

LEMON PROJECT RESEARCH TOPICS

Images of African American Life

Title: **African American Family Photographs, 1880-1950**

ID: Mss. Acc. 2009.606

Extent: 0.2 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Photographs of an African-American family, circa 1880-1950, most likely of Richmond, Virginia. Included are snapshots, studio portraits and photo postcards of family members and also a postcard of the "Barracks of Colored Recruits, Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va." (addressed to Eliza Chatman, Richmond, Va.). Some photos are identified by first name or location. Locations in addition to Richmond are Norfolk, Va., Pennsylvania, and Massachusetts.

Personal Accounts of Daily Life

Title: **Elizabeth C. Chaplin Diary, 1862, 1896**

ID: Mss. Acc. 2009.037

Extent: 0.02 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Diary of Elizabeth C. Chaplin of Ipswich, Massachusetts, 1862, reflecting strong political opinions and abolitionist conviction. The following is excerpted for the description of the seller: "She was an active Republican and supporter of President Abraham Lincoln and went to plays and meeting with strong Abolitionists messages. In the very first entry she says, "she took the cars to Boston. My niece Mary Story met with me to see the play called the Octagon, preformed. It represented life in Louisiana & illustrated the Horrors of Slavery." She receives letters from Ma. Senator Charles Sumner and comments on political events such as the resignation of Secretary of War Simon Cameron, the death of former President John Tyler, and the issuance of the first of two executive orders comprising the Emancipation Proclamation. Many entries are "accounts of won and lost battles and about local soldiers. There is an entry about the Monitor and the Merrimac plus other more famous battles." Her entries focus mainly on Union victories, such as those achieved at Somerset Ky. and Ft. Donelson Tn. She also references Federal successes in Arkansas, Manassas Va., New Bern Nc., and Pittsburg Tn. Her entries track the progress of Gen. McClellan's 1862 Peninsular Campaign through Yorktown Va., Norfolk Va., and Richmond Va. Later entries reference Gen. Jackson's successful Valley campaign, specifically mentioning engagements at Gordonsville Va. and Culpeper Va, and its implications for the larger Peninsular campaign. She also comments on the "excitement" caused in Boston by the repulse of Federal forces under Gen. Pope in the 2d Bull Run campaign. Gen. Lee had now successfully confronted McClellan's threat from the south and Pope's threat from the north.

"She did not follow the printed dates, but dated each entry in order as she wrote them. There are 46 pages hand written on both sides with the dates being January 1, 1862 to November 6, 1862.

"Following the diary, the last 4 pages were used for the recording of birth and death dates usually found in family bible records, ranging in date from 1855-1887.

"Also included are 2 business cards and a receipt for payment for private lesson, signed by Anna L. Kendall in 1896."

Title: James Galt Diary, 1844-1864

ID: Mss. MsV D13

Extent: 1.0 Items

Scope and Contents: James Galt Diary, 1835-1854-1859-1864. Fluvanna County planter records farm management and family activities, plus an incident of poisoning involving slaves; see [1835-1854](#), [1844-1850](#), [1851-1854](#), and [1859-1864](#).

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Title: Carter Family Papers, 1667-1862

Repository: Special Collections, Earl Gregg Swem Library, College of William and Mary

Collection number: Mss. 39.1 C24

Physical Characteristics: 8,609 items.

Language: English

Creators: Carter Family, Taylor Family, Robert Carter, 1663-1732. Robert Carter, 1704- 1731.

Landon Carter, 1710-1778. Robert Wormeley Carter, 1734-1797. Robert Carter, 1728-1804.

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John Tyler, 1790-1862. John Tayloe Lomax, 1781-1862. Edmund Ruffin, 1794-1865. Robert Young Conrad, 1805- 1875.

Abstract: The collection includes correspondence, accounts, diaries, and land records of various members of the Carter and Taylor families including the following: Robert "King" Carter (1663-1732); Robert Carter (1704-1731) and Landon Carter (1710-1778), sons of Robert "King" Carter (1663-1732); Robert Carter (1728-1804), son of Robert Carter (1704-1731); Robert Wormeley Carter (1734-1804), son of Landon Carter of Sabine Hall; and Landon Carter (1757-1820), grandson of Robert Carter.

Robert "King" Carter (1663-1732) was a colonial official and great landholder (300,000 acres). His sons were Robert Carter (1704-1731) and Landon Carter (1710-1778) of "Sabine Hall." Grandsons of Robert Carter included Robert "Councillor" Carter (1728-1804) of "Nomini" and Robert Wormeley Carter (1734-1797).

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The bulk of the collection consists of the papers of Robert Wormeley Carter (1792-1861)including his correspondence with Robley Dunglison, John Tyler, John Tayloe Lomax, Edmund Ruffin, Robert

Young Conrad and members of the Tayloe family as well as his diaries and accounts arranged by subject.

Subjects covered in the collection include plantation life, horse-racing, land, nineteenth-century Virginia politics, slavery, and tobacco. In addition, there are miscellaneous eighteenth-century land and legal documents.

Title: Robert McCandlish Papers, 1825-1829

ID: Mss. 39.2 M12

Extent: 311.0 Items

Scope and Contents: Receipts, dating 1825-1839, of Robert McCandlish, an attorney, in Williamsburg, Va. McCandlish pasted the receipts into a volume. Includes receipt for the whipping of slaves and for a subscription for Randolph-Macon College.

Title: Richard Manning Bucktrout Daybook and Ledger, 1850-1866

ID: Mss. Acc. 1997.15

Extent: 2.5 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Daybook, dating 1850-1866, of Richard M. Bucktrout, merchant and mortician in Williamsburg, Va. Richard Manning Bucktrout's meticulous entries form a diary providing a detailed account of daily life and death in a small but historically important Virginia town for sixteen years before, during, and briefly after the Civil War. Though weak on spelling (his accent can often be inferred from his spellings), Bucktrout commanded the precision of not only the businessman, but of the writer. The Bucktrout Daybook has been digitized and is available online at: <http://cf.swem.wm.edu/exhibits/bucktrout/>

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As the Civil War engulfed Williamsburg, soldiers from all over the Confederacy died in the city's many hospitals. Bucktrout's invoices for the burials, each carefully addressed to the Confederate States of America, will be of particular interest to genealogists. He almost always records the name, rank, and military unit of the soldier and sometimes adds the circumstances of the man's death. And he tells precisely which grave the body lies in at Cedar Grove, the Williamsburg municipal cemetery. These burial invoices in some instances may be the only proof of the soldier's service; the

Confederacy had not yet fully organized its record keeping. Bucktrout's careful accounting disproves the local tradition that the fallen Confederates lay in a common grave.

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Title: Samuel F. Bright Account Books, 1826-1861

ID: Mss. MsV Ap 4-5

Extent: 2.0 Items

Scope and Contents: Contains oystering accounts; farm accounts for "Porto Bella," York County, Virginia and "New Hope" [?]; cash accounts of Williamsburg, Virginia; list of ages and prices of slaves; records of physician's visits to family and slaves; remedy for colic; and memorandum of a purchase of land from College of William and Mary in October 1847.

Title: Blair, Banister, Braxton, Horner, Whiting Papers, 1760-1890

ID: Mss. 39.1 B58

Extent: 107.0 Items

Scope and Contents: Letters, chiefly dating 1765-1817, of the Blair, Banister, Braxton, Horner, and Whiting families. Correspondents include John Blair (1732-1800), Anne (Blair) Banister and Mary (Blair) Braxton Burwell Prescott. Many of the letters are written by women.

Subjects covered in the collection include the Baron de Botetourt, William Tryon, Martha Washington, dueling, social life and customs, marriage and courtship, medicine, the Richmond theater fire, slavery, War of 1812, the College of William and Mary, and Williamsburg, Va.

Blair, Banister, Braxton, Horner, Whiting Papers are available on 1 reel of microfilm in Swem Library's microforms area call number CS71 .B645 B53.

Title: Richard Blow Papers, 1772-1872

ID: Mss. 65 B625

Extent: 48.0 Boxes

Scope and Contents: Papers, dating 1772-1872, of the Blow family. Chiefly business papers, 1772-1820, of Richard Blow of Portsmouth and "Tower Hill," Sussex County, Va. and his son George Blow, Sr. and George Blow, Jr. of 'Tower Hill' and Williamsburg, Va. Richard Blow was a partner in stores in Virginia and North Carolina (trading as Richard Blow and Co., Briggs & Blow, Baker & Blow [South Quay, Nansemond County, Va.], Blow & Barksdale [Petersburg, Va.], and Blow and Scammel). He was also owner of a plantation that operated in part by slave labor and he shipped the goods produced by the plantation by sea, often to European markets. His correspondence and papers during this period provide a model source on plantation management, sea trade, trade during the American Revolution, and trade during the War of 1812. Includes correspondence, plantation accounts, ship accounts, and legal papers.

Subjects covered in the collection include trade, tobacco, prices, Whiskey Rebellion, thoroughbred horses, banking (Bank of the United States and Farmers Bank of Norfolk), Dismal Swamp Canal, the Embargo of 1807-1809, and the War of 1812. There are letters from merchants in Great Britain and in the West Indies.

Title: Madden Family Papers, 1856-1958

ID: Mss. Acc. 2008.47

Extent: 0.01 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Collection of papers about the "Free Black" Madden Family of Page County, Virginia. One letter written by Samuel Linberger states that George Madden was born free. Two letters, Register No. 180 and 184, by Clerk of Court Watson certify that George W. Madden and Sarah Ann Madden are registered. Gives descriptions of them. List of Madden family members and dates of birth. Includes Redman Strother and John Arthur Redman.

Title: Diary (Portsmouth, Va.), 1901

ID: Mss. Acc. 2009.478

Extent: 0.01 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Diary, 1901 of an African American woman of Portsmouth, Virginia. In brief, daily entries she talks about the weather, chores, and social life, trips to town, church, attending meetings, etc. In August 1901 she went to visit churches and schools in Georgia and Alabama, including Atlanta University and Spelman College, both historically black schools. She also mentions teaching music, attending educational meetings in Portsmouth and being elected president of the local YMCA. September 3 is the last entry in this diary. It appears that she has a daughter named Alma who lives with her and attends school. There is a continuity throughout the diary that would lead you to believe that she manages or runs the house owned and lived in by a doctor and other boarders.

Folder 1: Diary, 1901 

Daily entries begin on Wednesday, January 1, 1901:

She offers good accounts of weather day by day. She is a seamstress and dresses dolls, one for Alma Dogan and another for B.'s. She collects money from individuals who call and she also keeps the accounts for, it appears, the YWCA. She purchases material in town and makes aprons at night for people. She has a wide network of friends and acquaintances.

On January 30 there was a fire that destroyed the Columbia Atlantic Hotel and other buildings.

Collects board bill from some so probably rents out rooms. Mondays takes in washing and ironing.

February 22 had a terrible storm that knocked out telegraph and telephone lines. People were killed. All trains and the mail deliveries were delayed.

March 1 there was a street car strike and no cars ran all that day.

March 30 went to Oceana to Rev. Augusta's Church.

May 8 wrote that Martinegne (Island?) was destroyed by volcanic eruption.

May 20 was reelected president of the YWCA

July 4 She met with Dr. Mischeaux who came down to Portsmouth from Washington DC.

August 4 left for a trip to Atlanta. Visited Atlanta University to attend a conference (YMCA). While on this week long trip, took an excursion to Tuskegee, Alabama. September 3 is the last entry in this diary. In summary it appears that she has a daughter named Alma who lives with her and attends school. There is a continuity throughout the diary that would lead you to believe that she manages or runs the house owned and lived in by a doctor and other boarders.

The following description and excerpts were provided by the seller:
 She talks about daily events, mending aprons and dresses along with what was happening in Portsmouth at that time. She mentions being friends and meeting with several well known African Americans including the Norcom family, Bishop A.L. Gaines and others. She talks about Portsmouth and several fires breaking out during the year and the damage it caused. The majority of her entries are dealing with the YMCA, of which she was the President and as the President in September she travels to Atlanta for a conference. She describes meeting at Atlanta University and getting take tours of several Black Colleges in Atlanta and Tuskegee as well as visiting several well known Black Churches in Atlanta. It is really a remarkable piece of African American and Virginia history. I have not been able to identify the name of the woman who kept the diary although she mentions, the Dr and another woman named Alma quite a bit, and seem to either be family or very close friends. It is all handwritten. It is missing the covers but is in otherwise excellent condition. Very scarce to find a great early diary like this by an African American Woman. She writes very beautifully throughout and was an incredibly interesting woman."

Title: Julia W. Oxrieder Papers, 1877-1998

ID: Mss. Acc. 1990.46

Extent: 0.6 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: The personal papers of Julia W. Oxrieder include materials related to Williamsburg, Virginia, documents she collected that related to her many interests, and personal material about her life and work in Williamsburg. Many items are copies of biographies, newspaper articles, and ephemera documenting local history including folklore, education, Williamsburg people and organizations, African Americans, and other topics.

Title: Williamsburg, Virginia Letters, 1843-1846

ID: Mss. Acc. 1991.59

Extent: 0.01 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Photocopies of three letters written from Williamsburg, Virginia by W. W. Vest, J. M. Chevers and Unknown.

W. W. Vest of Williamsburg, Virginia to John M. Speer (or Speed) of Lynchburg, Virginia about hiring out of negroes and financial matters, 1843.

Unknown in Williamsburg, Virginia to Robert Saunders in Fauquier, Virginia about family and a scandal at "The Springs," 1844.

J. M. Chevers, a student in Williamsburg, Virginia, to Rev. C. W. Thomson in Richmond, Virginia about his experiences in relation to his Christianity, 1848. "It was thought by some in Fairfax, that my coming to such a place as this, would lead me astray, for the simple reason that I would be exposed to more temptations..."

These items were for sale at a 1991 auction, and though they were not bought by the donor, they were copied and given to SCRC.

Title: Minnie A. Hill Papers, 1865-1869

ID: Mss. Acc. 2008.48

Extent: 0.3 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: This collection consists of letters from supervisors or sponsors to Minnie A. Hill, a northern female teacher, who was in Norfolk and then Petersburg, Virginia teaching at freedmen's schools in the late 1860s.

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Title: Burwell-Catlett Papers, 1794-1887

ID: Mss. 69 B95

Extent: 105.0 Items

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Also included is a letter by Elizabeth Keckley, a slave and later a published author, dated 25 April 1844 (Box 1 folder 14).

Title: Henry C. Hoar Memorial Collection, 1861-1887

ID: Mss. Sm Coll Hoar, Acc. 1992.46

Extent: 0.05 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Manuscripts purchased in memory of Henry C. Hoar, a volunteer in the Manuscripts Department of Swem Library, College of William and Mary from 1966 to 1976. Include letters, 1861, written to Jane Margaret (Winfree) Brown by Catherine Virginia Winfree concerning the coming of the Civil War and by Virginia A. Brown Winfree concerning the evacuation of Hampton which bears letter of C. V. Winfree concerning the vulnerability of the Peninsula; letters, 1861-1863, from Civil War soldiers such as John Willcox Brown of the Fourth Battalion of Volunteers concerning duty near Norfolk, John Thompson Brown of Richmond Howitzers describing Battle of Big Bethel, A. B. Tuttle of 142nd New York Regiment describing military

movements in James City Co., Va., John H. B. Jenkins (of 40th New York) describing Battle of Williamsburg; letter, 1886, of Harrison Holt Riddleburger concerning Northwestern Literary and Historical Society; and letter, 1887, of Charles Triplett O'Ferrall concerning a speech on education.

Acc. 1992.46 consists of two items relating to the Union occupation of Williamsburg, 1863/1864. One item relates to "destitute contraband" - slaves who flee from their master to Union lines and a list of servants at the Eastern Lunatic Asylum.

Includes a photograph of Henry C. Hoar.

Title: William Selden Papers, 1772-1799

ID: Mss. Acc. 2007.46

Extent: 0.2 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Papers, dating 1772-1799, of Anglican minister William Selden (1741-1783) and his wife Mary Ann Hancock Selden (1745-1789) of Elizabeth City County, Virginia. These papers are primarily financial in nature and document the Selden family's management of the Elizabeth City Parish, the family estate, slaveholdings, and the hire of estate slaves to local plantation owners. These papers consist of receipts, labor contracts, financial summaries, and a small leather financial ledger. The labor contracts in this collection consist of agreements which discuss the terms for hire of slaves. Also included are two leather gentleman's purses owned by the Selden family.

Title: Conway Whittle Papers, 1773-1911

ID: Mss. 76 W61

Extent: 16.0 Boxes

Scope and Contents: Papers of Conway Whittle II of Norfolk, Va. and of his two sisters, Mary Eliza Whittle Neale and Frances Munford Whittle Lewis.

There are items concerning the earlier generation of the family, represented by Conway Whittle I and his brother, Fortescue Whittle, Norfolk merchants. The collection is particularly strong in the subject areas of social history and naval history (including personal and official correspondence of William Lewis [1781-1815] and several letters of his namesake William Lewis Herndon who served in the Navy and went down in the sinking of the ship *Central America* in 1857).

There are letters written by and concerning Matthew Fontaine Maury.

The collection also covers the following subject areas: life in Philadelphia, life in Norfolk, the Whittle family in Mecklenburg County, Va., war with Tripoli (Barbary pirates), Confederate exiles in Nova Scotia, U. S. Civil War, U. S. Customs Service, Dismal Swamp Canal Company, politics, trips to the springs, marriage and courtship, the Protestant Episcopal Church, and slavery.

Prominent correspondents in the collection include Charles Jared Ingersoll, Marquis de Lafayette, Tobias Lear, Dolley Madison, James Madison, Margaret Mercer, James Monroe, Edward Preble, John Randolph of Roanoke, and John Tyler.

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Title: **Joseph Newell Diary, 1862**

ID: Mss. Acc. 2011.270

Extent: 0.1 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Diary, 19 March 1862 to 24 August 1862, of Joseph Keith Newell, a captain of the 10th Massachusetts Infantry during the Civil War. Diary runs from March to August of 1862, and describes the life of a Union soldier during the Peninsula Campaign. Describes his trip down the Potomac River from Washington, D.C., to Hampton, Virginia. Also includes a description of the Battle of Williamsburg, 5 May 1862, and his observations of the College of William & Mary. Newell also describes his participation in the Seven Days Battles and his time at Harrison's Landing, also known as Berkeley Plantation, in Charles City County, Virginia.

Throughout the diary, Newell describes his interaction with slaves who were abandoned as the Union Army approached.

There is also a typescript transcription of the complete diary, which has been digitized and can be viewed below.

Title: **Freedmen's Bureau Journal, 1865**

ID: Mss. Acc. 2005.37

Extent: 0.05 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Freedman Journal, 10/9/1865-11/29/1865. Diary of an employee of the Freedman's Bureau who was working near Norfolk and Fort Monroe, Virginia.

He visits Slabtown, "a village of some 1500 Freedmen" and describes the area.

He gives his opinions on the difficulty of the black population to learn how to live after being slaves, gives examples of how happy people are to be free and praises them for their efforts and achievements.

He goes to church and preaches at church meetings, describes how the black congregants worship with movement and noise, visits a hospital ward at Camp Hamilton, Hampton and Newport News.

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There is also ledger, 1898-1901, of L. M. Beebe from Jamestown Island. It is unclear how these papers relate to Henley Jones.

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African American Life at the College of William & Mary

Title: List of Slaves owned by the College of William and Mary, circa 1780

ID: UA 339

Extent: 1.0 Items

Scope and Contents: This list of slaves owned by the College of William and Mary, circa 1780, includes the slaves that were then at the College as well as slaves hired out. A transcription of this list is available in the folder "Slaves owned by the College" in the University Archives Subject File Collection (UA 9) and should be used by researchers.

Title: Office of the President Records

Scope and Contents: Includes records of College of William and Mary Presidents [Lyon G. Tyler](#), [John Stewart Bryan](#), [John E. Pomfret](#), [Alvin D. Chandler](#), [Davis Y. Paschall](#), [Thomas A. Graves](#), and other [presidents](#). These collections include correspondence and other material related to the integration of William and Mary's student body and faculty ranks as well as relations with Williamsburg's African American community.

Title: Bruton Parish Records, Mss 91 B38, 1662-ongoing

Scope and Contents: Include the church registers, which record the baptisms of some slaves owned by the College.

Series 5: Church History

Sub-Series 1: Church History and Records

Box 58: Church History (I), 1827-2007

Folder 49: Bruton Parish Church. Historical Notes. Slave Baptisms

"At the college, slaves were an integral component of daily operations throughout the antebellum period. Slaves held on campus performed manual labor, prepared food, nursed ill students and cared for horses. Another important task that they attended was the maintenance of burning fires and nearly every room on campus had a fire place that required attention throughout wintertime. Those slaves who possessed skills in crafts such as carpentry performed maintenance on campus buildings. Slaves were also hired out to local farmers as well, further increasing their economic value for the college. Historical records also show that the College made long-term accommodations to retain slaves. According to the records of baptisms for slave children at [Bruton Parish Church](#), the campus had already housed a substantial population of slaves and it grew larger with the addition of the Nottoway slaves. Although the Nottoway Quarter was sold, slaves were the most significant functional and financial assets to survive the colonial period and the college continued to own slaves until the Civil War. (Jennifer B. Oast, "Forgotten Masters: Institutional Slavery in Virginia, 1680-1860." Ph.D. Dissertation, College of William and Mary, 2008; Zech)" -from

http://scrc.swem.wm.edu/wiki/index.php/The_College_and_Slavery

Title: Office of the Bursar Ledgers, 1745-1776, 1850-1875

Digitized: 8 October 2010

Description: Four volumes of bursar's accounts covering the years 1745-1770, 1743-1770, 1770-1786, and 1850-1875. The accounts document William and Mary students, faculty, and staff in the 18th-19th centuries. Of particular note are accounts related to the Brafferton Indian School and slaves at the College. The account of Thomas Jefferson is in the 1745-1770 volume. These books have all been microfilmed and are on a reel with Acc. 1985.073. Photostatic copies and a digital version are also available. Researchers must use the microfilm, photostats, or digital version.

ID: UA72.01

Repository: Special Collections Research Center

Found in: [Office of the Bursar Records, 1745-\[ongoing\]](#) → [Series 3: Acc. 1983.122: Bursar's Accounts, 1745-1875](#)

Creators: [Office of the Bursar](#)

Subjects:

[College of William and Mary--History--18th century.](#)

[College of William and Mary--History--19th century.](#)

[College of William and Mary--Students.](#)

[Indian School](#)

[Slavery--Virginia--Williamsburg--History--19th century.](#)

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Languages: English

Available:

<http://hdl.handle.net/10288/13360>

Title: Blair, Banister, Braxton, Horner, Whiting Papers, 1760-1890

ID: Mss. 39.1 B58

Extent: 107.0 Items

Scope and Contents: Letters, chiefly dating 1765-1817, of the Blair, Banister, Braxton, Horner, and Whiting families. Correspondents include John Blair (1732-1800), Anne (Blair) Banister and Mary (Blair) Braxton Burwell Prescott. Many of the letters are written by women.

Subjects covered in the collection include the Baron de Botetourt, William Tryon, Martha Washington, dueling, social life and customs, marriage and courtship, medicine, the Richmond theater fire, slavery, War of 1812, the College of William and Mary, and Williamsburg, Va.

Blair, Banister, Braxton, Horner, Whiting Papers are available on 1 reel of microfilm in Swem Library's microforms area call number CS71 .B645 B53.

Title: The Forum Records, 1992-2005

ID: UA 70

Extent: 0.17 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: The collection includes meeting agenda and minutes, fliers, and related material of The Forum, the organization formerly known as the Black Faculty and Staff Forum at the College of William and Mary.

Title: John H. Garrett Photographs, 1937-1940

ID: UA 5.101

Extent: 0.05 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: The negatives and digital surrogates of photographs taken by College of William and Mary student John Garrett depict a variety of campus scenes including: football games, cheerleaders, the horse mascot Wampo, homecoming events, Christmas season events, Chi Omega, 13 Society, dances, aerial views of campus, African Americans believed to be William and Mary employees, 1940 commencement, and other events and people.

Title: Office of Minority Student Affairs Records, 1974-1997

ID: UA 260

Extent: 0.17 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: This collection contains fliers and memos regarding minority students at the College of William & Mary. Included in the collection is a newsletter titled "The Black Presence at William and Mary"; an article about the first black alumnus, Hulon Willis, in 1956; and issues of the newsletter "Onyx" from 1989-1997. Pamphlets from lectures sponsored by both the Office of Minority Student Affairs and The Black Student Organization include "An Evening with Cicely Tyson" on January 13, 1989 and a lecture in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. called "Reflections" and presented by Oscar H. Blayton, the first African-American undergraduate student at William and Mary, on January 13, 1989.

Title: **Virginia Carey Oral History Interview, 05/08/2005**

Digitized: 29 October 2010

Description: Virginia Carey was class of 1971 at the College of William and Mary; 1979 MED EDU; 1993 EDS EDU; 1997 EDD EDU; former Dean of Admissions at the College of William and Mary, 1985-2001. Length of the interview is 29 minutes.

ID: UA 43.008

Repository: Special Collections Research Center

Found in: [University Archives Oral History Collection, 1976-\[ongoing\]](#) → [Series 2: "Stony the Road We Trod" Oral History Project, 2005](#) → [Box 9](#) → [Folder 1: Carey, Virginia A. Vogel, 2005](#)

Subjects:

[African Americans--Education--Virginia.](#)

[College of William and Mary--Alumni and Alumnae.](#)

[College of William and Mary--Faculty and Staff](#)

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Languages: English

Available:

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Title: **Tunisia Riley Oral History Interview, 05/01/2005**

Digitized: 29 October 2010

Description: Tunisia Riley graduated from the College of William and Mary in 2000. During her time at the College, Tunisia was a member of the Black Student Organization, Essence Women of Color, the Student Assembly, and worked at the College radio station WCWM.

ID: UA 43.010

Repository: Special Collections Research Center

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Languages: English

Available:

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Title: **Mitzi Glass Oral History Interview, 05/01/2005**

Digitized: 2008

Description: Mitzi Glass was class of 1981 at the College of William and Mary. During her time at the College, Mitzi was a member of the Black Student Organization, Director of the choral group Ebony Expressions, and the first initiate into the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. The audio of the Mitzi Glass interview also contains the audio to the oral history of Tunisia Riley.

ID: UA 43.005

Repository: Special Collections Research Center

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Title: **Fanchon Glover Oral History Interview, 03/25/2005**

Digitized: 2008

Description: Fanchon Glover was the Assistant to the President and Director of Multicultural Student Affairs, 1996-2008. In 2008, she was appointed as Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs. Length of transcription is 51 minutes and 18 seconds.

ID: UA 43.011

Repository: Special Collections Research Center

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Languages: English

Available:

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Title: **Rev. Junius Moody Oral History**

Digitized: 10 February 2011

Description: Transcript of an interview with Rev. Junius Moody of James City County, Va., conducted by the Oral History Project of the James City County Historical Commission, directed by Robinette Fitzsimmon.

ID: Mss.Acc.1989.29A.002

Repository: Special Collections Research Center

Found in: [James City County Oral History Collection, 1983-1986](#) → [Series 2: Transcriptions in Numerical Order](#) → [Box 2](#) → [Folder 11: Rev. Junius Moody 84-062, 1984](#)

Creators: [Moody, Junius](#)

[James City County Historical Commission](#)

Subjects:

[African Americans--Religion.](#)

[African Americans--Virginia--James City County--History.](#)

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Education

Title: **Freedmen's Bureau Journal, 1865**

ID: Mss. Acc. 2005.37

Extent: 0.05 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Freedman Journal, 10/9/1865-11/29/1865. Diary of an employee of the Freedman's Bureau who was working near Norfolk and Fort Monroe, Virginia.

He visits Slabtown, "a village of some 1500 Freedmen" and describes the area.

He gives his opinions on the difficulty of the black population to learn how to live after being slaves, gives examples of how happy people are to be free and praises them for their efforts and achievements.

He goes to church and preaches at church meetings, describes how the black congregants worship with movement and noise, visits a hospital ward at Camp Hamilton, Hampton and Newport News.

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Available:

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Title: Lenoir County (North Carolina) Public School Register, 1887-1895

ID: Mss. Acc. 2010.773

Extent: 0.05 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Register, 1887-1894, of the Lenoir County, North Carolina, Public Schools. Includes list of students, ages of students, attendance records, and some grades for African-American students in the Lenoir County Public Schools.

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Title: Black Education in Williamsburg-James City County, 1619-1984, 1985

ID: Mss. Acc. 1990.49

Extent: 0.08 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: A report sponsored by the Williamsburg-James City County Public Schools and the Virginia Foundation for the Humanities, "Black Education in Williamsburg-James City County, 1619-1984" by Philip D. Morgan, 1985. 1 item. 76 pp.

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Title: **Minnie A. Hill Papers, 1865-1869**

ID: Mss. Acc. 2008.48

Extent: 0.3 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: This collection consists of letters from supervisors or sponsors to Minnie A. Hill, a northern female teacher, who was in Norfolk and then Petersburg, Virginia teaching at freedmen's schools in the late 1860s.

Legal Matters

Title: **Commission of Francis Lightfoot Lee et al as Justices of the Peace, 1767**

ID: Mss. SI Fauquier Oversize

Extent: 0.01 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Commission of Francis Lightfoot Lee, et al, as justices of the peace to try slaves for capital crimes in court of oyer and terminer. Signed by Francis Fauquier. Partly printed document. Williamsburg, 15 Dec. 1767.

Title: **Brigadier General George Weedon Military Order**

ID: Mss. Acc. 2004.04

Extent: 0.01 Cubic Feet

Scope and Contents: Broadside order written in Williamsburg by Brigadier General George Weedon on 6 April 1781, ordering Moss Armistead and John Slaughter to Portsmouth, Virginia to apply to the commanding officer of the British Army for exchange of prisoners and liberation of slaves.