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**SUMMARY** 

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**locations.** Tennessee; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; London and Liverpool, England; Nassau.

**Inclusive dates.** 1771-1956.

**Bulk dates.** 1820-1910.

**Languages.** English, Spanish, French.

**Summary.** Financial papers, correspondence, legal documents, personal papers, sheet music,

printed items, and photographs of members of the Turnbull and Bowman families, cotton and sugar planters of West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. Some papers of the related Pirrie and Gray families are included. Early documents reflect involvement of members of the Turnbull family in the fur trade in colonial Louisiana. Most papers reflect planting activities of the Turnbull and Bowman families, chiefly on Rosedown, Oakley, Middleplace, Hazelwood, Gross Tete,

Catalpa, Styopa, De Soto, Frogmoor, Prospect, and Home plantations.

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#### **BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE**

The Turnbull and Bowman families were cotton and sugar planters of West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. John Turnbull and his brother, Walter, came to Louisiana from England in the 1770s. From their base in Louisiana, they traded furs, provisions, slaves, livestock, and agricultural produce including indigo and tobacco as partners in the firms Turnbull & Co., Turnbulls & Frazer, Turnbulls & Hood & Co., and Turnbull & Joyce. These companies traded goods in New Orleans, Natchez, Mobile, Pensacola, and London. They purchased pelts and skins from a number of Native Americans, probably of the Chickasaw and Choctaw tribes. The Turnbulls were involved in the slave trade and may have brought slaves to Louisiana from Jamaica and the West Indies. Traders and merchants from Louisiana and England who were associated with the Turnbulls included John Joyce (d. 1798), John Reid, David Hodge, David Ross, Walter Hood, Alexander Frazer (d. ca. 1791), James Frazer, James Montgomery, James Fletcher, Eslava, and others. John Joyce was an Englishman who fought in Canada during the American Revolution on the side of the British. He traded furs, slaves, and goods in Mississippi, Louisiana, Florida, and Alabama. Joyce owned Magnolia Mound Plantation, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, from 1791 until his death in 1798. Walter Turnbull resided in Nassau where he owned a cotton plantation and lived with his wife, Mary, his son, John, and at least two daughters.

By the 19th century, John Turnbull shifted his financial interests to planting and settled with his wife, Catherine (nee Rucker), and their children in Bayou Sara, West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. Their children were John, Daniel (1796-1861), James F. (d. before 1831), Susannah (d. before 1831), Isabella (married Robert Semple), Sarah (married Lewis Stirling), and Walter (d. ca. 1838). Catherine managed many of her own business affairs; she jointly owned a plantation in St. Mary Parish with her son-in-law, John Towles, and had a house in New Orleans which she rented to Charles Norwood, a relative by marriage. She tutored children of planters and business people including Charles Norwood and Alexander Stirling.

Daniel Turnbull (1796-1861) became a successful planter, primarily owning cotton plantations. In 1835, he founded Rosedown Plantation where he resided with his wife, Martha Hilliard Barrow Turnbull (1809-1896). Martha was raised on Highland Plantation in West Feliciana Parish. An avid horticulturist, she assembled a large collection of botanical specimens which she planted in extensive gardens at Rosedown. Children of this marriage included James Daniel (1836-1843), Daniel, William B. (1829-1856), and Sarah (1831-1914). In addition to Rosedown, Daniel operated Styopa, Catalpa, Middleplace, Hazelwood, Grove, Inheritance, Woodlawn, and De Soto plantations. Daniel Turnbull sold cotton through factors in New Orleans, including his nephew, A. M. Turnbull, who was member of the factorage A. M. Turnbull & Co.

In the 1820s, Daniel managed plantation property near St. Francisville jointly with his brother, James F. Turnbull, under the name D. & J. Turnbull. James died before 1831. Daniel's son, William B. Turnbull, resided on De Soto Plantation in Bayou Sara. When he died (1856), William was survived by his wife, Caroline B. Turnbull (called "Caro"). Daniel Turnbull was the administrator of his estate.

The Bowman and Turnbull families were associated through the marriage of Daniel and Martha's daughter, Sarah, to James P. Bowman (1832-1927). James was the son of Eliza Pirrie and her second husband, William R. Bowman (1800-1835), rector of Grace Episcopal Church in St. Francisville. Eliza Pirrie was the daughter of Lucretia (Lucy) Alston (1772-1833) and James Pirrie (1769-1824). James, Lucy's second husband, served as alcalde under the Spanish governor Carlos de Grand-Pre. Eliza was raised at Oakley Plantation, which was founded by Ruffin Gray, the first husband of Lucy Alston. Ruffin Gray had moved to Louisiana from Virginia around 1770 when he received a Spanish land grant. In 1779, Ruffin was appointed alcalde in the Homochitto District by Manuel Gayoso de Lemos. Gray family members included Edmund (d. prior to 1777?), and Philip A., an attorney. Lucy and Ruffin had two children who survived to adulthood: Ruffin, Jr. (1796-1817), and Mary Anna Gray. Eliza was the only child of Lucy and James Pirrie to reach adulthood. From her family, Eliza inherited Oakley, Home, Ogden, and Prospect plantations.

Eliza's first marriage was to her cousin, Robert Hilliard Barrow (1795-1823), of Greenwood Plantation. With Robert, Eliza resided at Prospect Plantation and had one son, Robert Hilliard Barrow, Jr. The marriage of Eliza to her second husband, William R. Bowman, produced two children: Isabelle Bowman and James Pirrie Bowman (1832-1927). In 1840, Eliza married her last husband, Henry E. Lyons, a lawyer from Philadelphia. Their three children were Cora, Lucie, and Eliza. Lyons became a partner in a law practice with F. A. Boyle of West Feliciana Parish. In the 1850s, Henry Lyons traveled to California where he speculated in real estate and other financial ventures. He lived in San Francisco and became one of three men to serve on the first Supreme Court of California.

Sarah Turnbull inherited Rosedown and other plantations from her family. Like her mother, Sarah was a horticulturist. Her husband, James P. Bowman, produced cotton and sugar on Frogmoor and Bayou Grosse Tete plantations which he owned in Pointe Coupee Parish. In the 1890s, James was appointed to the Board of Administrators of the Insane Asylum of the State of Louisiana. He also served on the West Feliciana Parish School Board during the early 1900s. Upon her death in 1914, Sarah T. Bowman left her plantations and assets to her four daughters, Corrie (1872-1929), Isabel (1876-1951), Sarah (1869-1952), and Nina (1869-1955). In 1956, after the death of the last Bowman sister, the Rosedown Plantation home and gardens were purchased and restored by Milton and Catherine Underwood.

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## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Financial papers, correspondence, legal documents, personal papers, sheet music, printed items, and photographs covering the period 1771 to 1956 document lives of members of the Turnbull and Bowman families, cotton and sugar planters of West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. Some papers of the related Pirrie and Gray families are included. The largest series of the collection consists of financial papers which chiefly reflect activities of the Turnbull and Bowman families as planters in Louisiana from the early 1800s into the 20th century. These include early documents pertaining to John and Walter Turnbull and their business concerns as traders of furs, slaves, horses, indigo, and produce in Louisiana, Mississippi, and the West Florida region. Correspondence reflects subjects documented by the financial papers including the colonial fur trade, planting, and economic conditions in Louisiana. Some personal family letters relate to social events, religion, education, and domestic matters. Legal documents chiefly relate to the Bowman, Pirrie, and Gray families but include Turnbull family legal agreements and suits. Some documents relate to activities of Ruffin Gray and James Pirrie as alcaldes during the Spanish governance of Louisiana. Of special note in the plantation and personal papers are lists of slaves and lists of plants purchased. Music and other printed items were collected by members of the Turnbull, Bowman and related families. Photographs primarily depict members of the Bowman family and Rosedown Plantation. In addition to Rosedown Plantation, the papers document Oakley, Middleplace, Hazelwood, Homochitto, Grosse Tete, Catalpa, Styopa, Inheritance, De Soto, Grove, Frogmoor, Prospect, and Home plantations.

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#### SERIES AND SUBSERIES DESCRIPTIONS

#### **I. Financial Papers**, 1779-1951 (ca. 3,540 items)

## **Subseries 1. Turnbull family**, 1779-1877 (ca. 1,415 items)

**Summary:** Papers documenting Turnbull family members' involvement with fur, indigo, slave, and livestock trade in colonial Louisiana. Papers of plantations managed by John and Catherine Turnbull, Daniel and Martha Turnbull, and William B. and James Turnbull.

Early papers of John and Walter Turnbull relate to their business concerns as traders of furs, slaves, horses, indigo, and produce in Louisiana, Mississippi, and the West Florida region. Papers document accounts of Turnbull & Co. and the other companies in which John and Walter Turnbull had interests. Statements of the Turnbulls' accounts in London with William Wilton and others were sent to Walter Turnbull in Nassau, who then forwarded copies to John Turnbull in the "Chickasaw Nation", in Mobile, and in Louisiana. Statements (1779-1804, some oversize) list pelts and other goods bought from traders in the region and from Native Americans. Papers record debts and credits of various companies and individuals who traded with the Turnbulls, notably John Joyce, William Wilton, David Hodge, David Ross, Alexander and James Frazer, Walter Hood, James Montgomery, and James Fletcher.

Later financial papers (1785-1829, bulk 1808-1826) of John Turnbull and his wife, Catherine, document their activities as planters in Bayou Sara, West Feliciana Parish. Among the financial records of John Turnbull are receipts from Lardner Clark, a Nashville merchant (1789-1790), tuition receipts for children of Charles Norwood (1806-1807), a receipt from Charles Tessier for copying a last will and testament (1818); steamer bills of lading (1824), and general receipts for goods, services, and personal debts and credits. Financial papers of Catherine Turnbull include statements of her accounts with the New Orleans cotton factors Nathaniel Cox and Bartle & Cox (1811-1816). These statements document cotton sold by Catherine and comment on economic conditions; some (1816) mention arrangements for the education of Catherine's son, Walter, in New Orleans. Catherine's other receipts and statements document medical expenses of family members and slaves (1809-1825); salaries paid to plantation overseers (1809-1825); purchases of goods and services (1803-1829, undated); rental of a house in New Orleans (1808); payments for work as a tutor (1805, 1810, 1812, 1820); tax payments (1816); and shipments of goods on steamers (1818-1824). Receipts of Walter Turnbull (1805-1819), Charles Norwood (1790-1804), Henry Stirling (1827), and John Turnbull, [Jr.?] (1826) are included.

Plantation activities of Daniel Turnbull are documented by commercial factors' letters and receipts (for index of cotton factors, see Appendix A) which record sales of cotton in New Orleans and Liverpool. Letters discuss weather and crop conditions, political events, diseases and epidemics, ginning techniques, and other conditions affecting the quality of produce and market prices. Statements record purchases and offerings of manufactured goods, commodities, and slaves. Included are issues of the New Orleans Price-Current Commercial Intelligencer (1841, 1852). Other bills and receipts of Daniel Turnbull document purchases of goods from merchants, including Wm. Prince & Sons, a New York nursery supplier (for index of merchants, see Appendix B); legal services (1820-1856); medical and dental services for family, laborers, and slaves (1821-1875); personal debts and credits (1819-1860); the transport of passengers and goods aboard steamers (1821-1861); pew rental at the Grace Episcopal Church in St. Francisville (1854, 1859); and payments of taxes (1828-1859). Receipts (1825-1860) for payments to overseers and other employees of Daniel Turnbull reflect their salaries and expenses.

Financial papers of Daniel's wife, Martha, consist of cotton factors' statements (1868-1872, see Appendix A) and receipts and bills for goods and services (1842-1877). Included is a statement of accounts, expenses, and credits (1867-1873) for Martha H. Turnbull and James P. Bowman. Papers document joint plantation management expenses of Daniel and his brother, James F. Turnbull (1823-1826), with statements of James' account with cotton factor Nathaniel Cox (1825-1826). Statements, bills and receipts for goods and services reflect purchases by James F. Turnbull (1819-1827), William B. Turnbull (1853-1858, son of Daniel Turnbull), and William's widow, Caro B. Turnbull (1858, see Appendix B).

# Subseries 2. Bowman and related families, 1784-1951 (ca. 2,125 items) Summary: Documents pertaining to the financial interests of the Pirrie, Gray, and Bowman families. Bowman family items document management of plantations by Eliza B. Lyons, William R. Bowman, James P. Bowman, and Sarah T. Bowman. Some items document activities of Henry A. Lyons, Barrow family members, William Wilson Matthews, and others.

Items pertaining to the Gray and Pirrie families include receipts for goods and services purchased by Ruffin Gray (1792-1795); Phil A. Gray (1808-1810, undated); and Edmund Gray (1776, oversized document). Financial papers of James Pirrie include statements (some oversize) and letters from cotton factors Flower & Faulkner (1809-1815), and its successor, Flower & Finley (1815-1816) of New Orleans. Letters discuss crop conditions, shipping, domestic and foreign politics, and market prices. James Pirrie's financial papers include records of expenses of plantation overseers (1811-1818); two unbound account books (1810-

1812, 1821) recording fresh produce and goods bought and sold; bills for medical services (1811-1821); sight drafts and receipts for personal debts and credits ([1801]-1823); and bills, receipts, and statements for purchases of goods and services (1804-1825).

Financial papers of Eliza Bowman Lyons contain statements (1835-1849) from cotton factors Burke Watt & Co. and G. Burke & Co. which record sales of cotton, sugar, and molasses produced on Oakley and other plantations. Included are letters (1836-1837) from Burke, Watt & Co. to A. Skillman who helped manage the plantation interests of Eliza after the death of her second husband, William R. Bowman. Steamer receipts (1848-1851) record shipments of cotton from Home and Oakley plantations. Other papers (1825-1854, some oversize) include tax receipts (1828-1847); receipts documenting work on Oakley, Prospect, Home, and Ogden plantations; invoices of goods purchased; and sight drafts and receipts for personal debts and credits.

William R. Bowman's statements from cotton factor Nathaniel Cox (1829-1835) concern cotton prices, William Bowman's health, and the transport of a boy "Alfred" to West Africa by the Sierlion (sic Sierra Leone) Colonization Society. His general receipts and statements (1829-1836, some oversize) include medical bills and receipts for payments to overseers (March 13, 1829; Apr. 30, 1833). Financial papers of Henry A. Lyons, Eliza's third husband, consist of sight drafts and receipts (1837-1849) for personal debts and credits, statements (1841-1856) for goods and services purchased, and a notice issued by a San Francisco bank (1853). Financial papers (1822-1860) of Barrow family members, Isabelle Bowman Matthews and William Wilson Matthews are included.

Financial papers of James P. and Sarah T. Bowman contain statements from cotton factors and commission merchants (see Appendix A), with issues of the New Orleans Price-Current (1854, 1872). Other financial papers consist of mortgage documents (1910-1938), with a questionnaire (1922) from the U.S. Census Bureau concerning mortgages and tenants on farms; insurance papers (1911-1946); letters from bankers (1909-1922), with samples of checks and statements from various accounts (1908-1927); tax receipts (1866-1939); and bills and receipts for goods and services documenting plantation and personal expenses (see Appendix B). Other items document oats shipped to clients by James P. Bowman (1909-1923); medical expenses (1877-1920); payments (1900-1912) to local newspapers for subscriptions and advertisements; items (1862-1863) recording work done by A. Heise on Frogmoor Plantation; miscellaneous Bowman financial papers (1821-1840); and unidentified bills and receipts (1780-1900).

## **II. Correspondence**, 1783-1956 (380 items)

**Summary:** Letters of members of the Turnbull, Bowman, Pirrie, Gray and Lyons families. Correspondence of John and Walter Turnbull discusses their interests in colonial trade. Some Turnbull, Bowman, Pirrie, and Gray family letters relate to planting, religion, education, civic involvement, and social activities.

The earliest correspondence in the collection consists of letters (1783-1811) to John Turnbull concerning his interests in colonial trade. These letters are from John Reid, David Hodge, David Ross, John Joyce, and others. Letters discuss political and economic conditions, the quality of furs, indigo, and other goods, the delivery of horses to Pensacola from the Chickasaw Nation (1786), sales of peltry in Louisiana, and a proposal to import slaves from Jamaica through a Spanish agent (1784). One letter (1792) from James Robertson (1742-1814), pioneer and founder of Nashville (originally called Nash Borough), concerns a Creek Indian uprising near Nashville. Letters (1785-1796) by Walter Turnbull in Nassau and Long Island are addressed to John Turnbull in the Chickasaw Nation, New Orleans, and Mobile. They include copies of correspondence received by Walter from agents in London, chiefly William Wilton. Walter's letters discuss cotton planting in Nassau and encourage John Turnbull and John Joyce to purchase land there. Letters (1799-1805) from Walter's wife, Mary, are included with one letter (1799) from James Fletcher to Walter Turnbull. Letters (1799-1814) to Catherine Turnbull concern social matters and the education of her sons Walter, Daniel, and John. Letters (1823-1860) to Daniel Turnbull discuss his planting and business interests and include a letter of condolence from Leonidas Polk (1856) upon the death of a son. Also present are letters (1824, 1837) to James F. Turnbull and Martha Turnbull, correspondence (1797-1802) of family friends John Bisland and Charles Norwood, and unidentified letters (1786-1850, undated).

Correspondence of the Pirrie and Gray families includes letters to James Pirrie (1808-1821) concerning financial and personal matters, a letter from Philip A. Gray about the sale of a slave, a personal letter to Lucy Pirrie from Mrs. L. Shipp (undated), and letters (1814-1815) from Ruffin Gray, Jr. to his parents describing his experiences at school in Lexington, Kentucky.

Letters (1836-1849) to Eliza B. Lyons contain personal news and financial and legal advice on plantation management, with a letter from A. Skillman. Letters addressed to William R. Bowman from his father, Jacob, in Philadelphia discuss family and business concerns, the Episcopal Church, and religion. Other letters (1827-1833) to William discuss prices of sugar mills, the design and use of a corn sheller, purchases of plants from Philadelphia, the sale of a parcel of land, the hiring out of slaves, and legal opinions on paraphernal property. Letters (1840-1860) of Robert H. Barrow, Jr. and family concern personal matters and include letters

from relatives in school, and a letter by Robert H. Barrow, Jr.'s daughter, Eliza P. Barrow (1860). Letters (1853-1870) from Robert H. Barrow, Jr. to James P. Bowman mention plantation affairs, shipments of cotton, and irrigation canals. Letters to Henry A. Lyons (1850-1854) from James P. Bowman and others concern the settlement of Eliza B. Lyons' estate, the disposition of slaves belonging to Eliza, Lyons' financial interests, and the construction of a railroad linking Baton Rouge with Bayou Grosse Tete. Included is a letter (1850) to E. H. Hodge concerning a bill in the California Senate and a letter (undated) from Lyons to his daughter, Cora.

Letters (1900-1921) to James P. Bowman from his son, James P. Bowman, Jr., relate to plantation matters and the shooting of an African American youth by neighbors (1906). Letters from Bowman's daughter, Eliza, his son-in-law, George P. Shotwell (1897-1922), and his nephew, R. Bowman Matthews, are included. Other letters reflect James P. Bowman's involvement with the West Feliciana Parish School Board; the building of Julius Freyhan Memorial School (1905-1907); Bowman's appointment to the Board of Administrators of the Insane Asylum of the State of Louisiana (1899-1907); cotton and sugar growing on Grosse Tete and Frogmoor plantations (1855-1858), with letters from overseer George W. Woodruff; and the health of members of the Bowman family. The series contains an unidentified letter (1841) discussing allegations of misconduct of an overseer on Oakley Plantation and letters (1851-1956) to other Bowman family members.

#### III. Legal documents, 1771-1922 (54 items)

**Summary:** Documents related to the Turnbull, Bowman, Pirrie, and Gray families. Includes Turnbull family legal agreements and suits; documents related to activities of Ruffin Gray and James Pirrie as alcaldes under Spanish governance of Louisiana; and land titles, mortgages, and oil leases of the Bowman family.

Legal documents (some in Spanish and French) primarily document interests of the Pirrie, Gray, and Bowman families but include agreements (1791, 1795) of John Turnbull and Michael Stoner and suits (1855, 1878) of Martha and Daniel Turnbull. Legal papers of the Gray family pertain to Edmund, Philip A., Ruffin, and Lucy Gray. Documents include an item appointing Edmund Gray as attorney for Bernard Rowmans (1771); items related to the settlement of estates of Edmund and Ruffin Gray; the appointment of Ruffin Gray as alcalde of the Homochitto District, signed by Manuel Gayoso de Lemos (1797); and deeds, titles, and transfers of land, slaves, and other property. James Pirrie's legal documents chiefly reflect his role as alcalde under the Spanish Commandant, Charles de Grand-Pre. Items (1804-1814) signed or witnessed by James Pirrie (some signed by Grand-Pre) include succession documents, an order for road repairs, transmittals of land and slaves, an allegation of crimes

committed by African Americans, and an agreement between cotton growers. Some documents relate to land titles held by James and Lucy Pirrie. Bowman family documents relate to land titles, indebtedness of the estate of Nathaniel Cox to the estate of William R. Bowman (1837), the repair of roads by laborers of William R. Bowman (183-), legal fees for the succession of Sarah T. Bowman (1921), mortgages of property by Sarah T. and James P. Bowman (1895, 1922), and oil leases (1922). Miscellaneous legal documents (1803-1830, undated) relate to a suit concerning a horse race (1807), land disputes and transfers, and an appeal of a charge of burglary.

### IV. Plantation and personal papers, [1815]-1946 (ca. 85 items)

Plantation papers include lists of slaves on Frogmoor and other plantations ([1815]-1861, undated), diary entries (1858) of work done on Frogmoor Plantation, and memoranda by James P. Bowman concerning plantation management (1875-1919). Planting and horticultural interests of William R. Bowman and others are documented by lists of plants purchased (1832, undated, also see letters and statements, 1834-1840, to Daniel Turnbull from Wm. Prince & Sons, a New York nursery supplier). Included are a drawing of a garden plan and memoranda recording cultivated lands. Personal papers consist of political resolutions (1875, undated) of the "Property Holders Protective Union," a group formed to oppose real estate tax rates in West Feliciana Parish; educational materials (1839-1840, undated) including historical essays and notes, foreign language lessons, and student writings; sermons by William R. Bowman (undated); certificates (oversize) appointing James P. Bowman to the Board of Administrators of the Insane Asylum of the State of Louisiana (1899) and to the West Feliciana Parish School Board (1904-1918); poetry; recipes and remedies; a guest list of visitors to Rosedown Plantation (1935-1946); and household memoranda. The series contains botanical specimens (1851, 1888-1901 undated, mostly European alpine plants) collected and mounted on paper by Sarah T. Bowman and others.

## V. Manuscript volumes, 1793-1944 (46 volumes)

Volumes contain records of crops produced, statements of account, lists of renters on plantations, records of hours worked by laborers, and plantation and household memoranda. The earliest volume (1793-1798) is a ledger containing accounts of John Turnbull. Other ledgers (1871-1935, kept chiefly by James P. Bowman) contain accounts of sales and purchases and records of cotton and other crops grown on Rosedown, Inheritance, and Hazelwood plantations. Some ledgers and volumes list renters on these plantations. Smaller volumes (1840-1921) were kept by Daniel and Martha Turnbull, James P. and Sarah T.

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Bowman, and others. These consist of a record book containing Daniel Turnbull's account at Canal Bank with memoranda; time books recording work by laborers; James P. Bowman's record books containing plantation accounts and memoranda; and other memoranda books containing renters' accounts, records of crops, household expenses, and miscellaneous entries. One volume contains notes on gardening (1919). Also included are students' copy books (1838-1888), grade books, and a scrapbook.

#### **VI.** Music, 1825-1909, undated (3.3 linear feet)

Printed music was collected chiefly by members of the Bowman family and by Rosina Benoist, a relative. Manuscript music was created by Rosina Benoist and others. Bound volumes contain printed and manuscript music. Arranged by publisher, the printed sheet music was primarily issued by publishers in New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Boston, New Orleans, St. Louis, and other Midwestern towns (see Appendix C for list of sheet music publishers).

#### VII. Printed items, 1823-1954, undated (.4 linear ft.)

Includes circular letters, invitations, death notices, playbills, musical and theatrical programs, agricultural catalogs, advertisements, newspaper clippings, calling cards, greeting cards, postcards, games, plantation scrip, and other ephemera. Among the miscellaneous printed items are a compilation (1848) of statistics of Lowell manufacturers and a democratic ticket (undated). Oversize materials consist chiefly of broadsides and maps and include a democratic ticket (undated) and a steamer announcement (1848).

#### **VIII. Photographic materials**, undated (72 items)

Photographs (one oversized) consist of portraits and snapshots of members of the Bowman and related families. Included are images of Rosedown Plantation, Grace Episcopal Church in St. Francisville, and grave markers of family members.

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Turnbulls & Frazer.	I.1, II
Turnbulls & Hood.	I.1, II
Washington, Jackson & Co.	I.1
A. M. Turnbull & Co.	I.1

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Rosedown Plantation (La.)	I-V, VIII
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Styopa Plantation (La.)	I. 1
Middleplace Plantation (La.)	I.1
Grosse Tete Plantation (La.)	I.2, II
Hazelwood Plantation (La.)	I.1, IV-V
Oakley Plantation (La.)	I.2, II
Frogmoor Plantation (La.)	I.2, II, IV
Inheritance Plantation (La.)	I.1, IV-V
De Soto Plantation (La.)	I.1
Grove Plantation (La.)	I.1
Ogden Plantation (La.)	I.2
Prospect Plantation (La.)	I.2
Home Plantation (La.)	I.2
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Sugar growingLouisiana.	I-II
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Choctaw Indians.	I.1, II
Creek Indians.	II
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Liverpool (England)Commerce.	I
Nassau (Duchy)	I.1, II
Natchez (Miss.)	I.1, II
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			Series I, Financial Papers, Subseries 2, Bowman and
	6	10	<u>related families</u> Gray Family, James Pirrie (1784-1823, ca. 166 items).
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	8	5	H. A. Lyons, Barrow family, William Wilson Matthews, (1822-1860, ca. 83 items)

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3-4	9	49	James P. Bowman, Sarah T. Bowman: factors' statements, mortgage and insurance papers, tax receipts, merchants' statements, (1854-1946, ca. 1,343 items).
4	10	10	James P. Bowman, Sarah T. Bowman, miscellaneous receipts and statements, unidentified financial papers, (1852-1951, ca. 320 items).
	Folder 3		Edmund Gray, James Pirrie, (1776-1818, 6 items).
	Folder 4		William R. Bowman, Eliza Bowman, James P. Bowman, Sarah T. Bowman, M. Barrow, (1833-1878, 13 items).
	11	11	<u>Series II, Correspondence</u> Turnbull family, John Turnbull, (1783-1860, 106 items).
	12	10	Bowman family, James Pirrie, Ruffin Gray, Eliza B. Lyons, William R. Bowman, Barrow family, Henry A. Lyons, (1808-1870, 79 items).
4-5	13	12	Bowman family, James P. Bowman, Eliza Bowman, miscellaneous Bowman family, (1841-1956, 195 items).
5	14	9	<u>Series III, Legal documents</u> Turnbull, Bowman, Pirrie, and Gray families, (1771-1922, 54 items).
	15	15	Series IV, Plantation and personal papers Slave lists, plantation memoranda, domestic notes, educational materials, ([1815]-1946, undated, ca. 85 items).
	16	2	Botanical specimens, (1851, 1888-1901, undated, .2 linear feet).
	Folder 5		Certificates and educational materials, (1899-1918, undated, 6 items).

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5-6	17	6 v.	<u>Series V, Manuscript volumes</u> Financial volumes, ledgers (1793-1944).
6	18	3 v.	Financial volumes, ledgers (1871-1910).
6-7	19	23 v.	Financial volumes, (1840-1921).
7	20	25 v.	Educational materials, scrapbook, (1838-1888, undated).
	21	5	Series VI, Music Manuscript music, (1852, undated, .3 linear ft.).
8	22	4	Collected printed and manuscript music, (1825-1857, undated, 1 linear ft.).
	23	3	Sheet music, arranged by publisher, A. C. Peters - John Schwab (1 linear ft.).
	24	4	Sheet music, arranged by publisher, Le Duc - Wm. T. Mayo (1 linear ft.).
	25	14	Circular letters, advertisements, ephemera, newspaper clippings, (1823-1954, undated, .4 linear ft.).
	26	10	Games, calling cards, postcards, (1852-1945, undated, ca. 160 items).
	Folder 6		Broadsides, advertisements, (1848-1854, undated, 16 items).
	Folder 7		Maps, (1854-1895, undated, 6 items).
	27	17	Photographs, negatives, (undated, 71 items).
	Folder 8		Rosedown Plantation, (undated, 1 item).

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# Appendix A Index to Factors and Commission Merchants

Factors:	Box No.:
A. Fisk Watt & Co. (1831-1835)	2
A. M. Turnbull & Co. (1856-1860)	2
Bartley, Johnson & Co.	2
Bartle & Cox (1811-1816)	1
Burke, Watt & Co. (1835-1848)	2, 7, 8
Flower & Faulkner (1809-1815)	6
Flower & Finley (1815-1816)	2, 6
G. Burke & Co. (1842-1849)	7, 8
H. & G. Newman, Ltd. (1907-1922)	9
Herrmann & Wolf (1907-1911)	9
I. S. Chenoweth & Co. of Cincinnati, Ohio (1858-1860)	2
J. J. Lum & Co. (1906-1909)	9
J. L. Harris & Co. (1871-1879)	5, 9
Jno. M. Parker & Co. (1907-1923)	9
Julius Freyhan & Co. (1876-1900)	5, 9
M. & E. Wolf (1905-1922)	9
Nathaniel Cox (1825-1835)	1, 2, 5, 7
Richard Flower & Co. (1868-1877)	5, 9
Swiney Green & Co. (1854-1855)	9
Todd, Jackson & Co. (1842-1846)	2
W. & D. Urquhart (1855-1871)	9
Washington Jackson & Co. (1841-1861)	2

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## Appendix B Index to Merchants\*

Merchants:	Box No.:
Barrow, M. & D., and others (1839-1843)	3, 8
Bayou Sara Brick Co. (1908-1909)	9
Bayou Sara Lumber Co. (1906-1912)	9
Blackburn, James (1820-1845)	3, 5
Brand, Adams & Co. (1850-1858)	3, 5
Buatt, Joseph, a harness maker (1833-1840)	3, 7
Clauss, L. (1846)	3
Clauss & Lurty (1850-1851)	3
Clauss & Fischer (1852)	3
Dunbar, Joseph (1817-1839)	1, 3, 7, 10
Gastrell, A. T. (1873-1875)	5
Greenup, Samuel (1907-1920)	9
Guiraud, Max (1907-1911)	9
Holmes, John (1837-1855)	3, 7
Holmes & Clauss (1855)	3
Howell, W. C. (1908-1911)	9
Irvine, Jno. F. (1872, 1906-1912, 1922)	9
Leake & Co. (1818-1867)	3, 10
McCombs & Clauss (1848-1850)	3
McCrindell & Co. (1838-1855)	3, 5, 7, 10
Marshall, B. (1832-1840)	3, 7
Morris, John C. (1833-1849)	3, 7, 8
Mumford, F. M., M.D. (1877-1911)	9
M. Nubling & Co. (1827-1832)	3, 7
Peters, Millard & Co. (1837-1856)	3, 5
S. Griswald & Co. (1856-1858, makers of cotton ginning equipment)	3
Schwarzschild and Sulzberger Co. (1911-1912)	9
Sells & Co. (1874-1876)	5, 9
Semple & Stirling (1817-1833)	1, 3-5
Skillman, Andrew and John (1818-1828)	1, 3, 5, 7
Weydert, Chas. (1907-1922)	9
Whiteman, E. W. (1872-1877)	5, 9
Wm. Prince & Sons (1834-1840, botanical merchants, Flushing, New York)	3

<sup>\*</sup>Index of merchants prominent in the collection, NOT all merchants in the collection.

## Appendix C Sheet Music Arranged by Publisher

<u>Publisher</u>	<b>Location</b>	<u>Dates</u>
A.C. Peters & Bro.	[Ohio?]	1864
A. Dies	Natchez, Miss.	1859
A. Fiot (with W. Dubois)	Philadelphia, Pa. (New York)	1847-1850, undated
A.J. Reynolds	Philadelphia, Pa.	1882
Abram Kimmell	Kansas City, Mo.	1869, 1871, undated
Arthur P. Schmidt	Boston, Mass.	1890
Balmer & Weber	St. Louis, Mo.	1854-1855
Bassford & Brower	New York, N.Y.	1850
Beck & Lawton	Philadelphia, Pa.	1859, undated
Benjamin W. Hitchcock	Philadelphia, Pa.	1869
Blackmar & Co.	New Orleans, La.	1864-1866, undated
Bollman & Schatzman	St. Louis, Mo.	1870-1886
C.A. Challier & Co.	Berlin, Germany	undated
C.F. Hupfeld & Son	Philadelphia, Pa.	undated
C.H. Keith	Boston, Mass.	1843
C.M. Loomis	New Haven, Conn.	1872
Captain J.D. Helger	Cincinnati, Ohio	1892
Carl Fischer	New York, N.Y.	1893
Carl Haslinger	Vienna, Austria	undated
Ch. Trinocq	Paris, France	1854-1855
Chas. F. Escher, Jr.	Philadelphia, Pa.	1875
Chas. K. Harris	Milwaukee, Wisc.	1891
Chas. W.A. Trumpler	Philadelphia, Pa.	undated
Choudens Fils	Paris, France	undated
Colburn & Field	Cincinnati, Ohio	1851
D.P. Faulds	Louisville, Ky.	1849
Dodworth & Son	New York, N.Y.	1867
Dubois & Bacon	New York, N.Y.	undated
Dubois & Stodart	New York, N.Y.	undated
Dubois Bacon & Chambers	New York, N.Y.	undated
E. Ferrett & Co.	Philadelphia, Pa.	1845, undated
E.H. Harding	New York, N.Y.	1873
E. Riley	New York, N.Y.	undated
Edward L. Walker	Philadelphia, Pa.	1849-1850
Edward Schuberth & Co.	New York, N.Y.	undated

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Emerson Piano Co.  Boston, Mass. undated  F.A. Cotharin New York, N.Y. 1879, undated  F.A. North & Co. Philadelphia, Pa. 1866, undated
F.A. North & Co. Philadelphia, Pa. 1866, undated
E.W. Halmida Cincing at Otto
F.W. Helmick Cincinnati, Ohio 1876
Firth & Hall New York, N.Y. 1835, 1844
Firth, Hall & Pond New York, N.Y. 1840, undated
Firth, Pond & Co. New York, N.Y. 1849-1858
Frank Harding London, England 1892
Frank Tousey's Publishing New York, N.Y. undated
House
Frederick D. Benteen Baltimore, Md. 1846, undated
G. Andre & Co. Philadelphia, Pa. 1868, undated
G.P. Reed & Co. Boston, Mass. 1851, undated
G. Schirmer New York, N.Y. 1866-1888
G. Schmidt New Orleans, La. undated
G. Willig Baltimore, Md. 1833, 1845, undated
Geo. W. Cutter Little Rock, Ark. 1895
H.E. Lehmann New Orleans, La. 1849-1850
Harry Coleman Philadelphia, Pa. 1889
Henry Litolff's Verlag Braunschweig, Germany undated
Henry McCaffery Baltimore, Md. undated
Hitchcock and McCargo Philadelphia, Pa. undated
Publishing Co.
Howley, Haviland & Co. New York, N.Y. 1893
J.A. Fourrier New Orleans, La. 1893
J.G. Cotta' schen Stuttgart, Germany 1875
J.G. Meara [unknown] 1873
J.L. Carncross & Co. Philadelphia, Pa. undated
J.L. Peters New York, N.Y. 1857-1869, undated
J. Messonnier Paris, France undated
J. Starr Holloway Philadelphia, Pa. 1869
J.W. Jenkins Kansas City, Mo. undated
James L. Hewitt & Co. New York, N.Y. 1835
Jas. Couenhoven Philadelphia, Pa. undated
John Church & Co. Cincinnati, Ohio 1873-1880, undated
John Cole Baltimore, Md. undated
John F. Ellis Washington, D.C. 1868-1890, undated
John F. Perry Boston, Mass. undated

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John Schwab	New Orleans, La.	1875-1890, undated
Le Duc	Paris, France	undated
Lee & Walker	New York, N.Y.	1846-1857, undated
Leon Grus	Paris, France	undated
Louis Grunewald	New Orleans, La.	1861-1892, undated
Louis P. Goullaud	Boston, Mass.	1872
M. Boyer	Paris, France	undated
M. Witmark & Sons	Chicago, Ill.	1898
Matthias Gray	San Francisco, Calif.	1875
Miller & Beacham	Baltimore, Md.	undated
National Music Co.	Chicago, Ill.	1881-1888, undated
Oliver Ditson & Co.	Boston, Mass.	1841-1889, undated
Osbourn' s Music Salon	Philadelphia, Pa.	1846
Otto Sutro	Baltimore, Md.	undated
P.R. McCarco & Co.	Boston, Mass.	undated
Paul T. Wayne	New Orleans, La.	1895
Peters, Webb & Co.	Louisville, Ky.	1843-1855
Philip Werlein	New Orleans, La.	1856-1890
Richard A. Saalfield	New York, N.Y.	undated
Robert Meyer	New Orleans, La.	1856
Rogers Bros.	New York, N.Y.	1900
Russell & Richardson	Boston, Mass.	1858
S. Brainard' s Sons Co.	Cleveland, Ohio	1865-1893
S. Richault	Paris, France	undated
S.T. Gordon & Son	New York, N.Y.	1880-1892, undated
Schott	Paris, France	undated
Starck & Zimmermann	[unknown]	1883
T.B. Harris & Co.	New York, N.Y.	1882-1892, undated
Thos. Birch	New York, N.Y.	undated
Thos. G. Chase	Philadelphia, Pa.	undated
W.A. Evans & Bro.	New York, N.Y.	1881-1884, undated
W.C. Peters & Sons	Cincinnati, Ohio	1850-1858, undated
W.F. Shaw	[Philadelphia, Pa.?]	1878-1882
W.H. Boner & Co.	Philadelphia, Pa.	undated
W. H. Cundy	Boston, Mass.	1874
W. Hall & Son	New York, N.Y.	1843-1859, undated
Wabash Music Co.	Chicago, Ill.	1894
White & Goullaud	Boston, Mass.	1872

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White, Smith & Perry	Boston, Mass.	1860-1890, undated
Will Rossiter	Chicago, Ill.	1909
Willis Woodward & Co.	[unknown]	1891
Wm. A. Pond & Co	New York, N.Y.	1859-1875, undated
Wm. C. Miller	Baltimore, Md.	1869
Wm. T. Mayo	New Orleans, La.	1851