

The Filson Historical Society

Tucker family papers, 1820-1883

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Scope and Content Note

The collection includes correspondence, wills, narratives, and other miscellaneous items mostly pertaining to the Tucker family of Louisville. Items of interest include: Civil War letters and poetry sent to Mrs. Lucy Glover Tucker from various confederate soldiers and prisoners including Colonel William S. Hawkins of the 11th Tenn. Cavalry, a prisoner at Camp Chase, Ohio; 1845 letters from Mary E. Tucker and Silas Randall of Woburn, Mass. To Lucy and Charles Tucker that discuss sectional differences between New England and the South; wills of Charles and Lucy G. Tucker; a lengthy 1880 memoir of Henry Tucker's perilous railroad surveying expedition in the Llano Estacado region of Texas; an 1838 church covenant and articles of faith for the 2nd Baptist Church of Louisville; various Jefferson County land indentures pertaining to the Hikes family (1820-1883); and miscellaneous clippings, compositions, and ephemera regarding the Tuckers of Hayfield.

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Biographical Note

Charles S. Tucker, originally of New England, established a prominent banking house in Louisville, Charles S. Tucker and Co. He married Lucy Glover Tucker on June 7, 1843 in Louisville and the couple took up residence at Hayfield on Bardstown Road in Louisville. They had four children, Charles R. Tucker, Meme Tucker, Linnie Tucker, and Mary Belle Tucker.

During the Civil War, Lucy Tucker sympathized with the Confederacy and she aided a number of Confederate soldiers who were imprisoned in Louisville, including Colonel William S. Hawkins. In addition, she sent aid and supplies to confederate prisoners in Camp Chase, Ohio and Rock Island, Illinois.

In 1877, Mary Belle Tucker married George A. Hikes of the prominent Hikes family of Louisville.

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Folder Listing

- Folder 1: Letters to Charles S. Tucker and Lucy Glover Tucker, 1845-1865
- Folder 2: Letters to Lucy G. Tucker, Charles Tucker, Mary Belle Tucker, Meme Tucker, and Linnie Tucker, 1866-1878
- Folder 3: Memoir of Henry Tucker's 1880 surveying expedition in Texas titled "In Deadly Peril: Notes from an Engineer's Diary."
- Folder 4: 1830 Church Covenant and Articles of Faith for the 2nd Baptist Church of Louisville
- Folder 5: Misc. clippings, notes, and ephemera mostly regarding the Tucker children, 1843-1879
- Folder 6: Land Indentures, Jefferson County, 1820-1884. Mostly pertaining to the Hikes family
- Folder 7: Wills of Charles S. Tucker and Lucy G. Tucker, 1874-1895

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Added Subjects

Bereavement – History – 19th century
Birthday parties – Kentucky – History – 19th century
Bragg, Braxton, 1817-1876
Camp Chase (Ohio)
Confederate States of America. Army of Tennessee
Courtship – Kentucky
Covenants (Church polity) – Baptists
Entertaining – Kentucky – Louisville
Glover, William
Hawkins, William S., 1837-1865
Hikes family
Jackson, Stonewall, 1824-1863 – In poetry
Jefferson County (Ky.) – Surveys
Land titles – Kentucky – Jefferson County
Llano Estacado – History – 19th century
Louisville (Ky.) – History – Civil War, 1861-1865
Louisville (Ky.) – Religion – 19th century
Louisville Legion
Religious thought – Kentucky – Louisville
Second Baptist Church (Louisville, Ky.)
Sectionalism (United States) – Public opinion
Texas – Description and travel
Texas – History – 19th century
Tucker, Charles, b. 1818
Tucker, Henry
Tucker, Levi M.
Tucker, Lucy Glover, b. ca. 1825.
United States – History – Civil War, 1861-1865 – Poetry, Confederate.
United States – History – Civil War, 1861-1865 – Prisoners and prisons
United States – History – Civil War, 1861-1865 – Women