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Abstract

Correspondence and miscellaneous papers of: a Monroe County, West Virginia, farmer and politician; his wife, Harriette Boswell Alexander; their daughters, Isabel and Alice Beulah; Alice's husband, Frank Hereford, U.S. senator from West Virginia; and his daughter, Katherine Hereford Stoddard. There is one folder of business papers, 1820-1841, of Thomas Edgar; a few letters from Caperton's son, John, while a cadet at the Camp of Instruction, Richmond, 1861; a folder of letters concerning Isabel's trips through the American West, the British Isles, and Europe; and a folder on family genealogy. Subjects include mid-nineteenth century life in Union, Monroe County; the excitement in Virginia following John Brown's raid; Washington, D.C., and the slavery controversy, 1860; the secession crisis in Virginia; impressment of material in Monroe County by Union troops; the effect of the war on the social and economic life of Richmond; work of the Ladies Relief Hospital in Lynchburg; and the aftermath of war in Virginia.

Creator

Caperton, William Gaston (1815-1852)

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Hospitals and sanitariums.

United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865

Slaves and slavery.

Harpers Ferry (W. Va.) -- History -- John Brown's Raid, 1859

Civil War -- Camps and camp life

Reconstruction (U.S. history, 1865-1877)

United States. Congress. Senate

Ladies Relief Hospital (Lynchburg, Va.)

Hereford, Frank, 1825-1891

Hereford, Alice Beulah.

Caperton, John.

Caperton, Isabel.

Alexander, Harriette Boswell.

Edgar, Thomas.

Caperton, William Gaston.

Stoddard, Katherine Hereford.