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Jefferson Davis-Joel Addison Hayes, Jr., family papers

Title: Jefferson Davis-Joel Addison Hayes, Jr., family papers
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Abstract: The collection mainly documents the business affairs of Jefferson Davis (1808-1889), the former president of the Confederate States of America, as handled by his son-in-law Joel Addison Hayes, Jr. (1848-1919). It also contains papers relating to Hayes' own business and financial dealings in Memphis and Nashville, and includes correspondence from members of the Davis and Hayes families. Included in the collection is correspondence, receipts and bills, cancelled checks, publications and clippings.

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Biographical information

Jefferson Finis Davis (1808-1889) was a soldier, U.S. representative and senator from Mississippi, U.S. Secretary of War, 1853-1857, and President of the Confederate States of America, 1861-1865. The collection concerns primarily the years 1877 to 1889 when Davis moved to the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Those years were difficult for Davis who was plagued with financial problems, legal battles, and public censure. One such incident concerned the estate of his brother Joseph Emory Davis, who died in 1870. In Joseph's will there was no mention of Jefferson's ownership of Brierfield Plantation near Vicksburg, Mississippi, although Joseph had given it to him, without a written deed, in 1835. Jefferson made no attempt to establish his legal claim to Brierfield until 1873 when he was in need of money. He then took Joseph's grandchildren to court and finally was awarded the land in 1877 by a decision of the Mississippi Supreme Court. Davis continued to reside in Memphis, Tennessee, and employed his son-in-law, Joel Addison Hayes, Jr. (1848-1919), to manage the property.

Hayes, the son of Joel Addison and Lucy White Hayes, married Margaret Howell Davis (1855-1909) in 1876 in Memphis where he worked as a cashier for the State National Bank, a predecessor of the First National Bank which later held the collection. The couple had five children, four of whom survived to adulthood. Managing Brierfield from afar proved to be a constant worry for Hayes and Davis. There were problems with land and building improvements, the dishonesty of local surveyors, a succession of corrupt and incompetent overseers, and repeated flooding of the Mississippi River, which required frequent visits to the property by both men.

In 1877, Davis was saved from financial distress by Mrs. Sarah Anne Ellis Dorsey, a wealthy widow who owned a large house called "Beauvoir" near Biloxi, Mississippi. She offered Davis the use of a cottage on her property for a modest fee. An ardent admirer of Davis, Mrs. Dorsey served as his amanuensis while he wrote much of his The Rise and Fall of the Confederate Government (1881). In 1878, Mrs. Dorsey moved to New Orleans and accepted a down payment from Davis on the purchase of "Beauvoir". After her death from cancer in July 1879, Davis, who acted as her executor, was the principal heir to her estate.

In 1884 Hayes developed lung trouble and moved his family to Colorado Springs, Colorado. Davis was left to supervise Brierfield from the Gulf Coast and it was during a visit to the property in November 1889 that he caught a cold which developed into bronchitis. Davis died in New Orleans on December 6. Hayes worked for the First National Bank in Colorado Springs and became president. Hayes died in Los Angeles on January 26, 1919.

Scope and contents

The collection mainly documents the business affairs of Jefferson Davis as handled by his son-in-law Joel Addison Hayes, Jr. It also contains papers relating to Hayes' own business and

financial dealings in Memphis and Nashville, and includes correspondence from the following individuals: Varina Howell Davis, Margaret Davis Hayes, Joel Addison Hayes, Sr., Ade Hayes Garrett, Sade Hayes, William O. Hayes, and J.D. Howell. The material is arranged in two series: Personal papers and Business papers.

Series 1, Personal papers: the letters from Davis to Hayes primarily concern the difficulties of managing Davis' Brierfield Plantation and other financial matters, such as investments and loans, which Hayes managed for Davis. Many of these letters include long postscripts to Addison and Margaret Hayes written by Varina Davis. Correspondence from Varina to her daughter includes three letters written about the death of Sarah Anne Dorsey and her bequest of Beauvoir to Jefferson Davis. The series also includes numerous letters from Margaret Hayes to her husband describing the domestic life of the Davis household on the Gulf Coast and the activities of the Hayes children on vacations in Blue Ridge Springs, Virginia, and Monteagle, Tennessee. Correspondence to Hayes from his father, brother, and sisters contains family news and information about the Hayes family investments and landholdings near Nashville.

Series 2, Business papers: these papers consist of correspondence, receipts, notes, and cancelled checks which document stock and mining investments, land sales and management, and foreign banking of Jefferson Davis and Addison Hayes. There is also a folder on the funeral costs of two family members.

An inventory of the collection prepared in 1978 is included as an appendix to the finding aid.

Provenance

The collection was held by the First National Bank of Memphis (later First Tennessee Bank) which contacted Memphis State University's Special Collections Department in 1967 in regard to its preservation. The Hayes strongbox contained thirty-five letters written by Jefferson Davis as well as miscellaneous personal and business papers of the Davis and Hayes families. The University offered to house the collection and in 1978 it was moved to Special Collections for inspection and inventorying. In 1980 the Davis Family Association obtained the collection from the bank and donated it to the University in August of that year.

Processing information

A grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities enabled the collection to be processed, and also to be microfilmed along with nine Davis letters from the Meriwether family papers (MSS.120). Much of the correspondence has been encapsulated. In 1981, a copy of the microfilm was supplied to Rice University, Houston, Texas, publisher of The Papers of Jefferson Davis. The strongbox which contained the collection was apparently donated to Rice University.

Related materials

MSS.120. Meriwether family papers
MSS.190. Jefferson Davis collection

Subject terms

Davis, Jefferson, 1808-1889.
Davis, Varina, 1826-1906.
Davis Bend (Miss.)
Hayes, J. Addison (Joel Addison), 1848-1919.
Hayes, Margaret Howell Davis, 1855-1909.
Plantations--Mississippi--Warren County.

Inventory

Folder

Box 1

Series 1. Personal papers:

Correspondence:

- 0A Transcriptions.
- 0B Photocopies.
- 1 Jefferson Davis, 1875-1880. Mostly to J.A. Hayes, Jr.
- 2 Jefferson Davis, 1880-1882. Mostly to J.A. Hayes, Jr.
- 3 Varina Howell Davis, 1879-1881. Includes receipts, clippings.
Margaret Howell Davis Hayes to J.A. Hayes, Jr.:
 - 4 1879.
 - 5 1880 February-July.

Box 2

- 6 1880 August.
- 7 1880 September-December.
- 8 1881.
- 9 undated.
- 10 undated.
- 11 Joel Addison Hayes, Sr., Nashville, to Joel Addison Hayes, Jr., 1879-1880.
- 12 "Sade" (Sarah Clements Hayes (?)) (sister) to J.A. Hayes, Jr., undated.

- 13 "Lulu" (Lucy White Hayes Lawrence (?)) (sister) to Margaret Hayes and J.A. Hayes, Jr., undated.

Box 3

- 1 Adelicia "Ade" Taylor Hayes Garrett (sister) and Abraham Ellison Garrett to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1879-1881.
- 2 William O. Hayes (brother), Carthage, Tenn., to J.A. Hayes, Jr., undated.
- 3 J.D. Howell, Waterproof, La., to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1880
- 4 Miscellaneous correspondence to Margaret and J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1879, 1881 and undated.

Series 2. Business papers:

Correspondence:

- 5 Charles Brodhead, Bethlehem, Penn., to Jefferson Davis, 1879.
- 6 J.H.D. Bowmar, Bowmar & Ogden, Vicksburg, Miss., to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1881.
- 7 Boyle and Company, 1876-1879.
- 8 O.B. Cox, Brierfield, Miss., to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1881.
- 9 Charles T. Dobb, Stewart, Gwynne & Co., to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1879.
- 10 A.D. Gwynne to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1879
- 11 R. Hoe and Company, New York, to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1878-1880. Re: printing press.
- 12 Kate B. Kerr (Carnes), 1880-1881. Correspondence, bank book and cancelled checks.
- 13 J.W. Payne, New Orleans, La., to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1879.
- 14 W.G. Robertson, 1879, 1880. Includes letters to Jefferson Davis and J.A. Hayes, Jr.
- 15 A. Woodruff, President, State National Bank, Memphis, to J.A. Hayes, Jr., 1879-1880.
- 16 Miscellaneous, 1879-1881. Letters to J.A. Hayes, Jr. and one letter to Jefferson Davis.

Bills, receipts, cancelled checks, pamphlets, clippings:

- 17 Funeral and burial receipts and bills: Jefferson Davis, Jr., 1878; William Davis, 1879.
- 18 Miscellaneous bills and receipts, 1864-1880.
- 19 Cancelled checks (German): Jefferson Davis, 1877, 1878.
- 20 Bank book and cancelled checks: J.A. Hayes, Jr., and Margaret Hayes, 1881.
- 21 Miscellaneous pamphlets, 1878-1882. Includes Crutchett, J., "The Atomic Steam Coal Gas is the Gas of the Future...", 1878; Pacific Bank, San Francisco, prospectus, 1881; costume list, Twelfth Night Ball, Tennessee Club, 1882.
- 22 Newspaper clippings, 1879. Re: Mrs. Dorsey's bequest to Jefferson Davis (letter to editor, New York World, reprinted in Daily Appeal, Memphis); Jefferson Davis and Senate seat (New York Tribune; Holly Springs South).
- 23 Clippings (copies): re: donation of collection to Memphis State University, 1980.

- Micro 32** 4 reels microfilm: positive and negative copies of collection. Also includes 9 Davis letters from Meriwether family papers (MSS.120).

Appendix

Contents of J.A. Hayes strongbox.

(Inventory prepared in 1978)

Beauvoir, Mississippi to State National Bank, Memphis, Tennessee:

Aug. 4, 1880 - Personal letter to J. A. Hayes from wife
Mar. 14, 1880 - Personal letter to J. A. Hayes from wife with flower
Mar. 24, 1880- Personal letter
June 27, 1880 - Personal letter
June 19, 1880 - Personal letter
June 1, 1880 - Personal letter
June 20, 1880 - Personal letter
Mar. 5, 1880 - Personal letter
June 22, 1880 - Personal letter
July 24, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
June 25, 1880 - Personal letter
Sept. 22, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Sept. 15, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Feb. 26, 1881 - Personal letter
Mar. 2, 1881 - Personal letter
Aug. 21, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Sept. 7, 1881 - Personal letter
Aug. 7, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 9, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
June 2, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Aug. 4, 1881 - Personal letter from Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 8, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 29, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 29, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 30, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Sept. 10, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 27, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 27, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Sept. 2, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 9, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
July 15, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
July 26, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Aug. 22, 1881- Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 5, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs
Aug. 6, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Aug. 7, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Aug. 9, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Aug. 10, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Sept. 4, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Sept. 3, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 29, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Feb. 20, 1881 - Personal letter from Beauvoir, Mississippi
Aug. 20, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Sept. 12, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn. to Vicksburg Bank

Aug. 16, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 21, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 15, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Aug. 15, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Sept. 10, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Sept. 6, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
June 24, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
June 22, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
June 22, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
June 26, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Nov. 28, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va.
Aug. 28, 1881 - Personal letter from Mont Eagle, Tenn.
Sept. 22, 1879 - Personal letter from Lynch & Bris to New York City
June 22, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 24, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to New York
Sept. 21, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to New York
July 23, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Nashville, Tenn.
Sept. 20, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to New York
July 24, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Nashville, Tenn.
Sept. 17, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to New York
Sept. 18, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to New York
June 27, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
June 11, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
June 28, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 28, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 10, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 21, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 17, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 13, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 12, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 15, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 16, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 19, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 20, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 14, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 11, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 12, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 1, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 20, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 1, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 3, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 21, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 24, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 22, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.

Aug. 13, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 31, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
July 25, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Nov. 2, 1879 - Personal letter from Beauvoir, Miss. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 6, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
July 27, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs, Va. to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 7, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
July 28, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 8, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
June 17, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
June 18, 1879 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
Aug. 19, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 8, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 18, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 9, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.
Sept. 20, 1880 - Personal letter from Blue Ridge Springs to Memphis, Tenn.

Letters to Mrs. J.A. Hayes, Jr.:

Aug. 8, 1880 - from Sister - Beauvoir
 - from Friend - Beauvoir
July 19, 1879 - from Mother, Mrs. Jefferson Davis - Beauvoir
Sept. 21, 1879 - from Mother, Mrs. Jefferson Davis - Beauvoir
Nov. 1, 1881 - from Medical Man, New Orleans
 - from New Orleans - poems enclosed

The Holly Springs South, Holly Springs, Miss. (1879 Hst. on J. Davis) (in pieces)

Receipts of Jefferson Davis for Dec. 1, 1879:

March 1, 1878 - J.A. Hayes, Jr. - J.H. Coffin & Co.
March 6, 1878 - Mr. J.A. Hayes - W.A. Wheatly
March 25, 1878 - Mr. J.A. Hayes - M. L. Vanhover
Feb. 5, 1877 - A. Hayes - William Cooper - re: photograph
Jan. 1, 1877 - Jefferson Davis - Taylor, Joy & Co.
Sept. 2, 1876 - Check from Jefferson Davis to H. Harder
Jan. 16, 1876 - Maj. Hays - Jefferson Davis
Jan. 1, 1877 - Jefferson Davis - Cartington Mason, Agent
Jan. 27, 1877 - Jefferson Davis - H. Harder (Boot Manufacturer)
Jan. 11, 1877 - Jefferson Davis - People's Insurance Co.
June 1, 1878 - Mrs. Jefferson Davis- Kimer, Herzog & Co., Memphis
 - Jefferson Davis - Check (State Nat. Bank)
May 1, 1878 - Mrs. J. Davis- Uncrushable Shirts, Corsets: Louis Sange
May 1, 1878 - C.R. Ryan & Co. -Grocers bill - Mrs. J. Davis
May 16, 1878 - Jefferson Davis - D. H. Holmes - New Orleans (bill)
Feb. 19, 1877 - Maj. Hayes - Jefferson Davis
 Check from Jefferson Davis to Robb Brown
Feb. 11, 1877 - Jefferson Davis- Steamer Corondelet
Feb. 17, 1877 - Jefferson Davis - Tomilson's Insurance Agency

Nov. 30, 1876 - Mrs. J. Davis - B. Lowenstein Dry Goods
 Mar. 30, 1871 - Check on State Nat. Bank
 Mar. 24, 1877 - J.A. Hayes – W.A. Wheatly
 Apr. 3, 1877 - Jefferson Davis – Tomilson’s Insurance Agency
 May 1, 1877 - Jefferson Davis – Tomilson’s Insurance Agency
 May 1, 1877 - Mr. A.J. Hayes, Jr. - R.M. Mansford - bookseller
 May 14, 1877 - Mr. A.J. Hayes, Jr. - Orgill Brothers & Co. - Hardware
 Mar. 1, 1877 - Mr. A. J. Hayes, Jr. - W. A. Wheatly – rent
 June 1, 1877 - J. Davis – Tomilson’s Insurance Agency
 - J.A. Hayes - Callaway & Keating, Dr.
 - J.A. Hayes - Callaway & Keating, Dr.
 June 1, 1877 - J.A. Hayes - J. H. Coffin & Co. - bill
 - Tax Receipt - W.F. Boyle - A.J. Hayes
 June 17, 1877 - Hayes - Wheatly
 Sept. 1, 1877 - J.A. Hayes, Jr. – J. H. Coffin & Co.
 Aug. 17, 1877 - J.A. Hayes - W.A. Wheatly
 July 17, 1877 - J. A. Hayes - W.A. Wheatly
 July 3, 1877 - Jefferson Davis – Tomilson’s Insurance Agency
 June 30, 1877 – J.A. Hayes, Jr. - Howard Lochwook (bookseller)
 Sept. 8, 1877 - Jefferson Davis - Peoples Insurance Company
 Sept. 17, 1877 - J.A. Hayes - W.A. Wheatly
 Feb. 1, 1877 - J.A. Hayes - R.M. Mansford - book seller
 Sept. 1, 1877 – J.A. Hayes - R.M. Mansford - book seller
 Oct. 17, 1877 - J.A. Hayes - W.A. Wheatly
 Oct. 4, 1875 - Jefferson Davis - promissory note to Annie Leicly for lot on Vance Street
 Nov. 17, 1877 – Mrs. J. Davis - bill J.M. Vallemmand - mattresses
 Nov. 17, 1877 - J.A. Hayes - W.A. Wheatly
 Dec. 21, 1877 - Mrs. Jefferson Davis - Bingham Brothers Photographic Gallery - bill
 July 30, 1878 - J.A. Hayes, Jr. - bill - Williams & Co.
 Jan. 17, 1878 - J.A. Hayes, Jr. - W.A. Wheatly
 Feb. 11, 1878 - J.A. Hayes, Jr., Ed Price - Wills & Wildberger
 Feb. 14, 1878 - Jefferson Davis – Tomilson’s Insurance Agency
 Dec. 23, 1878 - J.A. Hayes - bill - burial plot at Elmwood Cemetery, Memphis, for Wm. Davis
 Jun. 29, 1878 - Jefferson Davis - Chas. N. Eirch
 Jan. 1, 1879 - Jefferson Davis, Jr. - Dr. Heber Jones for Yellow Fever treatment
 May 1, 1878 - Mrs. J. Davis - Lowensteins Dry Goods - bill
 Nov. 17, 1877 - J. A. Hayes - W.A. Wheatly
 May 24, 1878 - Mrs. Jefferson Davis - Bingham Brothers
 July 1, 1878 - Mr. Hayes - Martin Eykes (bill for furniture)
 Jun. 28, 1878 - Jefferson Davis - Freight charge on Mississippi & Tennessee Railroad
 Feb. 17, 1878 - J.A. Hayes - Wheatly
 Mar. 17, 1877 - J. A. Hayes - W.A. Wheatly
 Jan. 31, 1878 – Mr. Hayes - J.H. Coffin & Co.
 Nov. 7, 1878 – Mr. Hayes - J. Davis, Jr. - Funeral Undertakers

Nov. 1, 1878 – Mr. Hayes - Memphis Avalanche

July 9, 1878 - Ida Douglas - Shakespeare book receipt

Letters to J. Addison Hayes, Jr. from Jefferson Davis:

Aug. 26, 1880 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Mar. 28, 1880 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Jan. 31, 1881 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Dec. 11, 1881 - Louisville, Kentucky - Memphis, State National Bank

July 19, 1880 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Jan. 19, 1879 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

April 25, 1879 - no envelope with location

Feb. 6, 1879 - no envelope with location

Nov. 26, 1880 - no envelope with location

Jan. 28, 1880 - from 64 + 66 Baronne Street, New Orleans, Louisiana

Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Dec. 12, 1881 - from Brierfield

Mar. 7, 1880 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Jan. 16, 1880 - Beauvoir - Memphis containing letter from London, Dec. 30, 1879

Sept. 11, 1879 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Dec. 27, - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Oct. 29, 1879 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Dec. 16, 1879 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

May 24, 1879 - New Orleans - Memphis, State National Bank

Jan. 27, 1879 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Mar. 29, 1880 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Apr. 30, 1879 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Feb. 26, 1880 - New Orleans - Memphis, State National Bank

Jan. 28, 1882 - New Orleans - Memphis, State National Bank

July 27, 1880 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Aug. 3, 1880 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Jan. 9, 1881 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Jan. 17, 1881 - Beauvoir, Mississippi – Memphis, State National Bank

Dec. 17, 1881 - New Orleans

Business letters to Hayes from R. Hoe & Co., New York - concerns the sale and purchase of printing press:

April 2, 1878

Dec. 4, 1879

Nov. 12, 1879

Nov. 26, 1879

Feb. 2, 1880

Letter with no salutation from Chicago, signed “your daughter Jessie” Aug. 19, 1879

Letter to Hayes from sister Lulu - Carthage, Tennessee

Various business letters to Hayes from England:

Mar. 7, 1881 from London – Memphis, from Arundel Society

Aug. 6, 1881 from Liverpool - 24 Old Bond Street

2 empty envelopes from Liverpool

July 26, 1879

2 letters to Hayes from George White in New York

Twenty-seventh annual report of the Memphis-Charlestown railroad- Fiscal year ending June 30, 1881 (in pieces)

Bank Book, State National Bank, Mrs. M.H.D. Hayes

Checks:

July 8, 1881 -Mrs. Hayes; Aug. 4, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; Aug. 3, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; Aug. 6, 1881 - Mr. Hayes; Aug. 9, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; Aug. 10, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; July 6, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; Aug. 16, 1880 - Mr. Hayes; July 3, 1880 - Mr. Hayes; Mar. 1, 1880 - Mr. Hayes; Mar. 30, 1880 - Mrs. Hayes; Dec. 8, 1880 - Mrs. Hayes; Dec. 21, 1880 - Mr. Hayes; Jan. 3, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; Jan. 4, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; Jan. 1, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; Jan. 6, 1881 - Mr. Hayes; Dec. 23, 1880 - Mrs. Hayes; Jan. 25, 1881- Mrs. Hayes; Feb. 2, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; May 20, 1881 - Mr. Hayes; April 2, 1881 - Mr. Hayes; April 4, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; April 25, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; Apr. 23, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; May 2, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; May 2, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; May 4, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; May 6, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes; June 1, 1881 - Mrs. Hayes

Advertisement of a coffee sale from Paxson Vickers Sons, New York (Aug. 1881)

Telegram to Davis from Chicago Daily News concerning the arrival of General Grant in Chicago and seeking comment - Nov. 8, 1879

New York Tribune newspaper clipping containing a letter from Jefferson Davis, declaring that he is not a candidate for the Senate, and editorial

Bulletin containing instructions for the Tennessee Club's "Twelfth Night Ball" (costume party) - Jan. 6, 1882

Business letter written by J.A. Hayes, Jr. - Aug. 31, 1881

2 telegrams to Hayes - July 18, 1879 - President, State National Bank

Telegram to Hayes from A.D. Gwynne, Vice-President of State National Bank - July 21, 1879

Letter to Hayes from A. Woodruff - Aug. 25, 1880

Letter (torn up) from A. Woodruff

3 letters to Hayes from Chas. T. Dobb of Stewart, Gwynne & Co.: July 13, 1879; Aug. 18, 1879; Sept. 10, 1879

Telegram from Dobb - July 2, 1879. Reads: "Keep away from here. I leave for Nashville tonight to open Office."

Various scrap pieces of paper.

Statement from the State National Bank concerning the lack of payment addressed to E. Collins, Esq., Milan, Tennessee - April 15, 1881

Receipt from the Chancery Court Clerk's Office (Dec. 3, 1880) for Hayes' purchase of lot no.34, Nashville

Letter from R. Vance at Mont Eagle - Aug. 6, 1881

Cable to Hayes from W.H. Cherry ordering the buying of 2,000 shares of stock

Letter to Hayes at Mont Eagle - July 29, 1881, from Mr. Miller, United States Hotel, Saratoga, New York

Telegram (torn)

3 letters to Hayes from Edw. Goldsmith, New York, Feb. 23, 1881 & Aug. 24, 1881

Letter from Mr. Payne, New Orleans - Nov. 25, 1879

Letter from Newell, Duncan & Co., Nashville - Oct. 26, 1881

Letters addressed to Mrs. Jefferson Davis:

Sept. 13, 1880 - from Paris

Sept. 12, 1879 - from Gober Cochran in Beauvoir, Mississippi, desiring employment

Letters to Hayes from his mother-in-law, Mrs. Jefferson Davis:

May 25, 1880

July 31, 1880

June 1, 1880

Nov. 17, 1879

Bill to Mrs. Davis from London - May 19, 1879

2 letters from Mr. Brown, proprietor of Blue Ridge Springs, concerning accommodations

Letters to Hayes from brother-in-law A. E. Garrett, an attorney in Carthage, Tennessee:

May 1, 1879

Aug. 31, 1881

June 23, 1879

Dec. 30, 1879

Feb. 25, 1880

4 letters from sister "Ade "

25 cancelled checks of Kate B. Kerr & bank book; 2 letters in the same handwriting but signed "Kate B. Carnes"

Letters to Hayes from O.B. Cox, Brierfield:

Nov. 1881

Sept. 4, 1881

Oct. 16, 1881

President's annual report of the Pacific Bank, San Francisco – Jan. 1, 1881

April 29, 1880 - Letter to Hayes from J.D. Howell (brother of Mrs. Davis)

Letters to Hayes from J. H.D. Bowman of Bowman & Ogden – "Agent's Real Estate, Machinery, and Insurance", Vicksburg, Mississippi:

Oct. 8, 1881

Aug. 27, 1881

Sept. 24, 1881

July 5, 1881

Business letter to Hayes from J.A. Rodgers of Brownsville, Tennessee, July 26, 1880

2 letters from W.G. Robertson to Jefferson Davis – Nov. 1879

Letter to Robertson from B.M. Cromwell - Oct. 10, 1879

Life insurance policy - Oct. 26, 1876 - Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co. on William F. Boyle

Personal letters to J.A. Hayes, Jr.:

May 30, 1879 - Brooklyn, New York

July 22, 1879 - Hot Springs, Arkansas - M. Sneed

Aug. 24, 1879 - Park Hotel, Madison, Wisconsin, M. Sneed

Feb. 12, 1879 - Dr. Taylor - Hot Springs, Arkansas

8 letters to Hayes from father in Nashville, 1881

Pamphlet: Crutchett, J., "The Atomic Steam Coal Gas Is the Gas of the Future" - 1878

9 letters to Hayes from a sister