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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

Ms.2000.092

Unit Date

1824-1885

Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

Abstract

The Southwest Virginia Counties Collection includes correspondence, manuscript memoranda and recipe books, and family papers from the Godwin, Young, Trevey, Williams and other families of Botetourt, Rockbridge, and Roanoke Counties.

Creator

Figgat, Nancy Godwin, 1835-1919

Creator

Bralley, John, 1797-1866

Extent

0.5 Cubic Feet 2 boxes

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

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Source of Acquisition

The Southwest Virginia Counties Collection was purchased by Special Collections in 2000.

Processing Information

The processing, arrangement, and description of the Southwest Virginia Counties Collection was completed in August 2001. Additional description was completed in 2010 and 2022.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: [identification of item], [box], [folder], Southwest Virginia Counties Collection, Ms2000-092, Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, Va.

Scope and Content

The Southwest Virginia Counties Collection includes letters from various members of the Godwin, Young, Trevey, Williams and other families of Botetourt, Rockbridge, and Roanoke Counties. In addition to correspondence, the collection also contains deeds, promissory notes, invoices for goods and services, toll bridge fee receipt, a child's watercolor, 13 pen and ink drawings of weaver's coverlet designs with titles of designs included. The collection also contains five bound leather volumes including accounts and recipes.

Transcripts of some items available. These transcripts were provided when the materials were acquired and were not created by Special Collections and University Archives.

Related Archival Materials

See the Nancy (Nannie) G. Figgat Correspondence, Ms2012-080, also at Virginia Tech Special Collections and University Archives.

Keywords

Folk, historical, and patent medicine
History of Food and Drink
Home economics
Local/Regional History and Appalachian South
Traditional medicine
Women -- History

Existence and Location of Copies

Portions of this collection have been digitized and are available online.

Rights Statement for Archival Description

The guide to the Southwest Virginia Counties Collection by Special Collections and University Archives,

Arrangement

The collection is arranged by material type.

Description of Subordinate Components

John Bralley's Notebook (1815-1816) and Store Account Book (1835)

Unit Date 1832-1846

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

General

Portions of text in this book are written in a version of the "Pigpen cipher." A key has been added to the folder.

Receipts and home remedies

Unit Date c.1869

box 2

Existence and Location of Copies

Receipts and home remedies is available online.

Nancy G. Figgat's recipe book

Unit Date October 29, 1860

box 2

Existence and Location of Copies

Nancy G. Figgat's recipe book is available online.

Memorandum Book

Unit Date 1856-1860s?

box 2

Scope and Content

Originally labeled as "Ann Godwin's Memorandum Book," this item was created by Nancy Godwin Figgat, prior to her marriage. Later notes in the item reflect her married name and her husband's name and initials. Since Nancy also appears in records as Nannie and occasionally as Ann or Annie, the name was removed from the title of the item to avoid creating confusion. The earliest date in the book is 1856, but later notes were created after her marriage in 1859. Some entries may also date to the 1860s.

Store Ledger

box 1

Mary M. Godwin Letters

Unit Date 1859-1885, undated

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Envelopes for Multiple Recipients; Letter from Rob

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Thomas Godwin Letters

Unit Date 1835-1839

box-folder 1 (box)
Container 3 (folder)

Letters to Mrs. Mary Trevey and Mr. Jacob Trevey

Unit Date 1839, 1851
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 4 (folder)

Letters from Multiple Authors

Unit Date 1844-1878
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 5 (folder)

Watercolor and Poems

Unit Date undated
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 6 (folder)

Williams and Trevey Families (Accounts, Notes, and Bills)

Unit Date undated
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 7 (folder)

Nancy C. Rock Letter

Unit Date 1842-12-04
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 8 (folder)

Williams and McCulloch Family Letters

Unit Date 1850-1869
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 9 (folder)

Recipes

Unit Date undated
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 10 (folder)

K. Palmer Advertisement

Unit Date 1878
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 11 (folder)

Letters to William H. Young

Unit Date 1853-1859
box-folder 1 (box)
Container 12 (folder)

Young Family Notes and Bills

Unit Date 1824-1877, undated

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Accounts, Bills, and Notes

Unit Date undated

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Weaving Patterns

Unit Date 1836-1860

box-folder 1 (box)

Container 15 (folder)