

United States War Department, Secretary of War letters

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Biographical/Historical Note

John Caldwell Calhoun (1782-1850) was born in South Carolina to Patrick and Martha Caldwell Calhoun. He graduated from Yale College in 1804, after which he studied law. He won a seat in the United States House of Representatives in 1810, a position he held until 1817, when he resigned to accept an appointment as the secretary of war under President James Monroe. He ran in the 1824 presidential election, but lost to John Quincy Adams; he was instead elected as vice-president. He resigned the vice-presidency in 1832 and joined the Senate. He served until 1843, then he became the Secretary of State under President John Tyler as a replacement for Abel Upshur. Calhoun held the position until the end of Tyler's term in 1845, at which point he returned to the Senate, where he served until his death.

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This collection consists of a microfilm copy of papers from the Records of the War Department held in the National Archives (NARA collection M221). These papers consist of letters received and written by the Secretary of War, John C. Calhoun, 1820-1824. These letters were written from the Treasury Department and the Creek Agency primarily by William H. Crawford, Edward Jones, and John C. Calhoun.

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