

Cornelius Chase Family Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Cornelius Chase Family Papers

Span Dates: 1745-1974

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1822-1870)

ID No.: MSS58552

Creator: Chase, Cornelius, 1780-1868

Extent: 3,000 items; 7 containers plus 1 oversize; 2.8 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

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

Abstract: Clergyman, educator, and farmer. Correspondence, business and financial papers, subject files, reports, speeches, newspaper clippings, and miscellany relating to various members of the Chase family, especially Cornelius Chase, his son, Cornelius Thurston Chase, and the latter's career as superintendent of public instruction in Florida. Other material concerns the slave trade in Richmond, Virginia, the Confederate Army, and the Reverend Jonas King.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Chase family.

Chase, Cornelius Thurston, 1819-1870. Cornelius Thurston Chase papers. 1835-1953.

Chase, Cornelius, 1780-1868.

King, Jonas, 1792-1869--Correspondence.

Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865--Interviews.

Stokes, E. H. (Ellwood Haines), 1815-1897. E.H. Stokes papers. 1846-1865.

Organizations

Browning and Moore Company.

Confederate States of America. Army--Supplies and stores.

Confederate States of America. Army.

Confederate States of America. Army. Confederate States of America. Army records. 1860-1865.

Confederate States of America. Army. Medical Dept.

Dickerson, Hill, and Company.

E.H. Stokes, Betts, and Gregory Company.

Florida. Dept. of Public Instruction.

Moore and Dawson Company.

Subjects

Contracts--Virginia--Richmond.

Education--Florida.

Military deserters--Confederate States of America.

Military hospitals--South Carolina.

Military hospitals--Virginia.

Physicians--Employment--Virginia--Richmond.

Quartermasters--Confederate States of America.

Slave trade--United States.

Slave trade--Virginia--Richmond.

Places

South Carolina--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Hospitals.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Casualties.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Hospitals.
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Medical care.
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Prisoners and prisons.
Virginia--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Hospitals.

Occupations
Clergy.
Educators.
Farmers.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of the Cornelius Chase Family were given to the Library of Congress by John Terry Chase in 1978 and 1980.

Processing History

The collection was processed by Janis L. Wiggins in 1980. Significant alternations to the arrangement were made by Michael McElderry, 1981, and Wilhelmina Curry, 1984. The collection was reprocessed in 2003.

Transfers

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. Prints, photographs, and other visual and graphic materials have been transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division. Some maps have been transferred to the Geography and Map Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the Cornelius Chase Family Papers.

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Access and Restrictions

The papers of the Cornelius Chase Family 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, Cornelius Chase Family Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of the Cornelius Chase Family span the years 1745-1974 with the bulk of the material between 1822 and 1870. The collection consists of family papers, correspondence, a journal, financial material, reports, speeches and writings, genealogical material, drawings, printed matter, and miscellany.

The family papers chiefly reflect the lives of Cornelius Chase (1780-1868) and his son Cornelius Thurston Chase (1819-1870), both of whom were ministers and educators. The collection also features Cornelius Thurston Chase's career as superintendent of public instruction for the state of

Florida. Included with the family papers are correspondence and writings of other family members, financial material, and genealogical items.

Also included are records relating to the slave trading activities of E. H. Stokes, Betts and Gregory Company, Browning and Moore Company, Dickerson, Hill, and Company, and Moore and Dawson Company. Material relating to the Confederate States Army consist of documents collected by Cornelius Thurston Chase and includes reports on Confederate hospitals in Virginia and South Carolina, medical contracts with private physicians in Richmond, provision returns, circulars and special orders relating to the Medical Department, lists of deserters, quartermaster reports, reports on prisoners of war and sick and wounded soldiers.

A folder of Jonas King material among the Miscellany includes correspondence and a copy of King's interview with Abraham Lincoln.

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