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Repository

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Content Description

The Randolph Family Papers contains correspondence and financial documents relating to Isham Randolph (1771-1844), first cousin of Thomas Jefferson, David Coupland Randolph (1804-1886), son of Isham Randolph, Isham Randolph Page (1834-1923), nephew of Isham Randolph and Judith Randolph Swann (Circa 1815-1870), sister of Isham Randolph. Materials document daily financial activities such as the hiring and buying of enslaved people, and Isham Randolph's role as an officer at the James River & Kanawha Company. Correspondence documents the family's relationship with enslaved people and their participation in the American Civil War (1861-1865). The letters also describe the Civil War in Richmond from the battlefield and the home front. Materials also describe the role of enslaved people in the post Civil War period and records the names and emancipation of those enslaved by the Randolphs.

Keywords

American Civil War, 1861-1865
African Americans--Virginia--Richmond--History
Randolph family
Reconstruction
Reconstruction (U.S. history, 1865-1877)
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Richmond (Va.)--History--20th century
Slavery

Arrangement

The collection is arranged into four series: Series I. Isham Randolph papers, Series II. David Coupland Randolph papers, Series III. Gibson, Watkins, Francis Randolph Page and Judith Randolph Swann papers and Series IV. Isham Randolph Page papers.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I. Isham Randolph papers

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Unit Date 1796-1835

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

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Unit Date 1834-1882

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Series III. Gibson, Watkins, Francis Randolph Page, and Judith Randolph Swann papers

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Unit Date 1861-1864

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Series IV. Isham Randolph Page papers

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