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Biographical Information:

Fitzhugh Lee was born in 1835 and was the nephew of Robert E. Lee. He graduated from the United States Military Academy. He served in the Confederate Army as staff officer to Richard S. Ewell and to Joseph E. Johnston and as lieutenant-colonel of 1st Virginia Cavalry. He was senior cavalry commander of the Army of Northern Virginia. Served as governor of Virginia 1886-1890 and as consul-general in Havana. He died in 1905. Further information about this individual or organization may be available in the Special Collections Research Center Wiki: http://scdbwiki.swem.wm.edu/wiki/index.php/Fitzhugh_Lee.

Scope and Contents

Letters written from Lee to Manning Marius Kimmel, a fellow Confederate officer and to other acquaintances concerning former Confederate officers, Reconstruction and Kimmel's experiences fighting as a mercenary with Maximilian in Mexico. Includes letter, 4 November 1875, discussing the participation of Black people in the dedication of the equestrian statue of Stonewall Jackson on Monument Avenue in Richmond and the typescript of the speech, 11 August 1875, made by W. H. Payne when nominating Lee for governor.

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1. 12 August 1866. Fitzhugh Lee, Richland Mill, Stafford County Virginia, to Colonel M. M. Kimmel, Mexico. Discusses farming, politics, news of former Confederate officers. (photocopy)
2. 1 Oct. 1867. Fitzhugh Lee, Garrisonville Post Office, Stafford County, Virginia, to Colonel M. M. Kimmel, Concerns Colonel Kimmel's fighting in Mexico, farming, and lady friends. (photocopy)
3. 16 Nov. 1869. Fitzhugh Lee, Richland Mill, Stafford County, Virginia, to "Miss Maggie," Cryptic letter alluding to an unknown promise and a possible love affair; also reference to a letter to Charles Minnegerode.
4. 4 Nov. 1875. James Lawson Kemper, Governor, Richmond, Virginia, to General Fitzhugh Lee, Richlands Post Office, Stafford County, Virginia. Encloses General Jubal A. Early's letter to James Lawson Kemper, commenting on its content concerning "Stonewall" Jackson's statue dedication relating to the admission of Negroes; emphatically denies Early's accusations of his using the occasion as an "electioneering carnival" by allowing the Negroes to participate, and expresses resentment that Early feels he has disgraced "... the memory of Jackson" as well as insulting ". . .all Confederates who have any respect for themselves at all"; tells of his willingness to speak to the Negro leaders, asking them not to attend the procession, so as to keep the peace, but there were overwhelming numbers of applications by them, and he could not. deny them admittance; vehemently defends his actions and decisions, stating that he never believed the Negroes would carry ;" 15th amendment banners and Lincoln portraits," but. that they would "unite in honor of his name."
5. 11 August 1877. Speech of Gen. W.H. Payne, nominating Gen. Fitzhugh Lee for Governor of Virginia. (copy)
6. 2 Dec. 1885. Fitzhugh Lee, Evergreen, near Alexandria, to Colonel M. M. Kimmel. Invitation for a visit, and family news. (photocopy)
7. 21 Sept. 1887. Fitzhugh Lee, Richmond, to Colonel M. M. Kimmel, Henderson, Kentucky. Will not be able to accept his invitation to visit. (photocopy)
8. 6 Oct. 1887. Fitzhugh Lee, Richmond, Virginia, to Charles R. Deacon, Secretary of the Clover Club, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Acknowledges receipt of the Baltimore Sunday News.