

Joseph N. Reed (1816-1882) Family Collection

A Finding Aid

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I. Collection Summary

Title	Joseph N. Reed (1816-1882) Family Collection
Collection No.	C174
Extent	1 linear foot
Date Range	c. 1851-1940 (bulk 1855-1882)
Abstract	This collection comprises primarily letters and a few photographs amassed by Joseph N. Reed (1816-1882) and his wife, Mariah Goodrich Reed (1822-1882), of Cuylerville, Geneseo, and Groveland, Livingston County, New York during the mid- to late-19 th century. The letters are mainly those of relatives writing to Joseph and Mariah but also relate to their children, including David Abell Reed (1859-1929) and his family.
Languages	English.
Access and Restrictions	<p>Use of the documents in the collection is for serious research and by request and permission of the Livingston County Historian's Office. Any use of the material in publications must be cited as follows, "Courtesy of Livingston County Historian's Office, New York." Additionally, all documents should be handled with care.</p> <p>To arrange to conduct research with the documents in the collection, contact the Livingston County Historian by mail at: 5 Murray Hill Drive, Mount Morris, NY, by phone at (585) 243-7955, or by e-mail at Historian@livingstoncountyny.gov.</p>
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II. Biographical and Background Information

The collection of letters was donated by Mrs. Mary Reed Griffin, wife of Fred L. Griffin, of Santa Barbara, California, in 1957. Her sister, Mrs. Anna Reed Wade, donated photographs of the Reed, Abell, and Wheelock family members as well as a scrapbook of David Abell Reed. The scrapbook was either not kept or was dismantled, as it no longer is listed in the County Historian's holdings. These women were daughters of David Abell Reed (1859-1929) and Effie Wheelock Reed (1864-1956), and therefore granddaughters of Joseph N. Reed (1816-1882) and wife, Mariah Goodrich Reed (1822-1882).

The donation letters from these descendants are on file at the Livingston County Historian's Office in the Reed Family File, R-121.

III. Contents List

Family Files	B3- F7 to F12	Letters between Reed family members, including Miner, Fulton, Woodruff, Goodrich, and Abell surnames, 1851-1940
Photographs	B40-F20	Daguerreotypes of Reeds and Wheelocks (6 items)
Photographs	B20-F42 and F43	Photographs of Reed family members (18 items)

IV. Related Materials

Santa Barbara Old Mission

- According to a letter from the donor, dated 4 Jun. 1957, a collection of letters written by Dwight Reed, son of Joseph N. Reed, was placed at the Santa Barbara Old Mission due to his position of member of the U.S. Legation in Madrid, Spain.