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Unit ID

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Unit Date

1854-1880

Language

English

Creator

Grigsby, Hugh Blair, 1806-1881

Creator

Bancroft, George, 1800-1891

Creator

Joynes, L. S.

Creator

Joynes, Thomas R. (Robinson), 1789-1859

Creator

Taylor, Tazewell, 1810-1875

Extent

0.05 Linear Feet

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Biographical Information:

Hugh Blair Grigsby was the son and only child of Benjamin Porter Grigsby (1770-1810), an early Presbyterian minister in Norfolk, Va., and Elizabeth McPherson (1778-1860). Grigsby married Mary Venable Carrington in 1840 and afterwards lived at Edgehill, Charlotte County, Virginia.

Hugh Blair Grigsby, nineteenth-century Virginia historian, lived from 1806-1881. He served on the Board of Visitors and as Chancellor of the College of William and Mary and was President of the Virginia Historical Society. 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/Hugh_Blair_Grigsby.

Scope and Contents

Letters written to Grigsby by L. S. Joynes, Thomas R. Joynes and Benjamin S. Ewell concerning a professorship for Edward S. Joynes and the Grammar School at the College of William and Mary. Includes

constitution, 1854, of the Jamestown Society, Washington, D. C. and one issue of the newspaper, the Richmond Standard, 29 May 1880, which had an article on the Henry family of Virginia (descended from John Henry and Sarah Winston Syme).

Letter written from New York by George Bancroft, retired Secretary of the Navy, to Hugh Blair Grigsby concerning the "Mecklenburg Affair," Madison on the Constitution and refers to Edward Rutledge. Dated 27 June 1857. Original ID number was Mss. 95 G87. Material from the Faculty Alumni File added in 2018.

Keywords

Correspondence

College of William and Mary--Grammar School--History--19th century

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Mecklenburg Affair

United States. Constitution.

Henry family

Henry, John

Joynes, Thomas R., 1789-1859

Madison, James, 1751-1836

Rutledge, Edward

Syme, Sarah Winston

Description of Subordinate Components

Jamestown Society Constitution and William & Mary Related Correspondence

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Mixed Materials Small Collections Box 125

Container 1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

February, 1854. Constitution of the Jamestown Society of Washington City; includes list of officers and explains their duties; states rules for admittance into the society; prescribes procedures for the annual meeting. 8 pp.

6 August 1858. L.S. Joynes to Hugh B. Grigsby, [Norfolk, Va.]. Will nominate his brother, Edward S. Joynes, for the Professorship in Greek and German at the College of William and Mary; requests Grigsby to recommend his brother. 3 pp.

16 August 1858. Thomas R. Joynes to Hugh Blair Grigsby. Presents his son, Edward S. Joynes, as a candidate for the Professorship in Greek and German; lists his son's qualifications, suggests Governor Wise could testify to his son's merit; requests Grigsby to recommend his son. 2 pp.

11 December 1867. President B[enjamin] S. Ewell of William and Mary College to Hugh Blair Grigsby, L.L.D. Requests Grigsby's presence at the next meeting of the Building Committee; will try to schedule Mr. Tazewell Taylor to meet Grigsby at the same time; otherwise, he will send Grigsby questions through the mail regarding rebuilding and the Grammar School; has been busy preparing for his daughter's approaching wedding. 1 p.

George Bancroft to Hugh Blair Grigsby

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Unit Date 1857 June 29

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Container 2 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

George Bancroft to Hugh Blair Grigsby regarding the "Mecklenburg Affair" and the constitution. 1857 June 29. Acc. 2004.16.

Correspondence

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Container 3 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Letter from Colin Clarke to Hugh Blair Grigsby about Grigsby's book preparation, 1858 August 20. Transcription included.

Acceptance letter from Thomas Cuthrell, secretary of the Washington Institute in Norfolk, Virginia to Hugh Blair Grigsby, regarding a visit. 1854 June 21.

Preamble and Resolution adopted by the Board of Visitors and Governor's of the College of William and Mary for Hugh Blair Grigsby. 1881 July 8.

Resolution for "Hugh Blair Grigsby Chancellor of this College" to establish a scholarship, "the Chancellor Scholarship." 1871, July 15

Partially bound excerpt from a journal entitled "Oration, Delivered before the Students of William and Mary College" by Hugh Blair Grigsby, Esq. 1859 July 4.

These 5 items were removed from the Faculty/Alumni File in 2018.