PRIMARY SOURCES

Quarterly Report of Newly Processed Collections October - December 2010

Welcome to the latest issue of the Library of Virginia's quarterly report *Primary Sources*. Here you will find a listing of the latest collections processed, microfilmed, or digitized by the Library. Since 1999, the Library has annually received General Assembly support for archival positions in order "to relieve the 54-year backlog in processing significant archival, special, and other historical collections."

LOCAL RECORDS

The Local Records Services Branch is charged with preserving, cataloging, and providing access to the records that document the daily activities of Virginia's counties, towns, and independent cities. The branch administers the Circuit Court Records Preservation Program (CCRP), which provides grant funds to the Commonwealth's 120 circuit court clerks to help preserve the historically valuable records maintained in their offices and those that have been transferred to the Library of Virginia for archival processing and storage.

Since 2007, the Virginia Circuit Court Records Program (CCRP) has scanned and posted images of original chancery causes for 48 localities totaling nearly 5.3 million images. This quarter the Library added scanned chancery causes for Goochland County totaling 119,080 images. For more information, including a complete listing of all chancery projects, see the Chancery Records Index (CRI). As part of the branch's microfilm reformatting effort, 63 reels of new film were added to the reading room this quarter for the following localities: the City of Williamsburg and Albemarle, Amherst, and Brunswick Counties. For additional details and a complete guide to local records available at the Library of Virginia, please see County and City Records at the Library of Virginia.

The branch has also added two additional digital projects to <u>Virginia Memory</u>: the <u>Lost Records Localities Digital Collection</u> and the <u>Public Buildings and Grounds Digital Collection</u>.

Accomack County

Subscription for Music School, 1763. (Click here for finding aid)

Craig County

Chancery Causes, 1853–1912. (Click here for finding aid) Chancery Causes, 1913–1942. (Click here for finding aid) Court Records, 1851–1953. (Click here for finding aid)

Essex County

School Records, 1870–1909. (Click here for finding aid)

Fluvanna County

Free Negro and Slave Records, 1800–1865. (Click here for finding aid)
Board of Public School Commission Records, 1819–1861. (Click here for finding aid)

Frederick County

School Records, 1800–1925 (bulk 1819–1925). (Click here for finding aid)

Fredericksburg (City)

School Records, 1853–1907. (Click here for finding aid)

Giles County

Arithmetic Book, ca. 1800s. (<u>Click here for finding aid</u>) Court Papers, 1866–1902. (<u>Click here for finding aid</u>) Judgments, 1870–1912. (<u>Click here for finding aid</u>)

Hanover County

Birth and Death Records, 1918–1927. (Click here for finding aid)

Herndon (Town)

Architectural Review Board Minutes, 2000–2009. (<u>Click here for finding aid</u>) Heritage Preservation Review Board Minutes, 2000–2009. (<u>Click here for finding aid</u>)

Town Council Minutes, April 2009–June 2010. (Click here for finding aid)

Prince Edward County

Court Records, 1749–1925 (bulk 1750–1800). (Click here for finding aid)
Court Records, 1756–1942 (bulk 1756–1904). (Click here for finding aid)
Citizens' Claims of Property Lost to British Army, 1783. (Click here finding aid)

Pulaski County

Chancery Causes, 1841–1912. (Click here for finding aid)

Rockbridge County

Judgments, 1778–1934. (Click here for finding aid)
Judgments (Condemnations), 1852–1909. (Click here for finding aid)

PRIVATE PAPERS

The Private Papers section of the Description Services Branch at the Library of Virginia is charged with collecting records that supplement the official documents of the Commonwealth. These records include Bible Records, Business Records, Church

Records, Genealogical Notes and Charts, Organization Records, and Personal Papers. They put a personal face on the activities of the citizens of the Commonwealth and provide a human touch to the records collected by Local and State Records.

Guide to the Personal Papers Collections at the Library of Virginia. Edited by Trenton E. Hizer. Richmond: The Library of Virginia, 2008.

The Guide to the Personal Papers Collections at the Library of Virginia contains entries for 5,730 personal papers collections. Ranging from diaries and correspondence to blogs and Web sites, these collections document more than 400 years of Virginia history. They offer an in-depth view of topics such as agriculture, economics, education, politics, society, travel, and war, and are essential in studying African American and women's history. The collections also contain deeds, wills, and other legal documents that may have otherwise been lost to fire or other disasters, along with photographs, postcards, scrapbooks, videos, and sound recordings. The Personal Papers Collections are invaluable resources for historians and genealogists. The Guide to the Personal Papers Collections at the Library of Virginia may be purchased at The Virginia Shop at the Library of Virginia.

Building a Better Virginia Foundation 2002. 3.375 cubic feet.

Records, 2001–2002, of the Building a Better Virginia Foundation 2002, consisting of advertisements, announcements, articles, booklets, brochures, correspondence, editorials, e-mails, endorsements, flyers, folders, itineraries, legislation, letters to the editor, lists, memorandums, news conferences, news releases, notebooks, notes, opinion pieces, posters, programs, reports, schedules, speeches, and other papers, compact discs, and video recordings detailing the efforts of the Foundation to secure the passage by Virginia voters in 2002 of general obligation bonds for education, parks, museums, and transportation. Gift of Donald J. Finley, executive director, Virginia Business Higher Education Council, Richmond. (40226) (Click here for finding aid)

Johnston, Claiborne F., Jr. 1 volume (80 p.)

Report, "George Carrington (1758–1809) of 'Oak Hill' Halifax County, Virginia," compiled by F. Claiborne Johnston Jr. in 2010, includes a biographical sketch of Carrington written for the *Dictionary of Virginia Biography*, as well as an investigation into the location of Carrington's estate, "Oak Hill." Gift of Claiborne F. Johnston, Richmond. (45247)

Lucas, Daniel Bedinger. 4.9 cubic feet.

Papers, 1859–1893 (bulk 1862–1864), of Daniel Bedinger Lucas while serving on the staff of General Henry A. Wise. Includes correspondence, deserter reports, guard reports, maps, monthly and morning reports, muster rolls, orders, surgeons' reports and report of sick, and tri-monthly reports documenting the various regiments that served with the Wise Legion (or Wise Brigade). Gift of Ann F. H. Gladstone, Doswell. (42000) (Click here for finding aid)

Murray, William Elbert. 17 leaves and 69 pages.

Diary, 1862–1863, of William Elbert Murray (1834–1920) of Company C, 19th Indiana Infantry, transcribed and annotated by John W. Green (d. 1991), detailing Murray's service in Company C from 1 January 1862 to 5 March 1863. Collection also contains biographical sketches of Murray; field guide to part of the battle of Second Manassas (Bull Run); an account of the 19th Indiana Infantry; Murray's testimony, 4 October 1878, before the Schofield Commission concerning General Fitz John Porter's (1822–1901) court martial, 1862–1863; and photographs of Murray and Nelson Pegg (ca. 1834–1931), also of Company C, 19th Indiana Infantry. Gift of Ellen G. Parnell of Richmond. (45231)

Putney, Eliza Ann. 1 volume (37 pages).

Friendship Book, 1842–1845, of Eliza Ann Putney (ca. 1830–1845) of Richmond, Virginia, given to her by Reverend William B. Rowzie containing poems written to her by Rowzie, Thomas M. Alfriend, J. W. Moffitt, William J. Waller, J. H. Davis, and Ann Turbeville Davis, among others. Includes an account of her death by lightning written by Thomas M. Alfriend. Volume also contains engraved plates and rough drawings. Purchased. (45170)

Shelton-Winn-Oliver Family. 6.225 cubic feet.

Papers, 1764–1965, of the Shelton, Winn, and Oliver families of Hanover County, Virginia, primarily Jesse Winn (ca. 1788–1849) and his son William R. Winn (b. 1828). Includes correspondence, accounts and receipts, subject files, ledgers, and oversize items. This accession has been interfiled with Accession 42149. Gift of the Estate of William H. Shelton, Mechanicsville. (45112) (Click here for finding aid)

STATE RECORDS

The State Records section of the Description Services Branch at the Library of Virginia is charged with preserving, cataloging, and providing access to the records of Virginia's state government.

General Assembly

Virginia-Maryland boundary dispute records, 1688–1876, 1 cu. ft., Accession 45188. (Click here for finding aid)

Planning and Budget, Dept. of

Records, 1968–2005, 9 cu. ft., Accession 45195. (Click here for finding aid)

Virginia Housing Development Authority

Director's Correspondence and Subject Files, 1972–1994, 13 cu. ft., Accessions 45238 and 45268. (Click here for finding aid)