

WILLINK, HENRY FREDERICK, B. 1825.

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Abstract: Papers of Savannah shipbuilder and alderman, Henry Frederick Willink, Jr. from 1861-1879.
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Biographical Note

Henry Frederick Willink, Jr., shipbuilder and alderman, was born April 3, 1827, in Savannah, Georgia; it is uncertain when or where he died. As a member of the Savannah shipbuilding firm of Willink & Miller, he contracted with the Confederate Navy (1861) for the construction of the gunboat, *Macon*, and ironclad steamers, *Savannah* and *Milledgeville*, the last of which was

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partially complete when the city of Savannah was captured in December 1864. According to a May 1879 issue of the *Savannah Times*, Willink was at that time a Savannah alderman.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of correspondence, receipts, and ship plans relating to the building of the armored vessels *Savannah*, *Milledgeville*, and *Macon*. Correspondence is with Confederate Navy Commanders Stephen R. Mallory and Thomas W. Brent (some of which mentions the armored vessel *Fingal*, soon to be the *Atlanta*). Receipts are for payment of slave laborers on shipbuilding projects. Plans for the vessels include the signatures of John L. Porter, CSA Naval Constructor, and William A. Graves, CSA naval engineer.

