

Hugh Stiles Golson collection of Stiles family papers

Descriptive Summary

Repository:	Georgia Historical Society
Creator:	Golson, Hugh Stiles.
Title:	Hugh Stiles Golson collection of Stiles family papers
Dates:	1823-1862
Extent:	0.05 cubic feet (1 folder)
Identification:	MS 1624

Biographical/Historical Note

Elizabeth Eliza Anne Mackay (fl. 1810-1867) was the daughter of Jack (d.1848) and Elizabeth Anne Mackay of Savannah. Her father attended West Point and was close friends with Robert E. Lee. Miss Mackay attended school in New York during the early 1820s. She married William Henry Stiles (1808-1865), a native of Savannah, in 1832. During the Civil War, Stiles was a Colonel in Georgia's 60th Regiment and was stationed in Virginia. In 1863, the Stiles family moved from Savannah, Georgia to Terrell County, Georgia.

Joseph Clay, (1741-1804) of Savannah, Georgia was the grandfather of William Henry Stiles. He was a delegate to the Continental Congress and later a federal judge. Charles Coteworth Pinckney (1746-1825) was an early American statesman and constitutional delegate from Charleston, South Carolina.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains correspondence of Eliza Mackay Stiles. Correspondents include her mother Mrs. Eliza A. Mackay, her husband William Henry Stiles, the family of her daughter Mary Low, and Mrs. Mary Custis Lee, wife of General Robert E. Lee. There is also a letter from Mrs. Sidney Stiles Elliott to Katherine Mackay Low regarding the family ancestry and relationship to Eliza Mackay Stiles.

Also within the collection is a debt made by Joseph Clay (1741-1804) of Savannah, Georgia to Charles Cotesworth Pinckney (1746-1825) of Charleston, South Carolina. The original debt is for a little over 7,600 dollars and is dated May 4, 1793. Pinckney also recorded on this document each repayment Clay made. The final payment was dated February 7, 1801.

Index Terms

Clay, Joseph, 1741-1804.
Lee, Mary Randolph Custis, 1807-1873.
Letters (correspondence)
Mackay, Eliza Anne McQueen, 1778-1862.
Mackay, Margaret.
Pinckney, Charles Cotesworth, 1746-1825.
Richmond (Va.)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.
Stiles family.
Stiles, Eliza Anne Mackay, active 1810-1867.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Letters were passed through Stiles family members to cousins in the Ralph Elliott family and then the Joseph A. Huger family to Clermont Huger Lee, and finally to Hugh Stiles Golson. The note of indebtedness was from the Stiles family home, Etowah Cliffs in Bartow County, Georgia and collected by Dorothy Stiles White, passed to Elise White Heald and on to Hugh Stiles Golson.

Preferred Citation

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Container List

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- 1 Correspondence and Note of Indebtedness, 1801-1892