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### **INTRODUCTION**

Personal and business letters, documents and memoirs of a lawyer and politician of Glasgow, Missouri. He was a member of the Missouri Convention of 1861 and of the Constitutional Convention of 1875. Includes family letters and letters relating to his legal practice and politics, a few of them pertaining to the Constitutional Convention of 1875.

### **DONOR INFORMATION**

The papers were donated to the University of Missouri by J. and T.V. Denny on 27 December 1943 (Accession No. 74).

### **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

The papers have been arranged into the following two series: **Correspondence** and **Miscellaneous Papers**.

More complete series descriptions are located in the folder list.

### **FOLDER LIST**

#### **Correspondence Series**

- f. 1-5                    1846-1874. Letters to Sarah Harrison, 1846-1851, who married Thomas Shackelford, from friends and relatives. One from her cousin, D.H. Hickman, 1851. Letters to and from Shackelford: 1865 letter mentions bushwhackers. From their daughter, Ida, Hannibal, Missouri, 1871, tells of seeing light from the fire in Chicago. Another mentions the Younger brothers being in Glasgow. [**DIGITIZED**]
- f. 6-7                    1875. From Shackelford to his family while he was serving in Jefferson City as a member of the Constitutional Convention. Mention is made of woman suffrage, to which he was opposed. One letter from his brother, John. [**DIGITIZED**]
- f. 8-11                    1876-1892. Family letters, some from Ida Shackelford to her parents; one from George, Thomas' son, 1888. Letter from David H. Francis, 1892, in connection with offering a reward for a criminal. One concerning conducting elections by the Australian plan. Other letters regarding his legal practice.
- f. 12-23                    1893-1902. Letters concerning legal cases and politics. One, 1893, in connection with abolishing the office of prosecuting attorney and providing for the election of circuit attorneys. Letters from George G. Vest, U.S. Senator, 1893, 1896, and Senator F.M. Cockrell regarding

- free silver and the political situation. Letter from Gov. Lon V. Stephens, 1896, regarding a conference at Sedalia. Newspaper clipping attached to a letter, 1893, telling of selling of Negro under vagrancy law in Fayette. Letter from D.H. Francis, 1897, regarding protection of the banks of the Missouri River; letter from John S. Heard, U.S. representative, regarding River and Harbor Bill, 1897.
- f. 24-35 1903-1908. Letters dealing with politics and law practice. Letter from James Cooney, 1903, representative from Missouri, with political interest. Request for Shackelford to read a paper at a meeting, of the State Historical Society, 1906, on the Shackelford amendment to the 5th resolution of the Convention of 1861. Form letter signed by Walter Williams, 1906, advertising the Columbia Missouri *Herald*, of which he was editor.

### Miscellaneous Papers Series

- f. 36 Account Books, 1892-1896. Two personal account books giving expenditures of cash. One account book listing expenses of the firm of Shackelford and Denny.
- f. 37 Accounts, 1895-1900. Bills for merchandise and lumber, promissory notes, etc.
- f. 38-42 Documents, 1820-1895. Deed for sale of land in Howard County, 1820; deeds for sale of land in New Madrid County, 1821. Notice of public sale of slaves in Glasgow, 1847. Contracts for sale of stock. Other papers in. connection with land.
- f. 43 Memoirs. Reminiscences of 1861, written by Shackelford; reminiscences of Saline County. A paper presented in 1906 before the Missouri State Historical Society on the Shackelford Amendment to the 5th Resolution of the Missouri Convention of 1861.
- f. 44 An address to the ministers and members of the Methodist Episcopal Church South on Howard Payne and Central Colleges. Presentation of resolutions in the Circuit Court of Howard. County in memory of Hon. John A. Hockaday.
- f. 45 Note on the death of Miss Mary Louise Dayton, of the Missouri Historical Society, by Shackelford. Mentions the origin of Bingham's paintings, County Election and Order No. 11. Papers, apparently written by Shackelford. Petitions of the voters of Boone County, outside Columbia and the voters in Columbia to the County Court to order an election to determine whether spirituous liquors should be sold, 1888. Copy of the Sweet Springs Herald, April 12, 1907, containing an article on Thomas Shackelford at the age of 85 years. Memorial to Mrs. Sarah Shackelford.

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