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There are no restrictions.

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Biographical Information

John Ellis Perkins, born 5 November 1843, married Sarah Rebecca Greever in the 1870s. Perkins worked as a railroad agent for Norfolk & Western Railroad and retired in 1908. He and his wife had seven children including Rachel Perkins Leeder (1875-1946), Holmes Gleaves Perkins (1876-1955), Frederick Carlisle Perkins (1878-1906), Annie Eliza Perkins (18880-1958), Landon Ellis Perkins (1885-1947), Dorothy M. Perkins (B. 1888) and Garnett R. Perkins (1890-1946). The Perkins boys all ventured into the hotel business. When their father died in 1916, Landon Perkins and Garnett Perkins managed the St. Charles Hotel in Norton, Virginia. They both also served in World War I.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of five letters written to Garnett Perkins from 1908 to 1918.

Contents List

Letter. Sarah Greever Perkins, Wytheville, Virginia to Garnett Perkins, Hotel St. Lawrence, Bristol, Virginia. 31 March 1908.

Extent

4 p.; envelope.

Scope and Content

Re: murder of James W. Spoon by [unknown] Pendleton; Holmes Gleaves Perkins; Landon Ellis Perkins, Annie Eliza Perkins; price of sugar.

Letter. Harry E. Ewald, Wytheville, Virginia to Garnett Perkins, Marion, North Carolina. 26 November 1908.

Extent

2 p.

Scope and Content

Re: Howard Bourne; new hotel in Wytheville, Hotel Lindsey; "good looking daughter of old man Lindsey."

Letter. John Ellis Perkins, Wytheville to Garnett R. Perkins, Marion, North Carolina. 3 January 1909.

Extent

2 p.

Scope and Content

Re: advice to sell business.

Letter. [unknown] Perkins to [unknown]. 26 January 1911.

Extent

5 p.

Scope and Content

Fourth Avenue Hotel, Wytheville stationery. Re: his desire to find new hotel job.

Letter. Cpl. Harry W. Meador, U. S. Army Engineers, APO to Lt. Garnett R. Perkins, Camp Johnston, Florida. 1 November 1918.**Extent**

4 p.

Scope and Content

Re: memories of fellow trainees, Hornet Vicars, and life in the trenches. "I have been at the front for three months. Its sure a great life if you don't mind the shells & you either have to like them or do K. P. behind the lines somewhere."

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