COLEMAN, CHARLES.
Charles Coleman papers, 1819-1909

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Coleman, Charles.
Title: Charles Coleman papers, 1819-1909
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 398
Extent: .5 linear ft. (1 box)
Abstract: Papers of British lawyer Charles Coleman, including correspondence, legal documents, a commonplace book, and auction pamphlets.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

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Administrative Information

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Gift, 1962.

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Collection Description

Biographical Note
Charles Coleman (1824?-1905?) was the son of Joseph and Sophie Coleman, and the brother of Joseph, Steve, John and Thomas Coleman. He attended Gray's Inn (London, England) in 1851, became a lawyer and later a judge on England's "northern circuit". In October 10-15?, 1884 he married Kate Taplin and their daughter, Kitty Coleman, was born July 6, 1886 at Redcar,

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the family home. Kate died in 1903 and Kitty married a Maugham, reputed to be a relative of Somerset Maugham.

**Scope and Content Note**
The collection consists of papers of Charles Coleman from 1819-1909. The collection consists of 265 letters written mainly to Charles Coleman by relatives and friends. Most of them are arranged under the names of the writers: Sir James Lowther who was Mrs. Lagomarsino's mother's godfather and a member of the famous and powerful North England family; Lord Brampton whose title was received during the years of this correspondence; Frederick Pollock and four other Pollocks of the well known Pollock family (6 pages in DNB) famous in military, legal and governmental history of England; other persons, most of whom are in government or politics.

The papers include correspondence on the social, economic, military, and political affairs of Great Britain. Of particular interest are the letters in which Coleman comments upon his travels in China and the opium trade, and letters to and from his family and friends which mention John Wilkes Booth, the Irish question, William Ewart Gladstone, Benjamin Disraeli, and reform class antagonisms. Also includes a commonplace book, legal documents, and auction pamphlets. The materials generally reflect the attitudes of various members of the upper class and nobility during the Victorian era.

**Arrangement Note**
Arranged by record type.
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