Collection Summary

Title: Thomas Corwin Correspondence

Span Dates: 1850-1853

ID No.: MSS16964

Creator: Corwin, Thomas, 1794-1865

Extent: 3,000 items ; 21 containers ; 4 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Summary: Lawyer, Ohio governor, U.S. representative and senator, and U.S. secretary of the treasury. Correspondence received during Corwin's tenure as secretary of the treasury. Subjects include appointments to and removals from office, Whig politics, and financial and commercial policies of Millard Fillmore's administration.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Bates, George C.--Correspondence.
Combs, Leslie, 1793-1881--Correspondence.
Corwin, Moses B. (Moses Bledso), 1790-1872--Correspondence.
Corwin, Thomas, 1794-1865.
Draper, Simeon, 1804-1866--Correspondence.
Ewing, Thomas, 1789-1871--Correspondence.
Fillmore, Millard, 1800-1874.
Gallagher, William D. (William Davis), 1808-1894--Correspondence.
Grandin, William--Correspondence.
Grayson, William J. (William John), 1788-1863--Correspondence.
Grinnell, Moses Hicks, 1803-1877--Correspondence.
Hunt, Washington, 1811-1867--Correspondence.
Johnson, Reverdy, 1796-1876--Correspondence.
Kane, George P.--Correspondence.
Lewis, William David, 1792-1881--Correspondence.
Mallory, Francis, 1807-1860--Correspondence.
Mangum, Willie Person, 1792-1861--Correspondence.
Mansfield, Edward Deering, 1801-1880--Correspondence.
Maxwell, Hugh, 1787-1873--Correspondence.
McLean, John, 1785-1861--Correspondence.
Moore, Henry Dunning, 1817-1887--Correspondence.
Mudd, John Henry Clay, 1821-1866--Correspondence.
Pearce, James Alfred, 1805-1862--Correspondence.
Perry, Aaron F. (Aaron Fyfe), 1815-1893--Correspondence.
Prentice, George D. (George Denison), 1802-1870--Correspondence.
Reese, William J.--Correspondence.
Seward, William Henry, 1801-1872--Correspondence.
Smith, Truman, 1791-1884--Correspondence.
Webster, Daniel, 1782-1852--Correspondence.
Weed, Thurlow, 1797-1882--Correspondence.
White, Hugh, 1798-1870--Correspondence.
Williams, John J.--Correspondence.
Winder, William Henry, 1775-1824--Correspondence.
Wright, John C. (John Crafts), 1783-1861--Correspondence.

Organizations
United States. Department of the Treasury.
Whig Party (U.S.)

Places
United States--Economic policy.
United States--Politics and government--1849-1853.

Occupations
Cabinet officers.
Governors--Ohio.
Lawyers.
Representatives, U.S. Congress--Ohio.
Senators, U.S. Congress--Ohio.

Administrative Information

Provenance
The correspondence of Thomas Corwin, lawyer, Ohio governor, U.S. representative and senator, and U.S. secretary of the treasury, were purchased by the Library of Congress from 1906 to 1925.

Processing History
The correspondence of Thomas Corwin were processed in 1959. The finding aid was revised in 2003.

Additional Guides
An index to the collection is available in the Manuscript Reading Room.

Copyright Status
The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Thomas Corwin is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions
The correspondence of Thomas Corwin is open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation
Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or reel number, Thomas Corwin Correspondence, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

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<td>1817</td>
<td>Admitted to the Ohio bar</td>
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<td>1818-1828</td>
<td>Prosecuting attorney, Warren County, Ohio</td>
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1840-1842 | Governor of Ohio
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1845-1850 | U.S. Senator from Ohio
1840-1853 | U.S. Secretary of the treasury
1859-1861 | U.S. Congressman from Ohio
1861-1864 | Minister to Mexico
1865, Dec. 18 | Died, Washington, D.C.

**Scope and Content Note**

The correspondence of Thomas Corwin (1794-1865) spans the years 1850-1853 during Corwin's tenure as United States secretary of the treasury.


**Arrangement of the Papers**

The collection consists of correspondence chronologically arranged in bound volumes with the exception of a small group of letters from 1851 at the end of the chronology.
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