

Richard Malcolm Johnston papers

Descriptive Summary

Repository:	Georgia Historical Society
Creator:	Johnston, Richard Malcolm, 1822-1898.
Title:	Richard Malcolm Johnston papers
Dates:	1884-1893
Extent:	0.05 cubic feet (1 folder)
Identification:	MS 0435

Biographical/Historical Note

Richard Malcolm Johnston was an author, lawyer, and educator. He was born near Pawellton, Georgia on "Oak Grove" plantation. He was law partners with Eli W. Baxter in Sparta, Georgia. In 1844, Johnston married Mary Frances Mansfield. He was elected chair of rhetoric and belles-lettres at the University of Georgia in 1857; he remained in Athens until 1861. From 1862 until 1867, Johnston ran a school for boys in Rockby, Georgia. After the Civil War, he moved to Baltimore, Maryland, where he continued his school as "Pen Lucy School."

Scope and Content Note

This collection includes two letters from Richard Malcolm Johnston to J.C. Derby, 1884, and Julius Cawein, 1893. Both letters concern poetry. The collection also contains a memorial by Johnston on the death of Edward Adam Soulard, 1880. Johnston and Soulard were friends from Sparta, Georgia.

Index Terms

Houghton, Mifflin and Company.
Johnston, Richard Malcolm, 1822-1898.
Letters (correspondence)
Poetry.
Soulard, Edward Adam, d. 1880

Administrative Information

Custodial History

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Acquisition Information

Gift of Hugh H. Hill in memory of Sidney Porter Driscoll, 1957 (Item 2); Mrs. Frank. A. Hollowbush, 1978 (Item 3).
Purchased, 1956 (Item 1).

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Container List

Item 1: R.M. Johnston to J.C. Derby. Baltimore, 1884 January 2 (2.0 p.)

Sending a poem on approval; intends to work on a small collection of poems for Houghton & Mifflin.

Item 2: R.M. Johnston to Madison Julius Cawein. Baltimore, 1893 November 27 (3.0 p.)

Praises Cawein's poetry.

Item 3: Memorial by Richard Malcolm Johnston on the death of Edward Adam Soulard, 1880 (3.0 p.)

Signed R.M.J.