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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

Mss. 65 B845

Unit ID

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Unit Date

1830-1921

Language

English

Creator

Brown, Henry James, 1811-1855

Extent

0.50 Linear Feet 1 Century Box. Depth17.5" x Height 3" x Width 11.5"

Repository

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Acquisition Information:

Original Accession: 1965.10 Henry James Brown papers 1850-1880 appr. 50 pieces 1994.20 Manuscript "The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri"; by the donor, ca. 1989. Includes sketch of Henry James Brown, artist of Virginia Gift of Charles W. Whitman Gift: 46 items of Mrs. Janet Roller on 3/3/1994. Gift: 1 item of Charles W. Whitman on 4/1/1994.

Preferred Citation:

Henry James Brown Papers, Special Collections Research Center, Swem Library, College of William and Mary.

Biographical Information:

Scope and Contents

Papers, 1830-1921, of the Henry James Brown family. There is a biographical sketch of Henry James Brown an artist and Methodist clergyman, as well as sketches drawn by him and sermons written by him. The papers also are of other members of his family. Includes a cut-out valentine and a fold-out book of poems illustrated in water color both made by Mary A. Brown, sister of Henry James Brown; cut-out valentines and a bookmark made by Salina Brown Worsham; and correspondence between Salina Brown Worsham and J. S. Worsham, her husband.

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Separated Materials:

Transferred to the Manuscripts Artifact Collection (Mss 1.03): Ink washed sketch titled "Somerset"; (65B845.01), Miniature painting in oil on cardboard (65B845.02), Book mark, "With my love"; (65B845.03), Cut-out Valentine basket (65B845.04), Children's book illustrated in watercolor (65B845.05), Cut-out Valentinel with painted red flower (65B845.06), Cut-out Valentine, " Ever-of-thee"; (65B845.07), Cut-out Valentine, " Love/Hope"; (65B845.08), Miniature Portrait of Thomas and Martha Brown (65B845.09), Sketch of Children Playing Indoors (65B845.10), Profile Sketches of Benjamin Franklin and George Washington (65B845.11), Pencil Sketch of Grimacing Man (65B845.12), Pencil Sketch of Sleeping Child (65B845.13), Pencil Sketch of Woman (65B845.14), Pencil Sketch of Girl's Profile (65B845.15), Oil Portrait on Canvas of Man Shading His Eyes (65B845.16)

Related Materials:

Some paintings by Henry James Brown, which were presented with the collection, are now part of the Muscarelle Museum, College of William Mary.

Keywords

Art (sketches)
Correspondence
Speeches, addresses, etc.
Artists--United States
Painters--America
Watercolor painting
Artists--Virginia

General

Other Information:

A PDF document of this inventory is available online.

Additional information may be found at <http://scrc.swem.wm.edu/findingaids/65%20B845,%20Bucher.pdf>

Arrangement of Materials:

Arrangement: Each series in the collection is arranged in chronological order. Organization: This collection is organized into 5 series: 1. Letters, 2. Sermons, 3. Items of or Dealing With Art, 4. Newspaper Clippings, and 5. Genealogical Material - Addition.

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Description of Subordinate Components

Series 1: Mss. 65 B845 Original Accession

Unit ID id322592

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258372

Box 1

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/594239

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

James A. Servies, Librarian, to Sydney A. Temple, Curator of Manuscripts

Unit ID id137847

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258376

Unit Date 1965 March 2

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: papers received.

Brief sketch of the life of Henry James Brown, written by a granddaughter, Mrs. Christine I. Staton

Unit ID id137848

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258377

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

Note on Henry James Brown and family.

Cut-out valentine basket

Unit ID id137849

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258378

Unit Date [circa 1830]

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 3 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Fold-out group of poems illustrated in water color; a children's book made by Mary A. Brown, sister of Henry James Brown.

Jennie [?] to her mother

Unit ID id137850

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258379

Unit Date 1865 December 7

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 4 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Family affairs. ALS.

Invitation to Jefferson Society of the University of Virginia, to Salina Brown, Ballsville P. O., Powhatan Co., Virginia

Unit ID id137851

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258380

Unit Date 1868 April 13

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 5 (folder)

Scope and Contents

S.B. was the daughter of Henry James Brown.

Cut-out valentine made by Salina Brown, sent to Joe [S.] Worsham, her future husband

Unit ID id137852

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258381

Unit Date [circa 1870]

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Two cut-out valentines and a bookmark, "With my Love."

J. S. Worsham, Cumberland, Miss. to his "sister," Salina Browne [sic], W.F. College, Murfreesboro, North Carolina

Unit ID id137853

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258382

Unit Date 1872 January 12

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 7 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: Christmas: fireworks nearly every night--young men dressed as Rag muffins--several Christmas trees---one Christmas present only.

Grubbs and Williams, Real Estate Agents, Richmond, to Salina I. Brown, Lynchburg, Virginia

Unit ID id137854

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258383

Unit Date 1873

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 8 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: portion of inheritance from the estate of Henry J. Brown. Enclosure: an account sheet.

J. S. Worsham, Mississippi, to Salina Browne [sic], Lynchburg, Virginia

Unit ID id137855

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258384

Unit Date 1877 April 1

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 9 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Compares the Mississippi River with the James River; comments unfavorably on the Mardi Gras celebration in Memphis.

J. S. Worsham, Mississippi, to his "sister," Salina Browne [sic], Farmville, Virginia

Unit ID id137856

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258385

Unit Date 1878 January 12

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 10 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: snow and a sleigh ride.

J. S. Worsham, Michigan City, Mississippi, to his "sister," Salina Browne [sic], Farmville, Virginia

Unit ID id137857

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258386

Unit Date 1878 March 8

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 11 (folder)

Scope and Contents

8 pp. trip back from Virginia; married a couple on his way; unpleasant visit to a poorhouse; visits with Salina's sister, Mrs. Winfree, and other members of the family; the proposal that he has made to her.

J. S. Worsham, Michigan City, Mississippi, to Salina Browne [sic], Farmville, Virginia

Unit ID id137858

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258387

Unit Date 1878 May 13

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 12 (folder)

Scope and Contents

6 pp. Re: his activities in raising cattle.

J. S. Worsham, Michigan City, Mississippi, to Salina Browne [sic], Farmville, Virginia.

Unit ID id137859

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258388

Unit Date 1878 June 1

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 13 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Sent with a box he has made on occasion of her commencement; news of Jennie; the temperance movement "is all the rage."

J. S. Worsham, Michigan City, Mississippi, to Salina Browne [sic], care Mr. C. V. Winfree, Lynchburg, Virginia

Unit ID id137860

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258389

Unit Date 1878 June 12

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 14 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Brief letter.

J. S. Worsham, Michigan City, Mississippi, to Salina Browne [sic], Clinton, Powhatan Co., Virginia

Unit ID id137861

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258390

Unit Date 1878 July 10

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 15 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: his planned visit to Virginia.

J. S. Worsham, Michigan City, Mississippi, to Salina Browne [sic], "Sunnyside," Cumberland, Virginia

Unit ID id137862

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258391

Unit Date 1878 August 18

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 16 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: Yellow Fever which is causing some towns to be deserted and some of the railroads to stop running--many refugees from Memphis.

J. S. W[orsham], Knoxville, Tennessee., to Salina Browne [sic], Lynchburg, Virginia

Unit ID id137863

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258392

Unit Date 1878 October 27

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 17 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: the engagement of S.B.; enclosure a photo

J. S. W[orsham], Knoxville, Tennessee, to Salina Browne [sic], Lynchburg, Virginia

Unit ID id137864

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258393

Unit Date [1878] October 29

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 18 (folder)

Scope and Contents

On his way home.

Edward [?], Lynchburg, to his niece, Salina

Unit ID id137865

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258394

Unit Date 1880 August 23

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 19 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: inherited property, family news; "Love to Joe and a kiss to your little baby."

[Salina Brown Worsham], Lynchburg, to her husband, J. S. Worsham, Michigan City, Benton Co., Mississippi

Unit ID id137866

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258395

Unit Date August 5, 1881

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 20 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Ill in bed, she writes of family affairs--of her longing for her husband but her hate of Mississippi.

A letter about a Bible Class in Lynchburg with pencil notes added

Unit ID id137867

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258396

Unit Date 1921 October 21

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 21 (folder)

P.A. Brown to his sister

Unit ID id137868

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258397

Unit Date [?]29 October 7

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 22 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Re: his failing health, family affairs.

Unsigned poem

Unit ID id137869

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258398

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 23 (folder)

Scope and Contents

First line: "How transient the things of this life."

Sermon on the text Jer. viii.22.

Unit ID id137870

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258399

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 24 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Endorsed. Rev. Henry I. Brown and Mrs. Susan A. Brown. Powhatan County, Virginia. 16 pp.

Endorsed, Rev. Henry J. Brown and Mrs. Susan A. Brown, Powhatan County, Virginia. 19 pp.

Sermon [by Henry James Brown], titled, "Predestination Condemned";

Unit ID id137871

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258400

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 25 (folder)

Scope and Contents

19 pp.

Sermon [by Henry James Brown]

Unit ID id137872

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258401

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 26 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Incomplete 22 pp. AMs.

Sermon [by Henry James Brown], text from 1st Chronicles

Unit ID id137873

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258402

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 27 (folder)

Notes on preparing paper for photographic drawing, etc

Unit ID id137874

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258403

Unit Date [1859]

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 28 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Endorsed: "This paper was written by my father, Henry J. Brown in 1839...June 16, 1923...Salina J. Worsham."

Paintings and sketches by Henry James Brown

Unit ID id137875

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258404

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 29 (folder)

Scope and Contents

Bound ledger with notations on end pages. All pages are missing from ledger. All painting and sketches transferred to Manuscripts Artifact Collection (Color miniature of a couple 4" x 4 1/2"; Color sketch of children playing, indoor scene. 6" x 7"; Pencil sketches of sculptured heads of Franklin and Washington [?] x 9"; Comic pencil sketch of a man's head (perhaps a self portrait) 7 1/2"; x 9"; Pencil sketch of a child's head. 8" x 10 1/2"; Pencil sketch of a woman's head 8 1/2"; x 12 1/2"; Pencil sketch of a girl's head 8 1/2"; x 12 1/2"; Oil painting on canvas of a man's bust 8" x 10".)

Obituary notice of Mrs. Susan A. Brown, widow of Henry J. Brown, of Powhatan County, Virginia

Unit ID id137878

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258407

Unit Date 1873 May 11

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 32 (folder)

Article in the [?] News, Lynchburg, Va., on exhibition of portraits by Henry James Brown

Unit ID id137879

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258408

Unit Date 1941 October 16

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 33 (folder)

Cut out advertisement of "Superior Bisquits"

Unit ID id137956

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258409

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 34 (folder)

Photographs of paintings presented with this collection are housed in the library storage rooms

Unit ID id137957

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258410

Unit Date Undated

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 35 (folder)

Scope and Contents

4 photographs.

Series 2: Mss. Acc. 1994.20 Addition

Unit ID id61162

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258373

Scope and Contents

Described on pdf inventory. Genealogical material on Brown family. Five Folders.

Box 1

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/594240

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri"

Unit ID id137959

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258411

Unit Date 1985 and 1989

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 36 (folder)

Scope and Contents

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri" (which includes a sketch of Henry James Brown, artist of Virginia} by Charles Walker Whitman, 1985 (revised 1989).

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri"

Unit ID id137960

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258412

Unit Date 1985 and 1989

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 37 (folder)

Scope and Contents

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri" (which includes a sketch of Henry James Brown, artist of Virginia} by Charles Walker Whitman, 1985 (revised 1989).

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri"

Unit ID id137961

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258413

Unit Date 1985 and 1989

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 38 (folder)

Scope and Contents

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri" (which includes a sketch of Henry James Brown, artist of Virginia} by Charles Walker Whitman, 1985 (revised 1989).

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri"

Unit ID id137962

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258414

Unit Date 1985 and 1989

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 39 (folder)

Scope and Contents

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri" (which includes a sketch of Henry James Brown, artist of Virginia} by Charles Walker Whitman, 1985 (revised 1989).

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri"

Unit ID id137958

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/258415

Unit Date 1985 and 1989

Mixed materials 1 (Box)

Container 40 (folder)

Scope and Contents

"The Brownes/Browns of London, Virginia, and Missouri" (which includes a sketch of Henry James Brown, artist of Virginia} by Charles Walker Whitman, 1985 (revised 1989).