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Summary	The Albert A. Batchelor Papers consist of the personal, business, and legal papers of a doctor and planter in Red River Landing, Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana. Batchelor served on the Pointe Coupee Parish police jury, the School Board of Pointe Coupee (1884), and was elected to a term in the Louisiana State Legislature (1888-1892). Materials include account books and related papers, correspondence, diaries, contracts, and leases.
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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Albert Agrippa (A. A.) Batchelor, son of Thomas A. G. Batchelor (1813-1868) and Martha L. Batchelor (1821-1862), was a doctor and planter of Red River Landing in Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana. He attended the Kentucky Military Institute and fought for the Confederacy with the 2nd Regiment, Louisiana Infantry. Batchelor also managed or had interests in several other plantations, including Bella Vista Plantation, Lakeside Plantation, Phoenix Plantation, Highland Plantation, and Normandy Plantation. Batchelor served on the Pointe Coupee Parish Police Jury, the School Board of Pointe Coupee (1884), and was elected to a term in the Louisiana State Legislature (1888-1892). He married Cornelia Randolph Stewart (also known as "Pet"), daughter of Gus Stewart, and the two had no children.

Batchelor's siblings are also represented in the collection. They include Mollie, Iverson G. (1846-1900), Charles J. (1838-1878), James Madison, Thomas (circa 1850-1868), and Kate. All the brothers of age also served in the Confederacy--Charles and James alongside Albert in the 2nd Louisiana, and Iverson in the 1st Louisiana Cavalry. Iverson was also involved with running the family plantations and acquiring additional land. James Madison eventually settled in Vicksburg, and Mollie in Baltimore, after marrying a Mr. Patton. Many of the Batchelor family members are buried in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Cemetery, Innis, Pointe Coupee Parish, Louisiana.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Personal and business papers of Albert A. Batchelor and family, planters of Red River Landing, Pointe Coupee Parish, including account books and related papers, correspondence, diaries, and contracts and leases. The collection relates principally to plantation operation and management of several plantations in Pointe Coupee Parish, including a considerable body of materials reflecting the transition from slavery to free labor economy and certain economic, social, and political problems inherent in that change. The materials also pertain to student life at school in Louisiana, Kentucky, and Mississippi prior to and during the early years of the Civil War; military service in the Confederate States Army and life on the home front during the war; study of medicine at the University of Louisiana; expressions of public opinion on rechartering the Louisiana State Lottery, 1890; and family life and related matters. Civil War letters include 15 letters that describe camp life and conditions, rations, and battles from the Confederate side and two letters that describe marching and the courteous treatment of CSA troops by Pennsylvania civilians.

Financial papers include invoices, receipts, promissory notes, etc. from the following New Orleans merchants: Richard Flower and Maes (1866-1868); Bloch Brothers (1867); Sam Stafford and Co. (1870-1872); Richard Flower and Co. (1871-1873); Clapp Brothers and Co. (1872-1876); Butts and Ogden (1872); O. Hopkins (1872-1873, 1877); J. U. and H. M. Payne and Co. (1873); L. Mische and Co. (1874); Payne, Kennedy, and Co. (1875); Norwood and Richards (1875-1877); A. Thompson and Co. (1876); S. Gumbel (1876); McGehee, Snowden, and Violett. (1877); and William C. Black and Co. (1877).

Printed and graphic items in the collection are newspaper clippings, photographs, pamphlets, recipes, manuscript writings, blank forms, and medical notes. Larger items have been placed in a separate series for oversize and include land grants, plats, insurance policies, agreements, floor plans, etc. The oversize items that are too large to be housed in box 82 are stored separately in folders at OS:B. A few full-size Louisiana newspapers covering the dates 1870-1900 reside in the collection as well. Manuscript volumes such as cashbooks and checkbooks, ledgers, memorandum books, notebooks, letter books, and scrapbooks are also present.

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The Papers and Artifacts series makes up the bulk of the collection and is arranged chronologically. Highlights from this series include the following items (dates noted in parentheses).

(1855-1859)

Constitution and by-laws of the rector, churchwarden, and vestrymen of Saint Stephen's Church, Pointe Coupee Parish, for the purpose of organizing and establishing a Protestant-Episcopal Church in the Parish, signed at Williamsport, Pointe Coupee Parish, (Feb. 10, 1855); letters to Albert A. Batchelor, Liberty, Amite County from Charles Batchelor, Oakland College, near Rodney, Jefferson County, Mississippi, 1856 and Williamsport, Pointe Coupee Parish, 1857; Letter from Philip H. Dunbar re: mild form of corporal punishment of children, Jackson, La. (Nov. 4, 1857); Letters from James M. Batchelor, Oakland College, 1859; Letters from Laura May Gayden at school in Bogersville, Tennessee, 1858; Letter from Charles Batchelor, Kentucky Military Institute, Franklin County, Kentucky, contrasting unfavorably Kentucky planters and farms with Mississippi people and lands (Feb. 20, 1859); Letters from Thomas P. Street, Oakland College, 1859; Letter to Albert A., Red River Landing, from Charles I., Kentucky Military Institute, 1859. (Box 1)

Miscellaneous papers of Thomas A. G. Batchelor, including a certificate of good standing, Liberty Lodge No. 37, Free and Accepted Masons, Amite County, 1857; plat of survey for Owen Robinson, Pointe Coupee Parish, 1858; Henry Cobb, Oakland College, 1858; receipt for painting house at Williamsport, Pointe Coupee Parish, 1858. (Box 1)

(1860-1862)

Bill for merchandise in account with J. H. Mason, chiefly silver, 1858-1860. Papers of Thomas A. G. Batchelor include: letter of James McConough, Bella Vista Plantation, introducing Mr. Batchelor, "who is overseer on my plantation," and receipt for notes from Patton, Smith, and Putman; certificates for land issued to Malinda Robertson, Pointe Coupee Parish; Letter of Charles, Kentucky Military Institute, reprimanding his father for buying western slaves (Jan. 16, 1860); receipted bill for silver service and other silver pieces; act of sale for slave; Letter of Katie, sister, written from Natchez describing concerts she attended; bills for clothing, china, refrigerator; Two letters of Katie at school

in Natchez, Mississippi; note to Charles D. Stewart for \$12,800; Two letters of Charles, Kentucky Military Institute, 1860. (Boxes 1-2)

Letters from T. W. Mieux describing teaching, and commenting on pupils and school news, Williamsport, (Aug. 30 and Oct. 16, 1860); Letters addressed to Albert A. attending school at Kentucky Military Institute from, among others, James F. Gayle, a former teacher, his mother, and other family; school exercises, 1860. (Boxes 1-2)

Letters to Albert A. Batchelor at Kentucky Military Institute include: Two letters from his sister, Mollie, attending Silliman Female Collegiate Institute, Clinton, Louisiana; Two letters of Mrs. Batchelor, mother, Lake Depasso, regarding inheritance from Isaiah Norwood and other family problems; Letter from his brother, Iverson G., New Orleans, regarding a business transaction; Letter of Jessie Menzies, Lettsworth, giving local news, and re: organization of Bible Class and Sabbath School at St. Stephen's church (Mar. 15, 1861); Two letters from his A. A.'s brothers, Charles I., and James Madison, members of the 2nd Regiment, Louisiana Volunteers describing the conditions at Camps Magruder and Pelican, Virginia, mentioning their need for clothing, guns, that many of the boys were dying of typhoid fever, and that the postmaster burns the soldiers' letters and pockets the dimes, 1861-1862. (Boxes 1-2)

Letter to Albert A., a member of Company E., 2nd Louisiana Infantry, from his father, Thomas A. G., Red River Landing telling of the death of Albert's mother, the pilferage by Federal troops on plantations between New Orleans and Baton Rouge, the health of his slaves, and other general conditions on the plantation, 1862. (Boxes 1-2)

(1863-1864)

Letter to James Madison from sister, Kate, at school in Clinton; letter of Lizzie Connell to "Pet" (Cornelia Stewart), Woodville, Mississippi; letter of Thomas A. G. to his daughter, Kate, in Clinton requesting she and her sister Molly return home and relating his many misfortunes including the loss of his slaves; Letters of Charles I. to his father and cousin describing his part in Lee's Army in the Battle of Winchester, the march through Maryland to Pennsylvania, and the Battle of Gettysburg and the parts he and his brothers, James M., and Albert A., had in it (Aug. 6 and Oct. 18, 1863); Letter of Albert A., from a hospital near Gettysburg to his father describing his wounds and the state of his health; Letter of Iverson G. and Kate, Bayou Lettsworth, Pointe Coupee Parish to brother Charles telling of conditions on the home-front; letter of James Madison to Albert advising him to take a furlough or a discharge from the army and go home; furlough issued to Private A. A. Batchelor, Company E, 2nd Louisiana Regiment, Iverson's Brigade for sixty days; (Boxes 1-2)

Descriptive list and account of pay and clothing of A. A. Batchelor; receipt of Thomas A. G. Batchelor for twenty bushels of potatoes as tax in kind for the year 1863; Letter of James Madison and newspaper clipping giving list of casualties in Stafford's Louisiana

Brigade, Johnson's Division, Army of Northern Virginia, in engagement at Payne's Farm, Orange County, Virginia, (Nov. 27, 1863). (Boxes 1-2)

Letter re: promotion of Charles Batchelor in 2nd Louisiana Infantry Regiment (Oct. 18, 1863); Letter of Charles I., Company A., 2nd Louisiana Regiment Stafford's Brigade, 2nd Corps, Army of Northern Virginia, describing his activities after joining his command in the neighborhood of Culpepper Court House, and reviewing General Bragg's defeat in Georgia by General Grant (Dec. 21, 1863); copy of rules and regulations for provost guard on trains leaving and arriving at Meridian, Mississippi, 1863. (Boxes 1-2)

Letter of Nannie E. Cage, Shamrock, to "Pet"; letter of John Connell; letter of Iverson G. attending school in Liberty, Amite County expressing concern over the situation in Pointe Coupee Parish, mentioning trading with the Yankees, problems with slaves and scarcity of cloth in Mississippi; letter of Nannie E. Cage, Bethany Institute, mentioning Mr. and Mrs. Hall, directors of the school, information concerning a slave insurrection which was stopped, and other war news; letter of Lizzie, Shamrock, giving information concerning her cousins at school; special order, Bureau of Conscription, Department of Mississippi, Enterprise to A. A. Batchelor to report for duty as drill master; letter of Albert A., Camp of Instruction, Enterprise, Mississippi relating his duties, living conditions, etc.; letter of Albert A. to Col. Gale, A. D. C. to Lieut. General Polk requesting commission as 2nd Lieutenant; marriage certificate of Thos. A. G. Batchelor and Mary Virginia Griffin of Avoyelles Parish; letter of John Connell with his regiment at Jackson on the Pearl River; letters of Nannie Cage and Lizzie Connell at school at Bethany Institute; special order, Enterprise, Mississippi, issuing furlough to Albert A.; letter of Albert A. "In line of Battle-Near Tupelo, Mississippi" to a friend; letter of John Connell, Jackson, to "Pet"; receipt for Louisiana State Bank Money. (Boxes 1-2)

Broadside "Circular," Office Post Quartermaster, Alexandria, requesting citizens holding receipts of impressing officers for mules to be certified; Two letters of Thomas A. G., Bayou Lettsworth, near Red River Landing, to Albert A. giving news about the family and conditions in Pointe Coupee. (Boxes 1-2)

Letter commenting on favorable reception of appointment of U. S. Grant by Federals (Apr. 3, 1864); Letter from R. G. Cobb re: Battle of Spotsylvania Court House, capture of Stafford's brigade, and losses for the Louisiana 2nd Infantry Regiment (June 4, 1864); Letter from James Madison Batchelor re: Battle of Chancellorsville, describing fighting and casualties (June 22, 1864); Three letters of J. Lowry, Stonewall, Mississippi; letter of John Johnson, Montgomery, Alabama relating he has received a clerkship in the Treasury Department, Richmond, with a salary of four thousand dollars and giving an optimistic report on the state of the country; Letter from Nannie Cage, Jessamine Hill, to "Pet" before leaving for school in Montgomery, Alabama; Letter re: dislike of Confederate soldiers towards hospital visitation by ladies, (Sept. 15, 1864); Letter re: Confederate Army's vigilant watching of Mississippi River since crossing of cattle (Sept. 27, 1864); Personal letter of Rose Stewart to Albert A.; Letter re: Confederate Army's lack of arms and ammunition (Oct. 13, 1864); Two letters from John Johnson, Virginia, re: unfavorable attitude of Thomas Jenkins (T. J.) Semmes towards use of African

Americans in Confederate States Army (Nov. 3, 1864) and describing conditions in Richmond, organization of corps of African Americans by Benjamin Butler and their activities (Dec. 6, 1864); letter of Thomas A. G. Batchelor to Albert describing conditions in Pointe Coupee Parish, 1864. (Boxes 1-2)

(1865)

Letter of Thomas A. G. to Albert requesting Albert's assistance; letter of Albert, "Woodland Home," to "My darling Wife"; Letter re: conditions at Camp Venable (?), Rapides Parish (Mar. 8, 1865); Letter of Iverson, near Liberty, Mississippi with his regiment giving war news; letter of Albert, "Sunnyside," to Miss Rosa Stewart, c/o Mr. James Stewart, Woodville, Mississippi; letter of James Madison, Officer's Quarters, U. S. Military Prison, Fort Delaware, informing his family that he is well- treated and giving directions for sending mail (Apr. 6, 1865); Letter of E. P. Harmanson, Headquarters of Boones' 2nd Field Battery, Red River Defense with a copy of letter written by General Edmund Kirby-Smith to the "Soldiers of the Trans-Miss-Dept," urging soldiers to fight gallantly, Shreveport, (Apr. 21, 1865); Letter from E.P. Harmanson expressing his opinions concerning General Kirby-Smith, assassination of Lincoln, and general conditions on the west side of the Mississippi River (Apr. 23, 1865); Letter re: effect of surrender of Army of Northern Virginia on brigade in Alabama (May 1, 1865); Letter of John Connell, Camp near Gainsville, Alabama, to "Pet" relaying that he does not wish to live under Yankee rule and will go west; Letter of Lizzie Connell Hamilton expressing dread of living under the "Yankee yoke," and general news about people living near her home. (Box 2)

Parole issued to Albert A. from Office of Provost Marshal General, Headquarters Department of the Gulf, New Orleans; letter of Mary H. Redhead, Montrose; letter of George W. White, Hopkins Plantation to Albert A., Hog Pointe, regarding payment of freight on supplies; letter of Albert A. to Miss Rose Stewart mentioning a visit up the Yazoo River; Two invoices for merchandise sent c/o Albert, Hog Pointe for account of E. Pullin; broadside; Letter of T. P. Leathers, formerly of steamer *Natchez* advertising steamer *Magenta* of the New Orleans, Natchez, and Vicksburg Packet; receipt from City Hotel, New Orleans; receipt of Charles D. Stewart, Lakeside Plantation, Pointe Coupee Parish from Bureau of Ref. Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, Plantation Department, New Orleans. (Box 2)

(1866)

Three agreements with freedmen on Bella Vista Plantation, Pointe Coupee Parish, employed by C. D. Stewart; contract of Albert A. with Charles D. Stewart or Mrs. Sarah Black for the management of Bella Vista Plantation situated on Old River, Pointe Coupee Parish (Feb. 13, 1866); 2 letters of Thomas A. G. to Albert requesting supplies; 5 letters of James Madison, Vicksburg, requesting supplies, family and business news; receipt of A. G. Payne, Silliman Institute, for board and tuition for Mary Batchelor; receipt of

Albert A. for purchase of land in Pointe Coupee from sheriff; 2 abstracts of case of Thos. A. G. Batchelor v. his creditors, 7th District Court; 3 letters of Iverson G. Batchelor, Lafayette Plantation, concerning supplies; receipt of James A. Stewart from Thomas J. Henderson, Woodville, Mississippi, for medical attention; Document re: purchase of half interest in Elmwood Plantation (Oct. 29, 1866); letter of T. J. G. Batchelor, New Orleans, to Albert A. Batchelor, Hog Pointe, announcing he has gone into the dry goods business in New Orleans; three letters of Thomas P. Street, Beech Grove, Mississippi concerning faculty at Silliman Institute, and mention of the worms destroying the cotton crop; letter of Albert to Mr. Beatty announcing that he is sending his brother, Thomas, to the Louisiana Seminary of Learning, Alexandria, and requesting that he use his influence to secure a cadetship for him; 8 letters to Cornelia Stewart ("Pet") from friends; certificate of mortgage in name of Oren Robertson; 14 bills and receipts for merchandise, and 4 promissory notes. (Box 3)

(1867)

Papers of Albert A., Hog Pointe, including letters from James Madison, Vicksburg; letters of Thomas A. G.; letters of Iverson G., at school in New Orleans, concerning business matters for the family; Tenant farm contract for leasing land in Pointe Coupee Parish (Mar. 2, 1867); copies of letters of Albert A. to Iverson G., New Orleans; invoices of Richard Flower and Maes, New Orleans; Documents from merchant Leake and Stewart, West Feliciana Parish; bills for merchandise, some for James A. Stewart, Woodville, Mississippi; 7 receipts; 2 promissory notes; and annual circular of the Port Gibson Collegiate Academy for Young Ladies. (Box 3)

Letter from James Madison Batchelor, Vicksburg, re: seriousness of Cholera preventing travel (July 25, 1867); Letter from J. R. Galtney describing efforts to build railroad (N.O. & G. between Vicksburg and Amite), including method of financing and advantages anticipated. Letter also mentions accounting for missing silver pillaged during the war, Bloomfield, East Feliciana Parish (Sept. 5, 1867); Letter from Robert H. Bradford commenting on organization of expedition to California and advantages of living there, (Nov. 13, 1867); Letters to Cornelia Stewart from Lizzie Connell, Egypt; and from Mary H. Redhead, Montrose. (Box 3)

(1868-1869)

Notification of Louisiana Constitutional Convention (Feb. 19, 1868); Notes signed by Owen Robertson releasing land to A. A. Batchelor; receipts for taxes; contracts of A. A. Batchelor and W. B. Haygood for land in New Texas neighborhood for the year 1869; letter from James Madison, Vicksburg, Mississippi; letters from Iverson G. Batchelor at Mrs. Hagan's Plantation; Letters from the following: Lizzie, Albert A., Kate; Mary; P. A. Roy; Owen Robertson, Jim, I. V. Richards, Sam L. Green, M. L. Batchelor, G. H. Mason, Robert H. Bradford, and W. B. Haygood; receipts; bills for merchandise; agreements; poems; tax notices; division of cattle. (Box 4)

(1870)

Letters re: purchase of half interest in Elmwood Plantation (July 8 and 23, 1870) and co-partnership agreement (Aug. 9, 1870); Circular advertising Brooks' Revolving Cotton Presses (Aug. 18, 1870); Document re: partition of Elmwood Plantation (Dec. 29, 1870); Notes and receipts payable to A. A. Batchelor; 5 letters from Albert A.; 2 letters from Mary; letter from Jim; letter from L. Haymand; letter from William B. Logan; 2 letters from Harry Hayward; letter from Mammie; letter from John Skaning; letter from J. Stewart; 4 bills for merchandise; 3 receipts; 12 promissory notes; 2 statements; 2 contracts, A. A. Batchelor and Sarah Black; 2 agreements; 3 bills of sale; 6 drafts; bond; and mortgage. (Box 4)

(1871)

Letters re: purchase of cabins and a crib for African Americans from W. W. Carre & Co., lumber merchant in New Orleans (Feb. 15, 20, 22; Mar. 4, 8, 29; Apr. 5, 1871); Letter from H. J. Cochran, New Orleans re: availability of African American and white labor, and cost of furnishing (Feb. 29, 1871). Statements from Richard Flower and Company; other statements; bills for merchandise; bills of lading; receipts for taxes, etc.; Documents re: management of Elmwood Plantation (Jan. 1, 1871) and partition of (Mar 7 and 20, 1871); Documents re: naming of Lucky Hit Plantation (Mar. 29, 1871); Notes contract between A. A. Batchelor and freedmen on Phoenix Plantation; contract with M. D. Wilkins for sale of ponies; letter from Iverson G. Batchelor; letters from Albert A.; contracts between A. A. Batchelor and Sarah Black; tax notices; letters from Sam Stafford and Co.; letters from Race, Foster, and Merrick; letter from H. W. Keller; letter from James Yates; letters from W. W. Carre and Co.; letter from M. R. Pittman; letters from John Yoist; letters from Latil and Son; letters from Mrs. Briget Barket; letter from Stewart and Rainey; letter from Hugh Flynn; letter from "Cousin Julie"; letters from Moran, Noble, and Woods; letters from E. E. Morton; letter from N. H. Sewall; letter from C. I. Batchelor; letter from M. D. Wilkins; from Commack and Merrick; from A. A. Goodwin; from Rice Brothers and Co.; from M. Torras; Plat of Survey of Phoenix Plantation; Plat of survey by C. G. Hall for Lucky Hit Plantation (Dec. 29, 1871); promissory notes; 5 issues of *Price Current*; drafts; Almanacs; and trial balance sheet. (Box 5)

(1872)

Letters to A. A. Batchelor, New Orleans, from his brothers concerning plantation affairs; statements from Richard Flower and Co; other statements; invoices and bills for merchandise; Letters from the following: Iverson G. Batchelor, W. S. Gay, Albert A., Kate, C. J. Batchelor, James Yates, G. M. Batchelor, James Madison, C. I. Batchelor, J. H. Wall; J. B. Sterling; Rosa L. Ellis; Clapp Brothers and Co., Fred H. Hewes, Hewes and Provosty, Mrs. C. Keller, Thomas H. Hewes, Butts and Ogden, Harriet Gilbert, O. Hopkins, Fletcher and Moore, Sister Mary Thomas S. S., and D. Stocking. (Boxes 5-6)

Letter from C. J. Batchelor re: pine available for purchase in Pointe Coupee Parish (Jan. 4, 1872); Bills of lading; tax receipts; promissory notes; agreement with freedmen; New Orleans Cotton and Probate Circular; contract with tenants; Poems; tax notices; drafts; Circular advertising Star Cotton Ginnery (July 1872); notice of shipment of goods. (Boxes 5-6)

(1873-1874)

Nine identification cards for A. A. Batchelor for courses in the medical department, University of Louisiana; statements from Richard Flower and Co.; bills for merchandise; letters from his sister and brothers concerning the affairs at Phoenix Plantation; Circular regarding planting and care of trees, Magnolia Nurseries (Feb. 15, 1873); New Orleans Female Collegiate Institute commencement invitation (Mar. 6, 1873); Commencement invitation and program, University of Louisiana Medical Dept. (Mar. 14, 1873); Power of attorney from A. Y. Nalle for control of Boyd place, Pointe Coupee Parish; Letter from E. I. McGehee describing advantages and work as resident surgeon at Charity Hospital in New Orleans (Apr. 10, 1873); Letters re: Lucky Hit Plantation management, including labor difficulties, finances, and description of crops (Apr. 18 and May 3, 1873); Letter from Albert A. Batchelor, Pointe Coupee, re: description and treatment of cholera (May 1, 1873); Letter from E. I. McGehee re: Cholera outbreak in New Orleans (May 15, 1873); Two broadsides advertising Ingersol's Cotton Presses (circa Sept. 1, 1873); Circular advertising DuBois Cotton Gin, (Oct. 10, 1873); Contract between A. A. Batchelor and Iverson Lucas on Phoenix Plantation; invoices for merchandise; statement of sales by Clapp Brother and Co.; and letters of A. A. Batchelor to Miss "Pet" (Cornelia Stewart) concerning his studies at the medical school. (Boxes 7-8)

Letter from A. A. Batchelor re: Reconstruction in La., ". . . much abused La will be rid of the Vultures that have so long fed upon her life's blood." (Jan. 11, 1874); Letters re: Lucky Hit Plantation management, including labor difficulties, finances, and description of crops (Feb. 8 and 12, Oct. 16, 1874); Letters describing condition of levees, breaks, and repairs, Pointe Coupee Parish (Apr. 15, 17, 20; May 5 and 16, 1874); Letters from A. A. Batchelor describing extent of charbon cattle disease in area and its cure (July 2, 5, & 19, 1874); Broadside re: New Orleans Cotton Exchange (July 10, Sept. 12 and 24, Oct. 3, 7, 10, 31, Dec. 30, 1874); Letter from James Madison Batchelor, Vicksburg re: organization of white groups for protection against African Americans (Sept. 6, 1874); Statements from Clapp Brothers and Co., New Orleans; personal family letters; and letters from Cornelia Stewart, Lakeside Plantation, Pointe Coupee Parish; Letters from James M. Batchelor, Vicksburg, commenting favorably on teachings of the National Grange, including work, meetings, and programs in Avoyelles Parish (?) (Oct. 16, Nov. 3 and 5, Dec. 4, 1874); Copy of resolutions adopted by Simmesport Grange (Nov. 27, 1874); Documents re: prohibiting cutting of cypress for pickets on Elmwood Plantation (Dec. 7 and 11, 1874); Letters from James Madison Batchelor re: Hoboken Plantation (Miss.) labor, economy, and management (Feb. 4, Apr. 25, July 19, Sept. 6, and Oct. 11,

1874); Business letters, financial records, bills and receipts, lecture notes, and legal materials. (Boxes 8-9)

(1875)

Letter of James M. regarding the trouble at Vicksburg between whites and African Americans during Governor Ames' administration (Jan. 4, 1875); Letter from A. A. Batchelor, Pointe Coupee Parish re: ". . . plenty of hands," (Jan. 23, 1875); Letter from E. I. McGehee announcing plan for marriage, (Feb. 22, 1875); Letters re: National Grange, including work, meetings, and programs in Avoyelles Parish (?) (Apr. 8, May 2, Nov. 18, 1875); Statements and letters from Clapp Brothers and Co., cotton factors and commission merchants, New Orleans; Letters re: Lucky Hit Plantation management, including labor difficulties, finances, and description of crops (Apr. 11, July 16, and Sept. 20, 1875); Letter from James Madison concerning plantation affairs—salaries paid laborers, taxes, condition of crops, money matters, loans, etc.; contract between A. A. Batchelor and share croppers; personal letters and bills for merchandise; and notes in favor of Batchelor and James B. Sterling for cotton on Waverly Plantation. (Boxes 9-10)

(1876-1877)

Lease of Highland Plantation (Jan. 10, 1876); Letter by Cornelia Stewart re: African Americans, lynching, and use of "regulators" in settling, Border of Wilkinson County and West Feliciana Parish, (May 23, 1876); Sale of New Texas Plantation to Dan Isaac from A. A. Batchelor (Feb. 5, 1876); Letter from J. J. Corkery re: unfavorable attitude towards Jews at a party, Avoyelles Parish, (May 5, 1876); Letter by A. A. Batchelor re: financial and political effect of African Americans on whites (May 25, 1876); Letter from Alva C. Finney, Vicksburg, re: Grange dinner at Mr. Album's (May 26, 1876); Broadside, R. H. Ryland, from State Grange of Louisiana stressing policy (circa June 16, 1876); Letters from Albert A. Batchelor re: proposed visit to Texas with B. B. Simmes (July 15 and 20, 1876); Document re: increase in assessment of Bella Vista and Highland Plantations, (Sept. 9, 1876); Letters from A. A. Batchelor, Pointe Coupee, re: nomination of him over Hillary Calliham to La. Legislature (Sept. 9 and 14, 1876); Letter from A. A. Batchelor re: election for governor in La., noting "deeper interest manifested in this election than ever before." (Sept. 14, 1876); Copies of speeches made by A. A. Batchelor before whites and African Americans supporting the Democratic candidates (Sept. 1, Oct. 19 and 21, and Nov. 2, 1876); Letter from A. A. Batchelor, Pointe Coupee, re: organization of clubs by Democratic-Conservative Party of La. composed of African Americans and whites (Sept. 25, 1876); Broadside from State Central Committee of Democratic-Conservative Party of La., New Orleans, (Sept. 28, 1876); Letters from A. A. Batchelor describing political campaigning for governor (Oct. 21, 27, 30, Nov. 6 and 11, 1876); Election returns showing defeat by Republicans, (Nov. 6 and 9, 1876); Contracts leasing land on Hog Pointe to tenant farmers; bills for merchandise; statements from Clapp Brothers and Co., New Orleans, for cotton received; Letter of F. H. Farrar, Pointe Coupee, referring to a suit filed against John B. Stewart charging that all his property

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Contracts with freedmen and tenants on Bella Vista Plantation; statements of account from Norwood and Richards, New Orleans; bills and invoices for merchandise; contracts with tenants on Phoenix Plantation; tax receipts. (Boxes 14-15)

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Contracts with laborers on Bella Vista Plantation; bills for merchandise; fire insurance policy on Bella Vista Plantation; appointment of A. A. Batchelor as police juror for the Third Ward, Pointe Coupee Parish; statements and bills for Lakeside Plantation; invoices from Sells & Co., commission merchants, New Orleans; payroll for laborers on Lakeside Plantation; and tax receipts. (Boxes 17-20)

Personal letters from Sister Rosa, Brother Mad, Cousin Ida, and brother-in-law Duncan. Business letters from Judge Hewes, Charles N. Edwards, Norwood and Richards, and S. Gumbel. Sale sheets for cotton, sugar, molasses, freight charges, receipts, invoices, bills monthly statements, payroll, balance sheets, accounts due Lakeside Store, contracts of labor on Normandy and Lakeside; Payment of taxes (Boxes 21-23)

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Orders for groceries, hardware goods, clothes, etc.; bills for freight charges and goods; list of cotton produced on Normandy and Lakeside, business letters, (S. Gumbel, cotton and sugar factors, Norwood and Richards, cotton dealers); personal letters from members of his family and friends; receipts for bills paid including taxes and goods received; invoices of goods; labor contracts to build houses for Batchelor and to manage the store; sales sheets for cotton, sugar, molasses; statements of inventory of stock in store; notices that goods have been shipped; payroll and account sheets for labor; balance sheets; bank deposit slips. (Boxes 24-26)

Personal letters from Sister Mollie Patton and Cousin Lizzie Stewart. Business letters from Judge Hewes, S. Gumbel, Norwood and Richards. Contracts for Phoenix, Lakeside, and Normandy plantations. Payroll, bills, receipts, time sheets, monthly statements, balance sheets, orders, sales sheets, invoices, notices that goods have been shipped. (Boxes 27-30)

(1884)

Personal letters from Brother Mad, Sister Mollie, Ida, Kate, and Charles D. Stewart. Payroll, invoices, receipts, bills (John T. Moore, Jr. wholesale grocers and commission merchants), business letters (S. Gumbel, Judge Hewes, Norwood & Richards) Contracts for Bella Vista Store and plantation, Normandy plantation, and Lakeside; telegram from Mrs. L. W. Simpson (Ida) accepting \$7,000 for her half of Bella Vista, notice of registered letter, paid taxes receipt, statement (from Fug & Backer, commission merchants, N. O.) sales sheets for cotton and molasses, balance sheets, insurance policy (fire), payroll (plantations and workers on levee). (Boxes 31-33)

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Contract, Bella Vista Plantation, sales sheet cotton.; Dr. J. L. Satterfield, Dr. G. H. Tichenor, Ida Mollie, C. D. Stewart personal letter, Mrs. E. V. Batchelor, registered letter, trip to Virginia and Salem. (Boxes 33-34)

Contracts Normandy Plantation; Normandy rent rolls; contracts for Bella Vista; personal and business letters to Batchelor; receipt for subscription to *The Churchman*; measurement of old levee on Bella Vista; account sheets; tax receipts; deposit slips for Canal Bank; telegraphs. (Boxes 35-36)

Bill of sale of horses; receipts; insurance papers; tax receipts; deposit slips; account statements; blacksmith accounts; canceled checks; various contracts. (Boxes 37-38)

(1888-1889)

Normandy rent rolls; lease contracts; receipts; personal and business letters; account records; receipts for dental operations; official count of votes for State Senatorial Judicial and Parish Officers (election April 17, 1788); letters congratulating Batchelor for winning a seat in the legislature; Address of Hon. T.T. Allain delivered at Southern University of New Orleans on the importance of education--public and private (May 2, 1888); diagram of plot of land; list of property and assessment; list of house expenses. (Boxes 39-40)

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Personal and business letters; receipts; bills; account records; list of board of directors of Louisiana State Fair Association; "Memorial and Petition of the Medical Department of the Tulane University of Louisiana to the General Assembly of Louisiana in Regard to Senate Bill No. 129. June 26, 1890"; "Resolution of the Board of Administrators of the Charity Hospital, January 30, 1890, in reference to Senate Bill No. 129"; *House Bill No. 96*; *House Bill No. 214*; "Statement of Registered Voters of the State of Louisiana for the Year 1888"; *House Bill No. 138*; *Substitute for Senate Bill No. 95*; "Official Roll of General Assembly of State of Louisiana. 1890"; papers of The Anti-Lottery League of Louisiana; *Calendar of the House of Representatives of the State of Louisiana. Second Regular Session of the Third General Assembly, Monday, June 23, 1890. House Bills; Senate Calendar 1890, State of Louisiana. Second Regular Session of the Third General Assembly, Monday, June 23, 1890. Senate Bills; House Bill No. 225; Senate Bill No. 68*; lease of land in Jefferson County, Alabama. (Boxes 41-42)

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Trusteeship of Mrs. Cornelia Batchelor (1906, Box 69); Official Quotations of New Orleans Stock Exchange (February 27, 1914) (Box 70); other financial papers of Cornelia Batchelor (Boxes 71-74); Succession of Cornelia Batchelor (January 12, 1924); papers concerning her estate; insurance policies. (Boxes 75-77)

Series II. Printed and Graphic Material, 1860-1925, undated

Newspaper clippings (1867-1904, undated); Printed items (1885-1923, undated); Photographs (1869, undated); Recipes (undated); Manuscript writings (undated), Medical notes and drugs (undated), Blank forms (undated)

Series III. Oversize Items, 1860-1924, undated

Records larger than regular size have been placed in a separate series for oversized items and include land grants, plantation accounts, newspapers, insurance policies, and A.A. Batchelor's appointment certificate to the School Board of Pointe Coupee (1884), most of which can be found in Box 82.

The oversized items that are too large to be housed in box 82 are stored separately in folders at OS:B. These items include an Agreement with Freedmen (1866), a Twelve Months Bond (1870), and Batchelor's appointment to police juror, 3rd Ward, Pointe Coupee Parish [with a signed oath of office] (1880). (OS Folders 1-2)

Series IV. Newspapers, 1870-1891, undated

Newspaper issues in the Batchelor Papers include the titles listed below, which are arranged alphabetically. All newspapers are stored in boxes 84-85.

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The Critic, (July 5, 1890)

The Daily City Item, (May 29, 1890)

The Daily Picayune, (May 22, 23, 30, June 11, 1890; December 26, 1891)

The Daily States, (May 29, 1890)

The Mascot, (June 7, 1890)

The New Delta, (May 19, 21, 22, 30, 31, June 19, 24, 27, July 8, 12, 17, October 1, 1890; April 28 & May 14, 1891)

New Iberia Democrat, (May 31, 1890)

New Orleans Commercial Bulletin, (September 27, 1871)

New Orleans Evening Democrat, (December 20, 1876)

The Pelican [New Roads], (April 12, 1879)

The Pelican [Pointe Coupee], (June 29, 1878)

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The Times-Democrat, (Jan. 6, 1885; May 22, 30, June 12, 18, 24, July 2, December 13, 1890)

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The Weekly Picayune, (October 22, 29, Nov. 5, 1870)

Series V. Manuscript Volumes, 1853-1924, undated

Most of the manuscript volumes in the Batchelor Papers are housed in boxes 87 and 88, but larger volumes are loose on the shelf. Items include Cornelia Batchelor's bank book from 1910 as well as cashbooks and checkbooks. A. A. Batchelor's Civil War diary, as well as ledgers and memorandum books for various plantations, are also present. Notebooks from Batchelor's time at the Kentucky Military Institute and the University of Louisiana medical school are also included among the volumes, as well as a scrapbook from the 1880s and a time book. Box 86 houses one of the notebooks and two of the letter books that have been unbound. The manuscript volumes are listed alphabetically according to type in the container list.

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