

Information Sheet

R Chadwell, Gideon, 1813-1881.
883 Chadwell/Leavenworth family papers, 1837-1944.
Five folders, photocopies.

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Gideon and Lucinda (Whittemore) Chadwell, natives of Davidson City, Tennessee, came to Ste. Genevieve, Missouri, in 1839. By the time of the Civil War, Gideon was a successful merchant and head of a family that included five children: Alexander, Nancy, Martha, Mary, and Richard. Franklin Leavenworth and his family were also residents of Ste. Genevieve. The two families became connected with the marriage of Joseph H. Leavenworth and Martha Chadwell.

The Chadwell/Leavenworth collection contains correspondence and business papers reflecting both families and multiple generations. The earliest correspondence is addressed to Gideon Chadwell and concerns family and estate matters in Tennessee. Likewise, the business papers in folders 4-5 pertain mostly to Gideon Chadwell's business affairs. Later correspondence was addressed largely to Nancy Amanda ("Aunt Mandie") Chadwell at Ste. Genevieve. The principal correspondents are Gideon Chadwell's oldest son, Alexander Henderson Chadwell; Joseph H. Leavenworth and his wife Martha (Chadwell) Leavenworth; and Joseph's brother, N. H. Leavenworth. Later correspondents include George and Mattie Leavenworth, children of Joseph H. Leavenworth, who attended schools in Columbia and St. Charles, Missouri, in the 1890s.

Alexander Henderson Chadwell served in the Missouri State Guard at the beginning of the war, and later was commissioned lieutenant in Company E of the 2nd Missouri Cavalry (CS). His letters to his family from Bloomfield and New Madrid, Missouri, Vicksburg, Buck Hill, and Wyatt's Ferry, Mississippi, contain a wealth of information on family and friends from the Ste. Genevieve area who served first in the Missouri State Guard and, later, in the 2nd Missouri Cavalry (CS). Following the war, Alexander H. Chadwell was a surveyor and schoolteacher. By August 1881, he was teaching school in Conway County, Arkansas. Later he moved to St. Louis where he engaged in the grocery business, including the sale of apples from the family farm near Ste. Genevieve. The collection also includes wartime letters to Gideon Chadwell from J. Bellissime, a Ste. Genevieve man at Memphis, Tennessee, and Joseph Brooks of the 76th Ohio Infantry at Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Brothers Joseph H. and N. H. Leavenworth operated sawmills and engaged in the lumber business at Lake Washington, Leota Landing, and Greenville, Mississippi, in the 1870s and 1880s, buying logs from Cypress Bayou and from rafts brought down from the mouth of White River. Sawed lumber went to new homes and buildings around Leota, Mississippi. In their letters home, the brothers noted the scarcity of laborers in some parts of Mississippi, the "Negro

Exodus" to Kansas and elsewhere, the health of Joseph's children (at Ste. Genevieve with Nancy Chadwell), the sawmill and lumber business, the health of the country (he mentioned a smallpox scare on 24 February 1882), stages of the Mississippi River, and business and property matters in both Missouri and Mississippi.

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1837 Dec. 03	Gideon Chadwell	receipt from William H. Allen
1842 Sep. 19	Gideon and Lucinda Chadwell	L. & A. H. Chadwell and Sterling Whittemore, Davidson County, Tenn.
1843 Jan. 22	Gideon and Lucinda Chadwell	John H. Whittemore,

1860 May 09	Nancy Chadwell	Davidson County, Tenn.
1861 Sep. 28	Gideon Chadwell	Union Hall ticket
1861 Dec 21	Gideon Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Camp Bloomfield, Mo.
1862 Jan. 05	Amanda Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Camp New Madrid, Mo.
1862 Jan. 26	Gideon Chadwell	Miss H. L. Parker, Genesee, Henry Co. Ill.
1862 Mar. 21	Gideon Chadwell	Minerva Phillips, Central City, Ill.
1862 Jul. 06	Abram Whittemore	A. H. Chadwell, Camp Defiance
1862 Sep. 10	Gideon Chadwell	Gideon Chadwell, Ste. Genevieve, Mo.
1863 Feb. 02	Gideon Chadwell	J. Bellissime, Memphis Tenn.
1863 Feb. 03	Nancy Chadwell	Joseph P. Brooks, near Vicksburg, Miss.
1863 Feb. 08	Gideon Chadwell	calling card of Mr. & Mrs. Harris
1863 Dec. 09	Gideon Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Buck Hill, Miss.
1863 Dec. 10	Gideon Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Wyatt's Ferry, Miss.
1864 Jan. 06	Amanda Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, De Soto County, Miss.
1864 Mar. 20	Gideon Chadwell	James M. Strong, Central City, Ill.
1864 Oct. 20	Gideon Chadwell	W. O. Scott, Fort Delaware, Del.
1864 Dec. 05	N. A. Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Mobile, Ala.
1865 Mar. 27	Amanda & Martha Chadwell	Minnie Jones, St. Louis, Mo.
1867 Dec. 22	Amanda Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, New Orleans, La.
1870 Nov. 13	Amanda Chadwell	J. M. Jennings, Ladonia, Tex.
1871 Apr. 08	"Nephew"	James M. Goodman, Shelbyville
1872 Dec. 05	N. A. Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Garner Station, Miss.
1874 Mar. 09	Amanda Chadwell	Martha A. Leavenworth, Leota, Miss.
1874 Mar. 24	Gideon Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Leota, Miss
1874 Mar. 25	Amanda Chadwell	Martha A. Leavenworth, Leota, Miss.
1874 May 01	N. A. Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Garner Station, Miss
1874 Oct. 27	Amanda Chadwell	Martha A. Leavenworth, Leota, Miss.
1875 Jan. 18	Amanda Chadwell	Martha A. Leavenworth, Leota, Miss.
1875 Apr. 20	Amanda Chadwell	Martha A. Leavenworth, Leota, Miss.

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1876 Jan. 15	Amanda Chadwell	Martha A. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1876 Jan. 19	N. A. Chadwell	Mary, Corning, Ark.
1876 May 06	Amanda Chadwell	Martha A. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1876 Jun. 27	Amanda Chadwell	Martha A. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1876 Jul. 05	N. A. Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Garner, Miss.
1877 Feb. 16	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1877 Apr. 22	Gideon Chadwell	John Moore, Montgomery City, Mo.
1877 Apr. 23	Gideon Chadwell	John Moore, Montgomery City, Mo.
1877 Jul. 07	Gideon Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Leota, Miss
1877 Nov. 17	Amanda Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1877 Nov. 21	Gideon Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1877 Nov. 25	N. A. Chadwell	John H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1877 Dec. 03	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss
1877 Dec. 23	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.

1877 Dec. 25	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss
1878 Jan. 12	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1878 Jul. 13	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1878 Sep. 28	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, St. Louis, Mo.
1878 Oct. 09	"Dear Brother"	"A. C."
1878 Nov. 30	N. A. Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Courtland, Miss.

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1879 Jan. 23	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
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1879 Feb. 21	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss
1879 Mar. 02	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1879 Mar. 09	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1879 Mar. 13	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
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1879 Oct. 09	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Lake Washington, Miss.
1879 Nov. 11	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Leota Landing, Miss.
1880 Jan. 25	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Leota Landing, Miss.
1880 Feb. 04	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Leota Landing, Miss.
1880 May 25	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
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1881 May 16	J. H. Leavenworth	W. C. Bell & Bro., St. Louis, Mo.
1881 Mar. 24	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1881 Apr. 13	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1881 Aug. 10	J. H. Leavenworth	A. H. Chadwell, Springfield, Ark.
1881 Sep. 23	J. H. Leavenworth	N. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1881 Oct. 06	N. A. Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, Springfield, Ark.
1881 Oct. 15	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
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1882 Feb. 15	Amanda Chadwell	Elizes Phillips (Aunt)
1882 Feb. 24	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1882 Aug. 02	Nancy Chadwell	C. S. Hertich
1882 Sep. 25	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1883 Sep. 24	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1883 Nov. 23	Nancy A. Chadwell	Abram Whittemore, Paragon Mills, Tenn.

1883 Dec. 02	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1884 Jun. 24	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1884 Oct. 11	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1884 Oct. 26	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1884 Nov. 16	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1886 Mar. 31	"Dear Wife & daughters"	? Red Bend, Ill.
1888 Oct. 24	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
1888 Dec. 13	Amanda Chadwell	Alice Chadwell, 3838 Texas Ave., St. Louis, Mo.
1889 Nov. 20	N. A. Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, St. Louis, Mo.
1890 Jan. 02	Aunt Mandie	Bernice Chadwell, St. Louis, Mo.
1890 Jan. 13	Dear Mandie	Alice Chadwell, 2205 Cherokee St., St. Louis, Mo.
1890 Jan. 22	N. A. Chadwell	Alice Chadwell, 2205 Cherokee St., St. Louis, Mo.
1890 Feb. 06	N. A. Chadwell	A. H. Chadwell, St. Louis, Mo.
1894 Sep. 24	M. E. Chadwell	George Leavenworth, Columbia, Mo.
1894 Dec. 15	George Leavenworth	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville, Miss.
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1898 Oct. 14	N. A. Chadwell	Mattie Leavenworth, Columbia, Mo.
1898 Nov. 29	Mattie Leavenworth	Aunt Mandie, Ste Genevieve, Mo.
1899 Oct. 02	George Leavenworth	Mattie L. Leavenworth, St. Louis, Mo.
1902 Mar. 13	Amanda Chadwell	Antioch, Davidson County, Tenn.
1920 Oct. 22	"Dear Aunts and Mattie"	Alfred, Ottawa, Ont.
1940 Dec. 12	Mattie Leavenworth	George Leavenworth, Ocean Springs, Miss.
1944 May 12	Mattie Leavenworth	Alfred, Hawthorne, Nev.

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n.d. Sep 07	J. H. Leavenworth	J. C. Walton, Lake Washington
n.d. May 30	"Dear Sister"	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville
n.d. Jul.	Mr. & Mrs. Chadwell	Sister M. Cecilia
n.d. Sep. 02	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville
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n.d.	N. A. Chadwell	J. H. Leavenworth, Greenville
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