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Special Collections Department
MSS 015
Miscellaneous Manuscripts & Ephemera
1672 - 1926

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Number:	MSS 015
Title:	Miscellaneous Manuscripts & Ephemera
Creator:	Multiple sources
Dates:	1672 - 1926
Media:	Correspondence, bound volumes, ephemera, legal documents, business records
Quantity:	.25 linear feet

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

The Miscellaneous Manuscript Collection contains smaller or single-item collections not part of other collections of the Providence Public Library's Special Collections department.

Smaller collections related to the state of Rhode Island have been separated into the Rhode Island Manuscripts Collection (MSS 015) and the RI Ephemera Collection (MSS 018).

ORGANIZATION OF THE COLLECTION

Collections are arranged in alphabetical order.

SEE ALSO

Providence Public Library Special Collections: Rhode Island MSS 010, 1723 - 1939.

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Access:

This collection is open under the rules and regulations of the Providence Public Library Special Collections department.

Preferred Citation:

Researchers are requested to cite *Miscellaneous MSS* and *Providence Public Library Special Collections* in all footnote and bibliographic references.

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Property Rights:

The Providence Public Library owns the property rights to this collection.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Last name or title	First name	Further information	Dates
*Album of pressed flowers		1 oversized album. 12 pages pressed flowers with labels. 2 mentions of Swiss locations, "Berne" and "Rhigi". Album labeled "GDR and FGR" Possibly George Lafayette Rifenburg from Brown Class of 1894, per note inside album.	ca. 1894
Autographs		1 envelope. Contains multiple envelopes of autograph clippings. Autographs donated by Miss Ada M. Hartzell, the estate of John Wilson Smith, and "Mrs. Skinner".	various dates
Autographs		1 folder. Four autographs with envelope, J. Edward Calhoun (1832), Sammuell Pahrman (1801), John Quincy Adams (1820), and Isaiah Thomas (1816). Possibly sent from Joseph C. Greene to Mr. S.R. Spink.	1801, 1823, 1832
Brutus		1 folder. Handwritten, stitched manuscript or copy of an article by "Brutus" submitted to "Mr. Wheeler" from the United States Chronicle .	1786 August 17
Bryne	John	1 folder. 24 letters written to Major John Byrne, member of the Irish National Federation of America. Includes recent (2000s) research and seller's description of collection.	1891, 1895
Crane	Walter	Two illustrations from A Wonder-Book for Boys and Girls	c. 1893
Douglass	Frederick	1 envelope. Letter to Reverend James N. Gloucester.	1863
Faning	J. Frederick	1 folder. Letter to Mr. Miller.	1926 December 22
Fisher	John W.	"To the Public!" A handbill demanding law and order and noting that "Profane swearing and drunkenness are fineable. See Virginia Code, Sec. 3798." A pencilled note indicates that the "Battle of Fishers Hill, VA took place on these grounds."	18--?
*Gooding	George	1 folder, manuscript. "Charter-Party of Affreightment " Signed by John Hancock.	1758 April 6

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Johnston	Joseph Eggleston	1 folder. Letter from Joseph E. Johnston (US Congressman) to A.S. Garnett.	1889 April 24
Kemble	Edward Winsor	"Chin Chin Tackles the Intruders"	
Leech	John	1 folder. Illustration in embossed folder, "De Vino, John Leech". Autographed water color and pencil drawing	ca. 1835
Lippitt	F.J.	1 folder. Correspondence from Lippitt 'Fitz John'.	1884 February 28
National Guard of the Southern New Jersey Headquarters C. Company First Battalion		1 folder. General Orders, some printed, some manuscript. Includes order to appear for court-martial.	ca. 1868-1871
Pelletan	Édouard	1 folder. Mourning papers and manuscript notes on a list of works published by Édouard Pelletan. In French.	ca. 1912
Perry	Nora	1 folder. Letter to "Miss Bailey".	1887 October 3
Photographs		1 folder. Prints and negatives in varying photograph formats; film, print, albumen or silver nitrate.	ca. late 1800s
Prince	Thomas	1 folder. Deed Thomas Prince to John Freeman. "Satucket" New Plymouth.	1672
Publisher's sample book containing a collection of copied poems and stories		1 book. Includes frontispiece, title page, printed plates, and reviews from The Life, Times and Characters of John Bunyan by Robert Philip. Also includes handwritten notes (copies of poems and stories possibly with originals) written in blank, bound pages	ca. 1862-1869
Salvini, Fernando		1 folder. Autograph and note.	1886 May 13
Sharpe	Jno.	1 folder. Fragments of a letter by Jno. Sharpe. Appears to be about legal/court matters	ca. early 19th century
Smith	William Farrar	1 folder. Letter from William Farrar Smith, New York Police Commissioner and former Civil War General.	1875 August 31
Stevens	Isaac Ingalls	1 folder. Letter asking for a subscription to the National Intelligencer for his home in Olympia, Washington Territory.	1853 May 25

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Sypher	Jacob Hale	1 folder. Handwritten biographical summary on the life of Jacob Hale Sypher Union Army colonel in the Civil War and Representative in the 40th Congress, likely signed or written by Jacob Hale Sypher.	ca. 1865
Washington	Booker T.	1 folder, typed letter signed by Booker T. Washington to Mary G. Seagrave regarding the Tuskegee Institute in Alabama.	1912
Whittier	John G.	1 folder. Autograph letter signed by John G. Whittier	1881 October 14
Wood	Gideon	1 folder. Contract leasing a slave to William Gifford.	1773 January 29

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