Samuel J. Randall papers
Collection 3377

Summary Information

Repository:
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Creator: Randall, Samuel J. (Samuel Jackson), 1828-1890
Title: Samuel J. Randall papers
Collection number: 3377
Dates: 1808-1890
Extent: 60 linear feet (287 boxes)
Language: The collection is primarily in English.

Abstract:
Samuel J. Randall was born in Philadelphia on October 10, 1828, and died in Washington on April 13, 1890. He was a congressman from Pennsylvania and Speaker of the House during the 45th and 46th Congresses. The collection includes correspondence (mostly incoming), congressional papers (including many documents related to tariff legislation and military procurement), family papers, speeches, booklets, newspapers, clippings, scrapbooks, cartoons, maps, photographs, and other items.

Conditions governing access: The collection is open for research.

Immediate source of acquisition:

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SAMUEL J. RANDALL CASE FILE

Boxes 1 through 176  Correspondence, 1808-1890, arranged chronologically
Box 177  Letters for April, May, June, 1878 all attended to by A. W. Fletcher (see Langley's report)
Box 178  Letters for February, March, April, May, 1879 all attended to by A. W. Fletcher
Box 179  Letters and miscellaneous papers 3rd Session 45th Congress
Box 180  Letters and miscellaneous papers 3rd Session 45th Congress
Box 181  Letters and miscellaneous papers 3rd Session 45th Congress

[Boxes 179-181 cover the period January to April 1879]
Box 182  Letters, etc. in reference to Committees 45th Congress. [Most of this material is from October 1877]
Box 183  Miscellaneous papers relating to Committees, 46th Congress. [Feb.-May 1879]
Box 184  Correspondence from August 1879 to May 1880
Letters sent to Edward Steele, Supervisor of Census Applications for Census Enumerator
Box 185  Letters 3rd Session 46th Congress, Dec. 1880
Box 186  Letters 3rd Session 46th Congress, Jan. 1881
Box 187  Letters 3rd Session 46th Congress, Feb., 1881, A-O
Box 188  Letters 3rd Session 46th Congress, Feb., 1881, P-Z
Box 189  Letters received during 3rd Session 46th Congress, miscellaneous, departmental, pamphlets, etc. [June to December 1880, Jan. to March 1881 and undated]
Box 190  Letters relating to pensions, 3rd Session 46th Congress, August 1877 to March 1881
Box 191  Letters relating to pensions, 1880, 1881, 3rd Session 46th Congress, Nov. 1879 to May 1880
Box 192  Letters relating to Pensions 3rd Session 46th Congress, April 1880 to February 1881
Box 193  Letters from September 1878 to June 1887 and undated
Newspaper clippings and some printed material
| Box 194 | Special correspondence groupings, March 1885-July 1888  
|        | Letters to Randall, March-September 1885  
|        | Suggestive political letters as to Randall's tariff speech and state of the country, May-July 1888  
|        | Requests for copies of Randall's speech, March-July 1888  
|        | Postcards requesting copies of speech, June-July 1888  
| Box 195 | Patronage letters 1883, 1887  
| Box 196 | Notes, resolutions, etc. regarding the tariff  
| Box 197 | Materials from a letter file box mostly in regard to tariff, October 1887 - July 1888  

[see next page]
Box 198  Bags, silver, lard, chemicals; books (2 folders); borax and cement.

Box 199  Chains, cotton ties, iron products; chemicals (4 folders).

Box 200  Clay, bottles, sewer pipe, earthenware, glass; clay pipes, wire, plate glass; cacao matting; colors - dyes; copper, lead, nickel, gold & silver leaf; quicksilver, hair pins; cotton products.

Box 201  Distilled spirits; drugs; flax, hemp; flax, hemp, burlap; glue, flax, lead products; glycerin, potash, soda; gold beaters, pens, sheet iron, files, plows; hides; jute, chemicals, molasses.

Box 202  Lace, salt; leather, furs, hair; manila fibers, cotton lace, wool; marble, chicory, rice, currents, canning; marble, minerals, metals tobacco, dyes, whiskey; metals, grains, vegetables, fish; "Tariff-Metals"; miscellaneous tariff material; morocco, leather, gloves, pearl buttons.

Box 203  Nails, bar iron, steel pens, Mills & Randall Bills compared; oils and licorice; opium, quinine, plaster of Paris, coal tar products; paints - colors; paints, glue, silk, chemicals; paper, pens; pipes, brushes, collars, curled hair.

Box 204  Salt; salt, flax, paper boxes, toys; salt, wool; silk hats; silk hat, charcoal, nickel, sugar, silicate of soda; silk goods; silk, soda, plaster, leather; sorghum, sugar.

Box 205  Starches; steel, lumber, books, paint; steel, textiles; stockings; sugar (fragile materials); sugar, molasses.

Box 206  Tariff - To Collectors of Customs. [Aug. 1886]; "on Tariff"; "Tariff" (Jan. 1886); tin plate, tobacco, cotton thread; tobacco, earth paints, tin plate, tea and coffee; tobacco.

Box 207  Varnish, Hemlock extract, whiskey; vinegar; whiskey, tariff clippings; wines, liquors; wire, steel, nickel.

Box 208  Woolen goods - wool; wool, mohair, carpets, whiskey; wool growers; wool, cotton goods, whiskey, salt; wool, sugar, flax, whiskey; yarns and worsteds.

Box 209  Randall's Constituents against Wool Tariff Bill; wool [4 folders]; wool products; wool products.
| Box 210-212 | Original envelope files on miscellaneous subjects |
| Box 213     | Correspondence and date 1870-1875          |
| Box 214-216 | Breakdown of original envelope files       |
| Box 217-219 | Miscellaneous subject material, Randall and Penna. material |
| Box 220     | Committees, public buildings, rules        |
| Box 221     | Finances                                   |
| Box 222     | Army and Navy material                     |
| Box 223     | Fortifications                             |
| Box 224     | Ordinance, armament, mines                 |
| Box 225-226 | Tariff Material                            |
| Box 227-229 | Miscellaneous undated Congressional items  |
| Box 230-231 | Randall ms. speeches                       |
| Box 232     | Randall printed speeches, bills in Congress and memorial volume |
| Box 233     | Randall check books                        |
| Box 234     | Miscellaneous books, notebooks, almanacs, etc. |
| Box 235     | Invitations, programs, music sheets, badges, locks of hair |
| Box 236     | Photographs                                |
| Box 237     | Maps and blueprints                        |
| Box 238     | Scrapbooks                                 |
| Box 239     | Clippings and photos                       |
| Box 240-249 | Newspapers and clippings                   |
| Box 250-262 | Copies of the Congressional Record and other official printed matter, booklets, speeches and other material which was printed privately and sent to Randall and other members of Congress |
| Box 263-270 | Material relating to Susan and Ann Randall during their father's lifetime, letters relating to Susan Randall's life after her father's death, and other members of the family. |
Box 271 Photos, cartoons
Box 272 Tariff correspondence
Box 273 Canvassers' transcripts for Philadelphia, election of 1872
Box 274 Undated correspondence
Box 275 Letter fragments
Box 276 Congressional Record and pamphlets
Box 277-280 Pamphlets
Box 281-283 Unsorted material
Box 284-287 Duplicate printed material
Box 250  Miscellaneous

Box 250  A  Railroa material.

Box 251  Tariff only

Box 252  Foreign Commerce; Govt. expenditure, Treasury Dept., particularly National Bank. Census Bulletin (in folder).

Box 253  Miscellaneous

Box 254  R.R. bridges, N.M., Utah, Indians, labor arbitration, fortifications, underground cables, heavy ordnance, House of Representatives rules, Postal Guide of U.S., P.O. Bill, Reports of Comm. of Judiciary, bill on vetos, a bill on southern elections, bonded spirits; Louisville & Portland canal; internal taxes & duties; bill on treasury notes, members of SDTZ Com., Congressional Record, 1879; 1890., appropriations, statistics & bills on. Bound vol. Estimate of Appropriations 1889-1890.

Box 255  Miscellaneous

Box 256  Miscellaneous, especially on appropriations (Annual Report of the Trea.) and money.

Box 257  Miscellaneous, including McPherson's Handbook of Politics, 1870,; mainly currency materials.

Box 258  Notes on correspondents of Randall; lists cover main ones from correspondence boxes; miscellaneous materials cover biographical & political articles on Randall. 1879 map of Philadelphia; Congressional Directory for 41st Congress. Mississippi River improvements; book in Japanese; letters on tariff and trade dollar; 1887 speech on agriculture; "The Constitution & Mr. Motley." (1861) local hist. of Phila; American Party National Convention; 1845. Patronage, labor, letters from Grover Cleveland, letter on Arkansas Constitution of 1874; Sioux War and Indian affairs.

Box 259  Bills and resolutions.

Box 260  Speaker's gavel; miscellaneous.

Box 261  Miscellaneous, includes prospectus for Postal Telegraph Co., Taxes, Currency, Mexican War, tariff, libraries.

Box 262  Miscellaneous, includes obits, foreign affairs, rivers, harbors & canals, the South and education; Constitution of Georgia.