

# Reconstruction miscellany collection,1865-1873

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## Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Reconstruction miscellany collection,1865-1873  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 46  
**Extent:** .25 linear feet (1 box)  
**Abstract:** The Reconstruction miscellany collection is an artificially-created collection containing material concerning the Reconstruction period in the United States.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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## Administrative Information

### Restrictions on Access

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Various sources.

### Citation

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### Processing

Unknown.

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## Collection Description

### Scope and Content Note

The Reconstruction miscellany collection is an artificially-created collection containing material concerning the Reconstruction period from 1865-1873. The collection includes correspondence and several types of official documents, such as oaths of allegiance, discharge papers, and orders

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from the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Land. Much of the correspondence concerns daily life during Reconstruction, and addresses property issues and other business concerns.

**Arrangement Note**

Arranged alphabetically.

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## Container List

### Documents

#### **Borden, Sidney[?] Joseph[?], [1 item]**

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Letter from Borden (near Mobile, Alabama) to "Dear Doctor;" October 2, 1865; Comments on difficulties of making a living; handling servants, and doing business in Alabama during early Reconstruction

#### **F. H. Calloway & Co. [1 item]**

1	2	Receipt given to F. H. Callaway of Atlanta, Georgia for fifty-one bales of cotton to be transported by rail to Alexandria, and New York, December 20, 1865; Signed by H. Merritt, agent
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#### **Clark, W. H. [1 item]**

1	3	License granted to W. H. Clark, of Richmond, Georgia to practice medicine, January 31, 1866
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#### **Dedaussure, W.G. [1 item]**

1	17	Application for restoration of property in Charleston, South Carolina held by the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Land, 1866 January 25 This folder contains material that was originally part of Miscellaneous Collection C, Documents. In 2017, the Documents collection was discontinued and the contents were dispersed amongst other collections by subject or provenance to improve accessibility.
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#### **Dodge, John [1 item]**

1	4	Certificate of discharge granted to John Dodge of Washington County, Georgia from the United States Army, April 16, 1866
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#### **Dunlap, Samuel [1 item]**

1	5	Oath of allegiance of Samuel Dunlap of Bibb County, Georgia, signed by Dunlap and J. R. Guthrie, August 12, 1855
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#### **Georgia State Executive Department [1 item]**

1	12	Printed letter from the Georgia State Executive Department explaining the warrant of pardon and the proper procedure to follow for completing the papers, Milledgeville, Georgia, September 1, 1866 from Charles J. Jenkins
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#### **Henry, John [1 item]**

1	6	Sworn statement by John Henry of Dooly County, Georgia to defend and support the United States and obey all laws; August 22, 1865
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**Kennerly, William C. [1 item]**

- 1 14 Printed letter "To the Voters of Frederick, Clarke and Warren Counties" campaigning for the Virginia Senate, September 15, 1865

**Maner, Sarah S. [1 item]**

- 1 7 Letter from Sarah S. Maner to [Mrs. William D. Villard], June 24, [1865?], concerning her neighbors and their problems in South Carolina

**Mathews, J. E. [2 items]**

- 1 8 Letter from Dr. J. E. Mathews of Camden, South Carolina to Major General O. V. Howard inquiring about recovering his property on Johns Island, South Carolina; in the letter he says he was required to leave, did not participate in the war, and has signed an oath of allegiance; the letter was written September 8, 1865; accompanying the letter is a document dated May 31, 1866 returning the property to Dr. Mathews and giving the conditions of the return; it was signed by R. D. Scott, Assistant Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Land

**Mickle, Joseph Thomas [1 item]**

- 1 18 Letter from Joseph Thomas Mickle (Camden, South Carolilna) to "Dear Son," 1867 October 7  
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**Stevens, Sarah [4 items]**

- 1 9 Papers of Miss Sarah Stevens consisting of Special Field Order from the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, Savannah, Georgia, February 14, 1866 giving Miss Stevens permission to occupy property on St. Simon's Island, signed by David Tillson; a letter to Miss Stevens from S.G. Haynes, Savannah, Georgia, March 2, 1866 asking about money which she owed him and gibing her advice on the management of her share-croppers; a share-cropping agreement made between John T. Collins and various laborers, witnessed by Sarah Stevens, January 23, 1868; and a note from the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands enclosing Special Orders No. 2 restoring lands to the heir of the Estate of Charles Stevens, January 18, 1868

**Turner, Julius [1 item]**

- 1 10 Letter [typed photocopy] from Julius Turner to "Dear Brother," Rural Shades, Texas, January 7, 1873, in which he writes about the land he has purchased there and the opportunities which await one in postwar Texas

**Unknown [1 item]**

- 1 19 Letter, unsigned to the U.S. Congress from an unidentified southern unionist, possibly from Georgia, 1865. The letter questions pardons given to ex-Confederates and argues that they should be stripped of their citizenship.

**Walker, John G. [1 item]**

- 1 11 Letter (April 17, 1866) from John G. Walker (1822-1893), London, to Charles T. Pollard, president of the Montgomery and Pensacola Railroad Company, Montgomery, Alabama; on Walker's stationery is an announcement that he has established himself as a commission merchant in London and will act as an agent for the purchase of railroad iron and rolling stock; in his letter to Pollard, Walker identifies himself as a former Major General in the Confederate States of America, and asks that Pollard consider letting him act as agent in London for Pollard's railroad

**Yates, Richard [5 items]**

- 1 13 Correspondence (1871-1873) received by Richard Yates, a Civil War governor and Senator from Illinois; two letters are from Colonel T.P. Robb and three letters are from Frank Hilligass; both men were residing in Savannah, Georgia at the time and ask that they be allowed to retain their jobs in the Reconstruction government

**Printed material**

- 1 15 South Carolina Legislature: postcard photographs of the "radical members," 1868  
1 16 "The White Slave," caricature depicting race relations during Reconstruction, undated
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