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**David McNeely Stauffer Papers
MS 19**

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Summary Information

Creator

Stauffer, David McNeely, 1845 -1913

Title

David McNeely Stauffer Papers

Dates

1633-1936, 1875-1911 (bulk)

Extent

1.5 LF (3.5 ms. boxes)

Arrangement

Collection organized into folders corresponding to type of material: diary, notebook, artwork, etc.

Language of Materials

All materials in English.

Abstract

This collection contains the personal papers and family history of David McNeely Stauffer who attended Franklin and Marshall College from 1861-1864. Items include personal diaries, engineering notebooks, artwork, personal papers, and family history. Specific items of note include Stauffer's 1862 diary of his experiences in the Civil War, his personal extra-illustrated copy of Joseph H. Dubbs' 1903 History of Franklin and Marshall College and an autograph album owned by ancestor Enricus Stauffer dated 1633-1636.

Subjects

Stauffer, David McNeely, 1845-1913.

Stauffer family--Pennsylvania.

Franklin and Marshall College--Alumni and alumnae--Biography.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Sources unknown, pre-1952 ; Frances F. Jones, Princeton, NJ, Gift, 1989; Davy H. McCall, Chestertown, MD, Gift, 1993.

Custodial History (Provenance)

The collection was assembled from pre-1952 gifts and several other sources. The 1891 diary was donated to Franklin and Marshall by Frances Jones in 1989. Additional material was donated in 1993 By Davy McCall.

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Processing Information

Processed by [Archives staff], ca. 1993. Description based on DACS.

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

Additional Information

Bibliographical Note

See: Stauffer, David McNeely. *American engravers upon copper and steel*. New York: The Grolier club of the city of New York, 1907.

Related Materials

Stauffer Bookplate Collection (MS 28), Archives and Special Collections, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.

David McNeely Stauffer Collection, New York Public Library, Rare Books and Manuscripts Division, New York, NY

Selected items from New York Public Library's Stauffer Collection available microfilmed as: David McNeely Stauffer Papers, Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC

Natural history papers and artwork of Stauffer's father Jacob Stauffer (1808-1880) available in: Linnaean Society of Lancaster, Pa. Records (MS 13), Archives and Special Collections, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa.

Historical/Biographical Information

David McNeely Stauffer was born on March 24, 1845 in Mount Joy (then Richmond), PA the son of Jacob Stauffer (1808-1880) and Mary Ann McNeely Stauffer (d. 1846). He attended the Bell School there until his family moved to Lancaster where he continued his education at the Duke Street Secondary School. In September 1861, Stauffer entered Franklin and Marshall College. In September 1862, he left college to join the 2nd Pennsylvania Emergency Regiment serving until winter when he returned to school. In June 1863, he reentered the military joining the Independent Battery of Pennsylvania. After his enlistment expired in January 1864, Stauffer joined the Engineering Corps of the Columbia and Port DuPont Railroad. In February 1864, however, he reentered the military joining the navy as Masters Mate for Admiral David Porter. After the Civil War ended, Stauffer decided not to return to college. Instead, he returned to his job with the Columbia and Port DuPont Railroad to pursue a career in Civil Engineering. Work in this field allowed him the opportunity to work in several countries around the world, particularly Central America. In addition to his work as a Civil Engineer, Stauffer is noted for his work as a copper and steel engraver, designing bookplates for many prominent libraries. Stauffer died in 1913.

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BOX 1

1/1	Diary (and photocopy)	1862
1/2	Diary	1875; 1876.
1/3	Diary	1877; 1879.
1/4	Diary	1880.
1/5	Diary (with transcript)	1881.
1/6	Engineering Daybook	1882; 1883.
1/7	Engineering Daybook	1884; 1886.
1/8	Engineering Daybook	1887; 1889.
1/9	Engineering Daybook	1890.

BOX 2

2/1	Diary (and transcript)	1891.
2/2	"3651 Names of Engravers...."	1903.
2/3	Menu/Dinner dedicated to the Hon. Warner Miller,	1891.
2/4	"My Life" by David McNeely Stauffer (including original and photocopy),	1910.
2/5	In Memoriam, Florence Scribner Stauffer Rogers,	1936.
2/6	Photographs, nd.	
2/7	Watercolor and pencil sketched of Bermuda,	1908.
2/8	Notebook of pencil sketches and watercolors,	ca. 1911
2/9	Stauffer Coat-of-Arms, nd.	

- 2/10 Watercolor of Mary McNeely Stauffer, nd.
- 2/11 Chalk Drawings of Algiers, nd.
- 2/12 Autograph Album of Ernicus Stauffer, 1633-36.

BOX 3

- 3/1 Scrapbook of Cora Ashe Knight containing pencil drawing, "Over the Hill to the Poor House" by D. M. Stauffer, 1876.
- 3/2 Scrapbook of poetry containing first known bookplate created by D.M. Stauffer and pencil drawing of a woman, ca. 1867.
- 3/3 Ashe Family Coat of Arms, nd.

BOX 4:

- 4/1 Stauffer's personal copy of Joseph H. Dubbs' *History of Franklin and Marshall College*, 1903 rebound in two volumes (blue and white morocco binding) with additional manuscript material added as leaves and hand-drawn title page by Stauffer, dated 1905.

OVERSIZED DRAWER

- 1/1 Honorary Degree from Franklin and Marshall College, 1881.
- 1/2 Photographs (5) taken while building a railroad in Nicaragua, 1892.

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