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Descriptive Inventory

MSS 3 DUNN Family Papers

½ box. 3 folders. 224 items. 1824-1916. Originals.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

At age seven, Mary Rogers (1769-1857), daughter of James Rogers and Martha Blackburn, moved with her family from Virginia to Nelson County, Kentucky. Mary married Vincent Dunn, and they had several children, three of which were: Prudence (1798-1888), James R. (1802-1880), and Vincent (1811-1893). After the death of her husband in 1811, Mary moved to Grayson County. Prudence's first husband was a Mr. Rogers, and they lived in Bowling Green, Missouri. Her second husband was the Disciples of Christ minister Jacob Creath, Jr. (1799-1886). They lived in Palmyra, Missouri, where she managed the farm and reared the children while he served as an itinerant preacher. Meanwhile, James and his wife Elizabeth resided on a Grayson County farm with their family of several daughters and son, Zachariah James (1842-1918).

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COLLECTION NOTE

This collection consists of letters, 1832-1916 (108 items), of the Dunn family of Grayson County, Kentucky, written chiefly to James R. Dunn, his mother, and his son. Sixty of the letters from Prudence (Dunn) [Rogers] Creath contain comments on her husband's evangelistic travels, farming in Missouri, the Civil War, her steamboat trip from Kentucky to Missouri in 1868, and family affairs. The other letters, primarily about farming in Illinois and family matters, are from Grayson Porter of Illinois, William E. Ward of Caneyville, Kentucky, and members of the Dunn, Rogers, and Nelson families. Additionally, there are miscellaneous family tax receipts, 1824-1911 (116).

SHELF LIST

BOX 1	Dunn Family Papers	1824-1916	224 items
Folder 1	Dunn family correspondence	1832-1859	39 items
Folder 2	Dunn family correspondence	1860-1916	69 items
Folder 3	a) Tax receipts - James R. Dunn	1824-1879	51 items
	b) Tax receipts - Zachariah R. Dunn & Silas Thomason	1864-1916	65 items

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Letters, chiefly family, to Mrs. Mary (Rogers) Dunn (1769-1857), James R. Dunn (1802-1880), and Zachariah R. Dunn (1842-1919) of Grayson County, Kentucky. Over half are from Prudence (Dunn) Rogers Creath, 2nd wife of Jacob Creath, Jr., minister of Palmyra, Missouri. Also tax receipts of James & Zachariah R. Dunn and Silas Thomason.
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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Civil War, 1861-1865 – Missouri – Palmyra, 1861-1865
Creath, Jacob, Jr., 1799-1886 – Relating to
Creath, Prudence (Dunn) Rogers, 1798-1888
Disciples of Christ
Dunn, James Rogers, 1802-1880
Dunn, Mary (Rogers), 1769-1857
Dunn, Zachariah James, 1842-1918
Farms and farming – Illinois
Farms and farming – Missouri
Grayson County – Businesses, 1824-1911
Grayson County – Tax receipts, 1824-1911
Nelson, Calvin
Nelson family
Palmyra, Missouri – Relating to, 1848-1884
Stoner, Porter J.

Thomason, Silas
Ward, William E.

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