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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 61 MONROE County, Kentucky – Records

½ box. 5 folders. 24 items. 1838-1957. Originals.

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ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

Monroe County, Kentucky was formed on 19 January 1820 from portions of Barren and Cumberland counties, and named in honor of James Monroe of Virginia, who was then president of the United States. It was the sixty-fifty county in order of formation in the commonwealth. The county seat of Monroe County is Tompkinsville, named in honor of James Monroe's vice-president, Daniel Tompkins of New York.

COLLECTION NOTES

This collection contains three docket books kept by J. Gee, a justice of the peace in Monroe County, Kentucky. The books run from 2 January 1839 to 9 September 1859. They contain the names of the plaintiff and defendant in each case, the person who executed the warrant, the judgment made and the dollar amount awarded. The cases deal almost exclusively with small amounts, generally less than \$10. Gee often records payments made, delays in payment, and when the judgment was satisfied.

The record book found in Folder 4 was kept by B.C. Maxey of Barren County, Kentucky. It includes a four page history of the Gee family written by Maxey as well as two pages of cemetery records for the Maxey Graveyard. Only names and placement are listed, not dates. Also includes a listing of "transactions between me, Guy and Ailene Proffitt beg. 50-12-28 [28 December 1950]."

Folder 5 includes miscellaneous items that were removed from the record books, chiefly promissory notes, an obituary for Dr. Frank Maxey, estate appraisals and inventories, and receipts.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Monroe County Records	1838-1957	24 items
Folder 1	Docket book	January 2, 1839- April 2, 1842	1 item

Folder 2	Docket book	May 24, 1842- March 2, 1846; 1875; 1876	1 item
Folder 3	Docket book	April 1, 1857- September 9, 1859	1 item
Folder 4	Record book kept by B. C. Maxey	1925-1957	1 item
Folder 5	Miscellaneous papers found in the books	1838- post 1952	20 items

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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Docket books, 1838-1876 (3 items), kept by J. Gee, justice of the peace of Monroe County, Kentucky; miscellaneous papers found in books, 1838-post 1952 (20 items); and record book kept by B. C. Maxey which contains Gee family history, Maxey cemetery records, etc., 1925-1957.

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Gee family – Relating to
Gee, Jefferson, 1799-1870
Justices of the peace – Monroe County
Maxey, B. C.
Maxey family – Cemetery records, 1925
Maxey, Frank Smith, 1891-1979 – Relating to
Monroe County – Justices of the peace

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