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Unit ID

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Unit Date

1838-1978

Unit Date

1860-1870

Language

English

Creator

Tazewell, Littleton Waller, 1774-1860

Creator

Tazewell, Ella Wickham, 1826-1888

Creator

Tazewell, John Nivison, b. 1807

Creator

Tazewell, Louisa Nivison, b. 1804

Creator

Tazewell, Sally A., 1826-1888

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1.50 Linear Feet

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Biographical Information:

Littleton Waller Tazewell (December 17, 1774 - May 6, 1860) was a U.S. Representative, U.S. Senator from and governor of Virginia.

Tazewell, son of Henry Tazewell, was born in Williamsburg, Virginia. He was privately tutored by John Wickham and later graduated from the College of William and Mary at Williamsburg in 1791. He studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1796 and commenced practice in James City County, Virginia. He was a member of the Virginia House of Delegates from 1798 to 1800. He was elected to the Sixth United States Congress to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of John Marshall and served from November 26, 1800, to March 3, 1801.

He moved to Norfolk, Virginia in 1802. He held public office again in 1804 in the Virginia General Assembly until 1806. He again served in the Virginia House of Delegates from 1816 to 1817. He was one of the commissioners of claims under the treaty with Spain ceding Florida in 1821.

Tazewell was elected in 1824 to the United States Senate to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John Taylor. He was reelected in 1829, and served from December 7, 1824, to July 16, 1832, when he resigned. While in the Senate, he was President pro tempore of the Senate during the Twenty-second United States Congress and chairman of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations. He was Governor of Virginia from

1834 until 1836. He then retired from public life.

Politically, Tazewell was a Jackson Republican. he was elected to the U.S. House in 1800 to complete the term in the Sixth Congress when John Marshall resigned. He was senator from 1824 to 1832.

Tazewell died in Norfolk, Virginia, May 6, 1860. He was interred on his estate on the Eastern Shore of Virginia and reinterred in 1866 in Elmwood Cemetery, Norfolk.

Tazewell, Virginia, Tazewell County, Virginia and Tazewell County, Illinois are named in honor of him and his father.

Tazewell was the maternal grandfather of Littleton Waller Tazewell Bradford (1848-1918), a prominent Virginia politician and a founder of Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity.

Scope and Contents

Papers; 1838-1979. Business records and letters of the Tazewell family of Norfolk, VA, chiefly of Gov. Littleton Waller Tazewell, John Nivison Tazewell, Sally A. Tazewell, Ella Wickham Tazewell and Louisa Nivison Tazewell. Includes are account balances, property inventory lists, stock and bond certificate lists, tax collection receipts, payment receipts and personal correspondence concerning a book about Littleton Waller Tazewell. Also includes are a newspaper article, 1978, about the Boush-Tazewell-Waller House, a piece of cotton fabric with a record of money spent in occupied Norfolk and notebooks with keepsake material. The notebooks include records of family births, marriages and deaths, poetry, lists of letters and recipes.

Related Materials:

See also the Mss. Sm Coll Tazewell Papers, Special Collections Research Center, Swem Library, College of William and Mary; and Mss. 39.2 T25 Henry Tazewell Papers, Special Collections Research Center, Swem Library, College of William and Mary.

Keywords

Account books
Correspondence
Financial records
Notebooks
Receipts (financial records)
Virginia--Governors
Virginia--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
Norfolk (Va.)--History--19th century
United States--Politics and Government
College of William and Mary--Alumni and alumnae
Virginia House of Delegates
Virginia State Senate
Tazewell family

Description of Subordinate Components

Box 1

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/558737

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Language English

Personal correspondence, concerning the life of Gov. L. W. Tazewell, 3 items

Unit ID id2043

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127025

Unit Date 1860-1861

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Business correspondence, bills, and receipts, 4 items

Unit ID id2044

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127026

Unit Date 1843-1847

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Business correspondence, bills, and receipts continued, 3 items

Unit ID id2045

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127027

Unit Date 1861-1865

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Business correspondence, bills, and receipts continued, 5 items

Unit ID id2046

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127028

Unit Date 1866-1867

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 4 (Folder)

Business correspondence, bills, and receipts continued, 6 items

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127029

Unit Date 1867-1892

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 5 (Folder)

Business correspondence to Tazewell family, 2 items

Unit ID id2048

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127030

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 6 (Folder)

US Treasury account of Gov. L. W. Tazewell and J. N. Tazewell, 6 items

Unit ID id2049

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127031

Unit Date 1838-1849

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 7 (Folder)

Financial papers of Sally A. Tazewell and John N. Tazewell, 19 items

Unit ID id2050

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127032

Unit Date 1860-1864

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 8 (Folder)

Financial papers of Sally A. Tazewell, John N. Tazewell, Ella W. Tazewell, and Louisa N. Tazewell, 17 items

Unit ID id2051

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127033

Unit Date 1864-1867

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Container 9 (Folder)

Financial papers of Sally A. Tazewell, Ella W. Tazewell, and John N. Tazewell, 31 items

Unit ID id2052

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127034

Unit Date 1867-1870

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Container 10 (Folder)

Financial papers of the Tazewell family, 12 items

Unit ID id2053

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127035

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (box)

Container 11 (Folder)

Newspaper article about the Boush-Tazewell-Waller House, Norfolk

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127036

Unit Date 1978

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Container 12 (Folder)

Box 2

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Language English

Mss V. 1: Notebook with knitting patterns, list of family births, marriages, and deaths; list of weeding cloths and poetry

Unit ID id2055

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127037

Unit Date 1847-1856

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 1 (Item)

Mss V. 2: Notebook containing lists of letters written, inventory of belongings, and list of how money was spent

Unit ID id2056

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127038

Unit Date 1862-1865

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 2 (Item)

Mss V. 3: Notebook with lists of flowers purchased, how money was spent, rent record, and general receipts

Unit ID id2057

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127039

Unit Date 1887-1899

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 3 (Item)

Mss V. 4: Recipe book with poems and etching

Unit ID id2058

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127040

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 4 (Item)

Mss V. 5: Notebook with recipes and clippings

Unit ID id2059

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127041

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 5 (Item)

Strip of cotton fabric, with record of money spent and events going on during the Civil War

Unit ID id2060

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/127042

Unit Date 1861-1865

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 6 (Item)