Charles Luke Cassin papers, 1745-1878 1745-1878 Mss.B.C274

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Summary Information

Repository American Philosophical Society

Creator Cassin, Charles Luke, 1846-1878

Title Charles Luke Cassin papers, 1745-1878

Date [inclusive] 1745-1878

Call number Mss.B.C274

Extent 70.0 Item(s) 11 volumes

Extent Ca. 70 items and 11 volumes.

Location LH-MV-C-3; LH-MV-E-14 (Bound volumes)

Language English

Container 1

Container 1-11

Abstract The correspondence (1869-1883) is primarily routine business, i.e. navy

orders and letters of recommendation, and also includes some personal letters. In addition, there are several notebooks and diaries, including notes from Pennsylvania Hospital clinical lectures, 1867-1869 (2 v.); diaries, 1865-1875 (7 v.); a volume of poetry; and general study notes. There is also early material (1745-1813) on the Cassin family, including a letter of

indenture dated 1758.

Background note

Charles Luke Cassin (1846-1878) was the grandson of Commodore Stephen Cassin, U.S.Navy, and worked as a U.S. Navy physician. From 1869 he also served as a member of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

American Philosophical Society

Indexing Terms

Corporate Name(s)

- Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia.
- Pennsylvania Hospital (Philadelphia, Pa.).

Genre(s)

- Diaries.
- Family Correspondence
- Lecture notes.
- Legal Records
- Military Records
- Official Government Documents and Records
- Poems.
- Wills.

Geographic Name(s)

- United States Armed Forces Medical personnel
- United States History Civil War, 1861-1865

Subject(s)

- Marriage and Family Life
- Medicine -- United States.
- Military History

• Trust indentures.

Other Descriptive Information

The papers of a postbellum U.S. Navy Physician.

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The Cassin Collection is heavily focused on Charles Luke Cassin's correspondence in the late nineteenth century. Charles Cassin was a physician in the U.S. Navy in the late-nineteenth century. His family's roots date to the colonial era. There are approximately seven documents from the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries, however. This portion of the collection includes three legal documents from colonial Pennsylvania that were likely handed down through the family: one is a will for Aaron Thompson dated 1745, another is an indenture from 1758, and another is a copy of a court decision in Berks County in 1774. There are two letters from James Mullins to Eliza Cassin relating to their past affairs and children. Finally, there are official documents relating to Joseph Cassin, Charles Luke's father, including a commission in the U.S. Navy signed by James Madison.

Collection Inventory

Graphics			
Charles Cassin Jr., infant son of Charles 1876	1.0	U4-1-64	
Luke Cassin	Photograp	Photograph(s)	
Charles Cassin Jr., infant son of Charles Luke Cassin., 1876			
[http://diglib.amphilsoc.org/fedora/repository/graphics:4011]			
Charles Luke Cassin in uniform, bust, ca. 1870	1.0	U4-1-62	
portrait, formal	Photograp	Photograph(s)	
Charles Luke Cassin in uniform, bust, portrait, formal., ca. 1870			
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Stephen Cassin, in naval uniform ca. 1860	1.0	F8-3-1	
	Photograp	Photograph(s)	
Stephen Cassin, in naval uniform., ca. 1860			
[http://diglib.amphilsoc.org/fedora/repository/graphics:4009]			