

**LEE, ROBERT E. (ROBERT EDWARD), 1807-1870.**  
**Robert E. Lee collection, 1835-1869**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Lee, Robert E. (Robert Edward), 1807-1870.  
**Title:** Robert E. Lee collection, 1835-1869  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 206  
**Extent:** .25 linear ft. (1 box)  
**Abstract:** Collection of materials relating to Robert Edward Lee, Confederate General, including correspondence, photographs, and printed material.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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**Administrative Information**

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**Related Materials in Other Repositories**

Washington and Lee College, Lexington, Virginia

**Source**

Purchase, 1938.

**Citation**

[after identification of item(s)], Robert E. Lee collection, Manuscript, Archives and Rare Book Library, Emory University.

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## Collection Description

### Biographical Note

Robert Edward Lee, soldier, Confederate General, and president of Washington College (1865-1870; Lexington, Virginia), was born January 19, 1807, at Stratford, Virginia, and died 12 October 1870, at Lexington, Virginia.

### Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of correspondence, photographs, several publications concerning Robert E. Lee, and a will. Many items are photocopies.

The correspondence primarily includes letters from Robert E. Lee to various individuals including Ulysses Grant concerning the surrender of the Confederacy (photocopy), Robert Stiles, and John Mackay. Also includes two letters written by Mary Custis Lee, Robert E. Lee's wife. There are two letters concerning the 1936 sale and history of a gold star from Robert E. Lee's lapel.

Photographs are of Lee, and Lee with George Washington Custis Lee (Lee's son) and Colonel Walter Taylor. Other items include a copy of Lee's 1846 will, a copy of Lee's obituary in the *Southern Collegian*, and an issue of *American Heritage* that includes an article on Mary Custis Lee's Virginia.

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Correspondence from Robert E. Lee, 1835 - 1869
1	2	Correspondence from Mary Custis Lee, 1847 and 1906
1	3	Correspondence concerning Harry Stone's sale of a gold star from R. E. Lee's lapel, 1936.
1	4	Will of Robert E. Lee, 1846.
1	5	Photographs
1	6	Southern Collegian, 1870, Robert E. Lee's obituary
1	7	Grade reports of two Washington College students, 1865-1866
1	8	Pamphlet, Robert E. Lee and Journalism [ca. 1949]
1	9	<i>American Heritage</i> , Spring 1954. Article of interest: "Mary Custis Lee's Arlington," by Elizabeth Dabney Coleman

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