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Scope and Content
Manuscript Miscellany is housed in eight archival boxes and selected documents are housed in a fireproof safe. Manuscript Miscellany contains various documents, correspondence, books and other small collections of items related to authors, politicians or other notable/local individuals or institutions.

This manuscript group is an assortment of small collections which range in size from a single page to one or two volumes of documents. This collection is constantly expanding, and includes items such as letters written by Carl Sandburg, Upton Sinclair, and George Bernard Shaw, a day book recorded by the J.W. & S.G. Kuntz Mill in Troutville, PA from 1899-1925 and a War Ration Book from the Second World War. Other documents include patents signed by John Quincy Adams, and a royal commission signed by King George III in 1795.

Provenance
Please see accession file.

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Processor
The collection was organized and the finding aid was updated by Harrison Wick on January 23, 2023.

Container List
Box 1 (34 folders)
1. Rice, Alice Hegan. Letter from Alice Hegan Rice to the Knickerbocker Publishing Company, December 13, 1904
2. Steffens, Lincoln. Letter from Lincoln Steffens to Elizabeth Jarnon, August 4, 1932
3. Stockton, Frank R. Letter from Frank R. Stockton to Miss Bisland, April 11, 1889
4. Lowell, James Russell. Letter from James Russell Lowell to the W.B. Clark Company, May 1, 1890
5. Riley, James Whitcomb. Letter from James Whitcomb Riley to Mr. Stedman, January 1, 1898
6. Taylor, Bayard. Letter from Bayard Taylor, April 27, 1870

7. Markham,Edwin. Letter from Edwin Markham to Mr. Von Napper, August 1, 1906
8. Robinson, Edward Arlington. Letter from Edwin Arlington Robinson to Mr. Meconnahay, November 22, 1931
9. Sandburg, Carl. A letter of Carl Sandburg to Joseph H. Meconnahey, March 15, 1932
10. Nye, Wilson Edgar. Letter from Wilson Edgar Nye to Mr. Hawkins, January 17, 1888
11. Warner, Charles Dudley. Letter from Charles Dudley Warner to the editor of Literary Life, January 1, 1885
12. Repplier, Agnes. Letter from Agnes Repplier to Mrs. Bird, January 28, 1924.
13. Miller, Joaquin. Letter from Joaquin Miller to the Knickerbocker Company, June 30, 1911
14. Williams, Ben Ames. Letter from Ben Ames Williams to Mr. Joseph H. Meconnahey, November 9, 1932
15. Smith, Kate Douglas. Letter from Kate Douglas Smith to Mr. Wly, March 6, 1916
16. White, Stewart Edward. Letter from Stewart Edward White's to Mr. Joseph Meconnahey, May 3, 1932
17. Sinclair, Upton. Letter from Upton Sinclair to Mr. Joseph Meconnahey, April 25, 1932
18. Seton, Ernest Thompson. Letter from Ernest Thompson Seton to Jean Larrur, n.d.
19. Ostenso, Martha. Letter from Martha Ostenso to Mr. Meconnahey, June 8, 1932
20. Mitchell, Silas Weir. Autograph letter of Silas Weir Mitchell, n.d.
21. Weygant, Cornelius. Letter to the editor of the North American Review, October 24, 1906
22. Shaw, G. Bernard. Letter from Shaw to Miss Jane Tabriskys, March 31, 1927 (Fireproof File Cabinet)
23. Milhaud, Darius. Inscribed Music Score of Darius Milhaud's Les Malheurs d'Orphee, l926 (Fireproof File Cabinet)
24. Bulwer-Lytton, Edward George Earle Lytton, 1st baron, l803-1873. (Fireproof File Cabinet)
    a. Autograph letter signed April 4, 1832.
    b. Autograph letter signed December 2,1863
25. Shaw, George Bernard. Comments written on the margin of a letter from Raymond G. Carroll dated June 6-8, 1919 (Fireproof File Cabinet)
26. Turnbull, Agnes Sligh. Manuscript rough drafts:
    a. The Rolling Years
    b. The Gown of Glory (with galley). Typescript of the Prologue to The Gown of Glory signed cover letter of Agnes Sligh Turnbull's to Wm. Lafranchi. (File Cabinet?)
    c. Remember the End
    d. The Bishop's Mantle.
27. Thompkins, Andre. Original print by Andre Thompkins, Drummer, 6" x 9". See 759.3 T369p for a book of Thomkin's works.

28. Brahms, Johannes. Postcard from Johannes Brahams to Anton Door, February 12, l887. (Fireproof File Cabinet)
29. Mendelssohn-Bartholdy, Felix. Letter from Mendelssohn-Bartholdy to Friedrich Rosen, November 29, 1833. (Fireproof File Cabinet.)
30. Stravinsky, Igor. Postcard from Igor Stravinsky to Calvocoresi, October 15, 1913 (Fireproof File Cabinet.)
31. Verdi, Giuseppe. Letter from Giuseppe Verdi to Antonio Ghislanzoni, December 28, 1913. (Fireproof File Cabinet.)
32. Wagner, Richard. Concert program of Richard Wagner, n.d. (Fireproof File Cabinet)
33. White, William Allen. Letter from William Allen White to Mr. Meconnahey, April 30, 1932
34. Washington, Booker T. Letter from Booker T. Washington to Mr. Hamilton Holt, May 8, 1913

Box 2 (9 folders)

1. Civilian Conservation Corps. Company 2328, Shelocta, PA. Newsletter: "Stockade," 11 issues.
2. St. Xavier's Academy
    a. St. Xavier's Academy Monthly- February, April 1903
    b. St. Xavier's Journal- February, March; September-October, l904 and May-June 1905. Beatty, PA
    3. Grant, Captain J.C. Two Letters: J.C. (Lee) Grant to John J. Daub dated January 23, 1919 from Camp McClellan, Alabama; from Kottenheim, Germany, relating news of Army life and the War.
4. Roosevelt, Franklin D.
    a. One issue of "The Survey," June l936, published by the PA Federation of Democratic Women.
    b. Two floor passes for delegate to the Democratic Convention, June l936.
    c. Roosevelt campaign button.
5. Fisher, John S.
    a. Letter: Sydney Fisher to John S. Fisher, May 1, l922. Expressing regret that John S. Fisher is not running for governor.
    b. Telegram: C.W. Hill to Fisher reminding him of an Irish dinner to be held in Harrisburg, March 21. 1925.
6. Buchanan, James. President Buchanan's handwritten letter to Eli Slifer of Harrisburg. Washington, D.C. August 10, l860. (Fireproof file cabinet.)
7. Resolute Baseball Club. One photograph and a history (booklet dated 1888) of the Resolute Baseball Club of Macungie, Pennsylvania.
8. Stowe, Harriet Beecher. Unaddressed handwritten note: "The best rule for life, Trust in the Lord and do good. Your affectionate friend, H. B. Stowe Hartford, Connecticut, October 20, l894." (Fireproof File Cabinet)
9. Subway Journal. Volume 1, issue 3 (Underground newspaper published at the Indiana High School)

Box 3 (4 ledgers) Armstrong County Commissioners for Madison Township

1. Ledger, 1892
2. Ledger, 1893
3. Ledger, 1894
4. Ledger, 1896

Box 4 (16 items)

1. Kuntz, J.W. & S.G. Day book recorded by the J.W. and S.G. Kuntz Mill, Troutville, PA from 1899-1925 (1 vol.)
2. Black Lick, Pennsylvania. Census of children between the ages of 6 and 16 years residing in Black Lick, Indiana County, PA in 1928
3. Watson Township School Board meeting minutes for Watson Township, Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, 1855-1878
4. Juniata County, Pennsylvania. Francis Snyder Account Books. 2 CD-Rom(s) of Francis Snyder's Bealetown Store Ledgers, 1858-1884
5. Juniata County, Pennsylvania. Francis Snyder Account Book Receipts for Bealetown and Honey Grove, 1858-1862 and Subscriptions (volume 1)
6. Juniata County, Pennsylvania. Francis Snyder Account Book for Bealetown and Honey Grove, 1863-1866 (volume 2)
7. Juniata County, Pennsylvania. Francis Snyder Account Book for Bealetown and Honey Grove, 1863-1866 and various receipts to 1870 (volume 3)
8. Juniata County, Pennsylvania. Francis Snyder Account Book for Bealetown and Honey Grove, 1858-1862, various receipts to 1884, postal records 1877 to 1878 and Day Book 1874 to 1875 (volume 4)
9. Indiana County, Pennsylvania. Teacher's Monthly Attendance Reports for Walkers School, Armstrong School District, 1861-1866. (1 volume)
10. Indiana County, Pennsylvania. School Board Minutes for Burrell Township School District, 1919-1933 (volume 1)
11. Indiana County, Pennsylvania. School Board Minutes for Burrell Township School District, 1946-1952 (volume 2)
12. Indiana County, Pennsylvania. Meeting Minutes written by S.G. McComb of the Centennial Literary Society dated March 27, 1877. Ebenezer, Pennsylvania.
13. Loyal Order of Moose, Indiana Lodge No. 144, Indiana, Pennsylvania. Letter dated February 28, 1910
14. Bill McClure's diary, a member of the Westmoreland Guards, Co. E, 2nd Pennsylvania Regiment during the Mexico War, 1847-1848
15. Illustrated French Comic Book (World War Two): *La Bete Est Morte!* (The Beast is Dead!) La Guerre Mondiale Chez Les Animaux, printed in Paris (1945)
    a. Original French Edition
    b. English Translation (Photocopy)
16. Poems on the Battle of Gettysburg (circa 1887) by William J. Cook

Box 5 (1 item)

1. Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. Scrapbook of Ross A. Hickok of Harrisburg, PA, 1896-1901. Mr. Hickok was the son-in-law of Daniel H. Hastings, Governor of PA, elected in 1894. Mr. Hickok attended Yale University and was associated with the W.O. Hickok Manufacturing Company of Harrisburg.

Box 6 (12 folders)

1. Lotz, Philip. Court transcript of Philip Lotz vs. Union Canal Company held in Reading, PA, 1830-1845. 24 items.
2. Cameron Coal Company. Reports of J.P. Lesley and N.F. Jones on the property of the Cameron Coal Companylocated in Cameron County, Pennsylvania. New York: F. Somers, printer, 69 Fulton Street, 1868. 16 pages and folding map, illus.
3. Pennsylvania Legislature. An Act to authorize the formation of Corporations for Manufacturing, Mining and Chemical Operations. Ca. L840; 7 p. folio. Special printing for PA Congressmen in D.C.
4. Shoemaker, Henry W. 1882-1958. Diary, l953. Mr. Shoemaker was the publisher of the Altoona Tribune for 38 years and also was State Archivist
5. Whitman, Walt. Materials relating to Whitman (5 items)
6. Gaspar, Donald. Geographic Analysis of Bituminous Coal mining in Jefferson County, Pennsylvania. Master of Science Thesis, 1951
7. Map of Loretto, was an insert in the Cambria County atlas.
8. The Family Circle and Parlor Annual. Edited by Rev. W.M. Jimsey. Vol. V, No.9, 1846
9. "Pittsburgh Gas Coal Company, Iselin #1." Photograph donated by Frederick C. Luderer
10. Miners and Laborers' Amalgamated Association dues card dated 1883, District 4. Donated by Frederick C. Luderer
11. Letter from Wm. Howard Taft re: Controller of the Treasury
12. Letter to Mr. Foster, for *The Nation*

Box 7 (17 folders)

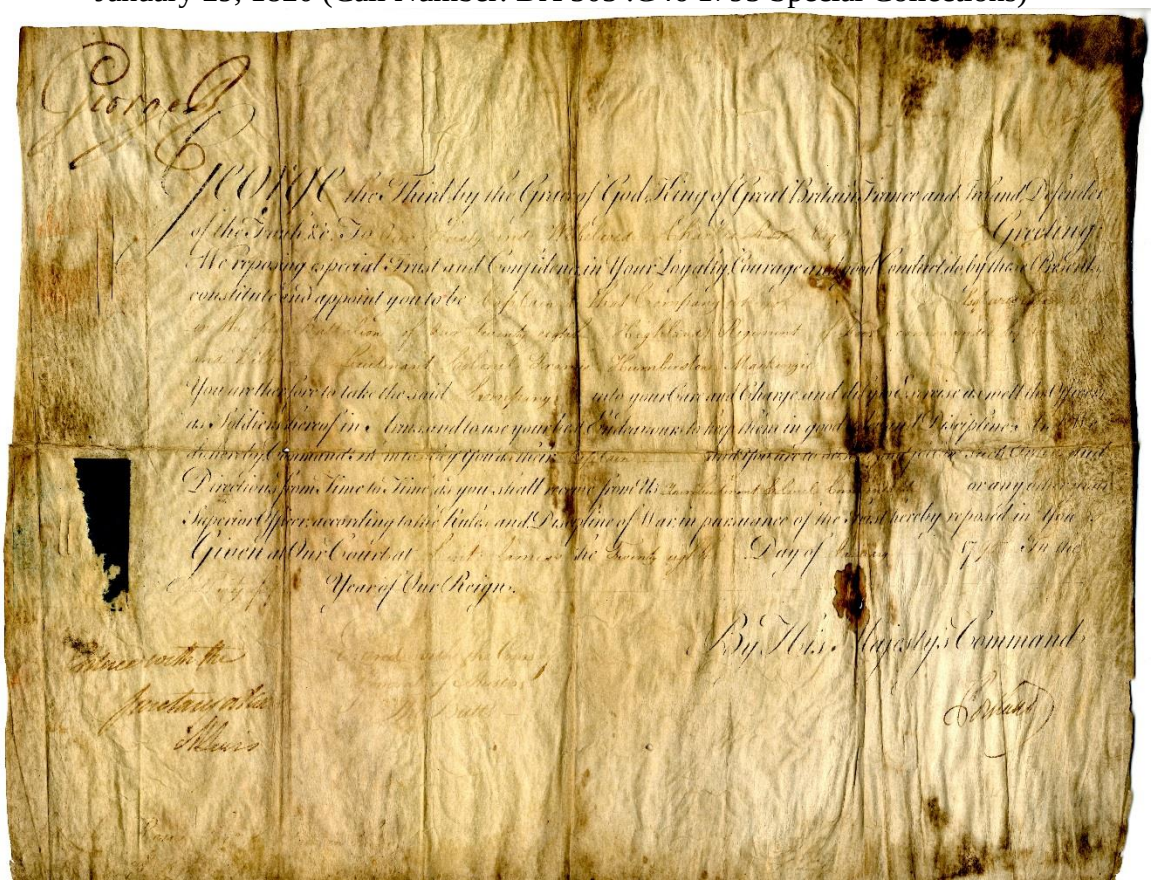
1. "The People," May 14, 1909
2. Siegfried Festival Program, 1916
3. Divorce Trial Proceedings, 1888
4. Indiana County Map of Paths
5. Dime Magazines, 1890s
6. Letter to Ross Hickok, July 20, 1898
7. Letter to Ross Hickok, June 30, 1898
8. John McCormick-inventor of turbine
9. Program for 2 one act plays- The Little Theatre Players of Indiana, Pennsylvania.
10. Easter Fantasy" by Ruth Bernhard
11. Posters:
    a. United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) poster: This is a Union Home … Organized 1890. 1938 reprint of poster
    b. 1945 Victory Loan Poster – World War Two
12. Deeds and related Items- Lycoming County, Pennsylvania
13. Deeds- Allegheny County
14. Jim Corsaro, Albany, New York- family from Clymer, PA. (Photographs)
15. Ladies Album- Miss Elizabeth Nesbitt (1853-1861)
16. War Ration Book of Margaret B. McHenry, 1943
17. Mathematics Student Workbook, October 24, 1848

Box 8 (13 folders)

1. John W. Sutton, Letter from the Salvation Army Adjutant, March 26, 1936
2. Biography of James Martin, 1958
3. Clymer Mine Disaster, August 26, 1926:
    a. U.S. Bureau of Mines: Report of Investigation – Report on Clymer No. 1 Mine Explosion, Clearfield Bituminous Coal Corporation (CBC), Clymer, Indiana County, Pennsylvania, August 26, 1926. Report prepared by J. J. Forbes, J. N. Geyer, and H. C. Howarth, Report August 26, 1926, Clymer, Indiana County, Pennsylvania. 95 pages
    b. Newspaper articles and summary of Clymer Mine Disaster, August 26, 1926
    c. Government Document (1923): Department of the Interior, U.S. Bureau of Mines, Erection of Barricades during mine fires or after explosions by J. W. Paul, B. O. Pickard, and M. W. Von Bernewitz, 1923
4. Merovich, Peter, Castle Shannon, The Patch—Mine #2
5. Beecher, Henry Ward. Letter, 1869
6. Newspaper articles about Judge John P. Elkin (1860-1915), ISNS Class of 1880
7. Pay Envelopes for Coal Miners at the Ebensburg Coal Company and the Red Lands Coal Company
8. Bethlehem Mines Corporation, Documents (not in box)
9. Letter from Carl Van Doren, the Literary Guide of America, New York, March 15, 1934
10. Photographs and documents about coal miner Alexander Mullholland Hamilton, his brother-in-laws Silas Chaney and George Chaney, and Willian Herbert Hopper and Garfield Hooper who worked in Armstrong County, Pennsylvania. Donated by Hamilton's granddaughter Lona Boudreaux.
11. Correspondence to O. A. Wakefield of Burgettstown, Pennsylvania, from the President of Greensburg-Connellsville Coal and Coke Company, George S. Baton, dated December 22, 1925. The letter talks about a little Christmas present from the company for the work Wakefield has done. Photograph of the interior of the company store at Frances Mine, circa 1922. Donated by Donna Joyner, niece of Florence Garrett, the wife of O. A. Wakefield, Jr.
12. Correspondence about the death and burial of coal miner Joseph Viano who died of tuberculosis on September 22, 1917 at Rossiter, Pennsylvania. He worked for Clearfield Bituminous Coal (CBC) Company. He joined the United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) Union #1736 on December 2, 1913. His brother also worked for CBC. Donated by Donna Burbidge, Joseph Viano was her grandmother's first husband.
13. Correspondence to Kenneth Eugene Jones of Penfield, Pennsylvania, from the General Motors Corporation, regarding the General Motors Co-operative Training Program and the General Motors Institute in Flint, Michigan, 1939-1940. Kenneth Jones was an unemployed teenager at the time, seeking further education or employment affiliated with General Motors

Box 9 Oversized Manuscripts (5 folders)

1. Adams, John Quincy. U.S. Patent Office. The United States of America, to all to whom these letters patent shall come: Whereas, Richard Ward a citizen of the United States hath alleged that he has invented a new and useful improvement in the Marine Rail-way… Washington D.C., the author, 1826, un-paginated, signed by John Quincy Adams and Henry Clay
2. Homestead, Pennsylvania:
    a. Eulogy Poetry: Lines on the Homestead Tragedy, April 23, 1874
    b. Photograph of Ortwein, no date
    c. Business Card: B. Frank Bell, 233 E. 18th Street, Homestead, Pennsylvania
3. Vellum Document: "General Order of Command to Charles Rose" British Army Royal Commission dated January 28, 1795 signed by King George III (June 4, 1738-January 29, 1820) King of Great Britain and Ireland (became the United Kingdom in 1801) reigned for 59 years from October 26, 1760 until his death on January 29, 1820 (Call Number: DA 505 .G46 1795 Special Collections)



Text: [signature of King George III] George the Third by the Grace of God, King of Great Britain, France, and Ireland. Defender of the Faith, etc. To Our Trusty and Well beloved Charles Rose Esq. Greetings: We reposing especial Trust and Confidence in Your Loyalty, Courage and good Conduct do by these Presents, constitute and appoint you to be Captain to that Company where of Esq. was late Captain in the first Battalion of Our Seventy eighth Highlands Regiment of Foot commanded by our Trusty and Well beloved Lieutenant Colonel Francis Humberston Mackenzie. You are therefore to take the said Company into your Care and Charge and duty to Exercise as well the officers as Soldiers Thereof in Arms and to use your best Endeavors to keep them in good Conduct

and Discipline. And We do hereby Command Them to obey you as their Captain and you are to observe and follow such orders and Directions from Time to Time as you shall receive from Us your Lieutenant Colonel Commandant as any other of (sic) your Superior Officer, according to the Rules and Discipline of War in pursuance of the Trust hereby reposed in You. Given at Our Court at Saint James the Twenty eighth Day of January 1795 In the Thirty fifth Year of Our Reign. Entered with the Secretary M. Seurs. Entered with the Commissary (sic) General of Musters "Thomas Butts" By His Majesty's Command

4. Advertisement (two-sided 9.5x12): "Smith Brothers, successors to Taylor & Smith, Designers & Engravers on Wood, No. 113 South Fourth Street, Philadelphia, May 10th, 1876, Dear Sir: You will find with this impression, engravings which we have prepared of the buildings of all the former International Exhibitions. These are accompanied with explanatory matter, thus showing the contrast with the Centennial Exhibition." Sheet contains engravings of the International Exhibition buildings in Dublin (1853), New York (1853), Manchester (1857), Florence (1861), Cork (1853), Munich (1854), Vienna (1867), the Crystal Palace, London (1851), and Paris (1867). Purchase of electrotype (electros) engravings $2.50 each.
5. Church Warden and Oversees of the Poor of the Borough of Chopping Toycombe in the County of Bucty, England (United Kingdom), September 23, 1774, donated by Dr. Royce Walters (IUP History Professor) in 2019

Box 10 Oversized Manuscripts (2 folders)

1. Japanese Prints with illustrations, no date (17th or 18th Century)
2. Civil War Draft of Indiana County, Pennsylvania (8x18) printed in six columns, no date (1864) includes draftees from the boroughs and townships of Armagh, Armstrong, Blairsville, Blacklick, Burrel, Brush Valley, Conemaugh, Canoe, Cherry Tree, Jacksonville, Shelocta, Centre, Green, Indiana Borough, Machanicsburgh, Montgomery, North Mahoning, East Mahoning, White Township, West Wheatfield, South Mahoning, West Mahoning, Pine Township, Rayne, Smicksburg, East Wheatfield, Cherry Hill, Washington Township, and Young Township.