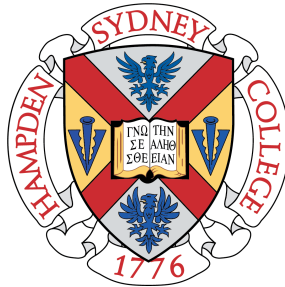


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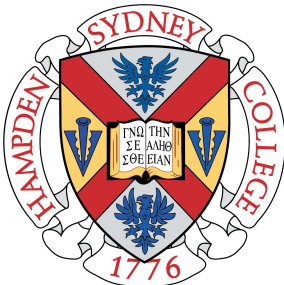
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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

SC.000138

Unit Date

1833-1918

Text

1 (box)

Language

English .

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Extent

1 Boxes 48 folders within

Physical Status

Several letters are flaking, torn, missing pieces, have staining, etc. There is a section of letters that are incomplete, missing entire pages, potentially more. Some of the letters and envelopes show some evidence of worm past wormholes. Each letter is separated by acid-free protective paper envelopes.

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Scope and Contents

The Margaret Venable (nee Dickinson) letters contains correspondence relating to familial matters and social information from 1833-1918. Some of the topics discussed include schooling at Hampden-Sydney College, the Civil War, courtships, weddings, new children, and deaths. Not included in the collection are specific details about the Civil War or specifics about classes Hampden-Sydney College.

Keywords

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Arrangement

Letters are arranged chronologically with missing dates and empty envelopes at the end.

Description of Subordinate Components

Folder 1 - 1833(1) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1833-10-24

Abstract 1 - A letter to Sue (Susan Venable possibly) from her brother E. G. Wall detailing his recent vacation. There is a cartoon drawing in the letter as well.

Folder 2 - 1835(1) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1835-02-14

Abstract 1 - Two letters (combined) from Susan Venable to her aunt, Ann A. Reid. Margaret Venable is mentioned and is also Susan's aunt.

Folder 3 - 1849(3) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1849-07

Abstract 1 - Letter to Mag Dickinson from her husband William P. Dickinson Dated: July 6th 1849 2 - Letter to Mag Dickinson from her husband William P. Dickinson Dated: July 15th 1849 3 - Letter to Mag Dickinson from her husband William P. Dickinson Dated: July 26th 1849

Folder 4 - 1850(1) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1850-01

Abstract 1 - Letter to S. W. Venable (possibly Susan, addressed as "Dear Sister") from Richard Venable Dated: January 1850

Folder 5 - 1851(1) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1851-06-19

Abstract 1 - Letter to Mag Dickinson from her sister Susan Dated: June 19th 1851

Folder 6 - 1852(1) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1852-02-29

Abstract 1 - Letter to Margaret M. Venable from her daughter Maggie Dated: Feb 29th 1852

Folder 7 - 1853(1) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1853-07-11

Abstract 1 - Letter from Richard Venable to a sibling (signed as your brother but not addressed to anyone) Dated: July 11th 1853

Folder 8 - 1854(2) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1854

Abstract 1 - Letter to M. M. Venable from her brother W. H. Venable discussing exams and how school is going Dated: April 6th 1854 2 - Letter from W. H. Venable to his sister Dated: July 24th 1854

Folder 9 - 1856(1) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1856-04-11

Abstract 1 - Letter to Peg (Margaret) from her sister Susan Dated: April 11th 1856

Folder 10 - 1857(4) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1857

Abstract 1 - Letter to Margie from Louisa Dated: June 10th 1857 2 - Half letter that was torn, only able to date Dated: Aug 10th 1857 3 - Letter from Betsy Gaines to her cousin Margaret M. Venable with envelope intact Dated: Oct 19 1857 4 - Letter to "Cousin Mary Lou," unsure of sender, possibly a Margaret Venable Dated: Nov. 4 1857

Folder 11 - 1858(1) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1858-11

Abstract 1 - Letter to Sue, unsure of sender Dated: Nov 1858

Folder 12 - 1860(3) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1860

Abstract 1 - Letter to "My Dear Mother," unsure of sender as end of letter is missing Dated: March 17 1860 2 - Letter to "My Dear Friend" from G. M. Watkins Dated: April 12 1860 3 - Letter to Peg, unsure of sender, may be missing the end as there is no signoff Dated: hole in letter where month is but 28th 1860 is legible

Folder 13 - 1861(3) - SC-000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1861

Abstract 1 - Letter to sister from Susan Dated: Jan 15 1861 2 - Letter to sister from Susan Dated: April 17 1861 3 - Letter to Jane from Susan Dated: May 13 1861

Folder 14 - 1861(4) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1861

Abstract 1 - Letter to sister from William P. Dickinson Dated: Feb 11 1861 2 - Letter to sister (Maggie Venable) from William P. Dickinson with envelope intact Dated: Nov 7 1861 3 - Letter to "My dear Friend" from unknown sender Dated: May 27 1861 4 - Letter to Mag from Aunt Maggie Dated: July 25 1861

Folder 15 - 1862(3) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1862

Abstract 1 - Letter to Margy from unknown sender Dated: May 12 1862 2 - Letter to Mag from Aunt Maggie Dated: Aug 28 1862 3 - Letter to Mother from A. R Venable Dated: May 18 1862

Folder 16 - 1863(2) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1863

Abstract 1 - Letter to "My dear Daughter" from William P. Dickinson. On the back are two smaller letters, both addressed to sister, the first from her brother Charles N. Dickinson, and the second from her sister Mary Dated: Jan 19 1863 2 - Letter to "my dear Daughter" from William P. Dickinson, third page is a separate letter from sister Mary, and back (4th) page is from brother Charles Dated: Feb 18 1863

Folder 17 - 1865(2) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1865**Abstract** 1 - Letter to Margie from James R. Venable Dated: Oct 9 1865 2 - A graded letter by M. R. Dickinson Dated: July 22, 1865**Folder 18 - 1866(5) - SC000138****Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1866**Abstract** 1 - Letter to Maggie Dickinson from Peter [Snickefrity] with envelope intact Dated: April 11 1866 2 - Letter to Maggie Dickinson from J. E. Schofield with envelope intact Dated: June 18 1866 3 - Letter to Maggie from Jamie Dated: Dec 4 1866 4 - Letter to "My ever dear Uncle" from Maggie Dated: Oct 6 1866 5 - 6 suitor cards in 1 envelope addressed to Miss M. Dickinson and L. Price Dated: 1866**Folder 19 - 1867(4) - SC000138 from Anna and Beckie****Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1867**Abstract** 1 - Letter to Maggie from Beckie Dated: April 27, 1867 2 - Letter to Maggie from Beckie Biddleone Dated: June 24, 1867 3 - Letter to Maggie from Anna [Iglehant] Dated: April 11 1867 4 - Letter to Maggie from Anna [Iglehant] Dated: Sept 5 1867 with intact envelope**Folder 20 - 1867(5) - SC000138****Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1867**Abstract** 1 - Letter to Maggie R. Dickinson from Lottie Pine with envelope intact Dated: Jan 2 1867 2 - Letter to Maggie from Frannie Dated: Jan 12 1867 3 - Letter to "Dear Cousin" from [Elle] Knight Dated: April 5 1867 4 - Letter to Mag from [Elicha] Dated: May 1 1867 5 - Letter to Aunt Mag Venable from Kate with intact envelope Dated: Sept 12 1867**Folder 21 - 1867(2) - SC000138****Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1867**Abstract** 1 - Two letters in one envelope (intact) addressed to Maggie Dickinson, both from Cousin George Dated: March 25 and May 20 1867 2 - Several letters found in one envelope (intact) addressed to Margaret M. Venable from unknown senders Dated: 1867 (throughout)**Folder 22 - 1868(3) - SC000138****Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1868**Abstract** 1 - Letter to "My dear Aunt" from Betty I. [Abert] Dated: Jan 30 1868 2 - Letter to Maggie Re. Dickinson from Frannie with envelope intact Dated: Jan 31 1868 3 - Two letters on one paper to Margaret Venable with envelope intact - First from S. R. White, second from Margaret's niece Sally H. White Dated: April 15 1868**Folder 23 - 1870(5) - SC000138 (prior to Sept 26)****Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1870**Abstract** 1 - Letter to unknown recipient with potentially multiple senders Dated: Jan 25 1870 2 - Letter to Margaret from H. C. Alexander with envelope intact Dated: June 25 1870 3 - Letter to Margaret M. Venable from H. C. Alexander with envelope intact Dated: Aug 6 1870 4 - Letter to Miss M. M. Venable 'Peg' from [cousin] with envelope intact Dated: Aug 12 1870 5 - Letter to Margaret M. Venable 'Peg' from unknown sender with envelope intact Dated: Sept 26 1870

Folder 24 - 1870(4) - SC000138 (1st half of Oct condolences)**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1870-10

Abstract 1 - Letter to Maggie Venable from brother-in-law W. P. Dickinson w/ envelope intact Dated: Oct 8 1870 2 - Two letters in one envelope (intact) to Margaret Venable Dated: Oct 8 1870 - from [Eda] Dated: Oct 11 1870 - from LKH 3 - Letter to Mag from E.C.A. in envelope (intact) addressed to Henry C. Alexander Dated: Oct 10 1870 4 - Letters to Margaret Venable from N. C. Carrington with envelope intact Dated: Oct 11 1870

Folder 25 - 1870(4) - SC-000138 (2nd half of Oct condolences)**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1870-10

Abstract 1 - Letter to Margaret Venable from Cousin Sarah with envelope intact Dated: Oct 11 1870 2 - Letter to Margaret Venable from sister Patti H. Venable with envelope intact Dated: Oct 11 1870 3 - Letter to H. C. Alexander from mother, E.C.A with envelope intact - mentions letter 3 of folder 24 Dated: Oct 12 1870 4 - Letter to Margaret M. Venable from Thos [Flournay] with envelope intact Dated: Oct 20 1870

Folder 26 - 1870(4) - SC000138 (after Oct)**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1870

Abstract 1 - Letter to Miss. M. Venable from C. M. P. (C. M. Payne) Dated: Nov 19 1870 2 - Letter from C. M. Payne to unknown recipient Dated: 1870 3 - Letter to Margaret M. Venable from Jane R. Venable with envelope intact Dated: Dec 28 1870 4 - Letter to Margaret Venable from unknown sender, says Dear Cousin, handwriting similar to her cousin Rich Venable, possible sender, w/ envelope intact Dated: Nov 28 1870

Folder 27 - 1871(5) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1871

Abstract 1 - Letter to Cousin Mag from Andrew S. Dated: Jan 16 1871 2 - Letter to M. R. Venable from Pattie with envelope intact Dated: March 27 1871 3 - Letter to Cousin Margaret Venable from E.C. Alexander with envelope intact Dated: May 18 1871 4 - Letter to Aunt Mag from Alice Dated: May 20, 1871 5 - Letter to Maggie Venable from J. C. Painter with envelope intact Dated: May 21 1871

Folder 28 - 1871(4) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1871

Abstract 1 - Letter to Cousin from E.C.A. Dated: Aug 19 1871 2 - Letter to Miss Margaret Venable from cousin E.C.A. with envelope intact Dated: Sept 26 1871 3 - Letter to Margaret Venable from E.C.A. with envelope intact Dated: Oct 17 1871 4 - Letter to Margaret Venable from E.C.A. with envelope intact Dated: Nov 23 1871

Folder 29 - 1872(1) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1872-05-28

Abstract 1 - Letter to Margaret Venable from E.C.A. with envelope intact Dated: May 28 1872

Folder 30 - 1873(1) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1873-02-04

Abstract 1 - Letter to A. R. Venable from William T. Mann with envelope intact Dated: Feb 4 1873

Folder 31 - 1874(5) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1874

Abstract 1 - Letter to Margaret M. Venable, "sister Peg" from Patti H. Venable with envelope intact Dated: April 23 1874 2 - Letter to Mag Venable from M. C. Shields with envelope intact Dated: May 23 1874 3 - Letter to M. M. Venable from A. S. Moffett with envelope intact Dated: June 12 1874 4 - Letter to Mag Venable from T. J. Allison with envelope intact Dated: June 18 1874 5 - Letter to 'dear Friend' from T. J. Allison Dated: Aug 3 1874

Folder 32 - 1874(4) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1874

Abstract 1 - Letter to 'Cousin' from E.C.A Dated: Oct 17 1874 2 - Letter to 'Cousin' from E. C. Alexander Dated: Oct 28 1874 3 - Letter to Margaret Venable from cousin E.C.A. with envelope intact Dated: Nov 18 1874 4 - Letter to 'Cousin' from E.C. Alexander Dated: Dec 30 1874

Folder 33 - 1875(4) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1875

Abstract 1 - Letter to 'Cousin' from E.C.A. Dated: Jan 26 1875 2 - Letter to 'sister' from Pattie Venable Dated: Feb 4 1875 3 - Letter to 'cousin' from E.C.A. Dated: Feb 10 1875 4 - Letter to Margaret Venable from E.C.A with envelope intact Dated: Feb 18 1875

Folder 34 - 1875(4) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1875

Abstract 1 - Letter to Robbie from E.C.A. Dated: March 9 1875 2 - Letter to 'Cousin' from E.C. Alexander Dated: March 29 1875 3 - Letter to Henry C. Alexander from E.C.A. (mother) with envelope intact Dated: April 16 1875 4 - Letter to cousin Mag from Alice Fitzgerald with envelope intact Dated: April 23 1875

Folder 35 - 1875(3) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1875

Abstract 1 - Letter to Margaret Venable from E.C.A. with envelope intact Dated: May 21 1875 2 - Letter to cousin Margaret Venable from E.C.A with envelope intact Dated: Oct 9 1875 3 - Letter to cousin Margaret Venable from E.C.A. with envelope intact Dated: Dec 22 1875

Folder 36 - 1876(3) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1876

Abstract 1 - Letter with unknown sender and unknown recipient Dated: Jan of 1876 2 - Letter to cousin Margaret Venable from E.C.A with envelope intact Dated: Jan 8 1876 3 - Two letters addressed to 'love' and 'dearly beloved' in one envelope (intact) addressed to M. M. Venable from unknown sender Dated: Jan 13 1876 (Love) and Feb 1 1876 (beloved)

Folder 37 - 1882(1) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1882-09-08

Abstract 1 - Letter to dear Aunt from Mary Louisa White Dated: Sept 8 1882

Folder 38 - 1884(1) - SC000138**Unit ID** [Archival Resource Key](#)**Unit Date** 1884-02-11

Abstract 1 - Letter to cousin from E. C. Alexander Dated: Feb 11 1884

Folder 39 - 1890(1) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1890-08-12

Abstract 1 - Letter to Aunt Mag from unknown sender Dated: Aug 12 1890

Folder 40 - 1918(1) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1918

Abstract 1 - Wedding announcement with envelope intact Dated: unknown but wedding date is March 6 1918

Folder 41 - no date (3) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit Date 1833-1918

Abstract 1 - Letter to Mag from Aunt Maggie Dated: July 31 - no year 2 - Letter to Mag from Aunt Maggie No date 3 - Letter to Mag Dickinson from Maggie No date

Folder 42 - no date (4) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Abstract 1 - Letter to Mother and Sis Sue from Carrie Dated: July 6 - no year 2 - Letter to Maggie Venable from A. S. Moffett with envelope intact Dated: July 19 - no year 3 - Letter to Aunt Margaret from Jane R. Venable Dated: Oct 2 - no year 4 - Letter to Maggie Dickinson from John Gill with envelope intact No date

Folder 43 - no date (3) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Abstract 1 - Letter to cousin from E. C. Alexander No date 2 - Letter to cousin from E. C. Alexander No date 3 - Letter to cousin from E. C. Alexander - has fruitcake recipe No date

Folder 44 - no date (3) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Abstract 1 - Letter to Aunt Mag from Alice Dated: April 4 - no year 2 - Letter to Aunt Meg (Margaret Venable) from Alice with envelope intact Dated: June 15 - no year 3 - Letter to Aunt Mary from Alice No date

Folder 45 - no date (3) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Abstract 1 - Note with envelope intact to Robert Wall from Miss Georgie Dated: Feb 4 - no year 2 - Post card to Alfred Groves Esq. from C.R. Rees No date 3 - Post card to M.M. Venable from P.L. Terry No date

Folder 46 - incomplete (4) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Abstract 1 - Letter to sister from unknown sender - incomplete letter Dated: Feb 5 - no year 2 - Incomplete letter to unknown recipient from brother A. R. Venable No date 3 - Incomplete letter to unknown recipient from W. P. Dickinson No date 4 - Incomplete letter to unknown recipient from sister L.C.V. No date

Folder 47 - incomplete (4) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Abstract 1 - Incomplete letter to unknown recipient from possibly L. E. No date 2 - Incomplete letter 3 - Incomplete, small section of letter or note 4 - Incomplete letter

Folder 48 - empty envelopes (7) - SC000138

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Abstract 1-5 – Addressed to Margaret M. Venable 6 – Addressed to Susan Venable 7 – Addressed to Jane R. Dickinson