

BARNETT, SAMUEL, 1850-1943.

Samuel Barnett papers, 1909-1932

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Barnett, Samuel, 1850-1943.
Title: Samuel Barnett papers, 1909-1932
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 505
Extent: 1 linear ft. (2 boxes)
Abstract: Papers of Georgia professor and lawyer Samuel Barnett including correspondence and a literary manuscript.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access

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Source

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Custodial History

The donors are the daughters of Samuel Barnett.

Citation

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Appraisal Note

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Collection Description

Biographical Note

Samuel Barnett (September 30, 1850-April 7, 1943) was born in Washington, Georgia, the son of Samuel and Elizabeth Stone Barnett, and died in Atlanta, Georgia. His father who was also born in Washington, March 6, 1824, was railroad commissioner of Georgia, and at one time editor of the *Augusta Chronicle*. Samuel Barnett received an A.B. degree from the University of Georgia in 1869 and served as Professor of Mathematics, Davidson College, North Carolina, 1874-1876 and as Professor of Physics, Louisiana State University, 1878-1880. In 1877-1878 he took a special course in Mathematics at Edinburgh University in Scotland. He was admitted to the bar in Atlanta, Georgia, in 1881 and thereafter was a specialist in corporation and insurance laws and investments and a consulting actuary in insurance law from early in the 20th century until his death. He published pamphlets and articles in the field of insurance and in November 1921 an article, "Philosophy and Probability" in the *Philosophical Review*. He was a member of Chi Phi Fraternity, Phi Beta Kappa and a Charter member of American Institute of Actuaries.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of 23 letters and the literary manuscript consisting of various drafts and notes of Barnett's unpublished book on "Probability." The correspondence includes four letters by Charles Sanders Pierce, 1909-1910; one by Arthur Kenyon Rogers, 1920; two by George A. Hutchinson, 1927; two by Charles M. Snelling, 1927; five by John Dewey, 1930-1932; and nine by Barnett to John Dewey, 1930-1932.

Arrangement Note

Arranged by record type.

Container List

Correspondence

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Pierce, Charles Sanders, 1909-1910 (4 letters)
1	2	Rogers, Arthur Kenyon, November 9, 1920, TLS, 9 pp. (contains marginal notes and interlinear annotations)
1	2	Hutchinson, George A., February 21, 1927, TLS, 2 p.
1	2	Snelling, Charles M., January 31, 1927, TLS, 1 p.
1	2	Snelling, Charles M., February 22, 1927, TLS, 1 p.
1	2	Hutchinson, George A., August 29, 1927, TLS, 1 p.
1	3	Dewey, John, 1930-1932 (14 letters)

Miscellaneous

1	4	Biographical data of Samuel Barnett and pamphlet, "Summation Formulae Generalized", by Samuel Barnett, Atlanta, Ga., 1908 [photocopy]
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Literary manuscripts

1	5-18	MSS of "Probability"
2	1-6	MSS of "Probability"
