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Collection Summary
Title: United States Finance Collection
Span Dates: 1761-1908
Bulk Dates: (bulk 1793-1873)
ID No.: MSS20545
Extent: 2,500 items
Extent: 10 containers plus 4 oversize
Extent: 5 linear feet
Language: Collection material in English
Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
LC Catalog record: https://lccn.loc.gov/mm78020545
Summary: Correspondence, bond payments, claims against the federal government and the Bank of the United States, French and Spanish indemnity payments, indentures, miscellaneous state and federal legal items, statements of accounts, consulate reports, United States lottery drawings, and other state and federal financial documents.

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
Grant, Ulysses S. (Ulysses Simpson), 1822-1885--Correspondence.
Hamilton, Alexander, 1757-1804--Correspondence.
Hayes, Rutherford B., 1822-1893--Correspondence.
Polk, James K. (James Knox), 1795-1849--Correspondence.

Organizations
Bank of the United States (1791-1811)
Bank of the United States (1816-1836)
New York (State). Supreme Court of Judicature.
New York (State). Supreme Court.

Subjects
Bonds--United States.
Debts, Public--United States.
Diplomatic and consular service, American.
Finance, Public--United States.
French spoliation claims.
Law--New York (State)
Law--Wyoming.
Lotteries--United States.
Noncitizens--United States.
Power of attorney--United States.

Places
United States--Claims vs. France.
United States--Claims vs. Spain.
United States--Claims.

Provenance
The United States Finance Collection was acquired by exchange, gift, purchase, and transfer, 1910-1937.
Processing History
The United States Finance Collection was arranged and described in 1970. The collection was revised in 2008, and a new finding aid created in 2011.

Copyright Status
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Preferred Citation
Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, United States Finance Collection, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note
The United States Finance Collection spans the period 1761-1908, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1793-1873. It consists of a broad array of miscellaneous financial and legal material including correspondence; bond payments; claims against the federal government and the Bank of the United States; French and Spanish indemnity payments; indentures; items relating to New York Supreme Court cases; proposed laws for Wyoming Territory, 1870; state marshal reports of “alien enemies who have reported themselves,” 1812-1814; state power of attorney authorizations; statements of accounts; invoices; United States consulate reports; United States lottery drawings, 1779; and other material. Included are letters signed by Ulysses S. Grant, Alexander Hamilton, Rutherford B. Hayes, and James K. Polk.

Arrangement of the Papers
This collection is organized chronologically with oversize volumes relating to United States lottery drawings, 1779, filed at the end.
## Container List

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<th>Container</th>
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| BOX 1     | 1761-1799 *See also Oversize*  
17 folders |
| BOX 2     | 1800-1812  
15 folders |
| BOX 3     | 1812-1813  
6 folders |
| BOX 4     | 1813-1817  
7 folders |
| BOX 5     | 1818-1835  
18 folders |
| BOX 6     | 1836  
12 folders |
| BOX 7     | 1837-1838  
12 folders |
| BOX 8     | 1839-1849  
15 folders |
| BOX 9     | 1850-1859  
10 folders |
| BOX 10    | 1860-1908, undated  
19 folders |
| BOX OV 1  | Oversize, U. S. lottery drawings, 1779 (Container 1)  
1 vol. |
| BOX OV 2  | (1 vol.) |
| BOX OV 3  | (1 vol.) |
| BOX OV 4  | (1 vol.) |