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INTRODUCTION

The impact of the ante-bellum southern plantations on the lives of their black and white inhabitants, as well as on the political, economic, and cultural life of the South as a whole, is one of the most fascinating and controversial problems of present-day American historical research. Depending upon the labor of slaves who constituted the great majority of the American black population, the plantations were both homes and business enterprises for a white, southern elite. They were the largest, the most commercialized, and on the whole, the most efficient and specialized agricultural enterprises of their day, producing the bulk of the South’s staple crops of tobacco, cotton, sugar, rice, and hemp. Their proprietors were entrepreneurs who aspired to and sometimes, after a generation or two, achieved the status of a cultivated landed aristocracy. Many distinguished themselves not only in agriculture but in the professions, in the military, in government service, and in scientific and cultural endeavors.

Planters ambitious to augment their wealth, together with their black slaves, were an important driving force in the economic and political development of new territories and states in the Southwest. Their commodities accounted for more than half the nation’s exports, and the plantations themselves were important markets for the products of northern industry. In short, they played a crucial role in the development of a national market economy.

The plantations of the Old South, the white families who owned, operated, and lived on them, and the blacks who toiled on them as slaves for more than two centuries have been the subjects of numerous historical studies since the pioneering work of Ulrich B. Phillips in the early twentieth century. The literature, highly controversial, has focused on questions such as the evolution and nature of the planter class and its role in shaping the white South’s economy, culture, and values; the conditions experienced by American blacks in slavery; the impact of the “peculiar institution” on their personalities and the degree to which a distinct Afro-American culture developed among them; and, finally, the sources of the tension between the proslavery interests of the South and the “free labor” interests of the North that culminated in secession and civil war.

Research materials are plentiful. Census returns and other government documents, newspapers and periodicals, travelers’ accounts, memoirs and autobiographies, and an abundance of polemical literature have much to tell historians about life on ante-bellum plantations. The autobiographies of former slaves, several twentieth-century oral history collections, and a rich record of songs and folklore are significant sources for the black experience in slavery. All the historical literature, however, from Phillips to the most recent studies, has relied heavily on the enormous collections of manuscript plantation records that survive in research libraries scattered throughout the South. These manuscripts consist of business records, account books, slave lists, overseers’ reports, diaries, private letters exchanged among family members and friends, and even an occasional letter written by a literate slave. They come mostly from the larger tobacco, cotton, sugar, and rice plantations, but a significant number survive from the more modest estates and smaller slaveholdings whose economic operations tended to be less specialized.

Plantation records reveal nearly every aspect of plantation life. Not only business operations and day-to-day labor routines, but family affairs, the roles of women, racial attitudes, relations between masters and slaves, social and cultural life, the values shared by members of the planter class, and the tensions and anxieties that were inseparable from a slave society are all revealed with a fullness and candor unmatched by any of the other available sources. Moreover, these records are immensely valuable for studies of black slavery. Needless to say, since they were compiled by
members of the white master class, they provide little direct evidence of the inner feelings and private lives of the slave population. But they are the best sources of information about the care and treatment of slaves, about problems in the management of slave labor, and about forms of slave resistance short of open rebellion. They also tell us much about the behavior of slaves, from which historians can at least draw inferences about the impact of slavery on the minds and personalities of its black victims.

Deposited in southern state archives and in the libraries of many southern universities and historical societies, significantly more plantation records have become available in recent decades. Our publication is designed to assist scholars in their use by offering for the first time an ample selection of the most important materials in a single microfilm collection. Ultimately it will cover each geographical area in which the plantation flourished, with additions of approximately four new collections annually. A special effort is being made to offer the rarer records of the smaller slaveholders and to include the equally rare records of the plantations in the last quarter of the eighteenth century; however, the documentation is most abundant for the operations of the larger plantations in the period between the War of 1812 and the Civil War, and their records will constitute the bulk of our publication.

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NOTE ON SOURCES

The collections microfilmed in this edition are holdings of the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, Hill Memorial Library, Louisiana State University Libraries, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803-3300. The descriptions of the collections provided in this user guide are adapted from inventories and indexes compiled by the Louisiana State University Libraries. The inventories and indexes are included among the introductory materials appearing on the microfilm at the beginning of each collection.

Historical maps, microfilmed among the introductory materials, are courtesy of the Map Collection of the Academic Affairs Library of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Maps consulted include:


EDITORIAL NOTE

The Reel Index for this edition provides the user with a précis of the collections included. Each précis gives information on family history and many business and personal activities documented in the collection. Omissions from collections are noted in the user guide and on the microfilm.

Following the précis, the Reel Index itemizes each file folder and manuscript volume. The four-digit number to the left of each entry indicates the frame number at which a particular folder begins.
Biographical Note

William T. Johnson (ca. 1809–1851) and his sister, Adelia, were the children of Amy Johnson, a former slave, freed in 1814 by a white planter of Adams County, Mississippi. William and Adelia were freed in 1820 and 1818, respectively. In 1820, Adelia married James Miller, a free black from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Miller was a barber and a respected businessman in Natchez, Mississippi, and he trained his brother-in-law, William T. Johnson, to be a barber. In 1830, William T. Johnson moved from Port Gibson to Natchez to pursue the trade, having purchased Miller’s unexpired lease. Five years later, William married a former slave, Ann Battles (ca. 1815–1866). In 1822, she and her mother, Harriet Battles, had been freed by Gabriel Tichenor of Natchez. William T. and Ann (Battles) Johnson had ten children: William (b. 1836), Richard (b. 1837), Byron (1839–1872), Anna (1841–1922), Katharine (1842–1901), Phillip (b. 1844), Eugenia (b. 1845), Alice (b. ca. 1846), Josephine (b. 1849), and Clarence (b. 1851). Between 1835 and 1850, Johnson acquired three barbershops, a bath house in Natchez, and a plantation; he also maintained business connections in New Orleans, Louisiana.

In the late 1840s, Johnson became involved in a dispute with Baylor Winn and Benjamin Wade regarding a property line on his plantation. In May 1851, after the circuit court ordered a survey, the dispute was settled out of court. However, on 16 June 1851, Johnson was fatally wounded in an ambush, and before his death on the morning of 17 June, he named Winn as his assassin. At the time of his death, he owned more than two thousand acres of land in Adams County, Mississippi.

On Johnson’s death, his son Byron became head of the family. William Johnson Jr. suffered from mental illness and by 1866 was confined in a New Orleans asylum. In 1865, Byron enlisted in the Mississippi Federal Colored Militia. Other male members of the family were exempted from service due to health problems. Following the war, Byron leased St. Genevieve Plantation, Concordia Parish, Louisiana, from Ayers P. Merrill Jr.; subscribed in the survey of the proposed Natchez-Jackson Railroad in 1869; rented Carthage Plantation, Adams County, Mississippi, from John and Katherine Minor.
in the same year; and leased Black Lake Plantation, Concordia Parish, Louisiana, from Lucien Malus for three years in 1870. Anna L. Johnson, Juanito Garrus, Carlito Garrus, and Byron Johnson contracted with freedmen to work Carthage Plantation. Black Lake Plantation was worked by freedmen in accordance with an agreement signed by the Garruses, Anna L. Johnson, and Katharine G. Johnson. In 1871, Byron received a judgment for $2,000 in a suit against Stephen Duncan involving a mortgage of Magnolia Plantation, a suit begun in 1862.

After the death of Byron Johnson in 1872, Anna L. Johnson was the most prominent figure in the family. Anna, Alice, Josephine, and Katharine taught in the Natchez primary schools. About this time the spelling of the family name was changed to Johnston. Both forms appear in contemporary documents. Richard Johnson worked his family’s Peachland Plantation, Adams County, Mississippi, in the 1890s. Anna lived at Peachland during the period 1912–1920. Their nephew, William R. Johnston (d. 1938), received his undergraduate degree from Wilberforce University, Ohio, in 1897 and earned a medical degree from Howard University, Washington, D.C. While studying at Howard, he boarded with Dr. and Mrs. Henry Lewis Bailey. Johnston practiced medicine in Natchez until his death in 1938.

Description of the Collection
The manuscript group consists of diaries, personal and business papers, account books, bound and sheet music, and newspapers and other printed items of a Natchez family of free blacks. The diaries of William T. Johnson (ca. 1809–1851) cover the period 1835–1851, and the early volumes are illustrated with small drawings of incidents mentioned in the diary. The entries concern both blacks and whites and describe a wide range of events, from theatrical performances, political campaigns, and horse races, to steamboat explosions, yellow fever epidemics, and the effects of the Panic of 1837. Entries reflect Johnson’s role as a confidant for many prominent people who frequented his barbershop.

Among the early papers are records of land sales and transfers, including one in Spanish signed by Manuel Gayoso de Lemos, 1793, manumission documents for Ann and Harriet Battles (Johnson’s wife and mother-in-law), attestations of free status, records of land and slave purchases and sales, property tax receipts, sales receipts, promissory notes, a marriage license, 1835, insurance policies issued by the Natchez Insurance Co., 1837 and 1839, and a stock certificate for the Mississippi Railroad Co., 1839. The papers of the later antebellum period include tax receipts, indentures, detailed specifications for a house to be built for Mrs. Anna Johnson, and other business records. A deposition, surveyor’s certificate, and other papers document the lawsuit of Winn and Wade and others against William T. Johnson (ca. 1809–1851). Official copies of baptismal records, 1842 and 1856, are present for eight of Johnson’s children. Correspondents during the antebellum period include members of the Johnson family, James and Adelia Miller; their son, William; and daughters, Lavinia Miller McCrary and Octavia Miller; William and Emma Hoggatt; Victoire Brustie; Richard
Johnson; William Moseby; and Lawrence Minor. From 1852 to 1855, almost all the correspondence is addressed to Mrs. Anna Johnson.

After 1855, Byron and his sister, Anna, received most of the correspondence, chiefly from friends and relatives in New Orleans, Louisiana. Correspondents include A. L. Bingaman, who wrote concerning William Jr.'s insanity; Alphonse Garrus, writing in French to Juanito and Carlos Garrus, care of Byron Johnson; Lavinia Miller, who sent her aunt calico samples preserved with the letter; and Wetherell & McDowell, with regard to shipping supplies via the Mollie Able. Letters of the early Reconstruction period contain material on the social relationships of blacks and whites in New Orleans society. Indentures document the lease and working of Black Lake Plantation.

After the death of Byron Johnson in 1872, Anna L. Johnson was the recipient of most of the family correspondence. Teachers' certificates, contracts, and other manuscripts relating to her and her sisters’ teaching careers are present, in addition to legal and financial documents relating to property owned by Anna and her sisters, including Peachland Plantation. There are also stock certificates for the Black Rock Gold Mining Co., 1896, and the Iron Hope Mining and Milling Co., 1896. Later papers include some correspondence of Dr. William R. Johnson: a letter from him while at Howard and letters to him from Major John R. Lynch of Chicago, Illinois; and Dr. Henry Lewis Bailey, for whom a printed eulogy is also preserved.


Series IV, Printed Materials, 1862–1934, includes business cards, advertising, and religious papers. A prospectus for the Iron Hope Mining and Milling Co. (1896) is included, as well as the prospectus of the Cotton Seed Oil Mill, Mound Bayou, Mississippi, fostered by the Mississippi Negro Business League (1907). A printed volume is Thomas P. Dolbear's *Chirographic Atlas* (New Orleans, Louisiana, 1850). Oversize printed materials including newspapers are too fragile to microfilm. Series V, Printed Music, 1839–1902, is also too fragile to microfilm. Series VI, Photographs, Undated, includes three photographs: one identified as Dr. Bailey, one unidentified portrait of a man in uniform, and a group portrait of Johnson family members.

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Introductory Materials

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Papers

0019 Folder 1, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Correspondence, 1839–1853. 58 frames.
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0138 Folder 3, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Correspondence, 1860–1874. 75 frames.
0213 Folder 4, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Correspondence, 1875–1899 and 1908. 89 frames.
0302 Folder 5, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Correspondence, 1900–1937. 63 frames.
0365 Folder 6, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Correspondence, Undated. 33 frames.
0398 Folder 7, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Correspondence, Envelopes, 1882–1936. 5 frames.
0403 Folder 8, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Miscellaneous Manuscript Notes and Recipes, 1846–1924. 23 frames.
0426 Folder 9, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Miscellaneous Literary Manuscripts, 1888–1903 and Undated. 34 frames.
0460 Folder 10, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, Manuscript Land Map, Undated. 3 frames.
0489 Folder 12, William T. Johnson and Family, Series I, School Materials, 1890–1905. 53 frames.
0542 Folder 13, William T. Johnson and Family, Series II, Baptismal Records, 1842 and 1856. 14 frames.
0556 Folder 14, William T. Johnson and Family, Series II, Legal and Financial Papers, 1793. 5 frames.
0561 Folder 15, William T. Johnson and Family, Series II, Legal and Financial Papers, 1822–1829. 15 frames.
0576 Folder 16, William T. Johnson and Family, Series II, Legal and Financial Papers, 1830–1839. 31 frames.
0607 Folder 17, William T. Johnson and Family, Series II, Legal and Financial Papers, 1840–1844. 28 frames.
0635 Folder 18, William T. Johnson and Family, Series II, Legal and Financial Papers, 1845–1849. 18 frames.
0653 Folder 19, William T. Johnson and Family, Series II, Legal and Financial Papers, 1850–1854. 72 frames.
0801 Folder 22, William T. Johnson and Family, Series II, Legal and Financial Papers, 1867–1869. 43 frames.
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0186 Volume 8, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Cash Book, October 1830–October 1837. 135 frames.

0321 Volume 9, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Cash Book, November 1844–April 1847 and July 1856. 83 frames.

0404 Volume 10, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Daybook, February–June 1822. 87 frames.

0491 Folder 29, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 11, Daybook, May 1830–April 1835 (Folder 1 of 3). 24 frames.

0515 Folder 30, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 11, Daybook, May 1830–April 1835 (Folder 2 of 3). 33 frames.

0548 Folder 31, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 11, Daybook, May 1830–April 1835 (Folder 3 of 3). 30 frames.

0578 Volume 12, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Daybook, October 1830–October 1840. 74 frames.

0652 Volume 13, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Daybook, October 1830–October 1844. 55 frames.


0723 Volume 15, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Daybook, January 1851–September 1867. 57 frames.

0780 Volume 16, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Daybook, October 1900–December 1921. 76 frames.

0856 Folder 32, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 17, Diary, 1835–1837 (Folder 1 of 4, 12 October 1835–1 June 1836). 53 frames.

0909 Folder 33, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 17, Diary, 1835–1837 (Folder 2 of 4, 2 June–2 December 1836). 43 frames.
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Papers cont.

001 Folder 34, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 17, Diary, 1835–1837 (Folder 3 of 4, 3 December 1836–1837). 31 frames.
0032 Folder 35, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 17, Diary, 1835–1837 (Folder 4 of 4, Covers). 4 frames.
0036 Volume 18, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1837. 86 frames.
0122 Volume 19, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1837–1841. 246 frames.
0368 Folder 36, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 20, Diary, 1841–1843 (Folder 1 of 3). 69 frames.
0437 Folder 37, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 20, Diary, 1841–1843 (Folder 2 of 3). 62 frames.
0499 Folder 38, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Volume 20, Diary, 1841–1843 (Folder 3 of 3 including 3 Loose Items). 110 frames.
0609 Volume 21, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1843–1844. 128 frames.
0836 Volume 23, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1846 and Cash Book, 1843 and 1846. 77 frames.

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(Mss. 529, 561, 597, 770, 926, 1093),
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Papers cont.

0001 Volume 24, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1847. 75 frames.
0076 Volume 25, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1842 and 1847–1848. 64 frames.
0140 Volume 26, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1848. 47 frames.
0187 Volume 27, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1848–1850. 165 frames.
0376 Volume 29, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1850–1851. 73 frames.
0449 Volume 30, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1851. 26 frames.
0475 Volume 31, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Diary, 1864–1874. 31 frames.
0667 Volume 33, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Ledger, 1833–1837. 82 frames.
0749 Volume 34, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Ledger, August 1835–November 1837. 72 frames.
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0279 Volume 37, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Ledger, March 1858–May 1859. 73 frames.
0365 Volume 39, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook, October 1846–August 1866. 14 frames.
0391 Volume 41, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook, March 1850–April 1861. 16 frames.
0407 Volume 42, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook, March 1852–December 1866. 27 frames.
0434 Volume 43, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook, January 1854–October 1866. 9 frames.
0443 Volume 44, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook, January 1856–August 1863. 12 frames.
0523 Volume 46, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook (Diary), January–December 1868. 189 frames.
0712 Volume 47, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook (Diary), January 1870–August 1871. 53 frames.
0765 Volume 48, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook (Diary), January 1872–July 1877. 176 frames.

Reel 6

William T. Johnson and Family Papers
(Mss. 529, 561, 597, 770, 926, 1093),
1793–1937 cont.

Papers cont.

0073 Volume 52, William T. Johnson and Family, Series III, Notebook Attendance Record, January 1871–June 1872. 11 frames.
Biographical Note

Robert Ruffin Barrow (1798–1875) was one of the wealthiest sugar planters and canal and steamboat owners in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, on the eve of the Civil War. An estimate of the value of his property in 1858 was in excess of $2 million. Barrow and his brothers, William and David, were sons of Bennet H. Barrow (1811–1854).

Thomas Butler (1785–1847) was a native of Pennsylvania. He moved to Mississippi before settling in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, where he became a judge and represented his district in the U.S. House of Representatives. In the late 1830s he began to develop sugar plantations in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana. Pierce Butler (d. 1888) was the son of Thomas Butler (1785–1847) and Ann (Ellis) Butler. After Thomas’s death in 1847, his son, Pierce, and widow, Ann, continued to operate the sugar plantations.

Description of the Collection

The Robert Barrow Manuscript consists of one item, a statement of Barrow, regarding a quarrel between the Barrow and Butler families, with special attention to the attitude of the Butlers toward a pamphlet written by Barrow, published 24 October 1857.

The pamphlet in question is probably Robert Ruffin Barrow, “Statement regarding the Sale of Myrtle Grove Plantation to Thomas R. Shields during 1841–1842,” 11 October 1857. The present manuscript refers to a compromise of 9 November 1842 with Thomas R. Shields. Barrow’s friends in the controversy were Col. William H. Sparks and Dr. Ballard. Judge Thomas Butler and his son, Pierce, and brother-in-law, Richard Ellis, are noted as having conspired against Barrow’s interests in the matter. Barrow also mentions a dispute with a man named Welch, whom he had killed.

N.B. Related collections among the holdings of the Howard-Tilton Memorial Library, Tulane University, include the Robert Ruffin Barrow Papers, 1749–1865, included, in part, in UPA’s Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War, Series H, Reels 17–19, including the pamphlet mentioned above on Reel 18: Frame 0866. Another related collection is the Robert Ruffin Barrow
Biographical Note

Willie Micajah Barrow (1810–1853) was a St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, merchant. In 1847, after the death of his wife, Cordelia (Johnson) Barrow (1816–1845), Barrow gave up the business to take charge of his brother Alexander Barrow’s vast sugar estate, Homestead, West Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana. Willie Micajah Barrow (1810–1853) considered remarrying but died himself before acting on his intentions.

Alexander Douglas Barrow (1838–1903) married Elizabeth Victorine Duralde in 1859. Anne Elizabeth Barrow (b. 1840) was the only daughter. Willie Micajah Barrow (1843–1863) attended the Mississippi Military Institute, Pass Christian, Mississippi, and the Louisiana State Seminary, Alexandria, Louisiana. He was appointed 4th corporal in the Delta Rifles, Co. C, 4th Regiment, Louisiana Volunteers, in 1861. He was taken prisoner at the Battle of Shiloh, Tennessee, in 1862 and died the following year. Cordelius Johnson Barrow (1845–1924) married Martha Johnson Robertson (d. 1899) in 1870.

Description of the Collection

This collection consists of twenty-four items and one volume, comprising letters of Willie Micajah Barrow (1810–1853) and letters and a diary of Willie Micajah Barrow (1843–1863). The collection reflects economic and family life on a plantation in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, during the antebellum, Civil War, and Reconstruction periods.

Letters, 1847–1850, after the death of his wife, Cordelia (Johnson) Barrow, of Willie Micajah Barrow (1810–1853) to Anna Maria Johnson, Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, tell of his anxiety about the welfare of his children, his intentions to return to
social life and to remarry, the work of African American slaves, and the management of a sugar plantation in West Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana. A letter, 1850, to his son, Alex Barrow, concerns a dream about his deceased wife, Cordelia (Johnson) Barrow, and Alex’s stuttering problem. Letters, 1853, from Herman Noble to Anna Maria Johnson, Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, give information about members of the family and activities, including activities of African American slaves, on the plantations near St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana.

A series of letters, 1858–1860, to Willie Micajah Barrow (1843–1863) indicate he attended school at Mississippi Military Institute, Pass Christian, Mississippi, and the Louisiana State Seminary, Alexandria, Louisiana. A statement certifies that he was appointed 4th corporal in the Delta Rifles, Co. C, 4th Regiment, Louisiana Volunteers, in 1861. Two letters, 1862, from Camp Douglas, Chicago, Illinois, to his aunt give information about the 4th Louisiana Regiment and state he was taken prisoner at the Battle of Shiloh, Tennessee.

Letters, 1866–1874, of A. D. Barrow and C. J. Barrow to Anna Maria Johnson, Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, during the Reconstruction period contain information concerning hard times in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana; activities of African American labor and plantation owners; and the hardship and struggles of the populace. The collection includes a family genealogical record, 1810–1910, of Willie Micajah Barrow (1810–1853) and his descendants.

The collection also includes a diary, 1861–1862, of Willie Micajah Barrow (1843–1863). The volume concerns camp life, fighting, imprisonment, readings, and other incidents with his opinions on various matters. The diary also includes a roster of his messmates, accounts, and memoranda.


Reel 6 cont.
Biographical Note

John Bisland (1742–1821), a native of Scotland, came in early 1776 to the Natchez, Mississippi, region from North Carolina. In 1763, he was twenty-one years old and living in Glasgow, Scotland. Before leaving Scotland, Bisland operated a dry goods store in partnership with John Muir. In 1772, he made an inventory of his possessions (Journal, 1762–1772). In 1774, Bisland came to North Carolina, settling at Cross Creek in Cumberland County; there he operated a general merchandise store. Books seemed to constitute the bulk of his trade. In 1819, Bisland sought to regain control of his land in Cross Creek through his son, Peter, and James Smylie, a son-in-law. Bisland left North Carolina at the outbreak of the Revolutionary War on 7 August 1775 and arrived in Jamaica on 9 September 1775. In February 1776 his accounts were written in Mississippi. The exact location of Bisland’s store in Mississippi is not known. Bisland lived and reared his family at Pine Ridge, about nine miles north of Natchez.

John Bisland married Susannah Rucker, daughter of Col. Peter Rucker and Sarah Rucker. Col. Rucker was an officer in the British army. Bisland was interested in giving his children the best education possible. In 1802, Bisland took his sons, Alexander (age fifteen) and Peter (age thirteen), to Scotland to go to school. They sailed on the brig Neptune, with John Clasby, master. On 15 June 1802, the ship was cast away on Martyrs Reef. The Bislands remained in Nassau until they got passage on the Lady Nelson, after 29 July 1802. In 1804, Peter joined his father in Glasgow. In autumn of 1804, Alexander and his father, John Bisland, sailed from Grenoch on Capt. W. Cantry’s ship Howard. Alexander’s last entry was 14 November 1804. Peter remained in Scotland at Dumbarton and later went to Glasgow. Peter left Liverpool after 23 September 1806 on the Baltic, commanded by Capt. Orr. William Bisland was in the first class enrolled at Jefferson College. William was accompanied to Scotland by his brother, James, in 1815. James remained in Glasgow; William went to school at Dumbarton.

Bisland’s daughter, Katherine, married Rev. Patterson in 1822; Susannah married Rev. Samuel Hunter in 1824; and Sarah married Rev. James Smylie in 1815. Bisland’s daughter, Elizabeth, married James Dunbar in 1808. Another daughter, Jane, married John W. Ross of Coles Creek. John Bisland married Mary Abigail Ross, a sister of John Ross (Memorandum Book, 1835–1850), and later in 1821, after the death of Mary Ross, he married Mary Ring.

William Bisland kept family records after his father’s death. He married, in 1820, Mary Lavinia Louisa Witherspoon, daughter of William, and lived at Mount Repose, a plantation adjoining Mount Airwell, his father’s home. William died in 1847 and had six children. His daughter, Jane, married Samuel Hopkins Lambdin.
James Bisland reportedly was the first to bring news of peace to the territory after the War of 1812. He arrived in Washington, Mississippi, on 26 February 1815. News of ratification of the treaty reached Mississippi on 4 March 1815 (plantation diary).

Under Spanish colonization laws, John Bisland obtained five grants amounting to approximately 3,770 acres, the patents dating between 1782 and 1795. Bisland later bought additional acreage.

The family of Thomas Shields Bisland, son of William Bisland and Mary Lavinia Louise Witherspoon, traced descent from Du Praslin, Huguenot settlers of South Carolina, and also from Elizabeth, daughter of John Knox, Scotch Reformer, by his second wife, Lady Margaret Stuart, cousin of Queen Mary.

Margaret Ashton Brownson Bisland, wife of Thomas Shields Bisland, was descended from the Asshetons, baronets of James I creation, and also from Sir Gregory Watts, Lord Mayor of London in the reign of Queen Elizabeth I. Ralph Assheton was kin of William Penn by marriage. He assisted Penn in founding his colony.

Thomas Shields Bisland served as quartermaster in the 26th Louisiana Infantry Regiment, Confederate States Army. His Fairfax Plantation was the site of Camp Bisland during the war in 1863. Mrs. Margaret Ashton Bisland, wife of Thomas Shields Bisland, wrote verse for the New Orleans Times-Democrat in 1873; their daughter, Elizabeth, wrote under the pen name of B. L. R. Dane (Library Southern Literature, Vol. XIII, Atlanta, Ga.: Martin and Hoyt Co., 1907, p. 5767).

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**Description of the Collection**

This collection consists of 1,161 items and twelve volumes, primarily the papers of John Bisland (1742–1821), planter and merchant of Glasgow, Scotland; Cross Creek, North Carolina; and Natchez and Washington, Mississippi; and Samuel Hopkins Lambdin of Natchez. The homes of the family members were Vendue, Mount Repose, and Mount Airwell Plantations, near Natchez, Mississippi; New Providence Plantation in
Concordia Parish, Louisiana; and Hope Farm and Richland Plantations in Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana. The majority of the correspondence is written from these places.

John Bisland was a native of Scotland who emigrated to North Carolina and became a planter. He later removed to Cross Creek, North Carolina, and in 1776 came to the Natchez region by way of New Orleans. Early records of Bisland include accounts of business transactions in Scotland and North Carolina, 1774–1775. His activities as a cotton planter in Mississippi are recorded by slave and land sales and purchases, purchases and shipments of the staple, an account of a trip to Scotland with a cargo of cotton, 1803–1804, and a plantation diary kept by his son, Alexander Bisland, 1814–1818. The papers are, for the most part, accounts, receipts, contracts, and other business memoranda. A few personal letters regarding the schooling of his children, Alexander, Peter, William, and Susannah, in Scotland, North Carolina, and Natchez, and the immigration of friends and relatives to the United States comprise the greater part of the personal papers of John Bisland. The papers after the middle of the 1840s are those of Samuel H. Lambdin, husband of John’s granddaughter, Jane McClary Bisland. Living in Natchez, Lambdin corresponded with John Rucker Bisland of Richland Plantation about family matters and business and legal affairs. William A. Bisland’s correspondence from Washington Jackson and Co., factors of Liverpool and New Orleans, is found in part. Among the miscellaneous items is a contract, 1857, for the sale, by Joshua Baker to Thomas S. Bisland, of Fairfax Plantation, St. Mary Parish, including land, house, stock, a steamboat, and two flatboats. There are few items of importance after 1859.


Among the items found in this collection, 1770–1811, are 17 November 1773, Glasgow, Scotland, photostatic copy of receipt: Alexander Edward to John Bisland, Glasgow, Scotland, for six pounds in payment for shaving and dressing John Bisland from Whit Sunday, 1773 to Martinmas; 8 April 1775, Glasgow, Scotland, letter: James Carrick to John Bisland, Wilmington, North Carolina, regarding invoice of five casks of indigo and enclosing bill of lading, both by the brigantine Diana, which had foundered at sea; 27 April 1775, Virginia, photostatic copy of sale: Peter Perkins to John Bisland, North Carolina, of African American, John, for forty-five pounds cash; 30 December 1785, Natchez District, photostatic copy of receipt: P. Antonio Gras and William Foster to John Bisland Sr. for $4, final balance to date; 23 December 1786, Natchez, Mississippi Territory, receipt: John Bisland to George Fitzgerald, for shipping charges of
$5 per thousand weight on 618 carrots of tobacco; 16 February 1787, unidentified location, receipt: James Fairlie to John Bisland, regarding grey stallion; 10 February 1799, New Orleans, letter: Joseph McNeil to John Bisland (Natchez), regarding the sale of a shipment of coffee for $395, cotton prices quoted; 8 June 1799, Natchez, Mississippi Territory, photostatic copy of sale: Patrick Connerly to Robert Davis, Adams County, of an African American girl, Sarah, for $425; 4 October 1799, unidentified location, receipt: Timberlake and Hancock to John Bisland, regarding 3,300 shingles at $15.75 per thousand; 6 April 1800, unidentified location, receipt: L. Harding to John Bisland for $3 for writing legatee’s bond in last will of Frederick Calvit, deceased; 8 May 1800, unidentified location, receipt: James Andrew for A. Hunt & Co. to John Bisland for 368 pounds of seed cotton at $4 per hundred; 29 December 1800, unidentified location, invitation: Caleb King, Richard King, David Ferguson, David Latimore, John Henderson, and James Barr to John Bisland to attend a meeting for the purpose of establishing a settled ministry of the gospel in the Natchez Territory, and photostatic copy of same; 28 March 1801, Davidson County, Tennessee, sale: Joel Rice to John Bisland, Adams County, Mississippi Territory, of African American woman, Peggy, and her infant, Elsey, for the sum of $400; 30 May 1801, Mount Airwell Plantation, receipt: William Morn(ing) to John Bisland for $47, four ryals in full payment for weaving linen; 30 June 1801, unidentified location, contract: Francis Blundell to John Bisland for rental of a house at $2 per month; 26 August 1801, Natchez, Mississippi Territory, receipted bill: J. Newman to John Bisland for saddle and bridle, prices given; 26 October 1801, Adams County, Mississippi Territory, agreement: John Besling (Bisland) to William Kennedy, regarding Kennedy’s job as overseer at $200 per year, signed by justice of peace, Coran Sam Kennedy; 15 January 1802, Mount Airwell Plantation, note: John Farker (Farquhar) to Mr. and Mrs. Basling (Bisland) requesting them to send him thirty or forty pounds of butter; 9 February 1802, unidentified location, photostatic copy of receipt: William Brooks to (John) Bisland for whiskey, price given; 4 March 1802, Maryland, sale: Charles Butler to John Bisland, Adams County, Mississippi Territory, of three African American boys, Moses, Jery, and Somerset, for $1,450; 17 April 1802, Natchez, (Mississippi Territory), photostatic copy of invoice: George Fitzgerald to John Bisland, regarding three bales of cotton, price given; 5 August 1803, unidentified location, part of memorandum booklet kept by an unidentified person, presumably Peter Bisland, telling of his travels and experiences in Scotland; 19 September 1803, Dumbarton, Scotland, photostatic copy of receipted bill: Henry Reed to [John] Bisland for 1-12-5 [one pound, twelve shillings, and five pence] for teaching, and materials for Alexander and Peter Bisland; 7 October 1803, unidentified location, memorandum book: unidentified person, presumably John Bisland, listing itemized accounts of expenditures, etc.; 12 May 1834, Natchez, Mississippi Territory,
receipted bill: Neill & Beauvois per Jacob Eiler to John Bisland for a hat and linen, price given; 3 December 1804, New Orleans, part of photostatic copy of receipt: Dejan Freres to John Bisland for a barrel of coffee, price given; 18 December 1804, photostatic copy of receipted account: William Morning to John Bisland for weaving cloth, making shoes, etc., 1787–1804, filed; 15 August 1798, unidentified location, part of a will made by Frederick Calvert or Calvet [Calvit?]; 5 March 1805, unidentified location, tax statement: Robert Miller to John Bisland, regarding the amount of taxes on five hundred acres of land in 1802; 2 April 1805, Adams County, Mississippi Territory, bill of sale: William Foster to John Bisland, of an African American woman and her two children for $600 cash; 24 February 1806, Glasgow, Scotland, photostatic copy of letter: William Gardner to John Bisland, a report on the cotton market in Europe; 12 March 1806, Adams County, Mississippi Territory, bill of sale: John Franklin and William Hall to John Bisland, African American boy, age twelve, price $400; 1 August 1806, Adams County, Mississippi Territory, bill of sale: John Calcote to Alexander Bisland, African American woman and her two children, price $850; 20 November 1806, unidentified location, bill of sale: James C. Elliott to John Bisland, two mules, prices given; 15 October 1807, unidentified location, bill of sale: Alexander Bisland to John Bisland, house and lot in Washington, Mississippi, stating value; 28 January 1808, Nassau [West Indies?], receipted bill: Ann Purst to Alexander Bisland, regarding nine days’ board, $13.50; 9 March 1808, unidentified location, statement: Edmund Schackelford to John Foreman and John Bisland, regarding overseer and wages, cash and supplies; 18 April 1821, Natchez, Mississippi, receipted bill: B. F. Gaither to Peter Bisland, regarding bacon, price given; 14 May 1821, unidentified location, receipted bill: William Bisland to S. Bisland, regarding price of mackerel, apples, and flour; 12 November 1821, Natchez, Mississippi, letter: Alexander McAulay to Mrs. Susannah Bisland, regarding prices of dry goods and clothing; 31 December 1821, Natchez, Mississippi, receipted bill: M. Provan to Mrs. Bisland, regarding medical and surgical attendance; 1824, unidentified location, receipted bill: P. M. Lapice to Mr. Bisland, regarding cordials, brandy, Guava jelly, Dutch cheese, walnuts, prices quoted; 5 September 1825, Centreville, Mississippi, letter: James Smylie to Mrs. Susannah Bisland, regarding fever and murder; 21 July 1842, letter: J. C. Beatty to William Bisland, regarding judgment; 1 August 1843, unidentified location, bill: R. Ainsworth to William Bisland, regarding court fees; 2 July 1845, Thibodeaux, Louisiana, receipted bill: regarding eight patented sugar house lamps, price given; 29 December 1843, unidentified location, order: Henry Shea to Bisland and Shields, regarding payment for barrels; 5 December 1844, Aragon Plantation, letter: family news, molasses thirteen cents per gallon, in vat or cistern; 16 May 1845, letter: F. A. McPheeters to “Gentlemen,” regarding summer vacation in mountains; 8 October 1846, unidentified location, freight bill: C. Gyle to Mrs. Bisland; 15 February 1848, New Orleans, Louisiana, letter: William A. Bisland to Mr. Lambdin, regarding family news, stating that Mr. Dunbar was returning to Mexico; 4 April 1848, Vidalia, Louisiana, power of attorney: Mrs. Mary L. L. Witherspoon Bisland, executrix, estate of William Bisland, late of Terrebonne Parish, to Samuel Hopkins Lambdin, regarding disposal of property; 13 May 1848, New Orleans, Louisiana, letter: A. N. Ogden to Samuel H. Lambdin,

**Manuscript Volumes**

**Volume 1, John Bisland, Cotton Record Book, 1800–1820**, includes a cotton record, 1802–1820; daybook merchandise entries, 1800–1809; and a letter copybook, 1802–1807, 1816. The cotton record book of John Bisland includes entries, 1802–1820, concerning weights and number of cotton bales made, shipped, and damaged at sea on board ship *Neptune* (John Clasby, master); number and weight of cotton bales raised, 1806–1809, 1815, at Mount Airwell; and an account of the cotton crop of 1819 sold, 26 March 1820, to G. Ralston. Daybook entries, 1800–1809, concern purchases and sales of merchandise consisting of flour, combs, books, blankets, gold rings, umbrellas, screws, and other items, and payment for carpentry services. The letter copy book, 1802–1807, 1816, consists principally of copies of letters, receipted bills, and legal deeds to and from John Bisland concerning cotton sales and shipments (1802–1807, 1816), the shipment of mahogany on ship *Neptune* (1803), claims at Cross Creek, North Carolina (22 June 1807), the inoculation of whites and blacks against smallpox (1802, page 34), description by William Bisland (son of John Bisland) of large quantities of vegetables and fish in New Orleans markets and activity in New Orleans port with two hundred vessels being docked (3 May 1816), and comments by William Bisland on extensive gambling and dancing, even on Sundays, in New Orleans (9 May 1816). The volume also contains miscellaneous memoranda concerning John Bisland’s taxable property (12 September 1805); clothing given slaves at Mount Airwell (1808); stores for ships *Neptune* and *Lady Nelson* (1802–1803); list of goods wanted at Natchez, Mississippi, including curtains, hats, knives and forks, and necklaces (1801); statement
that John Bisland left North Carolina on 7 August 1775, because of disturbances there and arrived in Jamaica on 9 September 1775, according to a letter, 7 November 1775, from Kingston (1803).

Volume 2, John Bisland, Daybook, 1770–1787 and 1808–1819, contains entries, 1770–1774, pertaining to Bisland's store in Glasgow, Scotland, owned jointly with John Muir, and entries, 1777–1787 and 1808–1819, concerning Bisland's store in Natchez, Mississippi, the building of a mill, and cash paid for various goods and services. The daybook also contains memoranda concerning educational expenses of Bisland's daughter, Susan, at Natchez (1817), the death of Margret Kemp in Natchez (1818), money sent to relatives in Scotland by William Bisland (1812), and other miscellaneous memoranda pertaining to corn gathered, cotton raised, and weights of tobacco.

Volume 3, John Bisland, Daybook, 1774 and 1787–1820, pertains to cash accounts in Glasgow, Scotland (1774); Natchez, Mississippi, store accounts, 1787–1788, listing such items as bread, salt, rum, ducks, and shipments of tobacco; and memoranda concerning notes in hand (1811–1812) and loads of cotton and corn (1816–1820). The volume also contains personal entries relating to the marriage of daughter, Jean, to John Ross (7 March 1816), the death of Jean (Bisland) Ross (30 July 1816), the marriage of son, James, to Miss Ross, the daughter of Col. Ross (14 March 1817), and the marriage of son, William, to Louise Witherspoon (19 October 1820). Entries reflecting the religious fervor of John Bisland include a memorandum, 1818, concerning "prechen" at Salem Church, and a prayer, 1820.

Volume 4, John Bisland, Daybook, 1786–1790, 1804, 1817, and undated, is a fragmentary daybook of John Bisland concerning the store in Natchez and including account entries, 1786–1790, for potatoes, pigs, cattle, tobacco, shoes, rum, branding iron, sugar, and weights of hogs. The volume also contains the will of Frederick Calvert (or Calvet), undated; memoranda regarding a thunder and lightning storm, 1804, in Glasgow, Scotland; the cost of leaving Cross Creek, North Carolina, because of disturbances there (undated); and a list of letters put in Washington post office (1817).

Volume 5, John Bisland, Daybook, 1802–1803, consists of a day-by-day expense account book, 1802–1803, of John Bisland in Glasgow, Scotland. The notation "Adam Muir Weaver Pables(?)" appears on the inside cover of the volume.

Volume 6, John Bisland and Alexander Bisland, Diary, 1802–1804, includes entries, 1802, probably by John Bisland concerning a trip to Scotland on the ship Neptune and entries, 1804, probably by Alexander Bisland concerning instruction received in Scotland. The volume also contains a copy of a letter, 1804, probably by Alexander Bisland to a friend mentioning his stay in Scotland and plans to return by the ship Howard, and memoranda, 1802–1803, pertaining to laundry, books, and miscellaneous notes.

Volume 7, John Bisland and Alexander Bisland, Diary, 1804, 1808, and 1814–1818, includes travel entries, 1804 and 1808, and plantation entries, 1814–1818. A travel diary, 1804, of Alexander Bisland contains detailed accounts of weather conditions of homeward voyage from Grenoch on board the ship Howard with Capt. W. Cantry, master. The volume also contains a copy of a warrant, 1808, signed by Alexander
Bisland, Adams County, Mississippi, for the arrest of James Martin for failure to pay debts. A plantation diary, 1814–1818, of John Bisland contains entries concerning corn gathered, sheep shorn, seed planted, sweet potatoes dug, cotton ginned, and hogs killed. The diary also contains miscellaneous memoranda including “Sthenen Minor dayed this day in the Morning of the dropsessey one time (passed)” (29 November 1815), James Fitzgerald died (17 May 1816), Susan (daughter) went to school this day (31 October 1814), the burial of John (son) on 2 November 1814, the marriage of daughter, Jean (7 March 1816), British troops left yesterday (2 March 1815, page 66), learned on 4 March 1815 of ratification of peace treaty at Ghent on 24 December 1814 (11 March 1815), William Bisland (son) in Scotland (29 January 1818), and Gen. Claiborne (“Genral Clay Burn fell of his horse died with speaking,” 22 March 1815).

Volume 8, Frederick Calvert (or Calvit), Estate Inventory Book, 1790–1800, contains a listing and evaluation of slaves, mares, colts, fillies, and legal fees. The volume also includes a notation, “A paper of Frederick Calvit, Now of no manner of use.”

Volume 9, John Bisland, Journal, 1767–1773, concerns a dry goods store operated by him in partnership with John Muir in Glasgow, Scotland.

Volume 10, John Bisland, Journal, 1774–[1778], 1810–1811, concerns a general merchandise store operated, 1774–1775, by Bisland in Cross Creek, Cumberland County, North Carolina, and in the Natchez region, 1776–[1778]. The volume also contains a few miscellaneous memoranda, 1810–1811, concerning clothing given slaves, corn, and cotton. The first entry concerning Bisland’s residence in Mississippi is 24 February 1776.

Volume 11, John Bisland, Letter Copy Book, 1817, consists principally of outgoing correspondence of John Bisland from Mount Airwell Plantation, near Natchez, to his son, William, in Scotland, and to friends, Peter Duncan, James Ure, and William Steele, and to Dennistown Hill and Co. Letters to William Bisland contain fatherly advice to his son in school, mention the severity of yellow fever in New Orleans and Natchez and attribute lack of cotton sales to yellow fever (9 October), and state that he expects to lose half of his cotton by cotton rot (9 October). A letter to Peter Duncan comments on the severity of yellow fever in Natchez and states that great numbers of the people remaining in Natchez continue to die daily; mentions the removal of court to Washington, Mississippi; and attributes lack of business to the fact that everyone seeks safety (11 October). A letter to James Ure mentions the purchase of one hundred acres of land adjoining his plantation for $600 with expectation of earning $500 from seventeen acres planted in cotton, expresses the need for all classes of tradesmen and laborers, and states carpenters can earn nine to eighteen shillings daily plus room, board, and washing (25 October). A letter to William Steele mentions the refusal of William Montgomery, minister, to accept $1,500 for teaching and $500 for preaching in Louisiana; states that James Smylie, minister, mentioned the probability of $800 being offered at an academy for teaching; comments on strong principles of independence in each person; and mentions foundation being laid of state college in Washington, Mississippi, salaries paid there, and that teachers have been procured (30 August). Letters, 2 September and undated, to Dennistown and Hill, New Orleans merchants,
request the sale of a runaway slave. A copy of a letter by William McAulay (nephew of John Bisland) to John Bain, probably in Scotland, discusses terms offered by Bisland to tradesmen and mentions demand for millwrights, carpenters, and laborers (28 October).

Volume 12, John Bisland, Receipt Book, 1812–1820, contains entries concerning loans of money to children, repairs of mill and gin, wages, gold watches, cotton, hides, and bagging.

N.B. Researchers should note the existence of Beatrice Marion Stokes, “John Bisland, Mississippi planter, 1776–1821” (Louisiana State University thesis, 1941). Related collections include Collection # z1610, Bisland-Shields Family Collection, among the holdings of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson, Mississippi, scheduled for inclusion, in part, in Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War, Series N.

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James P. Bowman and Family Papers (Mss. 1372, 1382), 1806–1937,
Iberville, St. Mary, and West Feliciana Parishes, Louisiana

Biographical Note
Catharine Rucker Turnbull (d. 1832), mother of Daniel Turnbull, West Feliciana Parish. Land records and business papers, 1806–1829.


Eliza Bowman Lyons (1805–1851), nee Pirrie and widow by first marriage of Robert H. Barrow, of Oakley Plantation in West Feliciana Parish. Eliza Pirrie Bowman married,
in 1840, her third husband, Henry Lyons. Business and estate papers and a few family letters, 1829–1854 and undated.

William R. Bowman (d. 1835), husband of Eliza Barrow, nee Pirrie, and Protestant Episcopal clergyman of Grace Church in St. Francisville, West Feliciana Parish. Papers, 1823–1835, 1839; estate papers, 1843; and sermons, undated.


Description of the Collection

The James P. Bowman and Family Papers, 1806–1937, comprise 2,615 items, and one hundred manuscript volumes and six printed volumes. The papers are arranged in folders as follows.

Papers, 1806–1814 and 1818–1819, of Catharine Rucker Turnbull, widow, and mother of Daniel Turnbull, of West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana, include an act of sale, in Spanish, signed by Carlow Grand-Pre, and articles of agreement to purchase land, West Feliciana Parish, by Catharine Rucker Turnbull from John William and Susannah Gartley, 1806–1807; a land sale, Rapides Parish, signed by Richard Claiborne, judge, by William Miller to Levi Wells, 1808; fourteen promissory notes and drafts signed by John Towles, New Orleans and West Feliciana Parish, payable to Hart, Bartlet and Co., Benjamin Morgan, Llewelyn C. Griffith, Joseph Gray, Nathaniel Evans, J. Smith and Co., Gillaspie and Webb, Murray and Crawford, Dr. Will Syon, Kavanagh and Co., Jonathan Longstreth, John Ewing, John Nielson, and Chew and Relf, some of which placed to account of Catharine Turnbull, 1810, and 1812–1813; four bills and receipts issued Towles for purchase of merchandise and hardware and board from Winter and Harmon, W. P. Meeker, William Harper, and E. Fourage, 1811–1812; one receipt signed by John W. Johnson for payment by Towles to account of Catharine Turnbull, 1812; one statement of account from Towles to Catharine Turnbull for plantation expenses, 1813; two letters from Towles, New Orleans and St. Mary Parish, to Catharine Turnbull commenting on financial matters and departure to Lafourche on steamboat (19 June 1814), crops, and dissolution of plantation partnership (18 December 1818); one letter from Towles to Daniel Turnbull commenting on possible land transaction and plantation matters (27 August 1819); one letter from M. V. Anderson, Natchez, relative to need of Isaac Tabor’s testimony concerning slave ownership (24 May 1819); and one routine letter from Ferguson and Rich, Alexandria, Rapides Parish, to Daniel Turnbull, 1819.

Papers, 1820–1823, include ten letters to Daniel Turnbull consisting of five letters from John Towles, medical doctor, mentioning his son, John Jr., financial matters, and shipment of merchandise, 1820; three letters from Ferguson and Rich concerning financial matters, 1820; one letter from Debuys and Longer, New Orleans factor, 1820; and one letter from Thomas C. Scott mentioning protest of note given by Walter Turnbull and endorsed by Daniel, ca. 1822. There is also a receipt issued Daniel for payment of subscription to the Louisiana Advertiser, 1821. Included are two letters to Catharine Turnbull from John Towles commenting on financial matters, 1821, and from
W. P. Anderson, Craggy Hope, concerning settlement of Kentucky estate, 1822. There is also one statement by John Towles mentioning settlement of accounts with Catharine Turnbull, 1823; a statement of facts regarding Bayou Boeuff lands sold by Daniel Clark, ca. 1820; two certified copies of land transaction by John and Susannah Gartley to Catharine Turnbull, 1822; a letter by Obadiah Jennings, Washington, recommending William Bowman to A. Alexander, Doctor of Divinity, Princeton University, New Jersey, as prospective theological student, 5 November 1823.

Papers, 1826–1829, include twelve items of James F. Turnbull [brother of Daniel Turnbull], consisting of three promissory notes favoring Bennett Barrow and Daniel Turnbull, 1827, and nine bills and receipts for payment of legal court costs, medical services, room and board, hides, and merchandise purchased from M. Nuebling, St. Francisville, and others, 1826–1828. There are also ten items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of seven receipts for merchandise purchased and hotel services, 1826–1828; a promissory note signed by Walter and Daniel Turnbull favoring H. W. Hughes, 1828; an affidavit relative to Catharine Turnbull’s ownership of slaves signed by Daniel Turnbull and Lewis Stirling, 1829; and an invoice for shipment of bagging by Nathaniel Cox, New Orleans, 1829. There are ten items of Catharine Turnbull consisting of notes and bills and receipts for the purchase of merchandise from M. Nuebling and others, 1827–1829. There are also four letters to William R. Bowman, Protestant Episcopal clergyman, St. Francisville, from Henry H. Whitehouse, clergyman, New York City (to Bowman in Philadelphia), mentioning failure to purchase a book, 1827; two letters from Nathaniel Cox commenting on accounts of Mrs. Bowman (Eliza Pirrie Barrow Bowman) and Robert H. Barrow, 1829; and a friendly letter from Thomas G. Morgan, Desert Plantation, ca. 1829.

Papers, 1830, include four letters to William R. Bowman, Oakley Plantation, West Feliciana Parish, including a letter (damaged) from his brother, H. L. Bowman, Brownsville, Pennsylvania, commenting on local church and antimasonry feeling, 16 January; a letter from Scott and Fulton, law firm, Alexandria, concerning division by family of Bayou Boeuff land; a friendly letter from J. C. Porter, clergyman, Natchez; and a letter from James J. Hall, New Orleans, discussing signatures needed on document concerning church convention, 23 August. There are forty-eight items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of six factor letters from Nathaniel Cox concerning cotton accounts and shipments, a cancelled promissory note, thirty-five receipts for payment of merchandise purchased, hire of an African American, blacksmith services, freight, groceries, taxes, and lumber, and two enlargement prints of statements of cotton sales from Rosedown, Catalpa, and Middleplace plantations from Nathaniel Cox.

Papers, 1831, include forty-four items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of thirty-six miscellaneous receipts including an enlargement print for payment of china, groceries, mules, board, cypress timber, drugs, medical and blacksmith services, hay, and brick; three receipts including an enlargement print for payment of overseer at Middleplace and Rosedown plantations; two receipts issued Turnbull for merchandise purchased for Grove Plantation from E. Bridges; two factor letters; and a statement of account from
Nathaniel Cox. There is also a William R. Bowman receipt for payment of postage and seed and a Robert H. Barrow statement of account current with William R. Bowman.

Papers, 1832–1833, include twenty-one items of Daniel Turnbull including a letter from Harper Michell, secretary of the faculty, Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, informing him of the dismissal of his ward, John T. Towles, 25 October 1832; a letter from A. Fisk, Watt and Co., New Orleans factor, 1833; and nineteen miscellaneous receipts for payment of medical and blacksmith services, taxes, drugs, hides, merchandise, and court fees, 1832. There is also a letter from H. G. Williams, Bayou Boeuff, to William C. C. Martin, Alexandria, concerning land purchase and a letter from H. Niles to J. M. Bell reporting shipment of Niles Registers, 1832–1833. Fifteen items of William R. Bowman include five letters from Nathaniel Cox concerning cotton sales from Prospect Plantation and cotton market, 1832–1833; a letter from H. G. Williams, Bayou Boeuff, commenting on arrangements made with Ruffin Barrow regarding land purchase, 1832; a letter from John King, Covington, Kentucky, discussing wife’s share in property to be sold to Williams, 10 November 1832; a letter from Richard Relf, New Orleans, discussing appointment of a Protestant Episcopal bishop, 25 May 1833; a letter from E. H. Barton, medical doctor, West Feliciana Parish, commenting on cholera epidemic and giving detailed cure, 16 July 1833; a letter from James A. Fox, New Orleans, discussing postponement of convention and appointment of a bishop, 28 October 1833; and five receipts for payment of work on Prospect Plantation, lime, and clothing. There is also a statement of account of Robert H. Barrow with William R. Bowman, 1832.

Papers, 1834–1835, include twenty-three items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of three letters from the University of Virginia commenting on expense account and report of John Towles, 1834; a letter from Argus Duplantier, Manchac, Tangipahoa Parish, concerning land purchase, 1834; three cotton factor letters from A. Fisk, Watt and Co. and Finley and Co., New Orleans, 1834; a statement of account concerning cotton sales, 1835; a cancelled promissory note; and fourteen miscellaneous receipts for payment of medical services, overseers’ wages, and purchase of merchandise and hardware, 1834–1835. There are thirteen items of William R. Bowman consisting of three routine business letters from J. Furs, Baton Rouge; J. E. Eastman, Baltimore; and Nathaniel Cox, 1834–1835; three letters from clergymen, including G. W. Ridgely, Newtown, Bucks County, Pennsylvania; James A. Fox, New Orleans; and R. A. Henderson, Philadelphia, commenting on the election of a Protestant Episcopal bishop by the New Orleans Convention, failure to admit the Louisiana diocese into union with the General Convention, and the appointment of Dr. Hawkes as missionary bishop serving Louisiana, Florida, and Arkansas, 1835; a letter probably by Bowman to the editor of the Episcopal Recorder, ca. 1835; and miscellaneous receipts and statements of account, 1835. There is also a statement of account of Robert H. Barrow with William R. Bowman, 1835; a letter of sympathy to Eliza Bowman from James A. Fox upon death of her husband, William R. Bowman, 7 September 1835; and a receipted bill issued Wright for glazing services by Jacob Fulk, Society Hill, 1835.

Papers, 1836–1839, include twenty-seven items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of twenty-three bills and receipts, memoranda regarding cotton shipments, and statements
of account and letters from New Orleans factors including Burke, Watt and Co., Washington Jackson and Co., and Finley and Co.; two letters from J. W. King (brother-in-law), medical doctor, Covington, Kentucky, commenting on financial matters involving the Newport Manufacturing Co., birthday party of son, John, and sale of land by stepdaughter, Rosina B. Groesbeck, to Turnbull, 1836 and 1838; a letter from William Flower, New Orleans, regarding land matters, 1838; and a routine letter of Sam Shaw, 1838. There are also seven items of Eliza P. Bowman consisting of receipts, a cancelled note, factor letters from Burke, Watt and Co., 1837–1839, and an enlargement print of a bill from B. Brower and Co., New Orleans, for the purchase of dining room service, 12 November 1838. There are also six items concerning accounts of Robert H. Barrow, minor, with William R. Bowman, filed 1839. There is also a bill for books issued William Terrell, Jackson, East Feliciana Parish, by William McKeans, 1838; a receipt for payment of horses sold Mrs. Gilbert by W. E. Price; two statements of account issued W. B. Turnbull estate by Washington Jackson and Co.; and a statement of account of Mrs. John Turnbull with John Kernan, 1838.

Papers, 1840–1841, include twenty-one items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of two bills and receipts, nine statements of account from Finley and Co. and Todd, Jackson and Co., New Orleans factors, and nine factor letters from Flower and Finley, 1840–1841. There are seven items of Eliza Bowman Lyons consisting of four statements of cotton sales and factor letters from Burke, Watt and Co., New Orleans factors, two medical receipts, and a letter fragment, unsigned, commenting on education of Robert Barrow and financial and family matters, 1840–1841.

Papers, 1842, include thirty-six items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of a letter from William Taylor, Lakeland Plantation, Pointe Coupee Plantation, regarding molasses shipment, 17 March; miscellaneous receipts for payment of merchandise, drugs, furniture, medical services, groceries, and labor on Inheritance, Rosedown, the Williams place and Middleplace; and factor letters, Washington Jackson and Co., New Orleans, and Todd, Jackson and Co., Liverpool, England.

Papers, 1842, include sixty-seven invoices of Eliza Bowman Lyons concerning shipments and statements of cotton sales from Burke, Watt and Co. and Peyroux, Arcueil and Co., New Orleans factors, covering years 1835–1842 and filed 5 August 1842. There are also seventy drafts, orders, cancelled notes, receipts for payment of plantation implements and commodities, hides, medical services and drugs, affidavits, and taxes of Eliza Bowman Lyons for Home, Prospect, and Oakley plantations, and factor letters covering years 1836–1842 and filed 5 August 1842.

Papers, 1843, include seventeen items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of two receipts for payments of book and medical services, fourteen factor letters from Todd, Jackson and Co., and a letter from William S. Hamilton, Woodville, Wilkinson County, Mississippi, commenting on financial matters, 16 December. There is also a promissory note signed by C. C. S. Farrar favoring Baines estate and a statement by N. Bowman concerning a note of S. Cummings Sr. (two items). There are twenty-five items of Eliza Bowman Lyons consisting of twenty-three factor letters from Burke, Watt and Co. and Hewitt, Heran and Co., New Orleans; a statement of account for merchandise
purchased from M. and D. Barrow; and a memorandum regarding cotton picked at Home Plantation. There are four items concerning the settlement of the succession of W. R. Bowman involving the estate of minors, Robert H. Barrow and Isobel and William Bowman, and a legal suit of *Eliza Bowman v. Ruffin G. Stirling*.

Papers, 1844–1845, include twenty-seven items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of a letter from R. H. Barrow, New Orleans, regarding financial matters; eighteen factor letters and statements of account from Washington, Jackson and Co. and Todd, Jackson and Co.; and eight bills and receipts for payment of merchandise, freight, and subscription. There is also a memorandum regarding a note of L. Janin, 1844. There are thirty-seven items of Eliza B. Lyons consisting of seven factor letters, statements of account, and bills of lading from Burke, Watt and Co., 1844–1845; a family letter from N. B. Bowman, Brownsville, Pennsylvania, 22 November 1844; and twenty-nine bills and receipts for medical services, drugs, merchandise, and court fees, 1844–1845. There are two bills issued R. H. Barrow for blacksmith services and merchandise, 1845.

Papers, 1846–1847, include eight items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of a letter (copy) to Washington, Jackson and Co., six factor letters and statements of cotton sales from Todd, Jackson and Co. and Washington, Jackson and Co., and a bill for freight, 1846. There are three school exercises in Latin by Sarah Turnbull, daughter of Daniel Turnbull, 1845–1846. There are twenty-three items of Eliza B. Lyons consisting of a letter from Bennett J. Barrow regarding financial matters, 14 June 1847; a factor letter from Burke, Watt and Co., 1846; and twenty-one bills and receipts for pew rent at Grace Church, St. Francisville, medical and blacksmith services, West Feliciana jail fees for arrest of slaves, storage, and merchandise accounts, 1846–1847.

Papers, 1848–1849, include thirteen items of Daniel Turnbull including a letter from William H. Barrow, Bayou Sara, seeking a financial loan, 1 February 1848; a letter from Elizabeth L. Wilcox, Middletown, Pennsylvania, commenting on the guardianship of Francis Stocking, 19 July 1848; eight miscellaneous receipts including a receipt signed by B. F. De Bow for payment of subscription, 1848–1849; a statement of account; and two letters from Washington Jackson and Co. concerning shipments from Hazelwood, Rosedown, Inheritance, and Woodland plantations. There are thirty items of Eliza Bowman Lyons including a family letter from N. B. Bowman, Brownsville, Pennsylvania, 22 June 1848; five bills of lading, factor letters, and statements of cotton sales from G. Burke and Co., New Orleans, 1848–1849; and twenty-four miscellaneous receipts and bills for payment of dressmakers, overseers, taxes, repairs to New Orleans residence, and purchase of merchandise, 1848–1849. There are six miscellaneous receipts for payment of merchandise purchased by Barrow family members, 1848, including a subscription of Sarah S. Turnbull to *Godey's Magazine* and *Lady's Book*, 1849; clothing and a subscription to *Picayune* by James Bowman, 1848–1849; and a subscription of John T. Towles to *M'Makin's Model American Courier*, 1848. There are also two memoranda concerning meetings of state legislatures and finances, 1848.

Papers, 1850–1851, include fifteen items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of bills and receipts for merchandise and subscription to *Charleston Mercury*, statements of account and factor letters from Washington Jackson and Co., and related items, 1850–1851.
There are twenty-four items of Eliza Bowman Lyons including two letters from John H. North, overseer, Pointe Coupee Plantation, reporting on work, crops, and health of slaves, 1850; a letter from S. P. Ivey, Maringuin, Pointe Coupee Parish, offering to purchase brick, 1850; a social invitation from Mr. and Mrs. Fort, 1850; four bills of lading, factor statements, and letters from G. Burke and Co.; and sixteen miscellaneous bills and receipts for jewelry repairs, medical and blacksmith services, subscriptions, and merchandise, 1850–1851. There is a monthly report for James P. Bowman Jr. from St. James College, December 1851. There is a promissory note signed by William H. Barrow favoring Robert J. Barrow, 1851; a letter to J. T. Towles from James N. Nunn, New Orleans, regarding financial matters, 1851; a statement of cotton sales by R. H. Barrow from Swiney, Green and Co., New Orleans, 1851; and two items concerning purchase of coal by L. Matthews from Mortimer Turner, New Orleans, 1851.

Papers, 1852–1853, include thirty-two items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of twenty-seven factor letters, bills of lading, and statements of cotton sales from Washington, Jackson and Co. and Bartley, Johnson and Co., Louisville, Kentucky; a letter from William H. Barrow introducing Mr. Chapman, 3 August 1853; two miscellaneous receipts, 1852–1853; and two enlargement prints of bills for books and sideboard, 1852–1853. There are eight items of James P. Bowman, Hartford, Connecticut, including a letter from William G. Harrison, Baltimore, regarding payment to St. James College in liquidation, 30 April 1852; a friendly letter probably from Sarah Turnbull, Norfolk, 1853; a friendly letter signed Montrose, Washington, 1853; a draft from R. Clendennen, 1853; and four bills and receipts for stationery, food, and merchandise, 1852–1853. There are also six miscellaneous items consisting of an instrument of protest from the New Orleans Canal and Banking Co. concerning a note signed by William H. Barrow and endorsed by Robert J. Barrow, 1853; a receipted dressmaker's bill, 1853; and four bills and receipts for subscription, furniture, and clothing purchased by William B. Turnbull, 1852–1853.

Papers, January–May 1854, include thirty-six items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of twenty-one bills and receipts including an undertaker's bill, a board bill from the St. Louis Hotel, New Orleans, and a furniture bill from P. Mallard, New Orleans, and fifteen factor letters and statements of cotton sales pertaining to Rosedown, Hazelwood, Inheritance, and Middleplace from Washington, Jackson and Co. and Bartley, Johnson and Co. There are also two bills for clothing purchased by Mrs. Turnbull; four bills issued to the estate of Eliza B. Lyons; five bills and statements issued William B. Turnbull; a statement of account of De Soto Plantation with W. Jackson and Co.; a dress bill issued Mrs. Slocomb; and a letter from H. C. Hudson to Barrow commenting on a land title, 30 April. There are also three items of James P. Bowman, Oakley Plantation, consisting of a friendly letter from E. W. Williams, New York City, commenting on Hartford, Connecticut, amusements and acquaintances, 5 April 1854; a cancelled note; and a bill.

Papers, June–December 1854, include fourteen bills and receipts of Daniel Turnbull for merchandise and commodities purchased, freight, and medical services; two clothing bills of Mrs. W. B. Turnbull; and three bills and a statement of account issued
William Turnbull and his estate. There are seventeen items of James P. Bowman including a friendly letter from E. Winslow Williams, Norwich, Connecticut, commenting on attendance of the Protestant Episcopal Convention and mutual friends, 13 June; a friendly letter from R. Andrews, Philadelphia, commenting on mutual fraternity friends and appointment of Dr. Baylor as surgeon on the Arctic, 23 July; a business letter from Brand and Adams, New Orleans, 13 September; and fourteen bills and receipts for ferriage, drugs, farm implements, and merchandise. There is also a receipt concerning the settlement of the estate of Eliza Bowman Lyons and two items concerning the purchase of jewelry and a miniature through Meire, a jeweler, in Liverpool, England.

Papers, 1855, include four statements of cotton sales and ten bills and receipts for payment of wages, pew rent, subscriptions, and taxes of Daniel Turnbull. There is a routine bill of W. B. Turnbull, a son of Daniel Turnbull. There are thirty items of James P. Bowman, Oakley, consisting of a letter from S. Sergeant and R. G. Hutton, College of St. James, appealing for contributions to finance quarterly, 14 December; a letter from Wilson Matthews, brother-in-law, 19 April; a routine business letter from Brand and Adams; and twenty-four promissory notes, drafts, statements of cotton sales from Green and Crump, New Orleans, and miscellaneous bills and receipts for payment of taxes, a nurseryman, contributions to Protestant Episcopal Association of Louisiana, merchandise, and freight. There are two bills issued Mrs. Slocomb for millinery. Seven items concern Bowman and Barrow, Bayou Grosse Tete Plantation, Pointe Coupee, including tax notices, a statement of account, a factor letter, an order to pay, and a receipt signed by L. A. Champomier for payment by Robert H. Barrow for statements of Louisiana Sugar Crop, 1853–1854 and 1854–1855.

Papers, 1856, include eleven items of Daniel Turnbull including a letter from F. W. Pickens, Columbia, Marion County, Mississippi, regarding the death of Turnbull’s son, 4 December, and ten miscellaneous bills and receipts. Sixty-one items of James P. Bowman consist principally of miscellaneous bills, receipts, orders to pay, statements of cotton sales, factor letters from W. and D. Urquhart, Green and Crump, and S. Gumbel and Co., New Orleans, and routine business letters from Leeds and Co., New Orleans, Lyon and Bell, Cincinnati, Ohio, H. Slocomb, and L. L. Smith, Locust Place; an enlargement print of receipt for payment of rockers from Shumway and Clapp, 15 March. There are eleven items of William B. Turnbull including a letter from Brewer and Collins, St. Francisville, commenting on the havoc caused by a storm at Last Island, Louisiana, 18 August, and routine bills and receipts. There is also a bill for purchase of millinery by Mrs. Slocomb; four miscellaneous receipts; and four bills and receipts issued Bowman and Barrow and Bowman and Co. for medical service and molasses barrels probably pertaining to Grosse Tete Plantation.

Papers, 1857, include twenty-eight items of James P. Bowman consisting of eleven routine business letters from Samuel Bell Jr., Philadelphia, R. J. Henry, West Feliciana Parish, Sickles and Co. and W. and D. Urquhart, New Orleans, J. S. Chenoweth and Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, and George W. Woodruff, overseer, Frogmoor Plantation; and sixteen drafts, bills, and receipts; and an enlargement print of letter from Samuel Bell Jr. regarding purchase of sewing machine, 29 October. There are eighty-five items of
Daniel Turnbull consisting of thirty-two letters including one from William S. Hamilton, West Feliciana Parish, commenting on death of William B. Turnbull and financial matters, 6 January, three from Cora B. Turnbull (wife of William B. Turnbull), Dunboyne Plantation, regarding DeSoto Plantation and family matters, fourteen factor letters from Washington Jackson and Co. and W. H. Graham, Philadelphia, seven letters from Edward George Washington Butler, Dunboyne, Iberville Parish, commenting on business matters pertaining to daughter, Cora Turnbull, DeSoto Plantation, crops, and school and travel of Lawrence Butler, two letters from A. M. Turnbull, nephew, New Orleans, concerning business matters, and five routine business letters; fifty-one bills, receipts, and statements of cotton sales; two enlargement prints of receipts for payment of silver cups purchased from Hyde and Goodrich, 28 January; and payment of Rosedown overseer, 30 December. There are also eight items concerning estate of William B. Turnbull administered by Daniel Turnbull.

Papers, January–September 1858, include seventeen items of James P. Bowman consisting of eight routine business letters from Hill and Markham, Baton Rouge, G. W. Woodruff, Frogmoor Plantation, John Yoist, Point Coupee Parish, and nine miscellaneous bills and receipts and an order to pay. There are forty-one items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of sixteen letters from Washington Jackson and Co., A. M. Turnbull, Cora Turnbull, D. Freeman, overseer of De Soto Plantation, and Edward George W. Butler commenting on advisability of selling De Soto Plantation, birth of daughter to James and Sarah Bowman, and family matters (14 and 24 February), and twenty-five miscellaneous bills and receipts, bills of lading, and statements of cotton sales. There are thirteen receipted bills and statements of cotton, sugar, and molasses sales concerning estate of W. B. Turnbull. There is a letter to William R. Stirling, St. Francisville, from J. B. Switzer, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, concerning stock owned by Mary Stirling (mother of William) and her succession. There are two letters to J. T. Towles from Washington Jackson and Co. regarding business matters pertaining to Rosedown, Styopa, and De Soto plantations.

Papers, October–December 1858, include fifteen items of James P. Bowman consisting of seven letters from W. and D. Urquhart, J. S. Chenoweth and Co., G. W. Woodruff, J. V. Duralde, and W. B. Ruby concerning plantation matters; twenty-four miscellaneous receipted bills, drafts, promissory notes, and statements of molasses sales; and an enlargement print of a receipted bill from Samuel H. Peck, New Orleans, for purchase of a Wheeler and Wilson sewing machine, 11 February 1859. There is also
a receipt of Sarah Bowman for jewelry repairs. Twelve items of Daniel Turnbull consist of five letters from A. M. Turnbull and Co. and L. G. Picou and Co., Red River Landing, Rapides Parish, and seven bills, invoices, and statements of cotton sales. There are two letters to Mrs. Daniel Turnbull from Cora Turnbull commenting on family matters. There are two miscellaneous bills issued from Institute de Madame Dumay to “Miss Press” and from Guerin to Mrs. Slocomb.

Papers, March–December 1859, include thirty-four items of James P. Bowman consisting of two business letters from Leeds and Co. and John D. Slack, four notes and drafts, and twenty-eight bills and receipts including receipts for contribution to the Protestant Episcopal Association, payment of room and board at the Gayoso Hotel, Memphis, Tennessee, and payment for the survey of Grosse Tete Plantation. An item of Bowman and Matthews is a lumber bill. There are twenty-nine items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of fourteen letters, statements of account and cotton sales from Washington Jackson and Co. and A. M. Turnbull and Co.; a business letter from J. Stouthers and Sons, Philadelphia; a memorandum listing weight of cotton bales from Styopa; and thirteen miscellaneous receipts, invoices, and drafts. There are six letters to Isobel Bowman Matthews, sister of James Pirrie Bowman, consisting of four friendly letters from Cora A. Slocomb, New Orleans, commenting on local news and the birth of “Miss Matthews No. 3” (6 and 25 September, 11 and 21 October); a friendly letter from “Nonie” to aunt, 2 November; and a friendly letter from Sudie R. Finley, New Orleans, commenting on scarcity of Christmas trees in the city, 27 December. There is a business letter to Robert Turnbull from G. Chenoweth and Co., Cincinnati, Ohio, and a freight bill to W. W. Matthews.

Papers, January–May 1860, include twenty-nine items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of a letter from E. G. W. Butler, Dunboyne, commenting on the sale of Cora Turnbull’s slaves to George Williamson and family matters, 29 January; a letter (copy) to Washington Jackson and Co. expressing dissatisfaction over sales of cotton and sugar; three statements of account of cotton and sugar; three statements of account and cotton sales from A. M. Turnbull and Co.; and twenty-four drafts, promissory notes, and bills and receipts for payment of plantation labor, household lamps, groceries, and merchandise. There is a letter from Cora B. Turnbull, Dunboyne, to Mrs. Daniel Turnbull, mother-in-law, commenting on family matters and prevalence of typhoid in New Orleans hotels, 10 February. There are thirty-four items of James P. Bowman consisting of four business letters from C. A. Barriere and Brothers, New Orleans, Samuel Locke, New Orleans, and Holmes and Claus; a statement of account with C. H. Slocomb and Co. regarding Home and Grosse Tete plantations, 28 March; and twenty-nine miscellaneous receipts and notes. There are eight miscellaneous items including three bills and receipts of Willson W. Matthews for merchandise; a West Feliciana Parish jail receipt for delivery of slave; two bills covering cost of act of sale from R. H. Barrow to Mrs. I. L. Matthews; a business letter, in French, from “Olympe” to “Monsieur”; and a letter from A. J. Powell, auctioneer, New Orleans, to “My dear Coln,” seeking assistance for sale of wood cutter.
Papers, June–December 1860, include thirty-five items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of a letter from J. R. Raby, overseer, DeSoto Plantation, commenting on crops and management, 3 June; appointment as road overseer in West Feliciana Parish, 4 June; a business letter from John W. Spear; three factor statements and letters from A. M. Turnbull and Co. and Washington Jackson and Co.; and twenty-nine miscellaneous bills and receipts. There is a letter to Isobel Bowman Matthews from Ida Slocomb, New Orleans, commenting on adversities of Matthews and discussing the approaching marriage of Tena Smith to Sidney Chambers, 10 June. There are five letters to James P. Bowman including a letter from R. H. Tompkins, Amherst City, Virginia, commenting on illness of Martha Bowman (daughter of James), gloomy accounts of Grosse Tete Plantation, and political division in nation, “Truly a tangled Hank Land,” 21 July; a letter from William H. Stirling, DeSoto Plantation, commenting on authorization given Bowman Sweitzer to handle stock in mother’s succession, 7 August; and three letters from A. Barrow, Baton Rouge, commenting on election returns in Delaware, Florida, and Mississippi, little hope to defeat Lincoln, and stating inability to utter views publicly (14 and 23 September, 2 November); and two miscellaneous receipts. There are seven miscellaneous items including memoranda, receipts, and a letter to Aleck Barrow from Meritt S. Pilcher, captain, Nashville, concerning L. F. Buck’s reaction to Bowman, 24 October.

Papers, 1861, include six miscellaneous bills and receipts of Daniel Turnbull; six factor letters to Martha H. Turnbull, wife of Daniel, from J. Norman Jackson, New Orleans; three receipted bills and bills of lading of Wilson Matthews; and a memorandum of Isobel L. Matthews. There are twenty-five items of James P. Bowman including two business letters from J. F. Lapice, New Orleans, and A. M. Turnbull; a letter from Willie Barrow, Maringouin, Pointe Coupee Parish, stating need of Sharp to lease an acre of Barrow’s land, 3 February; an appraisal of a horse for the Pointe Coupee Light Artillery, Columbus, Kentucky, 15 September, and twenty-one drafts, promissory notes, bills and receipts, and invoices. There are four miscellaneous items including two receipted bills; a grocery bill to G. W. Woodruff from Johnson and Levy, Livonia, Pointe Coupee Parish; a letter to John T. Towles from A. E. Cato and Co., New Orleans, stating inability to supply DeSoto Plantation laborers with shoes.

Papers, 1862, include thirty-five items of James P. Bowman consisting of twenty-six notes, bills, and receipts for purchase of merchandise, groceries, and medical service; a business letter from Jordan Holt, Baton Rouge, Lousiana; and five letters from A. Heise, overseer, Frogmoor, commenting on epidemic of measles, high water, plantation matters, need for salt, rumors of guerrillas causing cotton to be piled up ready for the torch, and African Americans running away from local plantations (23 March, 23 and 31 May, 5 and 11 July). There is a letter to Martha H. Turnbull from J. Norman Jackson, New Orleans, regarding Daniel Turnbull estate matters and financial matters. There is also a routine bill and a memorandum.

Papers, 1863 and 1865, include six items of James P. Bowman consisting of a letter and receipt for payment of wages by A. Heise, Frogmoor, three miscellaneous receipts,
and a memorandum regarding the birth of slaves, 1863. There are four statements of sales of cotton to Martha H. Turnbull from J. Norman Jackson, 1865.

Papers, 1866, include thirty factor letters to James P. Bowman from J. Norman Jackson and L. A. Finley, New Orleans, concerning financial matters pertaining to the Daniel Turnbull estate, shipment of cotton, government regulations, and account of Mrs. Sarah T. Bowman (wife of James). There are three statements of account to Sarah T. Bowman from L. A. Finley. There are twelve statements of cotton sales from J. Norman Jackson and a bill of lading to Daniel Turnbull estate. There are two Daily Market Reports (13 and 27 December) and a memorandum.

Papers, 1867, include seven letters to James P. Bowman from L. A. Finley Jr. and J. Norman Jackson concerning Daniel Turnbull estate matters and shipment of garden seed. There is an account of cotton sales issued Daniel Turnbull estate, a Daily Market Report, 3 January, and an invoice of merchandise shipped Sarah T. Bowman by L. A. Finley.

Papers, March–August 1868, include twenty-four factor letters to James P. Bowman from Richard Flower, New Orleans factor, discussing accounts of Martha H. Turnbull and Sarah Turnbull Bowman, discussing purchases made for plantations, and commenting on African American participation in Democratic Clubs (1 August). There are two New Orleans Prices Current, 10 July and 18 August.

Papers, September–November 1868, include twenty factor letters to James P. Bowman consisting of nineteen letters from Richard Flower concerning cotton shipments and accounts of M. H. Turnbull and Sarah T. Bowman, and a letter from W. and D. Urquhart concerning Bowman’s sugar sales. There are four miscellaneous items including an annual market statement, 31 August; two New Orleans Prices Current, 11 September and 9 October; and a draft payable to M. H. Turnbull.

Papers, 1869, include twenty-nine statements of cotton sales from Richard Flower to James P. Bowman concerning crops of Styopa and Rosedown plantations.

Papers, 1870–1879, include twenty items of James P. Bowman consisting of nineteen bills and receipts and orders to pay; a letter from Richard Flower and Co.; and a letter from W. B. Sweitzer, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, regarding family and financial matters, 28 May 1874. There are five miscellaneous items including a factor letter to M. H. Turnbull; a memorandum and a list of cotton received for Sarah T. Bowman; a New Orleans Cotton Exchange Market Report, 15 November 1878; and a list of questions and answers in geography, 1879.

Papers, 1880–1889, include eleven items of James P. Bowman consisting of a letter from E. Weber, Bayou Sara, regarding financial matters, 1886; a bill for seed, 1886; nine memoranda concerning plantation hands and cotton crops; and a New Orleans Exchange Market Report, 5 September 1881. There are four items pertaining to the estate of C. S. Teutsch consisting of three statements of cotton sales from J. L. Harris and Co., New Orleans, and a bill for plantation commodities. There are two receipts of Sarah T. Bowman, 1881, 1885; a letter to Mamie Bowman from Amelia, Natchitoches, on death of Mamie’s sister, 1887; a tax receipt issued Dave Webb, Rosedown, 1881; and a list of arithmetic problems, 1880.

Papers, 1890 and 1893, consist of three items, an invitation to Krewe of Momus, New Orleans Mardi Gras, 1890; a friendly letter to Bella Bowman from Edna G. Brothers, Waveland, Hancock County, relating social activities, 1893; and a memorandum concerning plantation mules, 1893.

Sarah T. Bowman, Plantation Accounts, 1890, consist of forty-two statements of account and statements of cotton sales to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius Freyhan and Co., St. Francisville, concerning commodities purchased and cotton sold.

Sarah T. Bowman, Plantation Accounts, 1891, consist of twenty-two statements of account and cotton sales to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius T. Freyhan.

Sarah T. Bowman, Plantation Accounts, 1892, consist of six statements of account to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius T. Freyhan for house and plantation matters.

Sarah T. Bowman Plantation Accounts, 1893, consist of thirteen statements of account to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius T. Freyhan for merchandise and commodities furnished the plantation.

Papers, 1894, consist of two lists concerning mules and plantation hands at Rosedown, Hazelwood, and Inheritance.

Sarah T. Bowman Plantation Accounts, 1894, consist of twenty-eight statements of account to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius T. Freyhan concerning plantation, house, and cotton accounts.

Sarah T. Bowman Plantation Accounts, 1895–1896, consist of six statements of account to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius T. Freyhan concerning plantation and cotton accounts.

Papers, 1895–1898, consist of seven items: a Jackson Railroad Co. pass to James P. Bowman and account of Louisiana Insane Asylum, 1897, and six lists concerning cotton and mules on Rosedown, Inheritance, and Hazelwood.

Sarah T. Bowman Plantation Accounts, 1900, consist of seventeen statements of account and related items to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius T. Freyhan concerning plantation and house accounts.

Papers, 1901–1902, include eighty-six items of James P. Bowman consisting of four friendly letters from Ida A. Richardson, New Orleans, and his wife and children, Ashville, North Carolina, 1901–1902; fifty-eight miscellaneous bills and receipts for lumber, merchandise, medical services, and drugs; seventeen statements of cotton sales, drafts, and memoranda; and seven business letters and cards from M. H. Goldman, Herrmann and Co. (cotton brokers), Montgomery and Percy, Charles Weydert, and J. Steckler See Co. There are eight bills, receipts, and a statement of account of Sarah T. Bowman. There are twelve miscellaneous items consisting of four lists concerning Hazelwood, Inheritance, and Rosedown plantations, a blank assessment list, and seven bills and notices probably rendered plantation hands.
Sarah T. Bowman, Plantation Accounts, 1901–1902, consist of thirty-nine statements of account rendered Sarah T. Bowman by Julius T. Freyhan concerning plantation and house accounts.

Papers, 1903, include sixty-nine factor letters and statements of account to James P. Bowman from Herrmann and Wolf, New Orleans cotton brokers, and four miscellaneous items including a receipt for sale of a horse and three lists concerning purchases made, accounts with hands, and plantation mules.

Sarah T. Bowman, Plantation Accounts, 1903, consist of thirty-eight statements of account and cotton sales to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius T. Freyhan concerning plantation and house accounts.

Sarah T. Bowman, Plantation Accounts, 1904, consist of sixteen statements of account to Sarah T. Bowman from Julius T. Freyhan concerning plantation and house accounts.

Papers, 1904–1909, include twenty-four lists, assessment returns, memoranda, and receipts pertaining to operation of Rosedown, Inheritance, and Hazelwood plantations.


Papers, 1921–1925, consist of fourteen items of James P. Bowman consisting of three notices of deposits from the Bank of Commerce, St. Francisville; a United States map; and ten plantation assessment lists.

Payrolls, 1921–1923 and 1926, consist of 101 daily plantation payrolls.

Reverend William Robert Bowman, Sermons, undated, consist of thirty items.

Papers, undated, include two items of Daniel Turnbull consisting of a receipt for payment for building addition to dwelling and a letter from D. Freeman, overseer, DeSoto Plantation, commenting on plantation matters. There are eight items of Eliza Pirrie Bowman Lyons consisting of a bill of lading for shipment of cotton, receipts, a statement of account from Thomas McCrindell for merchandise purchased, and a memorandum. There are seventeen items of James P. Bowman including twelve letters from W. and D. Urquhart, factor; John Skinner, Edenton, former Hartford, Connecticut, school friend; Isabel (sister), Baltimore and New Orleans; G. Schlater, recommending sugar maker; B. Barrow, Trinity, commenting on local gossip and severity of yellow
fever in West Feliciana Parish; C. H. Slocomb, New Orleans; four receipts and directions in fighting; and a report from St. James College. There are five friendly letters and letter fragments to Isabel Bowman Matthews, Cora A. Slocomb, Ida Slocomb, Lucy Boyle, and Pauline. There are two letters to Wilson Matthews from J. W. Matthews (mother of Wilson Matthews) and Lydia R. Finley (sister of Wilson), and a medical prescription. There is a friendly letter to Anna from Mary and a friendly letter to Lucy from Clementine. There are also fifteen miscellaneous items including a handmade valentine, four cards, letter fragments, a receipt, a memorandum, and school questions. There is an enlargement print of a drawing of a mantle and mirror by C. Riddell.

Papers, undated, consist of forty-nine items consisting of prescriptions, bills, receipts, notes, memoranda, land records, and fragments.

Papers, undated, consist of thirty miscellaneous items consisting principally of lists and memoranda concerning plantation accounts and payroll.


Newspaper Clippings, 1880–1890, 1904–1911, 1937, and undated, consist of seventeen miscellaneous clippings concerning strawberry culture in Mississippi, 1881; charbon, 1890; Dan Kelly, armorer of the Washington Artillery, 1907; Fort Panmure, Natchez District, 1909; Oakland Plantation, Gurley, West Feliciana Parish; and advertisements, poetry, and other related interests.


The papers also include a newspaper, 1905, The (Jackson, Louisiana) Democratic Record, 2 September 1905, concerning the yellow fever epidemic in Natchez and New Orleans.

Bound Manuscript Volumes consist of one hundred volumes, numbered as follows:

Volume 1, James P. Bowman and Family, Cotton Record Book, 1879. The volume concerns Rosedown and Inheritance plantations.


Volume 5, James P. Bowman and Family, Cotton Record Book, 1884. The volume concerns Rosedown, Hazelwood, and Inheritance plantations and contains a gin account of J. Freyhan and Co.

Volume 6, James P. Bowman and Family, Cotton Record Book, 1885. The volume concerns Rosedown, Hazelwood, and Inheritance plantations.


Volume 8, James P. Bowman and Family, Cotton Record Book, 1888. The volume concerns Rosedown, Hazelwood, and Inheritance plantations.


Volume 14, James P. Bowman and Family, Cotton Record Book, 1897. The volume concerns Rosedown, Inheritance, and Hazelwood plantations.


Volume 17, James P. Bowman and Family, Cotton Record Book, 1900. The volume concerns Rosewood, Inheritance, and Hazelwood plantations.


Volume 32, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, 1871–1872.

Volume 33, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, 1873–1874 [pp. 1–43 missing].

Volume 34, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, 1882–1883.

Volume 35, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, 1884.

Volume 36, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, 1884–1889.

Volume 37, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, 1895–1896.


Volume 40, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, February–April 1897.

Volume 41, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, June–September 1897.

Volume 42, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, February–June 1898.


Volume 44, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, June 1902–March 1903.

Volume 45, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, March 1903–February 1909.

Volume 46, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, February–October 1909.


Volume 50, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, July 1911–June 1912.

Volume 51, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, June 1912–June 1913.

Volume 52, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, August 1913–May 1914.


Volume 55, James P. Bowman and Family, Daybook, 1926–1940.


Volume 59, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1883–1884 [includes minutes, 24 November 1883, of meeting of the Democratic Executive Committee of the Parish of West Feliciana, pp. 107–111].

Volume 60, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1884–1885.
Volume 61, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1885–1886.
Volume 63, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1887–1889.
Volume 64, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1889–1891.
Volume 65, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1891–1892.
Volume 68, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1898–1899 [Rosedown Plantation].
Volume 69, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1900–1901.
Volume 70, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1901–1906.
Volume 72, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1911–1914.
Volume 75, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1921.
Volume 76, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1922–1923 [accounts with laborers; assessment, 1922, on residence, furniture, barns, and stables, and 2,896 acres of Rosedown; assessment, 1922, on Inheritance and Hazelwood; and accounts of Rosedown, Inheritance, and Hazelwood].
Volume 77, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1924–1925 [cotton account, 1924, with Inheritance, Rosedown, and Hazelwood plantations and lists of tenants on each plantation, 1925].
Volume 78, James P. Bowman and Family, Ledger, 1925 [Hazelwood, Rosedown, and Inheritance plantation accounts].
Volume 79, Mary S. Groesbeck, Penmanship Practice Notebook, 1855.
Volume 80, Mary S. Groesbeck, Penmanship Practice Notebook, ca. 1855.
Volume 81, Mary S. Groesbeck, Penmanship Practice Notebook, ca. 1855.
Volume 82, James P. Bowman and Family, Payroll Book, 1917–1918 [payroll and rent accounts: (a) payroll entries, January–April 1918 and (b) rent entries, 1917–1918].
Volume 86, James P. Bowman and Family, Payroll Book, January–August 1925.
Volume 87, James P. Bowman and Family, Payroll Book, October–December 1925 [see manuscript folder Payroll, June 1921–December 1923].
Volume 88, James P. Bowman and Rosedown Plantation, Plantation Diary and Cashbook, 1848 and 1866–1868 [James P. Bowman, 1866–1868, entries; Rosedown cash entries, 1848, give debit and credit].
concern Rosedown and Hazelwood. Items include p. 57, entry, 18 January, “What I owe for the year 1861”; pp. 67–79, Confederate tax, 1864; p. 69, list of slaves gives ages of those who have gone to Yankees; p. 70, 450 slaves liberated by Yankees belonging to Martha H. Turnbull and estate.

Volume 90, James P. Bowman and Family, Plantation Record Book, February–June 1867. This volume records freight hauled from Bayou land.

Volume 91, James P. Bowman and Family, Plantation Record Book, October 1867.

Volume 92, James P. Bowman and Family, Plantation Record Book, January–February 1868. This volume is an account book kept by Johnson Field.

Volume 93, James P. Bowman and Family, Plantation Record Book, 1871–1874. Cash accounts and gin accounts are included in this volume.

Volume 94, James P. Bowman and Family, Plantation Record Book, 1906. This volume records crop hands.

Volume 95, James P. Bowman and Family, Plantation Record Book, 1907. This volume records crop hands.


Volume 100, Miscellaneous Sales Book, 1903–1904. This is a blank book bearing no entries.

N.B. Related collections among the holdings of the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, Louisiana State University Libraries, include the Turnbull-Allain Family Papers (Mss. 4261), 1784–1941, and the Turnbull-Bowman-Lyons Family Papers (Mss. 4026), 1797–1955, included in the present edition. Another related collection is the Turnbull-Bowman Family Papers (Mss. 4452), available on microfilm on site.

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Biographical Note

John Turnbull (d. 24 August 1799) and his brother, Walter, came to Louisiana from England in the 1770s. From their base in Louisiana, they traded furs, provisions, slaves, livestock, and agricultural produce including indigo and tobacco. John Turnbull founded the trading firm Turnbull & Joyce in partnership with John Joyce. The firm was active from the 1770s to about 1800. It was based in Louisiana and traded in New Orleans, Natchez, Mobile, Pensacola, the Chickasaw Nation, and London. Walter Turnbull resided in Nassau where he owned a cotton plantation and lived with his wife, Mary, his son, John, and at least two daughters. The firm purchased pelts and skins from a number of Native Americans, mostly of the Chickasaw and Choctaw tribes. Turnbull and Joyce were involved in the slave trade and may have brought slaves to Louisiana from Jamaica and the West Indies. The accounts of Turnbull & Joyce were kept by Charles Norwood, a relative of the Turnbull family by marriage. Norwood resided in New Orleans and assisted in the settlement of the estates of Joyce and Turnbull after their deaths.

John Joyce was an Englishman who fought in Canada during the American Revolution on the side of the British. He traded furs, slaves, and goods in Mississippi, Louisiana, Florida, and Alabama. Joyce owned Magnolia Mound Plantation in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, from 1791 until his death in 1798. In 1802, his widow, Constance Rochon Joyce, married Armand Gabriel Allard Duplantier (1753–1827), a soldier and planter.

In addition to his trading interests, John Turnbull owned plantations near Bayou Sara, West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. He and his wife, Catherine (nee Rucker), had children, John (d. ca. 1822), Daniel (1796–1861), James F. (d. before 1831), George, William, Susannah (d. before 1831), Isabella (married Robert Semple), Sarah (married Lewis Stirling), and Walter (d. ca. 1838). After the death of her husband, Catherine managed the family business affairs with the assistance of Charles Norwood. She jointly owned a plantation in St. Mary Parish with her son-in-law, John Towles, and had properties in New Orleans. She tutored children of planters and businesspeople, including Charles Norwood and Alexander Stirling.

Alexander Stirling’s son, Lewis Stirling (1786–1858), and grandson, Lewis Stirling (1819–1901), lived on Wakefield Plantation near St. Francisville, Louisiana. Wakefield produced cotton, sugar, and molasses. Stirling (1819–1901) was made a colonel in the
Louisiana Militia in 1861 by order of Louisiana Governor Thomas Overton Moore. Stirling’s sister, Ann Mathilda Stirling (1811–1890), was married to John Little Lobdell (1791–1867). After Lobdell’s death, Ann, her daughter (Sarah Turnbull Allain), and some of her grandchildren lived with Lewis Stirling on Wakefield Plantation. Sarah’s husband, Villneuve Francois (V. F.) Allain, died ca. 1873. She and her children continued to live on Wakefield after Lewis Stirling’s death in 1901.

V. F. Allain worked as a plantation overseer after the Civil War until his death. He was a member of the 5th Company of the Washington Artillery during the war. V. F. Allain lived on Belmont Plantation in West Baton Rouge, Louisiana, during the 1860s. He married Sarah Turnbull Lobdell (1845–1926) in 1868. Their children were V. F. (“Frank,” b. 13 September 1869), Helene Aspasie, Annie, Sara, Lillie (b. 1868, married Bob Hereford), and May (d. 1941, married Dr. Sidney C. Barrow).

In addition to Belmont Plantation, V. F. Allain managed Hard Times and Pecan Grove plantations. Beginning in 1870, he was an overseer of Maryland and Virginia plantations and “sheriff and keeper” of Magnolia Plantation. Several of the plantations were owned in part by Charles Henry Stocker, an African American businessman of New Orleans, and financed through the commission company, Clapp Brothers & Co. V. F. Allain’s relative, Theophile T. Allain (1846–1921), was also a manager of Hard Times, Maryland, and Virginia plantations. Maryland and Virginia plantations were bankrupt and sold in the mid 1870s. Theophile was the son of Sosthene Allain and one of his slaves. He was born on Australian Plantation in West Baton Rouge Parish, was educated in New Orleans and New Jersey, and traveled with his father in Europe. A Republican politician, Theophile Allain served in the Louisiana house of representatives and the state senate.

V. F. and Sarah Allain’s daughters earned livelihoods by sewing and teaching school from the 1880s to the 1910s. Their daughter, Annie, ran a busy millinery and sewing business from the 1890s to about 1909. Their daughter, Helene, taught at the Louisiana State School for the Blind in Baton Rouge beginning in the early 1900s. She lost her sight in the 1880s and was educated at the school. Their son, V. F. “Frank,” worked as a pharmacist and founded a drug company called the Allain Drug Company, Limited, in Morgan City, Louisiana, in the early 1900s. He sold the business in 1913.

Description of the Collection

The papers are divided into two major subgroups: the Turnbull family papers and the Allain family papers.

The Turnbull family papers include financial papers, legal documents, and correspondence, 1784–1833, which document the lives of John Turnbull, his commercial partner, John Joyce, and members of their families. Early documents pertain to John Joyce and John and Walter Turnbull and their business concerns as traders of furs, slaves, indigo, and produce in Louisiana, Mississippi, the Chickasaw Nation, and the West Florida region. Correspondence reflects subjects documented by the financial papers including the colonial fur trade, planting, and economic conditions in Louisiana. Some personal family letters relate to social events, religion, education, and
domestic matters. Legal papers document the estates of Turnbull, Joyce, and others and include lists of slaves owned.

The Allain family papers (1786–1941) include papers of the related Stirling and Lobdell families and consist of correspondence, financial papers, legal documents, plantation management and personal papers, printed items, and photographs. The papers document family members’ lives and activities as planters in West Baton Rouge, Iberville, and West Feliciana parishes, Louisiana. Much of the correspondence of Lewis Stirling (1786–1858), his children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren was written from Wakefield Plantation. The bulk of the correspondence was written by his granddaughter, Sarah Turnbull Lobdell (who married V. F. Allain), and her children. Financial papers chiefly reflect production and sales of commodities grown on this and other family properties by Lewis Stirling, V. F. Allain, and others. Legal documents relate to Stirling, Lobdell, and Allain family lawsuits and land title claims. Some early items concern the families’ legal ties to the estates of John Turnbull and John Joyce. Plantation management papers include lists of slaves and, later, field hands. Personal papers include military orders of Lewis Stirling’s son, Lewis Stirling (1819–1901), manuscript writings, poetry, educational materials, and braille writings of Sarah’s daughter, Helene. Printed and graphic items consist of pamphlets, advertisements, ephemera, newspaper issues and clippings (clippings copied onto permalife paper), sheet music, and a few family photographs.

**Subgroup 1. Turnbull Family Papers, 1784–1833**

Papers relate to the commercial partnership of Turnbull & Joyce and include papers of family members and associates.

**Series I. Financial Papers, 1784–1833.** Financial papers of the Turnbull & Joyce firm are filed chronologically and chiefly record transactions, debts, and credits of the company (1787–1812). Many of these records were copied and annotated by Charles Norwood, who worked to recover debts and settle the company’s accounts after the deaths of Turnbull and Joyce. Recorded are sales of slaves, peltry, dry goods, cotton and other produce, tafia, and livestock. Papers record goods sold and traded to Native Americans, with a record of slaves sold to Cletabie, Camel’s Son, a Chickasaw (1784). Separate folders contain records of the Turnbull & Joyce firm’s accounts with the following individuals: James Fletcher (1798–1803), Olivier Hevezin (1800–1808), R. Gireandeau, a brick maker (1796–1803, some oversize), Gilbert Leonard (1801–1832), and Joshua Pannill (1802–1804). Other financial papers relate to Catherine Turnbull, Constance Joyce, and other members of the Turnbull and Joyce families. Included are receipts for the education of the children of John and Constance Joyce. Financial memoranda contain notes on slaves owned and sold.

**Series II. Correspondence, 1788–1831.** Correspondence concerns affairs of John Turnbull and John Joyce. Letters by Charles Norwood, written primarily to Catherine Turnbull, concern the settlement of debts and credits of the late trading partnership of Turnbull & Joyce. Letters contain references to sales of slaves, management of property owned by Catherine Turnbull in New Orleans, and dealings of the Turnbull partnership including transactions with Panton, Leslie & Co. Among the correspondents are
Catherine Turnbull, Mary Turnbull, Walter Turnbull, John Bisland, Armand Gabriel Allard Duplantier, and John Towles. A letter written by the firm Ferguson & Wooley to Daniel Clark (1800) and a letter concerning the accounts of Gen. McGilluray with Turnbull & Joyce are included. Some letters are accompanied by typed transcriptions.

Series III. Legal Documents, 1784–1830 and undated. Legal documents of John Turnbull and John Joyce concern the activities of their partnership and their properties as individuals. Documents (1784–1798) relate to land titles, ownership of slaves, settlement of debts, and transfers of mortgages. Later legal documents (1800–1830) relate to the settlement of the estates of John Turnbull, John Joyce, and the firm, Turnbull & Joyce. Included are papers related to a lawsuit of the Turnbull & Joyce estate against Gilbert Leonard (1810–1830), legal memoranda of Charles Norwood (1799–1817), and the settlement of a dispute over the title to a plantation owned by Catherine Turnbull (1810, 1822, and undated). Other papers (some in Spanish and French) relate to the settlement of the estates of Francisco Bouligny (1790–1808), Luis Duret, and Mauricio Durrant (also spelled Durand). Duret left his estate to his African American wife, Isabelle, and her children. Documents establish their status as free blacks. Included is a manuscript copy (undated, in French) of civil and criminal legal codes, which were written at the order of the Spanish governor of Louisiana, Alexander O’Reilly.

Subgroup 2. Allain Family Papers, 1786–1941

Papers document the lives and activities of members of the Stirling, Lobdell, and Allain families, planters in West Baton Rouge, Iberville, and West Feliciana parishes, Louisiana.

Series I. Correspondence, 1786–1941. Correspondence of Lewis Stirling (1786–1858) reflects personal life and matters related to the management of Wakefield Plantation. One letter (17 August 1856) describes a storm that damaged Louisiana coastal settlements. Letters of Lewis Stirling’s children and relatives comprise much of the correspondence of the mid to late nineteenth century. Principal correspondents include Lewis Stirling (1819–1901), Catherine Mary Hereford (1809–1895, nee Stirling), John L. Lobdell (1791–1867), Ann Mathilda Lobdell (1811–1890, nee Stirling), Lewis S. Lobdell, John L. Lobdell (d. 1910), C. H. “Kittie” Lewis (nee Lobdell), and Annie Mhoon (nee Lobdell). Some letters (1830s) of John L. Lobdell (1791–1867, Lewis Stirling’s son-in-law) and others relate to the settlement of the estates of John Turnbull and John Joyce. Most correspondence concerns personal and family matters.

Letters of Sarah T. Allain (nee Lobdell), her husband, Villneuve Francois (V. F.) Allain, and their children and relatives comprise most of the correspondence. Letters of V. F. Allain concern family matters and the management of plantation and farming properties. Letters of Sarah T. Allain were chiefly written from Lewis Stirling’s Wakefield Plantation where she and her children lived. Letters discuss farm tenancy, the education and employment of the Allain children, social activities, and the health of family members, including the onset of blindness in Sarah T. Allain’s daughter, Helene. During the 1870s, Sarah wrote some letters from Tally Ho Plantation. Some of Helene Allain’s braille correspondence is included. Braille labels are attached to some letters in the
collection. Correspondence of V. F. “Frank” Allain contains letters related to his work as a pharmacist and includes some letters from A. Villeret, a friend and business associate in Bayou Sara. Other letters document Frank’s work as postmaster of Bayou Sara, 1901–1902.

Included is an extensive body of correspondence between Annie L. Allain and Henry M. Stewart. The two were engaged but never married. They corresponded from 1896 to 1908. Henry Stewart sometimes signed his name “Peter.” He worked as a railroad engineer and as a manager of plantation and farming properties, notably Laurel Hill and Angola plantations. Henry’s letters make frequent reference to the scarcity and reliability of African American laborers. Letters also mention incidents of violence among and toward African Americans in Louisiana. The Stewart family resided on Laurel Hill Plantation. Letters to Annie L. Allain from Henry’s sisters, Ida, Louise F., Genie, and C. M. Stewart, are included.

Series II. Financial Papers, 1828–1921. Financial papers of Lewis Stirling include cotton factors’ statements and receipts documenting cotton, sugar, and molasses produced on Wakefield Plantation. Statements and invoices from New Orleans commission merchants G. Burke & Co. (1849–1850), W. & D. Urquhart (1855–1878, some oversize), Butt, Flash & Lyon (1867), Phelps, McCulloch & Co. (1872–1873), Britton & Mayson (1878–1883), and Meyer, Weis & Co. (1873) document commodities sold and expenses incurred on Wakefield Plantation. Included are merchants’ receipts, railroad and steamer receipts (some oversize), statements for work done, and statements (1880) related to the renovation of Mrs. Catherine Mary Hereford’s (Lewis Stirling’s sister’s) property.

Receipts from the Civil War period record provisions supplied by Stirling to Confederate troops. Some Lobdell family bills, receipts, and memoranda (1828–1880) are included.

Later financial papers document earnings and expenses of Allain family members and the management of plantations in West Baton Rouge and Iberville parishes, Louisiana. In 1866, V. F. Allain managed Pecan Grove Plantation in West Baton Rouge. Statements (1866–1869) from the factor A. F. Dunbar & Co. reflect goods shipped to Pecan Grove Plantation. Letters and statements to V. F. Allain from David Urquhart document expenses and goods shipped to Belmont Plantation (1869–1870), a plantation managed by Allain. Belmont was partly owned by A. Guesnard of New Orleans, whose letters to V. F. Allain concern plantation management. Letters to V. F. Allain from Clapp Brothers & Co. (1868–1876) document Allain’s management of the West Baton Rouge plantations Maryland and Virginia.

Charles H. Stocker, an African American businessman of New Orleans, was a part owner of these plantations and his letters to Allain concerning plantation management are filed among the Clapp Brothers & Co. financial papers. Letters (1868) from Stocker to Theophile Allain, an African American businessman, planter, and politician, discuss the management of Stocker’s Hard Times Plantation, also in West Baton Rouge. From 1873 to 1874, V. F. Allain was “sheriff and keeper” of Magnolia Plantation near Bayou
Goula, Louisiana. Statements from factor Edward J. Gay & Co. reflect expenses there during this period.

Bills, receipts, and accounts of A. M. Lobdell (one oversize), Sarah T. Allain, Annie L. Allain, V. F. “Frank” Allain, and other family members document their activities and expenses. Some receipts document Annie L. Allain’s sewing business. Receipt books, memoranda books, and account books of Annie L. Allain, Sarah T. Allain, Sara L. Allain, and Helene Allain are included. Some of Helene’s accounts are in braille. Frank Allain’s work as a pharmacist and as postmaster in Bayou Sara is documented by bills, receipts, and business correspondence.

**Series III. Legal Documents, 1806–1901.** Among the legal papers of Lewis Stirling is an item related to a dispute over the housing of Confederate troops in the Stirling household (14 March 1863). Other documents include a description of the shooting death of an African American boy (20 June 1864) and items related to lawsuits. Orders from the police jury of West Feliciana Parish for the building and maintenance of roads are included. These orders demanded the labor of field hands working for local property owners. Lists of freedmen and field hands of property owners are included. Lewis Stirling was appointed overseer of his road district in July 1866.

Legal papers (some in Spanish) of John L. Lobdell chiefly consist of items (1840s–1860s, some oversize) related to the legal settlement of land titles in West Baton Rouge Parish, including Bayou Plantation, a description of Bayou Plantation as it was offered for sale (1862), and related documents. Some correspondence of John L. Lobdell pertains to land title claims. Papers include licenses (1821–1822 and 1850–1951, some oversize) to practice law in New York State and New Orleans, Louisiana; slave bills of sale (1829, 1839); a power of attorney (1866); a rental agreement with a freedman (1868); and printed legal briefs including one related to John L. Lobdell’s suit to recover the title to lands in West Baton Rouge Parish (ca. 1840s, housed with printed items).

Legal papers of V. F. Allain include items related to court cases; his appointment as road and levee inspector (1867); and a document recording seizure by court order of land and movable property on Pecan Grove Plantation by the sheriff of West Baton Rouge Parish (1867–1868). The plantation had been managed by V. F. Allain and was seized by David Pipes from its owner, John Bird. Included is a document (1873) recording the cancellation by Miss Eulalie Virginia Amous of the lease of Virginia Plantation in Iberville Parish, Louisiana. The lease was held by J. J. Gidiere and Charles Henry Stocker. Other items (1873–1874) relate to V. F. and Sosthene B. Allain’s management of Theresa and Magnolia plantations, owned by Edward J. Gay of Iberville Parish, Louisiana.

**Series IV. Plantation Management Papers, 1859–1938 and undated.** Items documenting plantation management by members of the Stirling, Lobdell, and Allain families include slave lists, lists of laborers, and memoranda. One list (1859) records the names, ages, and specializations of 148 slaves on Bayou Plantation. A ledger (1873–1878) of Magnolia Plantation kept by V. F. Allain records supplies used on the plantation, cash accounts, statements of labor used, and a blacksmith’s account. Other manuscript volumes were kept by V. F. and Sarah T. Allain and include a plantation.
diary (1875–1876) and time books (1877–1880) for Tally Ho Plantation, other time books (1874–1878), an account book listing rations for laborers on Tally Ho Plantation (1878–1879), and memoranda books (1877–1928), some containing horticultural notes by Sarah T. Allain. Some oversize memoranda and two oversize plat drawings (1865 and undated) are included.

Series V. Personal Papers, 1826–1939. Personal papers document the lives, interests, education, and social backgrounds of Allain, Stirling, and Lobdell family members. Included are military orders and oaths of allegiance (1860s, one oversize) of Lewis Stirling; a masonic certificate (ca. 1826) and genealogical notes of John L. Lobdell; voters’ registration forms (1870–1874) of V. F. Allain and Lewis Stirling; and lists of movable property. Writings and educational materials (1851–1939) consist of a manuscript novel or novella set in Louisiana during the Civil War; school composition books; essays, poetry, and prose; manuscript sheet music (some oversize); notes on kindergarten teaching methodology; a school autograph album; diplomas (one oversize); and report cards. Also included are recipes, remedies, needlework instructions, a drawing for a patented press (1870, oversize), lists of books owned, a death notice for Aspasie Helene LeBlanc Allain, memoranda, textile items, and dried botanical specimens.

A large portion of the personal papers consists of braille writings of Helene Allain and others. Braille writings are omitted from the microfilm. Examples of alphabets of New York Point Braille are included along with braille transcriptions of poetry, lyrics, prose fiction, and essays on literary figures, musicians, and other topics. Among the braille items are issues of Institution Times, a publication edited by Helene Allain, probably while at the Institute for the Blind in Baton Rouge; the charter of the Institute for the Blind; a catalog of books in the “BPA Library,” a list of books read, 1907–1911; and a journal (1908) of a seaside vacation with recipes and expenses recorded. All of the braille items are in New York Point.

N.B. Related collections among the holdings of the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, Louisiana State University Libraries, include the James P. Bowman and Family Papers (Mss. 1372, 1382), 1806–1937, and the Turnbull-Bowman-Lyons Family Papers (Mss. 4026), 1797–1955, included in the present edition. Another related collection, Lewis Stirling and Family Papers, 1784–1938, is included, in part, in UPA’s Records of Ante-Bellum Southern Plantations from the Revolution through the Civil War, Series I, Part 2. Other related collections include the Turnbull-Bowman Family Papers (Mss. 4452), available on microfilm on site, and the John Joyce Diary (Mss. 4342).

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Box 3, Folder 9, Catherine Mary Hereford to Miscellaneous, 1869–1883. 14 frames.
Box 3, Folder 10, John L. Lobdell (1791–1867) to Ann Mathilda Lobdell, 1853. 3 frames.
Box 3, Folder 11, John L. Lobdell (1791–1867) from Miscellaneous, 1820–1866. 26 frames.
Box 3, Folder 12, Ann Mathilda Lobdell to Mrs. John E. Lewis, 1867–1873. 28 frames.
Box 3, Folder 13, Ann Mathilda Lobdell to Sarah T. Allain, 1869–1889. 77 frames.
Box 3, Folder 14, Ann Mathilda Lobdell to Miscellaneous, 1874–1890. 24 frames.
Box 3, Folder 15, Ann Mathilda Lobdell from Lucy Lobdell, 1870s–1884. 9 frames.

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Box 3, Folder 16, Ann Mathilda Lobdell and Sarah T. Allain from C. A. Slocumb, 1870–1880s. 57 frames.
Box 3, Folder 17, Ann Mathilda Lobdell from Miscellaneous, 1867–1890. 72 frames.
Box 3, Folder 18, Ann Mathilda Lobdell from Miscellaneous, Undated. 16 frames.
Box 3, Folder 19, Ann Mathilda Lobdell from John Rardon, 1878–1890 and Undated. 20 frames.
Box 3, Folder 20, Ann Mathilda Lobdell and Others from E. C. Benson, 1856–1890. 53 frames.
Box 3, Folder 21, Ann Mathilda Lobdell and Others from John Benson, 1886–1897. 28 frames.
Box 3, Folder 22, Ann Mathilda Lobdell from Ida Richardson, 1884–1890. 84 frames.
Box 3, Folder 23, Ann Mathilda Lobdell and Others to and from C. S. Lobdell, 1865 and 1884–1890. 24 frames.
Box 3, Folder 24, Ann Mathilda Lobdell to Lewis S. Lobdell, 1877–1886. 50 frames.
Box 3, Folder 25, Ann Mathilda Lobdell from Lewis S. Lobdell, 1887–1890. 47 frames.
Box 3, Folder 26, Lewis S. Lobdell to Sarah T. Allain [and Ann Mathilda Lobdell], 1880–1897. 49 frames.
Box 3, Folder 27, Lewis S. Lobdell to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1869–1896. 35 frames.
Box 3, Folder 28, Lewis S. Lobdell to Annie Allain, 1887, 1891. 8 frames.
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*Turnbull-Allain Family Papers (Mss. 4261), 1784–1941 cont.*

**Papers—Subgroup 2. Allain Family Papers, 1786–1941 cont.**

**Series I. Correspondence, 1786–1941 cont.**

0039  Box 3, Folder 40, C. H. “Kittie” Lewis from Miscellaneous, 1877–1904. 13 frames.
0052  Box 3, Folder 41, C. H. “Kittie” Lewis to Annie Allain, 1891–1901. 91 frames.
0143  Box 4, Folder 1, Annie Mhoon to Ann Mathilda Lobdell, 1877–1890. 62 frames.
0205  Box 4, Folder 2, Annie Mhoon to Sarah T. Allain and Others, 1879–1920. 59 frames.
0264  Box 4, Folder 3, James A. Mhoon, 1910–1925. 9 frames.
0273  Box 4, Folder 4, Aline D. Allain to V. F. Allain, 1859. 15 frames.
0288  Box 4, Folder 5, Charles J. Allain, 1882–1888. 7 frames.
0295  Box 4, Folder 6, V. F. Allain to Sarah T. Allain, 1867–1878. 65 frames.
0360  Box 4, Folder 7, V. F. Allain to Sarah T. Allain, 1879–1880. 44 frames.
0404  Box 4, Folder 8, V. F. Allain to Miscellaneous, 1867–1880. 24 frames.
0428  Box 4, Folder 9, V. F. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1857. 11 frames.
0439  Box 4, Folder 10, V. F. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1858. 18 frames.
0457  Box 4, Folder 11, V. F. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1859. 16 frames.
0473  Box 4, Folder 12, V. F. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1865–1871. 29 frames.
0502  Box 4, Folder 13, V. F. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1876–1880 and Undated. 33 frames.
0535  Box 4, Folder 14, Sarah T. Allain to V. F. Allain, 1868–1872. 17 frames.
0552  Box 4, Folder 15, Sarah T. Allain to Ann Mathilda Lobdell, 1877–1889. 85 frames.
0637  Box 4, Folder 16, Sarah T. Allain to C. H. “Kittie” Lewis, 1870–1872. 6 frames.
0643  Box 4, Folder 17, Sarah T. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1883–1888. 114 frames.
0757  Box 4, Folder 18, Sarah T. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1889–1893. 91 frames.
0848  Box 4, Folder 19, Sarah T. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1894–1896. 51 frames.
0899  Box 4, Folder 20, Sarah T. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1897. 19 frames.
0918  Box 4, Folder 21, Sarah T. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1898–1899. 38 frames.
0956  Box 4, Folder 22, Sarah T. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1900–1901. 50 frames.

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**Papers—Subgroup 2. Allain Family Papers, 1786–1941 cont.**

**Series I. Correspondence, 1786–1941 cont.**

0001  Box 4, Folder 23, Sarah T. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1902–1906. 52 frames.
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Series I. Correspondence, 1786–1941 cont.

0001 Box 5, Folder 16, Sarah T. Allain from Edmond Bell, 1916–1918. 18 frames.
0019 Box 5, Folder 17, Sarah T. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1868–1889. 47 frames.
0066 Box 5, Folder 18, Sarah T. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1890–1912. 53 frames.
0019 Box 5, Folder 19, Sarah T. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1914–1924 and Undated. 50 frames.
0066 Box 5, Folder 20, V. F. “Frank” Allain to Sarah T. Allain, 1883–1898. 65 frames.
0234 Box 5, Folder 21, V. F. “Frank” Allain to Annie Allain, 1887–1894. 21 frames.
0255 Box 5, Folder 22, V. F. “Frank” Allain from Ida Allain, 1892–1913. 45 frames.
0300 Box 5, Folder 23, V. F. “Frank” Allain with A. Villeret, 1895–1911. 18 frames.
0353 Box 5, Folder 25, V. F. “Frank” Allain to Miscellaneous, 1884–1903. 17 frames.
0370 Box 5, Folder 26, V. F. “Frank” Allain from Miscellaneous, 1881–1892. 48 frames.
0418 Box 5, Folder 27, V. F. “Frank” Allain from Miscellaneous, 1893–1894. 37 frames.
0455 Box 5, Folder 28, V. F. “Frank” Allain from Miscellaneous, 1895–1896. 17 frames.
0472 Box 5, Folder 29, V. F. “Frank” Allain from Miscellaneous, 1897–1899. 15 frames.
0487 Box 5, Folder 30, V. F. “Frank” Allain from Miscellaneous, 1900–1908. 30 frames.
0517 Box 5, Folder 31, V. F. “Frank” Allain from Miscellaneous, 1909–1919. 31 frames.
0548 Box 5, Folder 32, V. F. “Frank” Allain from Miscellaneous, Undated. 35 frames.
0583 Box 5, Folder 33, V. F. “Frank” Allain, Invitations, 1893–1913. 26 frames.
0609 Box 5, Folder 1, Sara L. Allain to Sarah T. Allain, 1885–1915 and Undated. 47 frames.
0656 Box 5, Folder 2, Sara L. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1891–1919. 26 frames.
0682 Box 5, Folder 3, Sara L. Allain to Annie L. Allain, 1888–1898. 74 frames.
0756 Box 5, Folder 4, Sara L. Allain to Annie L. Allain, 1900–1908 and Undated. 96 frames.
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*Turnbull-Allain Family Papers (Mss. 4261), 1784–1941 cont.*


**Series I. Correspondence, 1786–1941 cont.**

- 0001 Box 6, Folder 9, Lillie Allain to Miscellaneous, 1878–1888. 43 frames.
- 0044 Box 6, Folder 10, May Barrow to Sarah T. Allain, 1888–1924 and Undated. 91 frames.
- 0135 Box 6, Folder 11, May Barrow to Annie L. Allain, 1891–1900. 101 frames.
- 0236 Box 6, Folder 12, May Barrow to Annie L. Allain, 1901–1907 and Undated. 82 frames.
- 0318 Box 6, Folder 13, May Barrow to Sara L. Allain, 1891–1894. 44 frames.
- 0362 Box 6, Folder 14, May Barrow to Helene Allain and Miscellaneous, 1925 and Undated. 7 frames.
- 0369 Box 6, Folder 15, May Barrow to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1889–1913. 65 frames.
- 0434 Box 6, Folder 16, Helene Allain to Sarah T. Allain, 1885–1924 and Undated. 18 frames.
- 0452 Box 6, Folder 17, Helene Allain to Annie L. Allain, 1892–1895 and Undated. 29 frames.
- 0481 Box 6, Folder 18, Helene Allain to Sara L. Allain, 1894. 4 frames.
- 0485 Box 6, Folder 19, Helene Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1894–1913 and Undated. 25 frames.
- 0510 Box 6, Folder 20, Helene Allain to Miscellaneous, 1886–1934. 15 frames.
- 0525 Box 6, Folder 21, Helene Allain from Miscellaneous, 1879–1908. 21 frames.
- 0546 Box 6, Folder 22, Helene Allain from Miscellaneous, 1915–1925. 69 frames.
- 0615 Box 6, Folder 23, Helene Allain from Miscellaneous, 1927–1941. 54 frames.
- 0669 Box 6, Folder 24, Helene Allain from Miscellaneous, Undated. 3 frames.
- 0672 Box 6, Folder 25, A. H. Allain, 1933, 1935. 47 frames.
- 0719 Box 6, Folder 26, Allain Family, Invitations, 1887–1926 and Undated. 44 frames.
- 0763 Box 6, Folder 27, Allain Family, Seasonal Greeting Cards and Post Cards, 1904–1918. 24 frames.
- 0787 Box 6, Folder 28, Allain Family, Miscellaneous, 1843–1896. 22 frames.
- 0809 Box 6, Folder 29, Allain Family, Miscellaneous, 1918–1935 and Undated. 26 frames.
- 0835 Box 7, Folder 1, Annie L. Allain to Sarah T. Allain, 1880–1918. 50 frames.
- 0910 Box 7, Folder 3, Annie L. Allain to V. F. “Frank” Allain, 1887–1914. 24 frames.

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*Turnbull-Allain Family Papers (Mss. 4261), 1784–1941 cont.*


**Series I. Correspondence, 1786–1941 cont.**

- 0001 Box 7, Folder 4, Annie L. Allain from Ida Stewart, 1888–1897. 78 frames.
- 0079 Box 7, Folder 5, Annie L. Allain from Ida Stewart, 1898–1900. 75 frames.
- 0154 Box 7, Folder 6, Annie L. Allain from Ida Stewart, 1901–1905. 93 frames.
- 0247 Box 7, Folder 7, Annie L. Allain from Ida Stewart, 1906–1907 and Undated. 65 frames.
- 0312 Box 7, Folder 8, Annie L. Allain from Louise F. Stewart, 1890–1897. 78 frames.
- 0390 Box 7, Folder 9, Annie L. Allain from Louise F. Stewart, 1898–1900. 74 frames.
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**Papers—Subgroup 2. Allain Family Papers, 1786–1941 cont.**

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0043 Box 7, Folder 20, Annie L. Allain from Miscellaneous, January–February 1901. 38 frames.

0081 Box 7, Folder 21, Annie L. Allain from Miscellaneous, March–August 1901. 78 frames.

0159 Box 7, Folder 22, Annie L. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1902–1904. 70 frames.

0229 Box 7, Folder 23, Annie L. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1905–1906. 79 frames.

0308 Box 7, Folder 24, Annie L. Allain from Miscellaneous, 1907–1919. 81 frames.

0389 Box 7, Folder 25, Annie L. Allain from Miscellaneous, Undated. 54 frames.

0443 Box 8, Folder 1, Annie L. Allain to Henry M. Stewart, February–June 1896. 75 frames.

0518 Box 8, Folder 2, Annie L. Allain to Henry M. Stewart, July–December 1896. 103 frames.

0621 Box 8, Folder 3, Annie L. Allain to Henry M. Stewart, 1897–April 1898. 58 frames.

0679 Box 8, Folder 4, Annie L. Allain to Henry M. Stewart, May 1898–1899. 45 frames.

0724 Box 8, Folder 5, Annie L. Allain to Henry M. Stewart, 1900–1901 and Undated. 81 frames.

0805 Box 8, Folder 6, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, 1890–1893. 25 frames.

0830 Box 8, Folder 7, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, January–April 1896. 51 frames.

0881 Box 8, Folder 8, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, May–July 1896. 55 frames.

0936 Box 8, Folder 9, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, August–September 1896. 45 frames.

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0069 Box 8, Folder 11, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, January–April 1897. 55 frames.

0124 Box 8, Folder 12, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, May–December 1897. 20 frames.

0144 Box 8, Folder 13, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, February–May 1898. 56 frames.

0200 Box 8, Folder 14, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, June–December 1898. 58 frames.

0258 Box 8, Folder 15, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, 1899. 60 frames.

0318 Box 8, Folder 16, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, 1900. 57 frames.

0375 Box 8, Folder 17, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, 1901–1903 and 1905. 46 frames.

0421 Box 8, Folder 18, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, January–March 1906. 55 frames.

0476 Box 8, Folder 19, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, April–December 1906. 62 frames.

0538 Box 8, Folder 20, Henry M. Stewart to Annie L. Allain, 1907. 45 frames.
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0118  Box 10, Folder 5, V. F. Allain, Factors’ Statements, David Urquhart, 1869. 20 frames.
0138  Box 10, Folder 6, V. F. Allain, Factors’ Statements, David Urquhart, 1870. 21 frames.
0159  Box 10, Folder 7, V. F. Allain, Factors’ Statements, David Urquhart, 1871 and 1874. 10 frames.
0169  Box 10, Folder 8, V. F. Allain, Factors’ Statements, Clapp Brothers & Co. (Hard Times Plantation), 1868. 21 frames.
0190  Box 10, Folder 9, V. F. Allain, Factors’ Statements, Clapp Brothers & Co. (Virginia and Maryland Plantations), 1869–1872. 44 frames.
0234  Box 10, Folder 10, V. F. Allain, Factors’ Statements, Clapp Brothers & Co. (Virginia and Maryland Plantations), 1873–1877. 39 frames.
0273  Box 10, Folder 11, V. F. Allain, Factors’ Statements, Edward J. Gay & Co., February–August 1873. 52 frames.
0325  Box 10, Folder 12, V. F. Allain, Factors’ Statements, Edward J. Gay & Co., September 1873–1874 and Undated. 56 frames.
0381  Box 10, Folder 13, Allain Family, Bills of Lading, 1869–1889 and Undated. 19 frames.
0400  Box 10, Folder 14, Allain Family, Tax Receipts, 1879 and 1892. 4 frames.
0404  Box 10, Folder 15, V. F. Allain, Bills and Receipts, 1858 and 1865–1868. 28 frames.
0432  Box 10, Folder 16, V. F. Allain, Bills and Receipts, 1869. 42 frames.
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0495  Box 10, Folder 18, V. F. Allain, Bills and Receipts, 1872–1877. 41 frames.
0536  Box 10, Folder 19, V. F. Allain, Bills and Receipts, 1875. 31 frames.
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0593  Box 10, Folder 21, V. F. Allain, Bills and Receipts, 1877. 24 frames.
0617  Box 10, Folder 22, V. F. Allain, Bills and Receipts, 1878–1879. 42 frames.
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0348 Box 11, Folder 22, Helene Allain, Accounts, in Braille. Undated. 1 frame.

0349 Oversize Papers, Folder 2, Stirling, Allain, Lobdell Accounts, 1855–1892. 37 frames.

Series III. Legal Documents, 1806–1901

0386 Box 12, Folder 1, Lewis Stirling, 1861–1882. 19 frames.

0405 Box 12, Folder 2, Lewis Stirling and [Otherwise Unidentified] Lobdell, Police Jury Orders and Memorandum concerning Roads, 1866–1867 and Undated. 33 frames.

0438 Box 12, Folder 3, John L. Lobdell, 1806–1823. 22 frames.

0460 Box 12, Folder 4, John L. Lobdell, 1834–1843. 23 frames.

0483 Box 12, Folder 5, John L. Lobdell, 1836–1849 and Undated, 1840s. 52 frames.

0535 Box 12, Folder 6, John L. Lobdell, 1850–1859. 21 frames.

0556 Box 12, Folder 7, John L. Lobdell, Undated, 1850s. 25 frames.

0581 Box 12, Folder 8, John L. Lobdell, 1860–1866. 17 frames.

0598 Box 12, Folder 9, John L. Lobdell, 1868–1879. 28 frames.

0626 Box 12, Folder 10, John L. Lobdell, Undated. 5 frames.

0631 Box 12, Folder 11, John L. Lobdell, Undated. 24 frames.

0655 Box 12, Folder 12, John L. Lobdell, Undated. 26 frames.

0681 Box 12, Folder 13, V. F. Allain, Sarah T. Allain, 1867–1877, 1901. 21 frames.

0702 Oversize Papers, Folder 3, John L. Lobdell, 1821–1858. 16 frames.

Series IV. Plantation Management Papers, 1859–1938 and undated

0718 Box 13, Folder 1, Lists of Slaves, 1859. 5 frames.

0723 Box 13, Folder 2, Lists of Slaves and Laborers, 1860–1876. 13 frames.

0736 Box 13, Folder 3, John L. Lobdell, Stud Fees, 1860s. 2 frames.

0738 Box 13, Folder 4, V. F. Allain, Memoranda, Undated. 9 frames.

0747 Box 13, Folder 5, V. F. Allain, Memoranda, Undated. 29 frames.

0776 Box 13, Folder 6, V. F. Allain, Magnolia Plantation Ledger, 1873. 27 frames.

0803 Box 13, Folder 7, V. F. Allain, Items Removed from Magnolia Plantation Ledger, 1873–1878. 20 frames.

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Turnbull-Allain Family Papers (Mss. 4261), 1784–1941 cont.


0370 Box 13, Folder 9, Sarah T. Allain, Memoranda Book, Bulbs and Plants Bought, 1926–1928. 15 frames.

0385 Oversize Papers, Folder 4, Memoranda, Plat Drawings, 1865 and Undated. 29 frames.
Series V. Personal Papers, 1826–1939

0414   Box 13, Folder 10, Lewis Stirling, Military Orders and Oaths of Allegiance, 1862–1868. 14 frames.
0428   Box 13, Folder 11, John L. Lobdell, Masonic Certificate, ca. 1826. 2 frames.
0430   Box 13, Folder 12, John L. Lobdell, Genealogical Notes, 1859. 5 frames.
0435   Box 13, Folder 13, V. F. Allain, Military Form, 1875. 2 frames.
0437   Box 13, Folder 14, V. F. Allain and Lewis Stirling, Voter Registration Forms, 1870–1874. 9 frames.
0446   Box 13, Folder 15, Lists of Property, Undated. 15 frames.
0461   Box 13, Folder 16, S. T. Allain, Fictional Writings (Civil War Setting), Undated. 18 frames.
0479   Box 13, Folder 17, Helene Allain, Fictional Writings (Typescript), Undated. 17 frames.
0496   Box 13, Folder 18, Lewis S. Lobdell, Selina B. Hart, and Sara L. Allain, Educational Notes and Writings, 1851–1953 and Undated. 49 frames.
0545   Box 13, Folder 19, School Composition Book, Undated. 31 frames.
0576   Box 13, Folder 20, S. L. Allain and [Unidentified], School Composition Books, Undated. 41 frames.
0617   Box 13, Folder 21, Notes on Kindergarten Teaching Methods and Theory, Undated. 26 frames.
0643   Box 13, Folder 22, Notes on Kindergarten Teaching Methods and Theory, Undated. 96 frames.
0739   Box 13, Folder 23, School Autograph Album, 1893 and 1899. 23 frames.
0762   Box 13, Folder 24, Helene Allain and Others, Diplomas and Report Cards, 1887–1939. 12 frames.
0774   Box 13, Folder 25, Lobdell Family and Others, Poetry, 1850s and Undated. 37 frames.
0811   Box 13, Folder 26, Allain Family and Others, Poetry, 1889 and Undated. 41 frames.
0852   Box 13, Folder 27, Manuscript Music, Undated. 27 frames.
0879   Box 13, Folder 28, Manuscript Music, Undated. 16 frames.
0895   Box 13, Folder 29, Drawings and Plans, Undated. 7 frames.
0902   Box 13, Folder 30, Leaves and Items from Recipe Book, 1925 and Undated. 25 frames.
0927   Box 13, Folder 31, Recipes, Undated. 24 frames.
0951   Box 13, Folder 32, Remedies and Prescriptions, Undated. 11 frames.
0962   Box 13, Folder 33, Needlework Instructions, Undated. 22 frames.
0984   Box 13, Folder 34, Lists of Books, 1907 and Undated. 8 frames.

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Turnbull-Allain Family Papers (Mss. 4261), 1784–1941 cont.


Series V. Personal Papers, 1826–1939 cont.

0001   Box 13, Folder 35, Aspasie Helène LeBlanc Allain and V. F. Allain, Eulogy and Death Notice, Undated. 5 frames.
0023   Box 13, Folder 37, Memoranda, Calendars, and Addresses, 1884–1903 and Undated. 112 frames.
0135   Box 13, Folder 38, Stirling, Lobdell, and Allain Families, Textile Items, Undated. 9 frames.
0144   Box 13, Folder 39, Braille Alphabets, Undated. 10 frames.
0154   Box 13, Folders 40–41, Braille Prose and Poetry Transcripts, Undated. 8 frames.
0162   Box 14, Folders 1–2, Helene Allain, Braille Transcripts, Institution Times, Undated. 6 frames.
0168   Box 14, Folder 3, Braille Transcript, Charter for the Institute of the Blind, Undated. 3 frames.
0171   Box 14, Folders 4–5, Braille Transcripts, Lists of Books, 1907–1911. 7 frames.
0178   Box 14, Folder 6, Braille Notebook, Vacation Journal, 1908. 3 frames.
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Biographical Note

The Turnbull and Bowman families were cotton and sugar planters with properties in West Feliciana, Iberville, and Pointe Coupee parishes of Louisiana. Daniel Turnbull (1799–1861), son of an English immigrant, John Turnbull, founded Rosedown Plantation in 1835. He also operated Styopa, Catalpa, Middleplace, Hazelwood, Grove, Inheritance, Woodlawn, and De Soto plantations. He lived on Rosedown Plantation with his wife, Martha Hilliard Barrow Turnbull (1809–1896), and their children, James Daniel (1836–1843), Daniel, William B., and Sarah (1831–1914). Martha, an avid horticulturist, established the extensive gardens at Rosedown.

The Turnbull and Bowman families were connected by the marriage of Sarah Turnbull to James Pirrie Bowman. James was the son of Eliza Pirrie (1805–1851) and her second husband, William R. Bowman (1800–1835), rector of Grace Episcopal Church in St. Francisville. Eliza and William also had a daughter, Isabell (married William Wilson Matthews). Eliza’s first marriage to her cousin, Robert Hilliard Barrow (1795–1823), produced a son, Robert H. Barrow Jr. (b. 1824). In 1840 Eliza married her third husband, Henry Lyons, a lawyer from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. They had three children, Cora, Lucie, and Eliza. The children’s half sister, Isabell, cared for them after their mother’s death in 1851. Lyons practiced law in West Feliciana with F. A. Boyle. He was also associated with John Bennett Dawson (1800–1845), a relative (uncle?) of Martha Turnbull. Dawson, owner of Wyoming Plantation in West Feliciana Parish, was a member of the Louisiana legislature from 1826 to 1828, a parish judge from 1827 to 1828, a candidate for governor in 1834, and a member of the U.S. Congress from 1843 to 1845. In the 1840s Lyons traveled to San Francisco where he speculated in real estate and later served on the supreme court of California.

James P. Bowman operated Frogmoor and Grosse Tete plantations in Pointe Coupee Parish. James, Sarah, and their family lived on Rosedown Plantation with Martha Turnbull. Sarah’s children included Martha (b. 1858), Eliza (ca. 1859–1907, called “Sly” and “Like,” she married George Shotwell), Sarah (b. 1861, called “Sadie”), Daniel T. (b. 1862), Anna K. (b. 8 September 1864, she married Mr. Fort), Nina (b. 1869), James P. Bowman Jr. (b. 1869), Carrie (1872–1929), and Bella M. (b. 1873). The Forts resided on Catalpa Plantation. Nina Bowman ran a small nursery business in the 1920s. She
sold azaleas, camellias, and other plants. Daniel T. Bowman enlisted in the army with the 1st Montana Regiment Volunteers, Company C, on 15 July 1898, and was stationed in Manila. James P. Bowman shared an interest in Cuba with John Sidney Thrasher (1817–1879), author and editor.

**Description of the Collection**

Correspondence, plantation management papers, financial papers, legal documents, personal papers, and printed and graphic materials spanning from 1797 to 1955 document the lives of members of the Turnbull, Pirrie, Lyons, Bowman, and to a lesser extent, the Barrow, Stirling, and Fort families. Correspondence discusses plantation, financial, and social matters and includes antebellum letters. The bulk of the correspondence is of Sarah T. Bowman and her children. Plantation records of William B. Turnbull and James P. Bowman include slave lists and plantation diaries that document Frogmoor and Rosedown plantations. The diaries contain lists of slaves and details of plantation management. Financial papers include factors’ statements, mostly of Daniel Turnbull and James P. Bowman, which document sugar and cotton produced on Rosedown, Middleplace, Inheritance, Hazelwood, and other plantations. Among the financial papers are receipts and statements for goods and services. Legal documents of the Turnbull, Pirrie, Lyons, Matthews, Barrow, Bowman, and Fort families consist mostly of land title documents and succession papers. Legal papers of John B. Dawson, a parish judge and relative of the Barrow family, are present. Personal papers and printed and graphic materials reflect the lives and interests of family members, particularly the Bowmans.

**Series I. Correspondence, 1799–1955**

This series includes correspondence of the Turnbull, Pirrie, Lyons, Barrow, and Bowman families. The bulk of the correspondence is of Sarah T. Bowman and her children. Items are arranged by personal names and by date. Among the earliest correspondence in the collection are letters of John and Catherine Turnbull. A letter (1799) from Thomas Durnford (1762–1826) to John discusses attempts to recover two runaway slaves. Durnford emigrated from Ringwood, England, in 1776. Letters (1837–1896) of Daniel and Martha Turnbull discuss social and economic matters. Included are letters (1870) to Martha from George H. Miller, overseer of Styopa Plantation. Two letters (1870s) from W. D. Winter to Martha relate to the destruction of property on Styopa and De Soto plantations during the Civil War. Testimony of white and African American witnesses is discussed, with notes on the lineage and ownership of former slaves.

Letters of the Pirrie family relate to personal and financial matters and the education of Ruffin Gray Stirling, a relative (nephew?) of James Pirrie. A letter (1851) from a Stirling family member to James P. Bowman reports the death of James’s mother, Eliza B. Lyons. A letter (1814) from Ruffin Gray Jr. of Lexington, Kentucky, describes letters he received that contain accounts of the British siege of New Orleans. Letters (one oversize) of Eliza B. Lyons relate to family and economic matters. Some letters (1826–1828) discuss the sale of Bayou Boeuff Plantation and slaves belonging to the estate of
Robert H. Barrow, Eliza’s late husband. Letters (1841, 1850, and undated) to Eliza from Henry Lyons describe political affairs in Washington, D.C., his views of marriage in 1841, and economic conditions in San Francisco, California, during the Gold Rush. Letters (1837, 1840) from John Bennett Dawson to Lyons, William Barrow, and others, are included. One concerns the commission of a portrait of Dawson by artist William H. Contant. Dawson was the son of Sarah Barrow (1773–1816) and was under the guardianship of William Barrow (1765–1823) after her death. Letters to Lyons from family members include letters (1851) from Isabell Matthews, the daughter of Eliza Lyons and her second husband, William R. Bowman. Isabell took care of Lyons’s children after Eliza died in 1851. Letters (1851 and undated) from William Wilson Matthews to Isabell before their marriage are included.


Correspondence of James P. Bowman (Eliza’s son) relates to plantation management, to financial interests, and to family matters. Letters (1828) from James’s father, Jacob Bowman, to his brother, William R. Bowman, discuss business and land ownership and offer advice about religion and life. Other items includes letters from James’s schoolmates from Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, and from various friends and relatives. A letter (1854) from John Sidney Thrasher (1817–1879, author and editor) to James requests that he read and comment on his essay “Cuba and Louisiana.” A letter (1869) from James to Henry Lyons concerns money he inherited from Eliza.


James’s letters (1856–1865) to his wife, Sarah T. Bowman, are included. Most of Sarah’s correspondence (1852–1910s) concerns family, social, and economic matters. Included are letters (1852–1860) of Mary Jackson, a school friend. One discusses the ownership of slaves at the settlement of an estate. A letter (1874) from Sarah to her daughter, Eliza, recounts an uprising of African Americans in Bayou Sara. A letter (1896) from Sarah to her son, Daniel, describes Martha Turnbull’s aging and comments on her work in the gardens at Rosedown Plantation. Correspondence (two items oversize) of Bowman family children includes letters of Nina Bowman (sometimes called “Nix”) that relate to her horticultural business. She cultivated and sold azaleas, camellias, and other plants. Letters to Nina (November–December 1925) from “Mary” in Natchez, Mississippi, concern arrangements to sell John James Audubon books that
Nina had in her possession. Letters (1898–1899) of Daniel T. Bowman describe his experiences while stationed in Manila.

**Series II. Plantation Management Papers, 1857–ca. 1880s**

This series includes plantation records of William B. Turnbull and James P. Bowman with slave lists and plantation diaries for Frogmoor and Rosedown plantations. Two lists (1850s) of slaves of William B. Turnbull record their ages and monetary valuations. Two plantation diaries (1867, 1858–1859) maintained by George W. Woodruff record activities on Frogmoor Plantation. The diaries include lists of slaves, lists of deaths and births on the plantation, lists of provisions and clothing issued to slaves, and daily accounts of plantation activities including work, illness, weather, and other agricultural news. A Rosedown Plantation diary (1858–1867) kept by James P. Bowman records shoes, cloth, and provisions supplied to slaves (and later laborers). The diary records sales of sugar and molasses (1858), sugar grown and ground (1859–1861), and the cotton crop (1865) at Rosedown. Bowman’s account book [1880s] lists supplies issued to field hands. A “sketch” (undated) of Rosedown Plantation prepared for the estate of Sarah T. Bowman shows property lines of Rosedown, surrounding properties, and Bayou Sara.

Newspaper clippings that were pasted into a Frogmoor Plantation diary (1858–1859) and into James P. Bowman’s account book [1880s] have been removed (only partial removal of clippings was practicable with the Bowman account book). Photocopies of these clippings are housed in the Printed and Graphic Materials series.

**Series III. Financial Papers, 1802–1955**

This series includes financial papers of the Turnbull, Pirrie, Lyons, Matthews, Barrow, Bowman, and Fort families, arranged by personal names and by date. Papers of the Turnbull family include a receipt (1810) from the Turnbull & Joyce Co. Papers of William B. Turnbull and his wife, Caro, include a statement (1855) listing goods purchased from Prudent Francis Mallard, furniture maker of New Orleans. Receipts (1831–1857) from plantation overseers reflect activities on Daniel Turnbull’s Rosedown, Middleplace, Inheritance, and Hazelwood plantations. Factors’ statements (some oversize) record sales of cotton produced on these plantations and on Woodland Plantation. Factors represented are Nathaniel Cox, Washington, Jackson & Co., and A. Fisk, Watt & Co. Daniel’s miscellaneous financial papers include a receipt for seeds and plants purchased (12 January 1850) and checkbooks from a trip to Rome (1860). After Daniel’s death, Martha received statements from factors including J. Norman Jackson (1861–1865), R. Pritchard (1865–1866), John Chaffe & Bro. (1870–1871), David Urquhart (1871), and Richard Flower (1867–1873). Receipts (1870–1871) for payment of A. S. Murphy and George H. Miller, managers of Styopa Plantation, and for payment of laborers on Styopa and Rosedown plantations are included. Also present are receipts for taxes and for merchandise purchased by Martha.

Financial papers of the Pirrie family include James Pirrie’s receipts and sight drafts (1802–1823) and statements (1815–1824) from factors Flower and Reynolds Ralston & Co. Factors’ statements (1835–1848, some oversize) from Burke, Watt, & Co. and from Nathaniel Cox are written to Pirrie’s daughter, Eliza B. Lyons. Miscellaneous bills,
receipts, account books, and an issue of the New Orleans Price Current and Commercial Intelligencer (1841) of Eliza and Henry Lyons are included. William Wilson Matthews' (Eliza's son-in-law's) financial papers include a receipt for pew rental at Grace Episcopal Church in St. Francisville, Louisiana.

Barrow family financial papers include steamer bills of lading (1871) for Styopa Plantation and a factors’ statement (1851) for produce from Oakley, Home, and Grosse Tete plantations. Financial papers of the Bowman family consist of factors’ statements and miscellaneous bills and receipts (1829–1922, some oversize) of William R. Bowman, James P. Bowman, and Sarah T. Bowman. Factors represented include Nathaniel Cox, R. Pritchard, and Richard Flower. Accounts (1888–1895) with the merchant Julius Freyhan & Co. of Bayou Sara, Louisiana, comprise the bulk of statements recording expenses of Sarah Bowman. A statement (1895) records cotton appropriated to pay notes. Bills and receipts of the Fort family and other miscellaneous items are included.

Series IV. Legal Documents, 1797–1939

This series includes legal documents of the Turnbull, Barrow, Lyons, and Bowman families. Papers of Boyle & Lyons and of John B. Dawson are included, arranged by personal name and by date. Legal papers of the Turnbull family include items related to the disposition of property from the estate of William B. Turnbull. One item outlines an agreement between Caro Turnbull (widow) and Martha Turnbull over the ownership of slaves and other property left on the estate. Also among the Turnbull legal papers is a contract between Martha H. Turnbull and a gardener at Rosedown Plantation.

Barrow family legal documents largely consist of papers (1828–1842) related to the settlement of the estate of Robert H. Barrow and the guardianship of Robert H. Barrow Jr. Legal documents of Henry Lyons include items related to his partnership with William D. Boyle, with documents of the law firm Boyle & Lyons.

Bowman family legal papers include a document placing James P. Bowman (son of William and Eliza Bowman) under the guardianship of Nelson B. Bowman of Brownsville, Pennsylvania. Also included are the passport of James P. Bowman to Cuba (1867, oversize) and his certificate of appointment to the state board of education (1896, oversize); wills of Sarah T. Bowman and Carrie Bowman; and legal documents (1840–1939) pertaining to leases and other financial matters. The series includes documents (1840–1841) of John B. Dawson, judge of West Feliciana Parish, and items (1797, 1843, one oversize, in English and Spanish) related to land holdings of Thomas Young and family. Miscellaneous papers include legal claims of various people, an argument (1850s) for the exemption of a domestic vessel (the Sea Witch) from a legislative act, and a legal opinion (undated) on paraphernal property (separate property of women).

Series V. Personal Papers, 1846–1924

This series includes personal papers, created primarily by members of the Bowman family. Included are inventories of household goods; lists of books including books at Rosedown Plantation (1862, 1900s, and undated); genealogical notes (undated) on the Turnbull, Bowman, and related families; recipes and remedies (undated); poetry (1855
and undated); prose pieces (one oversize); school notes (1846–1879); and memoranda (1874–1924). Manuscript volumes (1847–1897) include writing primers and memorandum books containing notes, addresses, and herbaria.

**Series VI. Printed and Graphic Materials, 1851–1941**

This series includes pamphlets and catalogs (1851–1894); ephemera and advertisements (1853–1893); postcards, greeting cards, and calling cards (undated); photocopies of newspaper clippings removed from Frogmoor Plantation diary (undated) and James P. Bowman’s account book (1890s) and other miscellaneous newspaper clippings; and photographic prints (1887, 1922, and 1941). Two of the photographs (undated) probably depict James P. Bowman.

*N.B.* Related collections among the holdings of the Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, Louisiana State University Libraries, include the James P. Bowman and Family Papers (Mss. 1372, 1382), 1806–1937, and the Turnbull-Allain Family Papers (Mss. 4261), 1784–1941, included in the present edition. Another related collection is the Turnbull-Bowman Family Papers (Mss. 4452), available on microfilm on site.

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| Reel 34 cont. | 0499 Box 1, Folder 2, Catherine Turnbull from John Towles, 1812 and 1830. 7 frames. |
| Reel 34 cont. | 0506 Box 1, Folder 3, Daniel Turnbull from Miscellaneous, 1837–1860. 13 frames. |
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| Reel 34 cont. | 0572 Box 1, Folder 5, Martha H. Turnbull from George H. Miller, Styopa Plantation Overseer, 1870. 8 frames. |
| Reel 34 cont. | 0580 Box 1, Folder 6, Martha H. Turnbull from Miscellaneous, 1859, 1866, and 1870–1872. 33 frames. |
| Reel 34 cont. | 0613 Box 1, Folder 7, James Pirrie from James Sterrett and Jed Smith, 1807 and 1818. 5 frames. |
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| Reel 34 cont. | 0823 Box 1, Folder 19, Robert H. Barrow (b. 1824) to James P. Bowman, 1853–1854 and Undated. 10 frames. |
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