

Couper and Wylly family papers

Descriptive Summary

Repository:	Georgia Historical Society
Creator:	Couper family.
Creator:	Wylly family.
Title:	Couper and Wylly family papers
Dates:	1722-1955
Extent:	0.5 cubic feet (1 box)
Identification:	MS 1872

Biographical/Historical Note

The Couper family emigrated from Glasgow, Scotland in 1775 and settled in St. Simons Island, Georgia. The Wylly family emigrated from Belfast, Scotland in the mid eighteenth century and settled in St. Simons Island, Georgia as well.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains family correspondence, deeds, diaries, family histories, family trees, newspaper clippings, and other miscellaneous materials relating to the Couper and Wylly families of St. Simons Island, Georgia from 1772 to 1955. Of particular interest are the letters written by members of both families serving in the Confederate Army during the Civil War. There are also typed transcriptions of many of these letters that have been done by various family members over the years. Also included is a diary that belonged to Margaret Armstrong Wylly (1771-1862) which includes not only diary entries but lists of African Americans who worked on her family's plantation in St. Simons Island from 1827 to 1847.

Index Terms

Clippings (information artifacts)
Couper family.
Deeds.
Diaries.
Genealogical tables.
Genealogies (histories)
Letters (correspondence)
Slavery--Georgia--19th century.
Slavery--Georgia--St. Simons Island.
St. Simon's Island--History.
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Correspondence.
Wylly family.
Wylly, Margaret Armstrong, 1771-1862.

Administrative Information

Processing Information

This collection is processed at the Basic Level (or collection level). There is no detailed inventory for this collection as it is not fully processed. To request that this collection be added to our priority list of collections to be fully processed as

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Restrictions

Access Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Sponsorship

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