

GEORGE STEVENSON COLLECTION

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Introduction

The George Stevenson collection was donated by John H. Stevenson of Lakewood, New Jersey in 1976. He is the great grandson of George Stevenson.

George Stevenson was born on April 1, 1820. He was the eldest son of Dr. Miles Stevenson and Theodosia Goldsmith of Chazy, New York. George started to study law during the summer of 1836, at the age of sixteen in the office of Switland and Beckwith of Plattsburgh, New York. In 1838, he continued his studies of law at the office of J.C. Hubbal in Chazy and the firm of Beckwith and Hubbell in Plattsburgh. In 1862, he married Ellen Julia Lesly also from Chazy.

The collection consist mostly of George's journal which he started in 1838, at the age of eighteen. The span of which runs from 1838 to 1840, and then jumps to 1842, then again to 1844. During this time he studied law and worked on his father's farm. There is also a collection of undated essays, correspondences from 1848 to 1857, and miscellaneous items. Included in the collection is a typed transcript of his journals and a typed transcript of his papers. There are no other background sources in Special Collections.

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The George Stevenson collection is contained in ten folders in a single Hollinger Box. The journals are arranged in chronological order and are in the first five folders. The sixth folder contains dated correspondence, the seventh folder contains undated essays, and the eighth folder contains miscellaneous items. The ninth and tenth folders contain the typed transcripts of the journals and the papers.

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1. FOLDER 1 JOURNAL, 1838 8 ITEMS
2. FOLDER 2 JOURNAL, 1839 40 ITEMS
3. FOLDER 3 JOURNAL, 1840 11 ITEMS
4. FOLDER 4 JOURNAL, 1842 1 ITEM

5. FOLDER 5 JOURNAL, 1544 1 ITEM
6. FOLDER 6 CORRESPONDENCE 10 ITEMS
7. FOLDER 7 UNDATED ESSAYS 11 ITEMS
8. FOLDER 8 MISCELLANEOUS 9 ITEMS
9. FOLDER 9 JOURNALS, (TYPED) 1 ITEM
10. FOLDER 10 PAPERS, (TYPED) 1 ITEM

NUMBER OF ITEMS: 93 ITEMS