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Unit ID

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Unit Date

1676-1971

Unit Date

1730-1770

Language

English

source

Cole, William W.

Creator

Botetourt, Norborne Berkeley, Baron de, ca. 1718-1770

Creator

Randolph, Beverley, 1754-1797

Creator

Dunmore, John Murray, Earl of, 1732-1809

Creator

Amherst, Jeffery Amherst, Baron, 1717-1797

Creator

Fauquier, Francis

Creator

Henry, Patrick, 1736-1799

Creator

Andros, Edmund, Sir, 1637-1714

Creator

Hunter, Robert

Creator

Dinwiddie, Robert, 1693-1770

Creator

Dunmore, John Murray, 4th Earl of, 1732-1809

Creator

Brooke, Robert

Creator

Lee, Henry, 1756-1818

Creator

Blair, James, 1741-1772

Creator

Wood, James, 1741-1813

Extent

3.0 Linear Feet

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Content Description

Documents, prints, and heraldry pertaining to Virginia governors from the 17th and 18th centuries. Includes letters and documents signed by John Murray, Robert Brooke, James Wood, Beverly Randolph, Patrick Henry, Edmund Andros, Jeffrey Amherst, Norborne Berkeley, Robert Hunter, Francis Fauquier, Earl De La Warr, James Blair, and Robert Dinwiddie among others. Also included in the collection are prints, coats of arms, and commemorative coins.

Keywords

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Virginia--Governors
Virginia--History--18th century
Virginia--History--17th century
College of William and Mary--History
Cole, William W.

Accruals

Acc. 2019.013 was added to the collection in 2019. Additional accruals are anticipated.

Description of Subordinate Components

Coat of Arms for West, Earl De la Warr

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/268154

Unit Date 1610

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 1 (folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Display of Arms for Thomas West, Baron Delawarr La Warr, Governor under the Virginia Company of London. Motto: "Jour de ma Vif".

"To the Constables and Overseers of Jamaica"

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271516

Unit Date 1676 September 25

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 2 (folder)

Language English

Biographical / Historical

Edmund Andros was the Ggovernor under the Crown, 1692-1698.

Scope and Contents

Full title: "Give under my hand in New York this 25th day of Sept.r 1676 to ye Constable and Overseers of Jamaica, E Andros".

Print of portrait of infant "The Lord Bury"

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/268155

Unit Date circa 1704

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 1 (folder)

Language English

Certificate regarding Robert and Anne Dunmore, signed by Robert Hunter

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271517

Unit Date 1713 June 23

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 3 (folder)

Language English

Biographical / Historical

Robert Hunter was Governor of Virginia under the Crown, 1707-1709. He never served in the colony.

Document signed by Governor Gooch, James Blair, and John Custis

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271547

Unit Date 1729

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 2 (folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Colonial Virginia document.

Print of Robert Boyle

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271548

Unit Date 1739

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 3 (folder)

Language English

Print of George Hamilton, Earl of Orkney

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271549

Unit Date 1742

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 4 (folder)

Language English

Print of Queen Anne

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271550

Unit Date 1744

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 5 (folder)

Language English

Print of William, Duke of Gloucester

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271551

Unit Date 1745

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 6 (Folder)

Language English

Print of medals of King William and Queen Mary

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271552

Unit Date 1745

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 7 (folder)

Language English

Document signed by Robert Dinwiddie

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/268156

Unit Date 1756

Mixed Materials Manuscripts Oversize Box 2 (Box)

Container 1 (folder)

Language English

Jeffrey Amherst to Thomas Hancock Letter**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271518**Unit Date** 1761 March 29**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 4 (folder)**Language** English**Biographical / Historical**

Jeffrey Amherst born in Kent, England January 29, 1717-August 3, 1797. He was Governor of Virginia under the Crown, 1759-1768; he never went to Virginia and was represented by deputies.

Scope and Contents

Letter regarding shipping matters from Jeffrey Amherst, New York, to Boston merchant Thomas Hancock.

Land grant to Conrad Blows, signed by Fran Farquier**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271553**Unit Date** 1765 August 15**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)**Container** 8 (folder)**Language** English**Letter from John Murray, Lord Dunmore****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271519**Unit Date** 1768 March 16**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 5 (folder)**Language** English**Biographical / Historical**

John Murray, 4th Earl of Dunmore (1732-1809), was the Colonial Governor of New York (1770-1771), and Virginia (1771-1776). He dissolved the Virginia House of Burgesses; precipitated colonial uprising by seizing powder store (April 1775); and was defeated by colonists at Great Bridge (January 1, 1776).

Scope and Contents

John Murray offers himself as a representative of the Peers of Scotland in Parliament and desires the Lordship's vote in the upcoming election. The recipient is unknown.

Sir Jeffrey Amherst print**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271520**Unit Date** circa 1769**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Copper plate engraving.

Land grant to William Thompson, signed by Norborne Berkeley, Baron de Botetourt**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271554**Unit Date** 1770 August 27**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)**Container** 9 (folder)**Language** English**General**

Conserved with funds from the Jamestowne Society.

Land grant to Thomas Helm, signed by Benjamin Harrison**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271521**Unit Date** 1782 June 1**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Language** English**Receipt of Beverly Randolph, signed by Edmund Randolph****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271522**Unit Date** 1782 November 20**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 8 (folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Receipt for Beverly Randolph, Esq., for fifty pounds as a fee for himself, his brother Robert, and his ward Peter Randolph in their suit in the high Court of Chancery against the execution of their father. Signed by Edmund Randolph (Governor of the Commonwealth, 1786-1788).

Court document, N.C.: Daniel Williams vs. William Farrar, Jr., signed by Reuben Searcy**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271523**Unit Date** 1784 February 8**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 9 (folder)**Language** English**Petition of Isaac Wood****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271524**Unit Date** 1784 June 9**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 10 (folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Petition brought by Isaac Wood against James Gray of the state of South Carolina for James Gray refusing to pay Wood "two likely Negroes or one hundred and fifty pounds Sterling". The petition is directed to the Honorable George Walton Esquire, Chief Justice of the Said State, and the Assistant Justices of the County of Richmond.

Appointment of Justices of the Peace, Loudoun County, signed by Patrick Henry**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271526**Unit Date** 1785 October 10**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 11 (folder)**Language** English**Biographical / Historical**

Patrick Henry was, Governor of the Commonwealth, 1788-1791.

Thomas Lawson court document, signed by Henry Lee**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271525**Unit Date** 1786 October 20**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 12 (folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Full title: "The Answer of Thomas Lawson to the bill of complaint of Ralph Wormely Junior, Mann Page, Francis Lightfoot Lee, and Warner Lewis, surviving acting executors of John Tayloe, deceased". The document discusses Thomas Lawson's involvement in Tayloe's ironworks business in the county of Prince William.

Land grant to John Harris, signed by Beverly Randolph

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271555

Unit Date 1789 November 23

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 10 (folder)

Language English

Appointment of the Justices of the Peace, Loudoun County, signed by Henry Lee

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271527

Unit Date 1792 June 25

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 13 (folder)

Language English

Biographical / Historical

Henry Lee was Governor of the Commonwealth, 1791-1794.

Land grant to James Strode, signed by Henry Lee

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271556

Unit Date 1792 July 30

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 11 (folder)

Language English

Land grant to Peter Pitman, signed by Robert Brooke

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271557

Unit Date 1796 July 14

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 12 (folder)

Language English

Land grant to George Conway Taylor, signed by James Wood

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271558

Unit Date 1798 August 18

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 13 (folder)

Language English

New England Palladium news print

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/268158

Unit Date 1801 March 7

Mixed Materials Manuscripts Oversize Box 2 (Box)

Container 3 (folder)

Language English

Lieutenant General Sir Eyre Coote etchings**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271540**Unit Date** 1810-1815, undated**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 14 (folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

The folder includes three prints of Eyre Coote: two prints published in 1810 and 1815 and a "Builders of the Empire" card branded by Wills's Cigarettes.

Letter to George Loyall**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271528**Unit Date** 1837 August 14**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 15 (folder)**Language** English**Biographical / Historical**

George Loyall, May 29, 1789-February 24, 1868, graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1808. Loyall was a member of the House of Delegates from the Borough of Norfolk, 1817-1827. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention of 1829. George Loyall was a member of Congress, 1831-1837. He was Navy agent of Norfolk from 1837-1861. Loyall resigned his position on April 17, 1861 because of his southern sympathies. His first wife Rebecca Tyler died in 1812 and his second wife Margaret Kelly died in 1855.

Scope and Contents**"Interview between Mr. Dinwiddie and Washington" print****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271529**Unit Date** circa 1837**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 16 (folder)**Language** English**Biographical / Historical**

Robert Dinwiddie, (born 1693, died July 27, 1770), British, served as Lieutenant Governor of Virginia, 1751-1758 under Governor Willem Anne van Keppel, and later as deputy, July 1756-January 1758, for John Campbell, Early of Loudon.

Report on the College of William and Mary**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271530**Unit Date** 1871 March 3**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 17 (folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

41st Congress, 3d Session, House of Representatives, Report No. 53. William and Mary College, Virginia, March 3, 1871. "Mr. Arnell, from the Committee on Education and Labor, made the following report..."

"The History of the College of William and Mary from its Foundations, 1660 to 1874"**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271531**Unit Date** 1874**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 18 (folder)**Language** English

**"Speeches of Hon. Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, and Hon. Martin I. Townsend, of New York..."
Booklet**

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271532

Unit Date 1878 April

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 19 (folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Full title: Southern War Claims. Speeches of Hon. Thomas B. Reed, of Maine, and Hon. Martin I. Townsend, of New York, on Bill to pay William and Mary College, of Virginia, the Sum of \$65,000 for Injuries Received during the Rebellion. Delivered in the House of Representatives April 12, 1878.

William and Mary Final Exercises

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271533

Unit Date 1891 July 3

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 20 (folder)

Language English

Colonial Orator, Patrick Henry, print

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271534

Unit Date circa 1900

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 21 (folder)

Language English

"The College of William and Mary in Virginia: its history and work, 1693-1907"

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271535

Unit Date 1907

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 22 (folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Written by Lyon G. Tyler, M. A. LL. D., President of the College of William and Mary.

Pencil sketches by Thomas Thorne booklet

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271536

Unit Date 1945

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 23 (folder)

Language English

Commemorative coins

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271537

Unit Date 1971 and undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 24 (folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Commemorative coins for George Wythe, Benjamin Harrison, and Henry Lee.

Coat of Arms of Lord Howard, Earl of Effingham, print

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271538

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 25 (folder)

Language English

Coat of Arms of William Anne Van Keppel, Earl of Albemarle, print

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271539

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 26 (folder)

Language English

Coat of Arms of Norborne Berkeley, Lord Botetourt

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/268157

Unit Date undated

Mixed materials Manuscripts Oversize Box 2 (Box)

Container 2 (folder)

Language English

Print of Walter Raleigh

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271541

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 27 (folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

The print includes a Latin inscription.

Print of John Smith

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271542

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 28 (folder)

Language English

Clippings with etchings of "Old Main" (Wren Building), Henricopolis, and Botetourt Statue

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/271543

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 29 (folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

One pages with etchings was removed from the book "William and Mary College". The other page is from an unidentified source.

Copy of print of King William and Queen Mary**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271544**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 30 (folder)**Language** English**Thomas Dale cigar label****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271545**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 31 (folder)**Language** English**Cut signature of Carter Braxton****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/271546**Unit Date** undated**Mixed Materials** 1 (Box)**Container** 32 (folder)**Language** English**Abraham Nichols and Folio Page Displaying Heraldry****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/298924**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)**Container** 14 (folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Copper engraving of Abraham Nicholas, 18th Century Mayor of Williamsburg, Va. by George Bickham, 1722 and a copper plate folio page engraving from A Display of Heraldry by John Guillim. This was the heraldry of Lord De Lar Warr and other British Barons dated 1679.

Accruals

These two items were added to the collection in 2019.

Right Reverend D. Thomas Sherlock**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/429977**Unit Date** 1756**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)**Container** 15 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Print of the Right Reverend D. Thomas Sherlock, Lord Bishop of London, Dean of the Chapels Royal, and one of the lords of His Majestys, Most Honourable Privy Council, Vanloo pinx, 1740/S. Ravenet Sculp 1756;

Wyndham Earl of Egremont coat of arms**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/429978**Mixed Materials** 2 (Box)**Container** 16 (Folder)**Language** English**Scope and Contents**

Torn from book, p. 214. vol. 4;

Right Hon ble Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/429979

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 17 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Print, TWillis Pinx/J. McArdell Fecit.

"Sold by J. McArdell at the Golden Head next Southampton Street, Covent Garden, Price 2."

Reverendiss in Christo pater Thomas Tenison

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/429980

Unit Date 1695

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 18 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Latin inscription, M Beale Pinx, P Vandrebane sculp

Reverend in Christo pater D. Henricus Comptonus

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/429981

Unit Date 1679

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 19 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Latin inscription on print, "Honoratissimus Dom. us ac Reverend us admodu in Christo pater D. Henricus Comptonus"

D. Logan and Vivum, delin. et Sculp: 1679

"Vive La Republique"

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/429982

Unit Date 1848

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 20 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Lithograph of "Vive La Republique, An Offering from the United States to the National Republic of France, 1776-1848" composed for the piano forte by Herrman S. Saroni.

Bookplates

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/430041

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 33 (Folder)

Language English

Creator Loudoun, John Campbell, Earl of, 1705-1782

Creator Wormeley, Ralph, 1744-1806

Scope and Contents

Two bookplates, for John Campbell, 4th Earl of Loudoun and Royal Governor of Virginia from 1756-1759, and for Ralph Wormeley, Rector of William & Mary and translator of the university charter

Keywords

Bookplates

Edmund Gibson, Bishop of London and Chancellor of William & Mary

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/430042

Unit Date 1737

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 34 (Folder)

Language English

Scope and Contents

Print of Gibson, published in 1820 by T&H Rodd from a 1737 engraving by "Vandrebanx Pinx"

Keywords

Gibson, Edmund, Bp. of London, 1669-1748