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Webber-Lewis Family Papers

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Size of Collection

.33 cubic feet

Locator Number: Mss./ A/ W372

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Biographical Note

Mattie Webber of Shelby County, Kentucky was the sister of A. M. Webber, a member of the 9th Kentucky Cavalry Regiment of the United States Army, during the Civil War. She married Mr. Cary Lewis, also of Shelby County, Kentucky.

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Scope and Content Note

The Webber-Lewis Family Collection is contained in five folders and is in one box. It spans 1857-1919 and is made up of personal correspondence to Cary Lewis and Mattie (Webber) Lewis from family and friends. Topics covered in the Webber family letters include a steamboat trip on the White River in Arkansas, army life and politics during the Civil War, the pursuit of John Hunt Morgan, a negative commentary of Abraham Lincoln and the Emancipation Proclamation which is dated 5 March 1863, a possible draft in Shelby County in 1864, and African-American education in Kentucky in 1865. Subjects discussed in the Lewis family correspondence include student life at Georgetown College, and Oneida Baptist Institute and its students.

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Folder List

Folder 1: Correspondence, 1857-1863

Folder 2: Correspondence, 1864-1866

Folder 3: Correspondence, 1902-1905

Folder 4: Correspondence, 1906

Folder 5: Correspondence, 1908-1919