THOMAS, EDWARD LLOYD, 1785-1852.
Edward Lloyd Thomas papers, 1825-1855

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Thomas, Edward Lloyd, 1785-1852.
Title: Edward Lloyd Thomas papers, 1825-1855
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 479
Extent: .25 linear feet. (1 box)
Abstract: Papers of Edward Lloyd Thomas, a nineteenth-century Georgia land
surveyor, including letters, obituaries, a will, surveys, notes, a report, a
certificate, clippings, a legal document, photographs, and biographical
information.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Related Materials in This Repository
Plans of Oxford, Georgia, by Edward Lloyd Thomas.

Source

Custodial History
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unknown.

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Biographical Note
Edward Lloyd Thomas, surveyor and Methodist clergyman, was born September 1785, in Virginia, and died August 17, 1852, in Gainesville, Georgia. He learned surveying from his uncle, Levin Wailes, and is credited with planning the towns of Oxford and Columbus, Georgia. Thomas was also involved in the surveys on the Georgia-Alabama (1826) and the Georgia-Florida (1831) borders. He married Mary S. Hogue (1806) with whom he had children; one son, Edward Lloyd Thomas, Jr., became a Major General in the Confederate Army; a daughter, Sophia, married William B. Rivers.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the papers of Edward Lloyd Thomas from 1825-1855. The papers include letters, obituaries, a will, surveys, notes, a report, a certificate, clippings, a legal document, photographs, and biographical information. Portions of the collection are photocopies of original materials.

Letters are to, from, or about Thomas or his family; the will is Thomas's (1851). The surveys were done by Thomas for some land in Richmond and Newton Counties (Georgia) and for the towns of Columbus (1828) and Oxford (1837), Georgia; there are notes from Thomas's surveys of the reservation at Cowetah Falls on the Chattahoochee River and Columbus, Georgia. The report on the Georgia-Alabama border (1826; for which Thomas did the survey) was compiled for Governor George M. Troup by the Georgia commissioners. Photographs are of the Thomas home in Oxford, Georgia and of family gravestones.

Arrangement Note
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