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#### INTRODUCTION

The collection contains letters to Ellen McCoy, wife of William McCoy (1813-1900), first mayor of Independence, Missouri. Written from Independence and from Washington, D.C., the letters detailed the author's experiences and observations.

#### DONOR INFORMATION

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#### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Eleanor (Ellen) Waddle McCoy was born in 1818 and lived in Chillicothe, Ohio. In 1850, she married William McCoy (1813-1900), who had moved from Chillicothe, Ohio, to Independence, Missouri, with his brother John in 1838. They operated an outfitting business together, and William became a banker and first mayor of Independence. William and Ellen McCoy had two children, Nancy and Allen.

#### SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of four letters to Ellen McCoy written between 1838 and 1863. Three were written to her from Independence, Missouri, and one was written from Washington, D. C.

#### PREFERRED CITATION

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#### FOLDER LIST

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#### LOCATION NOTE

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#### SUBJECT TERMS

Independence (Mo.)  
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