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Collection Summary

Title: Benjamin Harrison Papers

Inclusive Dates: 1780-1948

Bulk Dates: 1853-1901

ID No.: MSS25064

Creator: Harrison, Benjamin, 1833-1901

Extent: 69,600 items

Extent: 925 containers plus 6 oversize

Extent: 360 linear feet

Extent: 151 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in English

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

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Summary: President of the United States, United States senator from Indiana, and army officer. Correspondence, speeches, articles, notebooks in shorthand, legal papers, financial records, scrapbooks, memorials, printed material, and memorabilia.

Online Content: Part of the Benjamin Harrison Papers is available on the Library of Congress Web site at <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc.mss/collmss.ms000102>. To promote preservation of the originals, researchers are required to consult the online edition as available.

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

Allison, William B. (William Boyd), 1829-1908--Correspondence.
Barker, Wharton, 1846-1921--Correspondence.
Blaine, James Gillespie, 1830-1893--Correspondence.
Carnegie, Andrew, 1835-1919--Correspondence.
Colfax, Schuyler, 1823-1885--Correspondence.
Elkins, Stephen B. (Stephen Benton), 1841-1911--Correspondence.
Fishback, William P. (William Pinckney)
Garfield, James A. (James Abram), 1831-1881--Correspondence.
Hanna, Marcus Alonzo, 1837-1904--Correspondence.
Harrison family.
Harrison, Benjamin, 1833-1901.
Harrison, Caroline Lavinia Scott, 1832-1892.
Hayes, Rutherford B., 1822-1893--Correspondence.
McKinley, William, 1843-1901--Correspondence.
Michener, Louis T. (Louis Theodore), 1848-1928--Correspondence.
Miller, William H. H. (William Henry Harrison), 1840-1917--Correspondence.
Noble, John W. (John Willcock), 1831-1912--Correspondence.
Proctor, Redfield, 1831-1908--Correspondence.
Quay, Matthew Stanley, 1833-1904--Correspondence.
Reid, Whitelaw, 1837-1912--Correspondence.
Sanger, Alice Belle, 1864-1941.
Studebaker, Clement, 1831-1901--Correspondence.
Tibbott, E. Frank (Private secretary)
Tracy, Benjamin F. (Benjamin Franklin), 1830-1915--Correspondence.
Wallace, Lew, 1827-1905--Correspondence.
Wallace, William, 1825-1891.
Wanamaker, John, 1838-1922--Correspondence.

Organizations

Indiana. Supreme Court.
Republican National Convention (9th : 1888 : Chicago, Ill.)
United States. Army. Indiana Infantry Regiment, 70th (1862-1865)
United States. Congress. Senate.

Subjects

Civil service reform--United States.
Political campaigns--United States.
Postal service--United States.
Practice of law--Indiana--Indianapolis.
Presidents--United States--Election--1888.

Places

British Guiana--Boundaries--Venezuela.
Indiana--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.
Indiana--Politics and government.
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.
United States--Officials and employees--Pensions.
United States--Politics and government--1865-1900.
United States--Politics and government--1889-1893.
Venezuela--Boundaries--British Guiana.

Titles

Benjamin Harrison Papers at the Library of Congress

Occupations

Army officers.
Presidents--United States.
Senators, U.S. Congress--Indiana.

Acquisition Information

The papers of Benjamin Harrison, president of the United States, United States senator from Indiana, and army officer, consist of material received through deposit, gift, and purchase by the Library of Congress from 1901 to 2016. The donations (including a deposit converted to gift) have come primarily from Mary Lord Harrison and Mary Harrison McKee between 1916 and 1947. Other gifts, reproductions, transfers, and purchases were received between 1901 and 2016.

Processing History

The Benjamin Harrison papers were arranged, indexed, and microfilmed in 1964. Subsequent additions were arranged and described in 1979, and a finding aid to this portion was revised and expanded in 1997. In 2009 the finding aid was expanded to include the description of the collection originally published in 1965. In 2020, a subsequent addition was arranged and described. In 2023, a small amount of material that had been left out of the original arrangement in 1964 was arranged and described as an addition.

Additional Description

The microfilm edition of these papers (not including additions) is indexed in the *Index to the Benjamin Harrison Papers* (Washington, D.C.: 1964) prepared as part of the President's Papers Index Series. The index is available online at <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc.gdc/gdclcn.64060010>.

Transfers

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. A map has been transferred to the Geography and Map Division. Photographs and other visual and graphic materials have been transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the Benjamin Harrison Papers. Patrons are encouraged to contact these divisions in advance of a research visit.

Copyright Status

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

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Benjamin Harrison 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 151 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.*

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Date	Event
1833, Aug. 20	Born, North Bend, Ohio
1852	B.A., Miami University, Oxford, Ohio
1852-1854	Studied law, offices of Storer and Gwynne, Cincinnati, Ohio
1853	Married Caroline Scott (died 1892)
1854	Admitted to the bar Established law practice in Indianapolis, Ind.
1858	Secretary, Republican State Central Committee of Indiana
1860	Reporter of decisions, Indiana Supreme Court
1862-1865	Officer, 70th Regiment Indiana Infantry, rising to rank of brigadier general
1876	Unsuccessful candidate for governor of Indiana
1881-1887	U.S. senator from Indiana
1889-1893	President of the United States

1892	Lost bid for reelection as president of the United States
1893-1901	Returned to law practice, Indianapolis, Ind.
1893-1901	Writer and lecturer
1896	Married Mary Scott Lord Dimmick
1900	Chief attorney for Republic of Venezuela in Paris, France, to resolve boundary dispute with Great Britain
1901, Mar. 13	Died, Indianapolis, Ind.

History of the Collection

[From *Index to the Benjamin Harrison Papers* (Washington, D.C.: 1964), pp. v-vii]

The story of the Benjamin Harrison Papers is largely that of Mrs. Harrison's search for a biographer. [1] She became the chief mover in the search shortly after E. Frank Tibbott had to abandon his attempts at a biography shortly after the ex-President's death. [2]

Inquiry about the papers on behalf of the Library of Congress was first made in 1903. [3] Mrs. Harrison had about that time agreed to place the manuscripts at the disposal of John S. Griffith, U. S. Consul General in London, who was to be the official biographer. [4] When Mr. Griffith died a decade later, the biography was unwritten and the papers remained in London.

By December 1914 Mrs. Harrison had retrieved the collection and wrote to Gaillard Hunt requesting him to ask Senator Theodore E. Burton of Ohio to write the biography. While the Senator showed interest in the project, the press of his other duties made it impossible for him to give it the time required. [5] On March 1, 1915, the first group of Harrison papers was deposited in the Library under the restriction that the collection was not to be consulted without Mrs. Harrison's permission. The deposit was converted to a gift on June 2, 1933, at which time the William Henry Harrison Papers were established as a distinct group. [6] The principal group of Benjamin Harrison manuscripts was bound in 181 volumes in 1933.

Mrs. Harrison and the Library continued to cooperate in efforts to organize the collection for the biographer, as well as to locate a writer suitable to the undertaking. John W. Foster, a Secretary of State under Harrison, was approached, as were Charles Williams, James A. Woodburn, Paul L. Haworth, and others. As early as 1921, Mary Lord Harrison was assisted in her efforts to perfect her husband's collection by Albert T. Volwiler, Harrison Fellow in the Department of History of the University of Pennsylvania. [7] On August 9, 1926, Mrs. Harrison asked Charles Moore, Acting Chief of the Manuscript Division, to give Professor Volwiler access to the Harrison papers and concluded, "He is to write my husband's biography. . . ."

Through the efforts of Professor Volwiler to provide materials for the long-planned biography, other significant additions were made to the collection over the two decades of his intensive and exclusive use of the papers. These included extracts from Elijah W. Halford's diary, kept while he was Harrison's White House secretary; letters of Louis T. Michener, Harrison's campaign manager; Mary Harrison McKee's collection of letters Harrison wrote to his first wife, Carrie S. Harrison, during the Civil War; letters of Robert S. Taylor, Indiana circuit judge; and letters exchanged by Harrison and his closest college friend, John A. Anderson. One of Volwiler's most noteworthy efforts to complete the collection was the Tibbott transcript project. In 1928, at Volwiler's suggestion, Tibbott who had been Harrison's stenographer and private secretary for 12 years, was engaged by the Library to transcribe from his own shorthand notebooks. This he proceeded to do, carefully dictating over 7,000 letters which filled many important gaps in the collection for the years of Harrison's presidency and after, and which are indicated in this index by the abbreviation "TT." Series 15 of the Harrison papers contains part of the correspondence between Volwiler and Tibbott which documents the Tibbott transcript story.

Later Volwiler efforts resulted in the addition to the Harrison collection of the letterbooks and other records of the law firms of Wallace and Harrison, and Harrison and Fishback. Thomas P. Martin, Assistant Chief of the Manuscript Division, called Volwiler the researcher "par excellence" with good reason, [8] for his efforts to improve the Harrison collection also made him instrumental in bringing to the Library the papers of Benjamin F. Tracy, Secretary of the Navy under Harrison, of Eugene Gano Hay, a prime mover in Harrison's nomination for the presidency, and of James S. Clarkson, Assistant Postmaster General. [9]

With some regret regarding Volwiler's inability to convert his years of research into a biography and an often-expressed wish that the papers be made available to scholars, Mrs. Harrison requested on April 24, 1945, that the Harrison papers be opened to the public. [10] Mary McKee Reisinger and Benjamin Harrison McKee requested that the separate collection of President Harrison's letters to his first wife during the Civil War also be converted to an unrestricted gift on April 13, 1947. [11] All restrictions relative to use of the combined collections were removed on July 14, 1947.

The long wait for a Harrison biographer ended in 1948 when the Reverend Harry J. Sievers, S. J., began his work with the Harrison Papers, the fruition of which was the publication 4 years later of *Benjamin Harrison, Hoosier Warrior* (Chicago, 1952). A second volume, *Benjamin Harrison, Hoosier Statesman*, appeared in 1959, and a third volume covering the presidential years is in progress. Father Sievers has told the story of both the collection and the search for a biographer in the preface to the second edition of his first volume, previously cited.

The Benjamin Harrison Papers, which number 69,612, cover every aspect of Harrison's life and career: his relations with his family, his college work and fraternal activity, his great love for Carrie Scott Harrison, his service as Brigadier General of the 70th Regiment, Indiana Volunteers, his early law practice, his service as reporter for the Supreme Court of Indiana, his senatorial career, the political buildup to his election as President, and his legal triumph in the Venezuela boundary dispute. It is particularly rich in materials pertaining to the political campaign of 1888, Pension Office problems, and controversial Post Office and Civil Service disputes. In addition to the letters, the collection contains speeches, memoranda, petitions, newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, financial records, and miscellaneous items detailing White House social events.

Grateful acknowledgment is made to the Reverend Harry J. Sievers, S. J., biographer of Benjamin Harrison, who read and commented on a draft of this essay and in other ways contributed to the accuracy of the entries in this volume.

1. Fuller accounts are found in Sievers' *Benjamin Harrison, Hoosier Warrior* (New York, 1960), second edition, pp. xv-xxiii and in Marcia Wright's article, "The Benjamin Harrison Papers," *Library of Congress Quarterly Journal of Current Acquisitions*, 18 (May 1961), 121-125.
2. D. S. Alexander to E. F. Tibbott, May 18, 1901, Harrison Papers, Series 1.
3. Worthington C. Ford, Chief, Manuscript Division, to Herbert Putnam, Librarian of Congress, November 27, 1903, Manuscript Division files.
4. Gaillard Hunt, Chief, Manuscript Division, to William H. H. Miller, October 29, 1914, Manuscript Division files.
5. Gaillard Hunt to Mary Lord Harrison, December 15, 1914, Manuscript Division files.
6. This was done in compliance with Mary Lord Harrison's wishes; see her letter to Herbert Putnam, June 2, 1933, Manuscript Division files. In 1960 the papers of John Scott Harrison were also established as a distinct group.
7. Mary Lord Harrison to John C. Fitzpatrick, December 21, 1921, Manuscript Division files.
8. T. P. Martin to A. T. Volwiler, September 15, 1928, Manuscript Division files.
9. The Harrison Papers were transferred from the Library of Congress late in 1941 to the University of Virginia as part of a program to protect irreplaceable manuscripts from the hazards of war. The papers were returned in the summer of 1944.
10. Letter to St. George L. Sioussat, Manuscript Division files.
11. Letter to St. George L. Sioussat, Manuscript Division files.

Scope and Content Note for Additions to the Collection

Additions to the Benjamin Harrison Papers have been organized as [Series 21](#) of the collection. The Additions series comprises previously undescribed parts of the original collection and material received by the Library since 1970. It is organized in subseries according to the year each addition was processed. None of the material in the Addenda is microfilmed or indexed.

The 1979 Addition dates from 1780 to 1900 and includes mostly correspondence. It is organized in two parts: originals and photoreproductions. Each part is arranged by type of document and thereunder chronologically. Some original

letters are accompanied by typewritten transcripts. Although most of the letters are from Harrison, the files also contain communications from his contemporaries such as Felix Agnus, Thomas F. Bayard, Joseph B. Carr, John M. Doane, James P. Foster, Andrew B. Humphrey, John H. Landis, Charles E. Pearce, John Rooney, James F. Secor, Jr., Charles Emory Smith, and William Henry Woods. Included among the original documents are Treasury Department records, 1889-1892; an inaugural memento, 1889; undated writings about Harrison and his family; and notes concerning politics in Indiana. The photoreproductions include a copy of the last will and testament, dated 1780, of Harrison's ancestor, Benjamin Harrison (circa 1726-1791).

The 1997 Addition contains one letter dated 1932 from Mary Lord Harrison, second wife of the president, to Emily Ryman Burlingham Bogart, and a newspaper clipping dated 1948 announcing the death of Mary Lord Harrison.

The 2020 Addition contains one letter dated 1892 from Benjamin Harrison to Mary Erringer Brown Wanamaker, written in response to a condolence letter Wanamaker sent after the death of Harrison's first wife, Caroline. Wanamaker's letter can be found in [Series 16](#) in a scrapbook containing similar condolence letters.

The 2023 Addition contains ten pages of Tibbott transcripts of Harrison correspondence dating from January 29, 1889, to February 5, 1889, and written from Indianapolis just prior to his presidency.

Arrangement of the Collection

This collection is arranged in twenty-two series:

- [Series 1, General Correspondence and Related Material, 1787-1912](#)
- [Series 2, Additional Correspondence and Related Items, 1853-1909](#)
- [Series 3, Letter Press Copy Book, 1880-1892](#)
- [Series 4, Telegrams, 1888-1889](#)
- [Series 5, Social, 1889-1892, 1890-1897](#)
- [Series 6, Shorthand Notebooks, 1884-1901](#)
- [Series 7, Record of Letters Received at the White House, 1889-1893](#)
- [Series 8, Speeches, 1878-1901](#)
- [Series 9, Writings, 1895-1897](#)
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- [Series 11, Legal Cases and Firm Letter Press Copy Books, 1855-1900](#)
- [Series 12, Financial, 1836-1900](#)
- [Series 13, Venezuela Boundary Dispute, 1895-1899](#)
- [Series 14, Miscellaneous Manuscripts, 1814-1901](#)
- [Series 15, Volwiler Collection of Harrisoniana, 1864-1938](#)
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- [Series 19, Photographs and Drawings, 1889-1892](#)
- [Series 20, Miscellaneous Printed Matter, 1840-1910](#)
- [Series 21, Additions, 1780-1948](#)
- [Oversize, 1881-1901](#)

Description of Series

Container

REEL 1-43

Series

Series 1, General Correspondence and Related Material, 1787-1912

This series consists primarily of correspondence, some of which is in transcript and photostat form.

Arrangement is chronological. Within days, two alphabetical orders apply; the first, outgoing letters from Harrison and aides, is arranged by addressee. Where two transcripts are typed on one page, alphabetical arrangement is by the recipient of the first letter. The second alphabetical order is letters received, in which alphabetical determination is by name of sender, whether individual or corporate. Some related material, including essays and speeches, is arranged in the general chronological sequence with letters sent.

REEL 43-97

Series 2, Additional Correspondence and Related Items, 1853-1909

This series contains correspondence omitted from Series 1 and some enclosures to letters in that series. Included is important correspondence for the 1888-1889 period, some Tibbott transcripts, invitations, and some legal correspondence. Also included are messages of condolence to Mrs. Harrison and replies to invitations to attend the unveiling in 1908 of the Benjamin Harrison memorial. Docket or file envelopes are interfiled.

The arrangement is the same as that of [Series 1](#).

REEL 97-98

Series 3, Letter Press Copy Book, 1880-1892

Letters sent by Harrison from December 16, 1880, to May 28, 1888, are generally followed by transcripts. Letters of law partners and Howard Cale, Indianapolis financial manager, March 13, 1889, to January 2, 1892, are not transcribed. The volume contains an index.

REEL 98-99

Series 4, Telegrams, 1888-1889

These telegrams surround four important political events: the Republican National Convention, June 22-30, 1888; the election, November 2-12, 1888; cabinet formation, February 6-March 6, 1889; and the inauguration.

Arranged chronologically and, within days, alphabetically by correspondent. When two telegrams are on the same page, alphabetical arrangement is by the writer of the first telegram.

REEL 99-100

Series 5, Social, 1889-1892, 1890-1897

One volume is the reception list; the other, dinner and luncheon lists and seating arrangements. Correspondence consists mainly of replies to White House invitations, arranged under the date of the function and alphabetically within that day. Memoranda and lists are filed alphabetically under "Presidential."

REEL 100-116

Series 6, Shorthand Notebooks, 1884-1901

Notebooks of Charles Watson, 1884-1886; Alice Sanger, 1888-1889; and E. Frank Tibbott, 1889-1901. Letters by Watson and Tibbott transcribed by Tibbott, found in Series 1 and 2. Letters of Alice Sanger and other notes of legal cases, speeches, etc., are not transcribed.

REEL 116-117

Series 7, Record of Letters Received at the White House, 1889-1893

Entries include name of writer, purport, date received, and agency to which the letter was referred.

Alphabetical by first initial of surname and, within the alphabetical location, by date.

- REEL 117-121 **Series 8, Speeches, 1878-1901**
 Includes notes, drafts, reading copies, and printed copies of campaign speeches, special messages to Congress, and post presidential lectures and speeches.
 Arranged chronologically.
- REEL 121-122 **Series 9, Writings, 1895-1897**
 Manuscripts of a series of articles written for the *Ladies Home Journal* (Dec. 1895-May 1897) entitled "This Country of Ours." Page proofs of the articles as they appeared in the magazine follow.
 Arranged after the articles is the revised and supplemented text that formed a book entitled *This Country of Ours* (1897). Manuscripts for the book are succeeded by galley and page proofs with annotations.
- REEL 122-123 **Series 10, Legal Instruments, 1852-1898**
 Deeds, petitions, agreements, etc.
 Arranged chronologically.
- REEL 123-135 **Series 11, Legal Cases and Firm Letter Press Copy Books, circa 1855-1900**
 The cases are arranged alphabetically by the first party named. Cases files include briefs, counter briefs, records of trials, notes and memoranda, and, in the Morrison will case, shorthand notebooks. The firm letter press copy books, to which consecutive numbers have been assigned, concern business of the firms [William] Wallace & Harrison and Harrison & [William P.] Fishback, and some individual business of Harrison and of Fishback as Pension Agent.
 Volumes contain their own indexes and letters generally appear chronologically.
- REEL 135-140 **Series 12, Financial, 1836-1900**
- REEL 135 **Record Book, Wallace & Harrison, 1856-1862**
- REEL 135-136 **Cash and Account Books, Wallace & Harrison, 1854-1862**
- REEL 136 **Account Book, Harrison & Fishback, 1861-1865**
- REEL 136 **Record Book, Harrison & Fishback, 1862-1867**
- REEL 136 **Cash Book, Indiana Reports, 1865-1870**
- REEL 136 **Pocket-book Diaries Containing Occasional Notes and Accounts, 1858-1872**
- REEL 136 **Bank Books, Personal, 1867-1884**
- REEL 136-140 **Personal Business and Legal Practice Finances, 1836-1900**
 Checks, notes, bills, receipts, and accounts deriving from personal business and legal practice.
 Arranged chronologically; within date, alphabetically by signer.
- REEL 140-143 **Series 13, Venezuela Boundary Dispute, 1895-1899**
 Contains notes and information compiled for the Venezuelan case before the Arbitration Tribunal in Paris, France, May-September 1899, especially notes Harrison compiled for

his argument before the tribunal; printed copies of the argument, first in printed form, followed by the manuscript; the typed and printed materials compiled for the case; and descriptions of the meetings extracted from letters and newspapers.
Arrangement is by type of material with overlapping dates.

- REEL 143-145 **Series 14, Miscellaneous Manuscripts, 1814-1901**
Includes records of the 70th Indiana Volunteers, Republican Party Code book and lists, Western trip file, 1891, and papers related to the Chilean crisis, 1891. Undated material contains Presidential office cross-reference memoranda.
Arranged chronologically.
- REEL 145 **Series 15, Volwiler Collection of Harrisoniana, 1864-1938**
Copies and photostats of letters pertaining to Benjamin Harrison preceding, during, and following his administration. Also extracts from Elijah W. Halford's diary and letters from E. Frank Tibbott and members of the Harrison family. The remainder consists of notes and reference tools made by Albert T. Volwiler.
Arranged chronologically.
- REEL 145-151 **Series 16, Scrapbooks, 1853-1908**
Newspaper clippings. Mostly in the presidential years 1889-1893 but concern every major event in Harrison's mature years.
Arranged by subjects: personal, social, political, speeches, etc. Roughly chronological within volumes.
- BOX 17:1-5 **Series 17, Certificates, Memorials, and Printed Invitations, 1882-1904**
- BOX 18:1-6 **Series 18, Pamphlets, 1840-1916**
Political including campaign publications, Mississippi River Commission and Senate documents, background material for messages, and miscellaneous items from enclosures.
- BOX 19:1 **Series 19, Photographs and Drawings, 1889-1892**
The White House, interior and exterior photographs by Frances B. Johnston, 1889-1890.
Architectural drawings of Mrs. Harrison's ideas for extension of the White House.
- BOX 20:1-14 **Series 20, Miscellaneous Printed Matter, 1840-1910**
Broadside, loose clippings, cards and souvenirs, and printed matter used for 1892 letter of acceptance.
- BOX 21:1 **Series 21, Additions, 1780-1948**
Original correspondence and some typewritten transcripts, Treasury Department records, writings about Harrison and his family, mementos, and miscellaneous items relating to Harrison and the Harrison family.
Organized according to the year each addition was processed and thereunder by type of material.
- BOX OV 1-OV 6 **Oversize, 1881-1901**
Atlases, miscellaneous printed matter, and material relating to the extension of the White House.
Arranged according to the series and container from which the items were removed.

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REEL 1	1787, Dec. 14-1862, Nov. 14 Digital content available
REEL 2	1862, Nov. 18-1876, Oct. 14 Digital content available
REEL 3	1876, Oct. 16-1882, Apr. 3 Digital content available
REEL 4	1882, Apr. 5-1883, Feb. Digital content available
REEL 5	1883, Mar. 1-1885, Feb. 19 Digital content available
REEL 6	1885, Feb. 20-1886, Feb. 4 Digital content available
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REEL 9	1888, June 27-1888, July 17 Digital content available
REEL 10	1888, July 17-1888, Aug. 15 Digital content available
REEL 11	1888, Aug. 15-1888, Oct. 2 Digital content available
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Series 1, General Correspondence and Related Material, 1787-1912

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REEL 19	1889, Mar. 20-1889, Apr. 25 Digital content available
REEL 20	1889, Apr. 26-1889, June 17 Digital content available
REEL 21	1889, June 18-1889, July 28 Digital content available
REEL 22	1889, July 29-1889, Sept. 26 Digital content available
REEL 23	1889, Sept. 27-1889, Dec. 2 Digital content available
REEL 24	1889, Dec. 2-1890, Jan. 10 Digital content available
REEL 25	1890, Jan. 11-1890, Mar. 1 Digital content available
REEL 26	1890, Mar. 1-1890, Apr. 28 Digital content available
REEL 27	1890, Apr. 29-1890, June 27 Digital content available
REEL 28	1890, June 28-1890, Sept. 12 Digital content available
REEL 29	1890, Sept. 13-1890, Dec. Digital content available
REEL 30	1890, Jan.-1891, Mar. 20 Digital content available
REEL 31	1891, Mar. 21-1891, June Digital content available
REEL 32	1891, July 1-1891, Sept. 3 Digital content available
REEL 33	1891, Sept. 4-1891, Dec. 23 Digital content available
REEL 34	1891, Dec. 24-1892, Mar. 28 Digital content available
REEL 35	1892, Mar. 29-1892, June 16 Digital content available
REEL 36	1892, June 17-1892, Sept. 21 Digital content available
REEL 37	1892, Sept. 22-1892, Nov. 21 Digital content available
REEL 38	1892, Nov. 22-1893, Aug. 16 Digital content available
REEL 39	1893, Aug. 17-1895, Nov. 11 Digital content available
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REEL 41	1897, June 2-1899, Apr. 12 Digital content available

Series 1, General Correspondence and Related Material, 1787-1912

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REEL 43	1901, Feb. 28-1912, undated Digital content available
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REEL 43	1853-1857 Digital content available
REEL 44	1858, Jan. 1-1859, July 29 Digital content available
REEL 45	1859, July 30-1860, Dec. 15 Digital content available
REEL 46	1860, Dec. 17-1882, May 10 Digital content available
REEL 47	1883, Jan. 11-1885, Nov. 27 Digital content available
REEL 48	1885, Dec. 4-1886, Apr. 19 Digital content available
REEL 49	1886, Apr. 20-1886, Sept. 8 Digital content available
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