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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

MS073

Unit Date

1859-1982

Language

English .

Creator

Green family

Creator

Mayger family

Creator

Muir family

Creator

Rutledge, Richard

Creator

Green, Esther Holiday, 1889-1981

Creator

Green and Bros. Furniture Company

Creator

Green Mansion House Hotel

Creator

Green, Richard Mayger, 1860-1941

Extent

1.84 Cubic Feet 4 boxes

Repository

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Biographical / Historical

William Green, his second wife, Mary Martindale Green, and seven children including his son James Green, came to Alexandria, VA in 1817 from England. William Green and son James established a furniture manufacturing business about 1827. After Green died in 1824, James and the other sons continued running the successful business. In 1848 James Green purchased Carlyle House and used it as a residence for his family - wife, Jane Muir Green and nine children. Because he felt the area demanded it, James Green built the Mansion House Hotel in 1849 and it was known as the "Green Mansion House." It was built to the north, west, and south of the Carlyle property. The property was sold in 1880 after his death. James Green's daughter, Jane Eliza Green married Robert Stanton Stringfellow who was from Culpeper County, VA in 1855. Robert Stringfellow remained at the Mansion House as a clerk until the late 1870's. His daughters, Anna Muir Stringfellow born 1856 and Mary Jane Stringfellow born 1858, grew up living at the Mansion House. Sometime prior to 1880, Robert Stringfellow moved his family to Culpeper County, Jane Eliza Green Stringfellow died. Robert Stringfellow died in 1882 and Anna Muir Stringfellow died in 1883, never marrying. Mary Jane Stringfellow married Atwell Somerville in 1884. She died in 1936. James Green's sons, Stephen A. Green married Margaret P. Mayger in 1859. They had six children, among them son Richard M. Green born in 1860. He married Annie Esther Yohe in 1890. Richard M. Green was a vice president of the Citizen's National Bank in Alexandria. Richard and Annie had two children, Esther Holliday Green and Richard Muir Green, Jr. Esther born in 1891 and Richard, Jr. born in 1896. Neither ever married.

Esther Green lived in Alexandria during most, if not all, of her life. She was active in women's clubs and held several positions in the Cameron Club and in the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs (See related collections). During World War I, she was also active in the Red Cross. Richard Green Jr., served in the Army during WWI in France and was with the Advanced Ordnance Depot. He was first stationed in New York and then sent to France where he remained until the end of the war. He returned to Alexandria where he worked and was involved in various organizations and died in 1971.

Content Description

This collection consists of six series: Correspondence, Literary Productions, Printed Material, Financial Documents, Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion, and Green Family. The correspondence series holds letters only to and from Esther Green. Included three folders (Box 73 Folders 1-3) with letters from Robert Rutledge, a youth for whom she helped secure a DuPont scholarship to the University of Virginia. While in college he updated her on his progress. Correspondence to and from other family members is located in the Green Family series. Approximately half of the collection concerns the Green Family. Several folders (Box 73.2 Folders 5-9) deal with an estate for which Richard Green was the executor. The Green Family series also contains genealogical information relating to the Muir, Magyar, and Green families and a few pieces relating to family businesses, Green and Bro. Furniture Co., and the Green Mansion House Hotel.

Related Materials

Photos, which are mixed with those from the Helen Norris Cummings Collection, have been placed in the photograph collection. Also, one folder concerning the Red Cross has been moved to Box 32. See also Robert

Rutledge Papers , The Virginia Federation of Women's Club Records (MS074), and The Alexandria Animal Welfare League Records (MS075), and the Cameron Club Records (MS077).

Keywords

American Legion. Auxiliary
Women -- Societies and clubs.
Business records
Genealogy
Business -- Virginia -- Alexandria
Red Cross -- Virginia -- Alexandria
Alexandria (Va.) -- Genealogy.
Virginia -- Genealogy.

Digital Materials

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Arrangement

Six series: Series I: Correspondence Series II:Literary Productions Series III: Printed Material Series IV: Financial Documents Series V: Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion Series VI: Green Family.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series I: Personal Correspondence

Unit ID MS073 Series 1

Correspondence-Robert Rutledge

Unit ID MS073-01-01

Unit Date 1937-1939

Text 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Correspondence-Robert Rutledge

Unit ID MS073-01-02

Unit Date Jan-May 1940

Text 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Correspondence-Robert Rutledge

Unit ID MS073-01-03

Unit Date Jun 1940-1941

Text 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

General Correspondence

Unit ID MS073-01-04

Unit Date 1919-1938

Text 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

General Correspondence

Unit ID MS073-01-05

Unit Date Feb - May 1940

Text 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

General Correspondence

Unit ID MS073-01-06

Unit Date 1940-06

Text 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

General Correspondence

Unit ID MS073-01-07

Unit Date 1940-1941

Text 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

General Correspondence

Unit ID MS073-01-08

Unit Date 1943-1945

Text 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

General Correspondence

Unit ID MS073-01-09

Text 1 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Series II: Literary Productions

Unit ID MS073 Series 2

Literary Productions- "Alexandria's Aspirations and Plans for the American Revolution Bicentennial (1770-1789) 1970-1989" speech by Martin P. Claussen

Unit ID MS073-01-10

Unit Date 1971

Text 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Literary Productions- "Early Experiments with Steam" speech [author unknown]

Unit ID MS073-01-11

Unit Date 1948

Text 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Literary Productions- "Mr. Charles Parmer" by Esther H. Green

Unit ID MS073-01-12

Text 1 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Literary Productions- Biographical Sketches of Lafayette and Lee

Unit ID MS073-01-13

Text 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Literary Productions- Log from "MES's" and "ISD's" trip to Europe

Unit ID MS073-01-14

Unit Date 1959

Text 1 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Literary Productions- Outline concerning trade

Unit ID MS073-01-15

Unit Date 1962

Text 1 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Series III: Printed Material

Unit ID MS073 Series 3

Printed Material- Virginia Midland Railway Timebooks

Unit ID MS073-01-16

Unit Date 1881-1882

Text 1 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Printed Material- Little Theatre of Alexandria

Unit ID MS073-01-17

Unit Date 1903-1953

Text 1 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Printed Material- Carlyle House

Unit ID MS073-01-18

Unit Date 1920s-1990

Text 1 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Printed Material- National Housing Conference

Unit ID MS073-01-19

Unit Date 1962

Text 1 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Printed Material- Amer. Assoc. for the United Nations

Unit ID MS073-01-20

Unit Date 1961-1962

Text 1 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

Printed Material- University of Virgini

Unit ID MS073-01-21

Unit Date 1938-1940

Text 1 (box)

Container 21 (folder)

Printed Material- Clippings

Unit ID MS073-01-22

Unit Date 1921-1924

Text 1 (box)

Container 22 (folder)

Printed Material- Clippings

Unit ID MS073-01-23

Unit Date 1925-1976

Text 1 (box)

Container 23 (folder)

Printed Material- misc

Unit ID MS073-01-24

Unit Date 1957-1962

Text 1 (box)

Container 24 (folder)

Series IV: Financial and Legal Documents

Unit ID MS073 Series 4

Financial Documents- Estate Book

Unit ID MS073-01-25

Unit Date 1949-1954

Text 1 (box)

Container 25 (folder)

Financial Documents- Estate of Helen N. Cummings

Unit ID MS073-01-26

Unit Date 1949-1975

Text 1 (box)

Container 26 (folder)

Financial Documents- Estate of Esther Green

Unit ID MS073-01-27

Unit Date 1982

Text 1 (box)

Container 27 (folder)

Financial Documents- Trial Balance Sheets

Unit ID MS073-02-01

Unit Date 1887

Text 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Series V: Women's Auxiliary of the American Legion papers

Unit ID MS073 Series 5

Women's Auxiliary of the Amer. Legion-

Unit ID MS073-02-02

Unit Date 1908-1922

Text 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Women's Auxiliary of the Amer. Legion-

Unit ID MS073-02-03

Unit Date 1923-1927

Text 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Women's Auxiliary of the Amer. Legion-

Unit ID MS073-02-04

Text 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Series VI: Green Family

Unit ID MS073 Series 6

Digital Materials

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Green Family- Richard M. Green-Estate of Constance Boush

Unit ID MS073-02-05

Unit Date 1935-1936

Text 2 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green-Estate of Constance Boush

Unit ID MS073-02-06

Unit Date 1937-01-1937-04

Text 2 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green-Estate of Constance Boush

Unit ID MS073-02-07

Unit Date 1937-05-1937-11

Text 2 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green-Estate of Constance Boush

Unit ID MS073-02-08

Unit Date 1938-1939

Text 2 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green-Estate of Constance Boush

Unit ID MS073-02-09

Text 2 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green-Legal

Unit ID MS073-02-10

Unit Date 1870-1936

Text 2 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green-Alexandria Light Infantry Co. Papers

Unit ID MS073-02-11

Unit Date 1890-1918

Text 2 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green-Financial Documents

Unit ID MS073-02-12

Unit Date 1898-1938

Text 2 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green Certificates from the Potomac Academy

Unit ID MS073-02-13

Unit Date 1875-1878

Text 2 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green Correspondence

Unit ID MS073-02-14

Unit Date 1890-1939

Text 2 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green- School work

Unit ID MS073-02-15

Unit Date 1859, 1877-1878

Text 2 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Green Family- Sketches of Stephen A. Green

Unit ID MS073-02-16

Graphic Materials 2 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Green Family- Richard M. Green, Jr.

Unit ID MS073-02-17

Unit Date 1936-1973

Text 2 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Green Family- Green Mansion House Hotel

Unit ID MS073-02-18

Unit Date 1863-1970

Text 2 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Green Family- Green and Bro. Furniture Co.

Unit ID MS073-02-19

Unit Date 1825-1977

Text 2 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Green Family- Family Genealogy (Muir)

Unit ID MS073-02-20

Unit Date 1770-1904

Text 2 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

Green Family- Family Genealogy (Magyar)

Unit ID MS073-02-21

Text 2 (box)

Container 21 (folder)

Green Family- Family Genealogy, photocopies of family photos

Unit ID MS073-02-22

Text 2 (box)

Container 22 (folder)

Green Family- Family Genealogy

Unit ID MS073-02-23

Unit Date 1774-1955

Text 2 (box)

Container 23 (folder)

Green Family- Family Genealogy

Unit ID MS073-02-24

Unit Date 1741

Text 2 (box)

Container 24 (folder)

Green Family- Family Genealogy

Unit ID MS073-02-25

Unit Date 1702-1941

Text 2 (box)

Container 25 (folder)

Green Family- Family Genealogy

Unit ID MS073-02-26

Unit Date 1838-1911

Text 2 (box)

Container 26 (folder)

Green Family- Family Genealogy**Unit ID** MS073-02-27**Unit Date** 1803-1912**Text** 2 (box)**Container** 27 (folder)**World War I Scrapbook - Richard M. Green****Unit ID** MS073-03-01**Unit Date** 1918-1919**Mixed Materials** 3 (box)**Container** 1 (object)**General**

Richard M. Green registered in June of 1917. By December of 1917 he had been inducted into the Army. He was assigned to the Advance Ordinance Depot and was stationed at Waterliet Arsenal in Waterliet, NY. Between February 17, 1918 and March 10, 1918 he is sent to and arrives in France. The scrapbook contains letters and postcards to his mother, father, sister, and other family members, mementoes from his duty in France 1918-1919, and various military documents. Letters written from France have either a handwritten signature of a stamp indicating the letter was cleared by censors.

Diary of Stephen Green and transcription of diary**Unit ID** MS073-04-01**Unit Date** 1858**Text** 4 (box)**Container** 1 (folder)**Diary of Stephen Green and transcription of diary****Unit ID** MS073-04-02**Unit Date** 1859**Text** 4 (box)**Container** 2 (folder)**Diary of Stephen Green and transcription of diary****Unit ID** MS073-04-03**Unit Date** 1860**Text** 4 (box)**Container** 3 (folder)**Marriage Announcement for Richard Green and Nannie Yohe****Unit ID** MS073-04-04**Unit Date** 1890**Text** 4 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**Copy of Letter written by Robert E. Lee Jr. to the Green and Bro. Furniture Co.****Unit ID** MS073-04-05**Unit Date** 1872**Text** 4 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)

Anna Muir Stringfellow Scrapbook

Unit ID MS073-04-006

Unit Date 1855

Text 4 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Contents

This book was a ledger used while the Mansion House Hotel was in business. There are entries in the ledger for the business dating 1855, 1856, and 1857. Anna's writings and newspaper clippings fill every page around the ledger entries. None of the writings or clippings are dated.

Digital Materials

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News clipping about Red Cross

Unit ID MS073-04-07

Unit Date 1952

Text 4 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Miscellaneous papers belonging to Esther Green

Unit ID MS073-04-08

Text 4 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Red Cross certificates presented to Esther Green

Unit ID MS073-04-09

Unit Date 1945

Text 4 (box)

Container 9 (folder)

Blood Bank Notebook kept by Esther Green

Unit ID MS073-04-10

Unit Date 1948

Text 4 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Includes names of members of the Red Cross, nurses, schedules for blood drives, assignments to the various areas in the Red Cross chapter and people scheduled to work in the area.

Miscellaneous Red Cross Documents kept by Esther Green

Unit ID MS073-04-11

Text 4 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

Red Cross Lectures

Unit ID MS073-04-12

Unit Date 1942

Text 4 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Stephen A. Green Diary Transcription

Unit ID MS073-04-13

Unit Date 1861

Text 4 (box)

Container 13 (folder)