



Gordon-Cox Family Papers (K0156)

Collection Number: K0156

Collection Title: Gordon-Cox Family Papers

Dates: 1784-1980

Creator: Lichy, Lenna

Abstract: The Gordon-Cox Family papers contain genealogical research materials, which trace the lineage from John Gordon, a Revolutionary War soldier, to Lenna Ruth Gordon, for an application of membership with the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Collection Size: 0.07 cubic foot
(8 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Kansas City](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at kansascity@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Donor Information: The papers were donated to the University of Missouri by Lenna Gordon Lichy on July 22, 1985 (Accession No. KA0297).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Gordon-Cox Family Papers can be found in the following collections:

Addie Aldridge Gordon Papers (K0068)

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Historical Note:

John Gordon was born on September 26, 1763, in Goochland County, Virginia, to John, Sr. and Judith Moracet Gordon. John Gordon served in the American Revolutionary War as a private in the militia for Captain William Miller's Virginia Company. He married Mary Rountree in 1783 in Albemarle, Virginia. In 1786, they moved from Goochland County, Virginia, to Clark County, Kentucky. Together they had ten children.

John Gordon died on February 5, 1839, in Winchester, Kentucky, and is buried in the Gordon Graveyard in Pinchem, Kentucky.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following four series with seven subseries:

Correspondence

 Personal

 Genealogical

Gordon Family History

 Family History

 Vital Records

 Clippings

Membership Application Notes

Photographs

 Cemeteries

 Buildings

Scope and Content Note:**Correspondence**

The series contains two subseries, Personal and Genealogical. The Personal subseries include several letters from Lillie Gordon DeGolyer to her nephew Charles Calvin Gordon. The Genealogical subseries consists of communications regarding family history, attainment of vital records, and assistance with the membership application for the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Gordon Family History

The series consists of three subseries, which include Family History, Vital Records, and Clippings. The Family History subseries contain family stories, notes on family members, book excerpts, and transcribe selections of letters from Lillie Gordon DeGolyer. The Vital Records subseries consist of marriage, birth, and death certificates. The Clippings subseries includes photocopies of four obituaries.

Membership Application Notes

The series contains the Daughters of the American Revolution membership application for Ethel R. Garner Cheairs, a descendant of the American Revolutionary War soldier John Gordon. In

addition to the application, there are notes and supporting historical documents, presumably obtained by Lenna Lichty connecting her family to those listed in the membership application.

Photographs

The series contains two subseries, Cemeteries and Buildings. The Cemeteries subseries includes photographs of headstones taken at the Forest Farm in Seattle, Washington, a cemetery in Republic, Washington, and cemeteries located in Paradise, Fairview, Smithville, and Liberty, Missouri. The Buildings subseries contains photographs of the Gordon School, built by John Gordon, and the Gordon family home, both of which were built near the Mt. Olivet Cemetery in Clay County, Missouri.

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