Guide to the Elizabeth Clitherall letter
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Summary Information

Repository        W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama

Creator          Clitherall, Elizabeth Burgwyn, 1784-1863

Title            Elizabeth Clitherall letter

Date             1863 July 30

Extent           0.05 Linear feet (1 item; typescript copy)

Language         English

Abstract         Letter dated 30 July 1863, from Mobile, to her cousin Ann Greenough Burgwyn in North Carolina, extending sympathy on death of Burgwyn's son, Henry King Burgwyn, at Gettysburg, and expressing anti-war sentiments

Preferred Citation

Elizabeth Clitherall letter, W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama.
Biographical/Historical note

Caroline Elizabeth Burgwin Clitherall (1784-1863) was a plantation owner's wife and school teacher who lived in Belleville and Walterboro, South Carolina, at Thornbury Plantation in North Carolina, and in Greensboro, Tuscaloosa, and Mobile, Alabama. Her husband George Campbell Clitherall (d. 1829) was a planter and physician. The couple had six children: (1) Eliza Inglis Clitherall Moore (1802-1886); (2) Harriet A. Clitherall Spotts (1808-1834); (3) George Bush Burgwin Clitherall (1814-1889); (4) Frances King Clitherall Battle (1817-1849); (5) Madeleine Clitherall Battle (b. 1818); and (6) Alexander Baron Clitherall (1820-1869). She was the daughter of John Burgwin (fl. 1751-1800) and Eliza Bush Burgwin (d. 1787) of the Hermitage near Wilmington, North Carolina.

Scope and Contents note

The collection contains a letter written by Clitherall, dated 30 July 1863, from Mobile, to cousin her Ann Greenough Burgwyn in North Carolina, extending sympathy on death of Burgwyn's son, Henry King Burgwyn, at Gettysburg, and expressing anti-war sentiments. Included is a note by the transcriber, Walter Burgwyn Jones.

Administrative Information

Publication Information
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Conditions Governing Use note
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Family Name(s)

• Burgwyn Family

Genre(s)

• Letters (correspondence)

Geographic Name(s)

• United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Casualties

Personal Name(s)

• Burgwyn, Henry King, 1841-1863

Subject(s)

• Civil War
• Daily Life and Family
• Family
• Government, Law and Politics
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