

PARK FAMILY.

Park family papers, 1831-1889

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Park family.
Title: Park family papers, 1831-1889
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 397
Extent: 2 microfilm reels (MF)
Abstract: Microfilm copy of the papers of the Park family of Greene, Newton, and Jasper Counties, Georgia, including relatives in the Allred, Daniel, Musgrove, and Fielder families.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Collection Description

Biographical Note

John Park, a planter, was born in Virginia, in 1776; his wife, Sara O. Musgrove Park, was born in Georgia in 1788. They lived in Greene County (1830-1834), Newton County (1837), and Jasper County (1839), Georgia, until about 1840, when most of the family moved from Georgia to Palmyra, Pike County, Alabama. Their children were James, John T. Sankey, Frank, Jane, John

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Harrison (b. 1815), Sarah, and Robert. Of their sons: James M. Park lived in Augusta, Georgia (1831-1840), then moved to Mobile, Alabama; John T. Sankey Park lived in Augusta, Georgia, and taught school, but later moved to Pike County, Alabama, became a Baptist minister, and married Tabitha A. Skinner (1842); Frank Park was state legislator and a captain in the 15th Alabama Infantry Regiment "Quitman Guards" during the Civil War, and became a doctor in Orion, Alabama; John T. Sankey Park and Frank Park were in business together in Orion shortly before the Civil War; John Harrison Park, planter and attorney, married Apsey Kolb (1844); Robert Park fought with the Confederate Army. Daughter Jane Owen Glenn Park married Solomon Siler (1843).

Publication Note

Selected Park Family letters were published as "The Park Papers," edited by Margaret Pace.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of a microfilm copy of the Park family papers from 1831-1889, including correspondence, a ballad, poems, legal and business papers. Correspondence is between members of the Park family including relatives in the Allred, Daniel, Musgrove, and Fielder families. The 1830-1834 letters are all from James M. Park in Augusta, Georgia to his family in Greene County, Georgia. Letters and poems of Joseph Harrison Park's son, Richard F. Park (b. 1861), document his courtship with Fannie Sanders, whom he later married. Legal and business papers include account books, orders, receipts, deeds, and a bond for land. A ballad (1844) was written by Joseph H. Park and J.E. Franklin. Other letters concern the cotton market, politics and current events, and health concerns.

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