

**Samuel Chiles Mitchell Papers**  
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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Samuel Chiles Mitchell Papers

**Span Dates:** 1903-1913

**Bulk Dates:** (bulk 1908-1913)

**ID No.:** MSS33126

**Creator:** Mitchell, Samuel Chiles, 1864-1948

**Extent:** 5,000 items

**Extent:** 17 containers

**Extent:** 6.8 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material in English

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

**LC Catalog record:** <https://lccn.loc.gov/mm79033126>

**Summary:** College president and educator. Correspondence, speeches, lectures, articles, poetry, financial papers, and printed material relating primarily to Mitchell's work as president of the University of South Carolina.

## 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

Adams, Charles Francis, 1835-1915--Correspondence.

Blease, Coleman Livingston, 1868-1942.

Brooks, Samuel Palmer, 1863-1931--Correspondence.

Hall, J. J., Reverend--Correspondence.

Hart, Albert Bushnell, 1854-1943--Correspondence.

Holt, Hamilton, 1872-1951--Correspondence.

Mitchell, Samuel Chiles, 1864-1948.

Page, Walter Hines, 1855-1918--Correspondence.

Peabody, George Foster, 1852-1938--Correspondence.

Plunkett, Horace Curzon, Sir, 1854-1932--Correspondence.

Rives, George E. (George Edwin)--Correspondence.

### Organizations

Peabody Education Fund.

University of South Carolina.

### Subjects

Education--Southern States.

Universities and colleges--South Carolina.

### Occupations

College presidents.

Educators.

## Provenance

The papers of Samuel Chiles Mitchell, college president and educator, were given to the Library of Congress by Mitchell in 1920.

## Processing History

The papers of Samuel Chiles Mitchell were arranged and described in 1963. The finding aid was revised in 2011.

## Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Samuel Chiles Mitchell is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

## Access and Restrictions

The papers of Samuel Chiles Mitchell 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.

## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Samuel Chiles Mitchell Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

## Biographical Note

Date	Event
1864, Dec. 24	Born, Coffeenville, Miss.
1888	M.A., Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky.
1892-1895	Taught Latin, Georgetown College, Georgetown, Ky.
1895-1908	Professor of history, University of Richmond, Richmond, Va.
1899	Ph.D., University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.
1891	Married Alice Virginia Broadus
1908-1909	Visiting professor of history, Brown University, Providence, R.I.
1908-1913	President, University of South Carolina, Columbia, S.C.
1913-1914	President, Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va.
1914-1920	President, Delaware College, Newark, Del.
1920-1945	Professor of history, University of Richmond, Richmond, Va.
1948, Aug. 28	Died

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of Samuel Chiles Mitchell (1864-1948) consist of family and general correspondence; memoranda, reports, and records of administration of the Peabody Education Fund; speeches, articles, and lectures delivered by Mitchell; a poetry file; financial papers; news clippings; and printed matter by or about Mitchell.

The collection spans the years 1903-1913, with the bulk of the material from 1908 to 1913, during which time Mitchell was president of the University of South Carolina. The principal topics covered are education in the South, its support by the Peabody Education Fund, and disputes between Mitchell and Governor Coleman Livingston Blease of South Carolina.

Prominent correspondents include Charles Francis Adams, S. P. Brooke, J. J. Hall, Albert Bushnell Hart, Hamilton Holt, Walter Hines Page, George Foster Peabody, Sir Horace Curzon Plunkett, and George E. Rives.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged by type of material, with the general correspondence arranged chronologically.

## Container List

<b>Container</b>	<b>Contents</b>
BOX 1	Family correspondence, 1903-1908, undated
BOX 1	General correspondence
BOX 1	1903-1908, Feb.
BOX 2	1908, Mar.-June
BOX 3	1908, July-1911, June
BOX 4	1911, July-1912, Jan.
BOX 5	1912, Jan.-Nov.
BOX 6	1912, Dec.-1913, Mar.
BOX 7	1913, Mar.-June, undated
BOX 8	Subject file, 1913
BOX 9	Writings
BOX 9	Speeches and articles
BOX 9	Poetry file
BOX 9	Miscellaneous
BOX 10	Miscellaneous and theses
BOX 11	Miscellaneous and theses
BOX 12	Miscellany
BOX 12	Financial papers
BOX 12	Photographs
BOX 12	Newspaper clippings
BOX 13	Newspaper clippings
BOX 14-17	Printed matter by or about Mitchell