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Collection Summary

Title: St. George L. Sioussat Papers

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Creator: Sioussat, St. George L. (St. George Leakin), 1878-1960

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Summary: Historian, librarian, and archivist. Correspondence with American scholars and librarians concerning the location of Duff Green papers and transcripts and photostats of the correspondence of Green and others relating to American-British diplomacy, with emphasis on Green's missions to England. Also includes notes and memoranda from published and unpublished sources collected for the purpose of writing an account of Green's diplomatic career.

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

Cobden, Richard, 1804-1865--Correspondence.

Everett, Edward, 1794-1865--Correspondence.

Green, Duff, 1791-1875--Correspondence.

Green, Duff, 1791-1875.

Hume, Joseph, 1777-1855--Correspondence.

MacGregor, John, 1825-1892--Correspondence.

Peel, Robert, 1788-1850--Correspondence.

Sioussat, St. George L. (St. George Leakin), 1878-1960.

Tyler, John, 1790-1862--Correspondence.

Webster, Daniel, 1782-1852--Correspondence.

Places

Great Britain--Foreign relations--United States.

United States--Foreign relations--19th century.

United States--Foreign relations--Great Britain.

Occupations

Archivists.

Historians.

Librarians.

Acquisition Information

The papers of St. George L. Sioussat, historian, librarian, and archivist, were given to the Library of Congress by Sioussat and his wife, Julia Taber Sioussat (née Richardson), 1960-1961

Processing History

The Sioussat collection was processed in 1961. The finding aid was revised in 2013 by Dan Oleksiw. The finding aid was updated in 2023 by Maria Farmer as part of a division-wide remediation project by the Inclusive Description Working Group.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of St. George L. Sioussat is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of St. George L. Sioussat 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, St. George L. Sioussat Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Date	Event
1878, Mar. 13	Born, Baltimore, Md.
1896	Graduated, Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Md.
1899-1904	Assistant instructor in history, Smith College, Northampton, Mass.
1904-1911	Professor of history and economics, University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn.; dean of arts and sciences, 1909-1911
1911-1917	Professor of history, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.
1917-1920	Littlefield Professor of American history, Brown University, Providence, R.I.
1920-1938	Professor of American history, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.
1934-1942	Chairman, committee on the library, American Philosophical Society
1938-1948	Chief, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, and incumbent of Library's Chair of American History
1938-1948	Member, National Historical Publications Commission.
1947-1950	Vice president, American Philosophical Society
1948-1960	Honorary consultant in American historiography, Library of Congress
1960, Aug. 31	Died, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of St. George Leakin Sioussat (1878-1960) span the years 1831-1959 and consist of correspondence, 1926-1959, with American scholars and librarians concerning the location of Duff Green papers and transcripts and photostats of correspondence, 1841-1867, of Richard Cobden, Edward Everett, Duff Green, Joseph Hume, John MacGregor, Robert Peel, John Tyler, Daniel Webster, and others relating to American-British diplomacy, with emphasis on Green's missions to England. Also included are notes and memoranda from published and unpublished sources, including American, British, and French newspapers, pamphlets, and diplomatic dispatches collected for the purpose of writing an account of Green's diplomatic career.

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