkeeper for W. B. Belknap & Co. |
| 1880 | Organized the Todd-Donigan Iron Co. |
| 1896 | Became Republican mayor of Louisville. |
| 1897 | Defeated in the election for mayor of Louisville. |
| | Married to Laura Durkee. |
| 1920s | Moved to New Albany, Indiana. |
| 1929 | Died and was buried in Frankfort Cemetery. |

Biographical Note

Harry Innes Todd was born in Frankfort, Ky. in 1818. As a young man he moved to Louisville where he was employed as a clerk until he became a steamboat captain along the Kentucky and Ohio rivers. He served as sheriff of Franklin County for two terms, was lessee of the state prison for eight years, and then warden of the prison for one term. He represented Franklin County in the state legislature for two terms and during the Civil War was a staunch unionist. Following the war, Todd became a Democrat. He died in Frankfort in 1891.

Scope and Content Note

Harry Innes Todd's papers include personal correspondence, 1835-1891, including letters from his wife and his mother, Maria Innes Todd Crittenden, and other letters discussing Ky. and national politics and his son Chapman C. Todd's service in the U.S. Navy, 1878-1889; papers from his career as keeper of the Kentucky Penitentiary, 1867-1873; accounts, 1860-1890; inventory of property of Harry I. Todd, 1874 Sept. 2; legal papers; a biographical sketch of John Rodman, attorney general of Ky.; 1828 Ky. broadside giving results of the election for governor and lt. gov.; and newspaper clippings.

Papers of George Davidson Todd include correspondence, 1875-1925, discussing his 1879 visit to the monastery at Gethsemani, Ky.; Sarah Rothert's proposed biography of Harry Innes; and family history.

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Box 1

- fl. 1 Wills, 1823-1862 and n.d.
- fl. 2 Correspondence from Maria Todd Crittenden, 1835-1851.
- fl. 3 Correspondence, 1843-1856.
- fl. 3a Correspondence, 1838-1868.
- fl. 4 Correspondence, 1870-1879.
- fl. 5 Correspondence, 1880-1884.
- fl. 6 Correspondence, 1885-1891.
- fl. 7 Kentucky Penitentiary papers, 1867-1873.
- fl. 8 Statements of account, 1860-1890.
- fl. 9 Miscellaneous papers, 1864-1885.
- fl. 10 Letter from J. L. Ballinger to John N. Markham, 1875 Jan. 29, enclosing a draft for Jane Todd.
- fl. 11 Deed for lot at corner of Wapping and Washington streets in Frankfort, 1884 Nov. 1.
- fl. 12 Official correspondence of Chapman Coleman Todd with the U.S. Navy, 1866-1869.
- fl. 13 Genealogical notes on John Harris (d. 1773) and his wife, Hannah, daughter of Charles Stewart (d. 1794).
- fl. 14 Broadside: A table for the votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor . . . upon a comparison of the polls at Frankfort, 1828 Aug. 21.
- fl. 15 Broadside, 1871, announcing that Harry Innes Todd will speak at the Forks of Elkhorn.

Box 2

- fl. 16 Biographical sketch of John Rodman (b. 1820), attorney general of Ky.
- fl. 17 Newspaper clippings.
- fl. 18 "The Campaign," Frankfort, Ky. 1859.
- fl. 19 Memorials of H. I. Todd, keeper of the Ky. Penitentiary to the General Assembly of Ky., 1868.
- fl. 20 Memorials of H. I. Todd, keeper of the Ky. Penitentiary to the General Assembly of Ky., 1868 Feb. 24.
- fl. 21 Resolution of H. I. Todd made in the House of Representatives for improvements in the Ky. Penitentiary, 1871 Dec. 14.
- fl. 22 Laws relating to the penitentiary and convicts approved 1880 May 3.
- fl. 23 Report of H. I. Todd to the Ky. legislature in response to charges that he mistreated Confederate prisoners in the penitentiary, 1884 Feb. 11.
- fl. 24 George Davidson Todd correspondence, 1875-1925.
- fl. 24a George Davidson Todd correspondence, 1896-1897.
- fl. 25 George Davidson Todd miscellaneous items, 1895-1897.

- fl. 26 Article on "Americanism," by George Davidson Todd.
- fl. 27 "The Republican Campaign of Kentucky," by George Davidson Todd, 1895.