GRISHAM FAMILY.
Grisham family papers, 1825-1887

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Creator: Grisham family.
Title: Grisham family papers, 1825-1887
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 404
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Abstract: Copies of the papers of the William Grisham family of Georgia from 1825 to 1887. Contains microfilmed correspondence written by members of the Grisham, Brown, Galt, Watts, and Collins families, and several items of photocopied printed material.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

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**Biographical Note**
The relatives of Joseph E. Brown and his wife, Elizabeth Grisham Brown included, in addition to their immediate family, her uncle William Grisham and his wife, Susan Bradford Grisham; their son-in-law Joel L. Galt and Joel's brother Edward Galt; William's son, Joseph Grisham, and his daughter, Elizabeth Collins (Mrs. J.D. Collins); Susan B. Grisham's sister Ella Bradford married George Troup Watts.

**Scope and Content Note**
The collection consists of a microfilm copy of correspondence (1825-1887) written by members of the Grisham, Brown, Galt, Watts, and Collins families and includes: portions of letters written by Elizabeth McRae Smith to William (Uncle Billy) Bradford, relatives of the Grisham-Watts families; letters (1872-1887) written by Elizabeth Collins, daughter of William Grisham, to her friend, Arminda Wood (Mrs. Willis Wood), apparently a former family slave.

The collection also includes photocopies of two printed items: "To the People of Cherokee County, Georgia," signed by John W. Lewis, Eli McConnell, Samuel Tate, and J.P. Brooke [1850] and "A Song for the Cherokee Legion" written by C.M. McClure, at Camp Rusk, 1864.
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