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Collection Summary

Title: Frederick Douglass Papers

Inclusive Dates: 1841-1967

Bulk Dates: 1862-1895

ID No.: MSS11879

Creator: Douglass, Frederick, 1818-1895

Extent: 7,400 items

Extent: 53 containers plus 1 oversize

Extent: 19.5 linear feet

Extent: 34 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in English

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

LC Catalog record: <https://lccn.loc.gov/mm75011879>

Summary: Abolitionist, diplomat, journalist, and orator. Correspondence, diary, speeches and writings, financial and legal records, and a subject file pertaining to the career of Frederick Douglass.

Online Content: The papers of Frederick Douglass are available on the Library of Congress Web site at <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.mss/collmss.ms000009>.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Anthony, Susan B. (Susan Brownell), 1820-1906--Correspondence.

Assing, Otilie--Correspondence.

Bailey, Harriet A.--Correspondence.

Bassett, Ebenezer D., 1833-1908--Correspondence.

Blaine, James Gillespie, 1830-1893--Correspondence.

Blair, Henry W. (Henry William), 1834-1920--Correspondence.

Bruce, Blanche Kelso, 1841-1898--Correspondence.

Carpenter, Mary Browne, active 1862-1894--Correspondence.

Carpenter, Russell Lant, 1816-1892--Correspondence.

Chandler, William E. (William Eaton), 1835-1917--Correspondence.

Clarkson, James Sullivan, 1842-1918--Correspondence.

Cleveland, Grover, 1837-1908--Correspondence.

Curtis, William Eleroy, 1850-1911--Correspondence.

Douglass, Anna Murray, -1882--Correspondence.

Douglass, Anna Murray, -1882.

Douglass, Frederick, 1818-1895.

Douglass, Helen, 1838-1903. Helen Douglass papers.

Douglass, Joseph H. (Joseph Henry), 1871-1935.

Douglass, Lewis, 1840-1908--Correspondence.

Downing, George T. (George Thomas), 1819-1903--Correspondence.

Draz, Rosine Ame--Correspondence.

Dunbar, Paul Laurence, 1872-1906--Correspondence.

Fortune, Timothy Thomas, 1856-1928--Correspondence.

Garnet, Henry Highland, 1815-1882--Correspondence.

Garrison, William Lloyd, 1805-1879--Correspondence.

Greene, Martha W.--Correspondence.

Griffiths, Julia, -1895--Correspondence.

Harlan, John Marshall, 1833-1911--Correspondence.

Harrison, Benjamin, 1833-1901--Correspondence.

Hoar, George Frisbie, 1826-1904--Correspondence.
Martin, J. Sella (John Sella), 1832- --Correspondence.
Pillsbury, Parker, 1809-1898--Correspondence.
Rankin, Jeremiah Eames, 1828-1904--Correspondence.
Richardson family--Correspondence.
Smalls, Robert, 1839-1915--Correspondence.
Smith, Gerrit, 1797-1874--Correspondence.
Sprague, Rosetta Douglass--Correspondence.
Stanton, Elizabeth Cady, 1815-1902--Correspondence.
Stone, Lucy, 1818-1893--Correspondence.
Tanner, Henry Ossawa, 1859-1937--Correspondence.
Tilton, Theodore, 1835-1907--Correspondence.
Van Voorhis, John, 1826-1905--Correspondence.
Wagoner, Henry O.--Correspondence.
Webb family--Correspondence.

Organizations

World's Columbian Exposition (1893 : Chicago, Ill.)

Subjects

African American newspapers--New York (State)--Rochester.
African Americans--Washington (D.C.)
Civil rights.
Educational change.
Enslaved persons--Emancipation.
Exhibitions--Illinois--Chicago.
Freed persons.
Navy-yards and naval stations, American--Haiti.
Slavery.
Social problems.
Women's rights.

Places

Africa--Description and travel.
Anacostia (Washington, D.C.)--History.
Europe--Description and travel.
United States--Economic conditions--19th century.
United States--Politics and government--19th century.

Titles

Frederick Douglass Papers at the Library of Congress
North star (Rochester, N.Y.)

Occupations

Abolitionists.
Diplomats.
Journalists.
Orators.

Acquisition Information

The papers of Frederick Douglass, abolitionist, orator, journalist, diplomat, and public official, were acquired by the Library of Congress by transfer and gift. The collection consists chiefly of papers in Douglass's library at the time of his death in 1895. They relate principally to his career during and after the Civil War. Most of his earlier papers were destroyed when his house in Rochester, New York, burned in 1872. Books and papers that Douglass accumulated after moving to

Washington were preserved by his second wife, Helen Pitts Douglass, at their home, "Cedar Hill," in the Anacostia area of the District of Columbia. In 1900 Helen Douglass formed the Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical Association to maintain the home and its contents after her death. In 1916, the association joined with the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs to assure the preservation of the home and library as a monument to the black leader and provide access to the papers by visitors and scholars. In 1940, the Historical Records Survey of the Work Projects Administration (WPA) published a calendar of the Douglass writings included in the collection.

The papers then at Cedar Hill were microfilmed by the Library of Congress in 1945. Since that time, some items have become separated from the collection. Collation of the 1945 microfilm with the Douglass Papers as they now exist at the Library of Congress has been made and, where appropriate, photocopies have been made from the film and substituted for items missing from their proper location among the papers.

In 1962, the Congress of the United States declared "Cedar Hill" to be a national historical building, and ownership of the house and its contents was transferred to the National Park Service. Preparatory to renovating the newly-acquired home, the Park Service removed the papers and stored them in a warehouse in Alexandria, Virginia. Some were sent to the Park Service's restoration office in Harpers Ferry, West Virginia. The Park Service transferred the papers to the Library of Congress between 1972 and 1974. A small addition given to the Library by Fannie Douglass in 1973 was organized and described with the main collection received from the Park Service.

Significant additions were given in 1975 by Douglass's great-granddaughter, Mrs. Ann Weaver Teabeau, and by Fannie Douglass and the National Park Service. Alice V. Coffee and Opal M. Pollard gave additional material in 1978. Further additions were transferred to the Library by the National Park Service in 1978 and by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission in 1988. The Library purchased material from 1976 to 2019.

Processing History

The papers of Frederick Douglass were arranged and described in 1974. Material received in 1975 was organized as Addition I. Material obtained between 1978 and 1997 was arranged and described in 1997 as Addition II. Material obtained between 2014 and 2019 was arranged and described in 2019 as Addition III.

Additional Guides

Portions of the collection have been described in the *Quarterly Journal of the Library of Congress*, v. 29, July 1972, p. 159, and v. 30, October 1973, p. 301-305. In 1976, the Library published *Frederick Douglass, A Register and Index of His Papers in the Library of Congress* which includes an index to the correspondence in the collection at that time; the index is available online at <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc/mss/eadmss.ms000009.apx>

Transfers

One print has been transferred to the Library's Prints and Photographs Division where it is identified as part of these papers.

Related Material

Douglass correspondence is also located among the papers of his contemporaries whose collections are also in the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress, such as [Frank G. Carpenter](#), [Zachariah Chandler](#), [Salmon P. Chase](#), [Grover Cleveland](#), [Anna E. Dickinson](#), [Hamilton Fish](#), [James A. Garfield](#), [Ulysses S. Grant](#), [Benjamin Harrison](#), [Abraham Lincoln](#), [William McKinley](#), [Louis T. Michener](#), the Reid family (Whitelaw Reid's papers), [John Sherman](#), [Elizabeth Cady Stanton](#), [Lewis Tappan](#), [Booker T. Washington](#), [Carter G. Woodson](#), and the [records of the Frederick Douglass Memorial and Historical Association](#).

Copyright Status

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

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Frederick Douglass are 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.

Microfilm

A microfilm edition of part of these papers is available on thirty-four reels. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division concerning availability for purchase or interlibrary loan. To promote preservation of the originals, researchers are required to consult the microfilm edition as available.

Online Content

The papers of Frederick Douglass are available on the Library of Congress Web site at <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.mss/collmss.ms000009>.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or reel number, Frederick Douglass Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Date	Event
1818, Feb.	Born Frederick Augustus Washington Bailey, a slave, on Holme Hill farm on Tuckahoe Creek, Talbot County, Md.
1825	Sent to Baltimore, Md., to live with master's relative
1838	Escaped from slaveholder Married Anna Murray (died 1882) Changed name to Frederick Douglass
1841	Addressed Massachusetts Antislavery Society convention, Nantucket, Mass.
1841-1845	Lectured for antislavery societies
1845	Published <i>Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass</i> (Boston: Antislavery Office. 125 pp.)
1845-1847	Lectured on slavery, Great Britain and Ireland
1847	Moved to Rochester, N.Y.
1847-1851	Published the <i>North Star</i>
1851-1860	Published <i>Frederick Douglass' Paper</i>
1855	Published <i>My Bondage and My Freedom</i> (New York: Miller, Orton & Mulligan. 464 pp.)
1859	Fled to Canada and England to escape arrest on charges of being an accomplice in John Brown's raid on Harpers Ferry, (W.) Va.
1859-1863	Published <i>Douglass' Monthly</i>
1860	Returned to the United States
1863	Recruited for the Massachusetts Fifty-fourth Regiment, United States Army, a regiment of African-American men.

1865-1895	Lectured on Reconstruction and women's rights
1870-1874	Owned and edited the <i>New National Era</i>
1871	Toured Santo Domingo
1872	Nominated for vice president by the Equal Rights Party Relocated family to Washington, D.C., after fire destroyed home in Rochester, N.Y.
1874	President of the Freedmen's Bank
1877	Appointed U.S. marshal for the District of Columbia
1878	Purchased "Cedar Hill," Washington, D.C.
1881	Published <i>Life and Times of Frederick Douglass</i> (Hartford, Conn.: Park Publishing Co. 516 pp.) Appointed recorder of deeds for the District of Columbia
1884	Married Helen Pitts
1886-1887	Toured Europe and Africa
1889-1891	Served as minister and consul general, Republic of Haiti, and chargé d'affaires, Santo Domingo
1892-1893	Commissioner of Haiti exhibit, World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, Ill.
1895, Feb. 20	Died, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Frederick Douglass (1818-1895) span the years 1841 to 1967, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1862-1895. The collection consists of correspondence, speeches and articles by Douglass and his contemporaries, a draft of his autobiography, financial and legal papers, and miscellaneous items.

Prominent among Douglass's papers is a draft version of his autobiography, *Life and Times of Frederick Douglass*, which contains recollections of his formative years and serves as a principal source for the study of his life and work. The collection also contains a [diary](#) kept by Douglass during his tour of Europe and Africa in 1886 and 1887. Reflections on the scenery, with frequent reminiscences about two previous trips to Great Britain, reveal Douglass's contemplative nature and provide the only known documentation for certain periods of his life. Other autobiographical material consists of a holograph essay prepared for the *National Cyclopædia of American Biography* included in a group of undated and untitled speeches and articles by Douglass in the [Speech, Article, and Book File](#).

Although Douglass began his speaking career as an abolitionist, his papers contain only a few examples of his early oratory, mainly copies of contemporary newspaper accounts of his speaking engagements. Douglass continued speaking out against slavery during the Civil War, calling for immediate freedom for slaves and recognition of their full rights to citizenship. After the war, Douglass recommended that political power be used to legislate improvements in education and economic and social conditions not only for former slaves but for women, Chinese immigrants, and other segments of the population as well. Most of his speeches between 1865 and 1895 are included in the collection, either in manuscript or printed form.

During several periods of his life, Douglass tried to influence public opinion through the press as well as lecture tours. First he founded the *North Star*, an antislavery newspaper published weekly in Rochester, New York, from 3 December 1847 to 17 April 1851. The collection contains holograph copies of many of his editorials and the paper's ledger books. Later publishing ventures, *Frederick Douglass' Paper* (1851-1860) and *Douglass' Monthly* (1859-1863), both emanating from Rochester, and the *New National Era* (1870-1874) published in Washington, D.C., are not represented in the collection.* Speeches and articles by Douglass's contemporaries and others are filed in the [Speech, Article, and Book File](#).

*The Library of Congress publication *Newspapers in Microform: United States, 1948-1972* (Washington: Library of Congress, 1973, 1056 pp.) lists repositories where microfilm of Douglass's newspapers is available.

Although the [General Correspondence](#) series consists primarily of letters received by Douglass, drafts and retained copies of outgoing correspondence are included as well. Douglass was acquainted with leaders in many areas of public life. Notable among reformers and activists with whom he corresponded are Susan B. Anthony, George T. Downing, Paul Laurence Dunbar, Timothy Thomas Fortune, Henry Highland Garnet, William Lloyd Garrison, J. Sella Martin, Parker Pillsbury, Jeremiah Eames Rankin, Robert Smalls, Gerrit Smith, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucy Stone, Henry Ossawa Tanner, Theodore Tilton, Henry O. Wagoner, and Ida B. Wells-Barnett. The published guide to the Frederick Douglass Papers includes an item-index of the [General Correspondence](#) series and the correspondence in [Addition I](#).

Increased involvement in politics accompanied Douglass's growing emphasis on civil rights. He served in a variety of appointed positions after the Civil War, and his papers contain correspondence with many of the people connected with or interested in his work, such as Ebenezer D. Bassett, James Gillespie Blaine, Henry W. Blair, Blanche Kelso Bruce, William E. Chandler, James Sullivan Clarkson, Grover Cleveland, William Eleroy Curtis, John Marshall Harlan, Benjamin Harrison, George Frisbie Hoar, and John Van Voorhis. One of the more controversial incidents in Douglass's political career concerned his dispute with the Department of State over maneuvers to acquire Môle Saint Nicolas, a Haitian coastal town, as the site for a naval base. Numerous speeches by Douglass justifying his position on this matter are included in the collection.

Materials relating to Douglass's duties as a commissioner in charge of the Haitian Pavilion at the World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago in 1893 are located in the [General Correspondence](#) series, the [Speech, Article, and Book File](#), and the [Subject File](#).

Douglass's private life is documented in correspondence with family and friends. Letters written to him by members of his family give an account of the hardships they endured, and correspondents discussing the problems African Americans faced before and after emancipation include Otilia Assing, Russell Lant Carpenter, Mary Browne Carpenter, and Julia Griffiths, who helped edit the *North Star* and served as business manager for the paper, Rosine Ame Draz, Martha W. Greene, and the Webb and Richardson families of England, who collected the money to buy Douglass's freedom.

The [Family Papers](#) series contains a biographical sketch of Douglass's first wife, Anna Murray Douglass, by their daughter, Rosetta Douglass Sprague, and a small group of papers of Douglass's second wife, Helen Pitts Douglass. Helen Pitts had been active in the woman's rights movement before her marriage to Douglass in 1884 and resumed her speaking career for a short time after his death in 1895. During the period of her marriage she curtailed activities not directly related to her role as Douglass's wife. The Family Papers include drafts of her speeches, research notes, articles, a diary kept when she accompanied her husband to Europe and Africa in 1886 and 1887, diplomas, and certificates. Other material attributed to her is in the [Speech, Article, and Book File](#), and her correspondence is in the [General Correspondence](#) series.

An extensive [Subject File](#) consists principally of pamphlets, brochures, speeches, reports, broadsides, and newspaper clippings, but includes a few manuscript items as well, such as an appointment book (1867-1869) and an autograph album (1845). Material for this file was most likely accumulated by Douglass reference purposes. Considerable material related to his death was added to the file later.

The [Financial Papers](#) and [Legal File](#) contain material ranging in date from 1843 to 1928. Included are items relating to Douglass's income from speaking engagements, private loans, and real estate investments. Numerous bills, receipts, checks, and other financial and business papers document the routine of day-to-day life, particularly for the years spent in residence at "Cedar Hill."

The [Miscellany](#) series includes invitations to private and public functions, maps, memorabilia, and miscellaneous printed matter.

[Addition I](#) includes correspondence and other material chiefly for the period from the 1870s to the 1890s. A large amount of personal correspondence includes letters from Douglass to his daughter, Rosetta Douglass Sprague.

[Addition II](#) spans the years from 1846 to 1967, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1846-1899. The papers include correspondence, speeches, printed matter, newspapers, and clippings. Family correspondence includes several letters by Douglass to Harriet A. Bailey of Lynn, Massachusetts. Correspondence of Douglass's first wife, Anna Murray Douglass, and their children, Rosetta and Lewis, is also included. General correspondence includes letters received and sent by Douglass commenting on such topics as meetings with Edwin M. Stanton and Abraham Lincoln in 1863, the Supreme Court's ruling in the *Civil Rights Cases* in 1883, and his resignation as minister to Haiti. Letters received by Douglass concern his marriage to Helen Pitts in 1884, invitations, and speaking engagements. A copy of a letter of William Lloyd Garrison to Aaron M. Powell in 1862 is also in the general correspondence.

Printed copies of speeches by Douglass are located in the speech file and the newspaper file. A deed executed in 1886 bears the signatures of Douglass and Blanche Kelso Bruce as recorders of deeds. Also included are clippings, postcards, and memorabilia pertaining to his grandson, Joseph H. Douglass, a violinist. The photograph file contains portraits of Joseph H. Douglass and his family and Helen Pitts Douglass.

Addition III spans the years 1880 to 1934. The papers comprise correspondence and programs. The correspondence includes a condolence letter, 1880, to Mrs. John L. Clarke and a letter, 1888, to William Scarborough concerning a call for a “colored political convention.” The programs are for violin recitals of Douglass’s grandson, Joseph H. Douglass.

Organization of the Papers

The collection is arranged in twelve series:

- Diary, 1886-1894
- Family Papers, 1859-1903
- General Correspondence, 1841-1912
- Subject File, 1845-1939
- Speech, Article, and Book File, 1846-1894
- Financial Papers, 1847-1928
- Legal File, 1843-1900
- Miscellany, 1870-1924
- Addition I, 1851-1964
- Addition II, 1846-1967
- Addition III, 1880-1934
- Oversize, 1869-1895

Description of Series

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BOX 1 REEL 1	<p><u>Diary, 1886-1894</u></p> <p>Diary kept by Frederick Douglass on his tour of Europe and Africa with notes made in later years.</p>
BOX 1-2 REEL 1	<p><u>Family Papers, 1859-1903</u></p> <p>Diary, speeches, writings, and miscellaneous papers of Douglass's second wife, Helen Pitts Douglass. Also biographical sketch of Douglass's first wife, Anna Murray Douglass. Arranged by name of individual.</p>
BOX 3-12 REEL 1-9	<p><u>General Correspondence, 1841-1912</u></p> <p>General and family letters received and drafts and copies of letters sent with miscellaneous attachments.</p> <p>Arranged chronologically. An index is available in the register of the Douglass Papers published by the Library of Congress in 1976.</p>
BOX 13-20 REEL 9-13	<p><u>Subject File, 1845-1939</u></p> <p>Newspaper clippings, notes, prayers, plats, architectural drawings, printed and near-print material, and reports.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by subject.</p>
BOX 21-41 REEL 13-27	<p><u>Speech, Article, and Book File, 1846-1894</u></p>
BOX 21-31 REEL 13-19	<p><u>Speeches and Articles by Douglass, 1846-1894</u></p> <p>Manuscripts, typescripts, and near-print and printed copies of Douglass's speeches, articles, and related material.</p> <p>Arranged chronologically. Undated items organized by titled and untitled and arranged alphabetically thereunder by title or supplied title.</p>
BOX 32-33 REEL 20-21	<p><u>Speeches, Articles, and Other Writings Attributed to Frederick or Helen Pitts Douglass, 1881-1887</u></p> <p>Manuscripts, typescripts, notes, photocopies, and fragments.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by topic or title when possible.</p>
BOX 34 REEL 21	<p><u>Book File, undated</u></p> <p>Fragments of various drafts of Douglass's autobiography.</p> <p>Arranged by page number according to <i>Life and Times of Frederick Douglass</i> (Rev. ed. Boston: De Wolfe, Fiske. 1893.)</p>
BOX 35-41 REEL 21-27	<p><u>Speeches and Articles by Others.</u></p> <p>Primarily printed copies.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by name of author with miscellaneous material at the end of the file.</p>
BOX 42-44 REEL 27-30	<p><u>Financial Papers, 1847-1928</u></p> <p>Bank books, bills, receipts, canceled checks, contracts, insurance policies, ledger books, promissory notes, lists, stocks and bonds, and tax bills.</p> <p>Arranged alphabetically by type of material.</p>

- BOX 45 REEL 30** **Legal File, 1843-1900**
Abstracts of titles, agreements, copyrights, deeds, depositions, mortgages, suits, articles of incorporation, wills, and miscellaneous legal documents.
Arranged alphabetically by type of material.
- BOX 46-47 REEL 31** **Miscellany, 1870-1924**
Invitation file (includes calling cards, programs, menus, announcements, and other related material), newspaper clippings, memorabilia, maps, photographs, printed matter, and miscellany.
Arranged alphabetically by type of material and chronologically therein.
- BOX 48-52 REEL 32-34** **Addition I, 1851-1964**
Correspondence, speeches, account books, printed matter, and miscellaneous material.
Arranged by type of material and chronologically therein.
- BOX 53** **Addition II, 1846-1967**
Clippings, correspondence, deeds, memorabilia, photographs, newspapers, printed matter, and speeches.
Arranged alphabetically by type of material.
- BOX 53** **Addition III, 1880-1934**
Correspondence and programs.
Arranged alphabetically by type of material.
- BOX OV 1** **Oversize, 1869-1895**
Newspapers.
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Container List

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BOX 1 REEL 1	Helen Pitts Douglass Diary, 1886 Digital content available Speeches, writings, and related material Address to the Woman's League, circa 1897 Digital content available Address to the "W. O. Convention" Digital content available "Around the Island of Santo Domingo" Digital content available Condolence appreciation, photocopy, 1895 Digital content available Convict lease system (3 folders) Digital content available Eulogy to Frederick Douglass, photocopy Digital content available The Great Need for Frederick Douglass Digital content available Haiti Digital content available "The Hittites" Digital content available <i>In Memoriam: Frederick Douglass</i> , title page only, 1897 Digital content available Loyola Digital content available "Lynching" Digital content available
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Family Papers, 1859-1903

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	Memorabilia, 1859-1903 Digital content available
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Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, Brooklyn, N.Y., 1899-1900

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	Colored People's Educational Monument Association, Washington, D.C., 1865
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Jan., address at antislavery meeting, Glasgow, Scotland, copy of newspaper account

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- Apr. 21, speech before the Glasgow Emancipation Society, Glasgow, Scotland
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- May 22, excerpts from speech on antislavery, London, England, with May address at the Peace Convention, London, England, and Apr. 23 letter from Douglass to an unknown recipient about the birthplace of Robert Burns
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- Aug., excerpt from speech before the Antislavery League, London, England
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- Mar. 30, farewell speech to the British people, London, England
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- Dec. 3
- "Letter to Henry Clay," *North Star*
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- "Our Paper and Its Prospects," *North Star*
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- 1848
- Jan. 2, "To Our Oppressed Countrymen," *North Star*
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- May 31, speech before the New England Antislavery Convention, Boston, Mass.
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- "Colored Churches," *North Star*
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- 1853, May 11, address delivered at Broadway Tabernacle, New York, N.Y., typescript and photocopy
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- 1854, *The Claims of the Negro*
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- Sept. 11, *Address by Frederick Douglass, and Poem by A. C. Hills*
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- 1857, *Two Speeches by Frederick Douglass; One on West India Emancipation . . . and the Other on the Dred Scott Decision*
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- 1858-1861, "The Races"
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- 1859, *Eulogy, of the Late Hon. Wm. Jay*
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- Mar. 28, "The Constitution of the United States: Is It Proslavery or Antislavery?"
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- "A Lecture on John Brown"
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Apr., "Why a Colored Man Should Enlist"

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July 6, address at a meeting for the promotion of colored enlistments, Philadelphia, Pa., manuscript and printed copy *For additional material see Container 24, Jan. 28, 1887*

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Sept. 16, On Abraham Lincoln, *The Liberator*

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- July 5, speech on "The Color Question"
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- Address at the centennial celebration of the Abolition Society of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.
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- Mar. 14, speech before the "Mass Meeting of Colored Republicans," Washington, D.C.
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- 1878, speech delivered in Madison Square, New York, N.Y., Decoration Day
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- Aug. 4, "Emancipation," *Daily Advertiser*
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- Oct. 1, "Oration at the Second Annual Exposition of the Colored People of North Carolina"
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- 27 Dec., speech on schools in Baltimore, newspaper account with a biographical essay on Douglass, Baltimore, Md.
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- Apr. 16, *Address by Hon. Frederick Douglass, Delivered in the Congregational Church, Washington, D.C., April 16, 1883, on the Twenty-first Anniversary of Emancipation in the District of Columbia*
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- Sept. 24, address to the National Convention of Colored Men, Louisville, Ky., manuscript fragment and printed copy
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- Oct. 22, speech before a civil rights mass meeting, Washington, D.C., manuscript and printed copy
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- Speech re Emancipation Day, Rochester, N.Y.
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- 1884
- July, "The Future of the Negro," *North American Review*
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- Circa Feb., Eulogy at memorial services for Wendell Phillips, First Congregational Church, Washington, D.C., manuscript and typescripts
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- Outcome of the Recent Election
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- Speech on the 33rd anniversary of the Jerry Rescue, Rochester, N.Y., manuscript and near-print fragments
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Sept. 22, speech on the 25th anniversary of the preliminary Emancipation Proclamation

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<p>Oct. 13, "The Negotiations for the Môle Saint Nicolas," clipping, typescript fragment, and photocopy of a lecture in the Metropolitan African Methodist Episcopal Church, Washington, D.C. <i>See also Container 31, Môle Saint Nicolas</i></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p><i>The Afro-American Press</i>, by I. Garland Penn, review of</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>"The Cause of Republican Defeat," manuscript and near-print copy</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>1892</p> <p>10 Nov., "Douglass on the Late Election"</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>28 Sept., "The Negro in This Political Campaign," fragment and photocopy</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>Call for the publication of a pamphlet protesting the exclusion of African-American citizens' participation in the World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, Ill.</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>Speech comparing abolition movements and emancipation in Great Britain and the United States</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>"A Plea for the Renomination of General Benjamin Harrison," fragments and photocopy</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>1893</p> <p>Jan. 2, <i>Lecture on Haiti. . . Jan. 2d, 1893</i>, printed copy and page proofs</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>Jan. 8, effect of the accession of the Democratic Party to power, clipping and typescript fragment</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>Circa Oct., Eulogy at memorial services for Lucy Stone</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p><i>The Reason Why the Colored American Is Not in the World's Columbian Exposition</i>, manuscript and printed copy</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>Remarks at dedication ceremonies at the Haitian Pavilion, World's Columbian Exposition, Chicago, Ill., manuscript, typescript, and typescript in French</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>"Remarks of Frederick Douglass on Bishop Daniel A. Payne," manuscript fragment and typescripts</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Digital content available</p> <p>1894</p> <p>Jan. 9, <i>Address . . . January 9th, 1894 on the Lessons of the Hour</i>, drafts, page proofs, and printed copy</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">1 of 8</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Digital content available</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">2 of 8</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Digital content available</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">3 of 8</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Digital content available</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">4 of 8</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Digital content available</p>	<p>BOX 26 REEL 17</p>
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	Digital content available
	3 of 6
	Digital content available
	4 of 6
	Digital content available
	5 of 6
	Digital content available
	6 of 6
	Digital content available
BOX 44 REEL 29	Insurance policies
	1 of 2
	Digital content available
	2 of 2
	Digital content available
	Medical bills, 1872-1903
	Digital content available
	<i>North Star</i> ledger book
	1847-1849
	Digital content available
	1850-1853
	Digital content available
	Official accounts
	Digital content available
	Promissory notes
	Digital content available
	Speaking engagements, fees charged
	Digital content available

Financial Papers, 1847-1928

Container

Contents

	Stocks and bonds
	1 of 2
	Digital content available
BOX 44 REEL 30	2 of 2
	Digital content available
	Subscriptions
	1 of 2
	Digital content available
	2 of 2
	Digital content available
	Tax bills
	1871-1883
	Digital content available
	1895-1903
	Digital content available
	Undated accounts
	1 of 2
	Digital content available
	2 of 2
	Digital content available
	Miscellany, 1882-1903
	Digital content available
BOX 45 REEL 30	Legal File, 1843-1900
	Abstracts of titles, agreements, copyrights, deeds, depositions, mortgages, suits, articles of incorporation, wills, and miscellaneous legal documents.
	Arranged alphabetically by type of material.
BOX 45 REEL 30	Abstracts of titles
	Digital content available
	Agreements, 1847-1897
	Digital content available
	Copyrights, 1845-1881
	Digital content available
	Death certificates
	Digital content available
	Deeds
	1843, 1851-1869
	Digital content available
	1871-1879, 1897
	Digital content available
	Depositions, 1843-1873
	Digital content available
	Incorporation papers, 1898-1900
	Digital content available
	Indentures
	Digital content available

Lawsuits, 1884-1893
[Digital content available](#)
Marriage license, 1884
[Digital content available](#)
Mortgages, 1880-1886
[Digital content available](#)
Wills
[Digital content available](#)
Miscellany, 1868-1900
[Digital content available](#)

BOX 46-47 REEL 31

Miscellany, 1870-1924

Invitation file (includes calling cards, programs, menus, announcements, and other related material), newspaper clippings, memorabilia, maps, photographs, printed matter, and miscellany.
Arranged alphabetically by type of material and chronologically therein.

BOX 46 REEL 31

Invitation file
1870-1874
[Digital content available](#)
1879-1881
[Digital content available](#)
1882-1885
[Digital content available](#)
1886-1889
[Digital content available](#)
1890-1892
[Digital content available](#)
1893
[Digital content available](#)
1894-1895
[Digital content available](#)
1897-1924
[Digital content available](#)
Undated
[Digital content available](#)

BOX 47 REEL 31

Maps
[Digital content available](#)
Memorabilia
[Digital content available](#)
Newspaper clippings
[Digital content available](#)
Photocopies of correspondence, with appointment, 1877-1880
[Digital content available](#)
Photographs
[Digital content available](#)
Poems, various authors
[Digital content available](#)

Miscellany, 1870-1924

Container	Contents
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Printed matter
[Digital content available](#)

BOX 48-52 REEL 32-34 Addition I, 1851-1964

Correspondence, speeches, account books, printed matter, and miscellaneous material.
Arranged by type of material and chronologically therein.

BOX 48 REEL 32 Correspondence
1852-1863
[Digital content available](#)
1870-1878
[Digital content available](#)
1880-1884
[Digital content available](#)
1885-1889
[Digital content available](#)
1890
[Digital content available](#)
1891-1892
[Digital content available](#)
1893
[Digital content available](#)
1894-1899
[Digital content available](#)
1923-1964
[Digital content available](#)
Undated
[Digital content available](#)

BOX 49 REEL 32 Speeches by Douglass
1853
[Digital content available](#)
1894
[Digital content available](#)
Printed speeches by Douglass
1854-1855
[Digital content available](#)
1857-1859
[Digital content available](#)
1873-1879
[Digital content available](#)
1883-1889
[Digital content available](#)
1892-1893
[Digital content available](#)

BOX 49 REEL 33 Undated
[Digital content available](#)
Speeches by others, 1890-1939, undated
[Digital content available](#)

Addition I, 1851-1964

Container

Contents

	Printed speeches by others
	1851-1936, undated
	Digital content available
BOX 50 REEL 33	Account books
	Douglass, Frederick
	1840-1881
	Digital content available
	1847-1850
	Digital content available
	1881-1883
	Digital content available
	1881-1886
	Digital content available
	1883-1886
	Digital content available
	Douglass, Helen Pitts, 1889-1901
	Digital content available
	Check stubs, Helen Pitts Douglass, 1895-1897
	Digital content available
	Account and financial notes, Fredericka D. S. Perry, 1935-1941, undated
	Digital content available
BOX 51 REEL 34	Autobiography, chapter 20
	Digital content available
	Genealogical notes
	Digital content available
	Notes
	Digital content available
	Poems
	Digital content available
	Pictures, programs, invitations, etc.
	Digital content available
	Autographs, 1885-1892
	Digital content available
	Notebook, travel schedules, 1869-1870
	Digital content available
	Memorandum book, 1874-1893
	Digital content available
	Notebooks
	Letters sent and received, 1883-1892
	Digital content available
	Letters sent and received and addresses, undated
	Digital content available
	Recipes, undated
	Digital content available
BOX 52 REEL 34	<i>Congressional Record</i> , 7 Aug. 1963
	Digital content available
	Scrapbooks, clippings
	(4 vols. in 2 folders)

Addition I, 1851-1964

Container	Contents
	1 of 2 Digital content available
	2 of 2 Digital content available
not filmed	Clippings (2 folders)
BOX 53	Addition II, 1846-1967 Clippings, correspondence, deeds, memorabilia, photographs, newspapers, printed matter, and speeches. Arranged alphabetically by type of material.
BOX 53	Clippings Douglass, Joseph H. (grandson), 1899, undated General, 1967, undated Correspondence Family Douglass, Lewis Henry, 1871-1897, undated Others, 1846-1895, 1930, undated (2 folders) General, 1862-1894, undated (3 folders) Essay by Lewis Henry Douglass, undated Land deed, 1886-1890 Memorabilia, 1935-1936 Newspapers, 1869-1895 See Oversize Photographs, 1915, undated Printed matter, 1883-1896, undated Speeches, 1883-1886, undated For additional material see same container, Newspapers
BOX 53	Addition III, 1880-1934 Correspondence and programs. Arranged alphabetically by type of material.
BOX 53	Correspondence Clarke, Mrs. John L. [first name unknown], 1880 Scarborough, William, 1888 Programs, Douglass, Joseph H. (grandson), 1917, 1932-1934
BOX OV 1	Oversize, 1869-1895 Newspapers. Arranged and described according to the boxes from which the items were removed.
BOX OV 1	Addition II Newspapers, 1869-1895 (Container 53)