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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Vincent P. Lannie collection
Date(s)	1733-1974
Creator:	Lannie, Vincent P., collector
Abstract:	Materials collected by Vincent P. Lannie relate to writer Elizabeth Waties Allston Pringle, Allston and Vanderhost family members and their enslaved people, Confederate imprints, a broadside advertisement for a rice planting device, Civil War ships <i>USS Monitor</i> and <i>Keokuk</i> , a Revolutionary era parole, and a letter of John Rutledge. Also includes letters to George N. Shuster, former president of Hunter College and editor of <i>Commonweal</i> , from cleric Daniel Berrigan, writers including Clare Boothe Luce, John Hersey, Hilaire Belloc, and Thornton Wilder, from singer Regina Resnik, and from other well-known politicians and educators.
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Language of Material:	Materials in English. Some correspondence in German and French.

Biographical Note

Vincent P. Lannie graduated from Columbia University and became a professor of education and history at Case Western University, New York University, and Notre Dame. He was an administrator at Burke High School (Charleston, S.C.) and in 1988 joined the faculty in the History Department at the College of Charleston.

Elizabeth Waties Allston Pringle (1845-1921) was the daughter of South Carolina Governor Robert F.W. Allston (1801-1864). She married John Julius Pringle (1842-1876) in 1870 and lived at White House Plantation (S.C). She became a widow at the age of 31 and moved to the Allston family plantation, Chicora Wood, to help her mother, Adele P. Allston, care for her widowed brother's children. She was the author of *A Woman Rice Planter* and *Chronicles of Chicora Wood* and she wrote under the name of Patience Pennington.

The Vanderhorst family was prominent in South Carolina in the late 18th and early 19th century, particularly Arnoldus Vanderhorst (1748-1815) who was Governor from 1794-1796. The family owned large land holdings on Kiawah Island and elsewhere.

George N. Shuster was the President of Hunter College until his retirement in 1960. He was also an editor for the journal *Commonweal* and author of *Education and Moral Wisdom* and *UNESCO: Assessment and Promise*.

Collection Overview

Materials collected by Vincent P. Lannie, former history and education professor and avid researcher. Materials include writings by Elizabeth Waties Allston Pringle, items documenting the Allston and Vanderhorst families including slave lists and bills of sale of slaves, Confederate imprints, including a bill about controlling free people of color and slaves, and a broadside advertisement for a rice planter manufactured in Charleston, S.C. With sketch of Civil War gunboats *USS Keokuk* and *USS Monitor*, a Revolutionary War era Charleston parole, and a letter of John Rutledge. Includes letters, many on Catholic themes, to George N. Shuster, former president of Hunter College and editor of *Commonweal* magazine, from clerics such as Daniel Berrigan, writers including Clare Boothe Luce, John Hersey, Hilaire Belloc, and Thornton Wilder, from singer Regina Resnik, and from other well-known politicians and educators.

Collection Arrangement

Arranged into six series. The George N. Shuster letters are arranged in alphabetical order; all other materials are arranged chronologically by date.

1. Elizabeth Waties Allston Pringle writings, 1914, undated
2. Vanderhorst family papers, 1787-1838, undated
3. Confederate manuscripts, 1860-1865, undated
4. Slavery manuscripts, 1789-1861, undated
5. George N. Shuster letters, 1928-1974
6. Miscellaneous manuscripts, 1733-1895, undated

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

Names

Pringle, Elizabeth W. Allston (Elizabeth Waties Allston), 1845-1921
Rutledge, John, 1739-1800
Shuster, George N. (George Nauman), 1894-1977
Berrigan, Daniel
Belloc, Hilaire, 1870-1953
Hersey, John, 1914-1993
Luce, Clare Boothe, 1903-1987
Resnik, Regina, 1922-
Wilder, Thornton, 1897-1975
Allston family
Vanderhorst family
Commonweal (New York, N.Y.)
Hunter College
Keokuk (Ironclad steamer)--Portraits
Monitor (Ironclad)--Portraits

Subjects

African Americans--South Carolina--History
Slaves--South Carolina--Charleston
Rice--Machinery
Parole--United States--History--Revolution, 1775-1783
Clergy--Correspondence
Educators--Correspondence
Musicians--Correspondence
Politicians--Correspondence
Writers--Correspondence

Places

Confederate States of America--Imprints
Charleston (S.C.)

Types of Material

Clippings (information artifacts)
Broadside
Diaries
Holographs
Manuscripts
Paper money
Pen-and-ink drawings
Poetry
Research notes
Stock certificates

Administrative Information

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Acquisitions Information

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Alternate Form of Materials

Digital reproduction of the Elizabeth Waties Allston Pringle writings available online in the **Lowcountry Digital Library**.

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Detailed description of the collection

1. Elizabeth Waties Allston Pringle writings, 1914, undated

Includes several typed and handwritten manuscripts by Pringle. Handwritten holographs include a partial draft of *Chronicles of Chicora Wood*, an untitled manuscript about "Pompey Green," notes about rice plantations in Georgetown County including White House, Pee Dee, and Waccamaw. Also includes typescripts for proposed series signed "Patience Pennington," and a rejection letter from publisher George Brett at the Macmillan Company. Detailed information about each item included with collection.

These writings also available online through the [Lowcountry Digital Library](#).

Folder 1 item 1	"Pompey Green," untitled manuscript, undated
Folder 1 item 2	Georgetown County manuscript, undated
Folder 1 item 3	<i>Chronicles of Chicora Wood</i> draft, undated
Folder 2 item 1	"Plantation Sketches, No. 1: My Dogs" by Patience Pennington, undated
Folder 2 item 2	"Peaceville Happenings, No. 1: The Innocents at Home and the Furniture Fiend Abroad" by Patience Pennington, undated
Folder 2 item 3	Letter from George Brett to "Mrs. Pringle," 1914 April 10

2. Vanderhorst family papers, 1787-1838, undated

Includes one bound manuscript volume and three manuscripts relating to the Vanderhorst family. The manuscript volume includes two works of fiction relating to Charleston. The individual manuscripts include the will of John Vanderhorst, a letter from Charles Cotesworth Pinckney to Governor Vanderhorst about Fort Johnson, and a newspaper clipping of the obituary of "Lewis Vander Horst" (Lewis Morris Vanderhorst). Detailed information about each item included with collection.

Folder 3	Manuscript volume, 1829-1838
	Headed "Kiawah Island, SC / March 14th 1827," includes two fictional stories and a few diary entries for September 18-27, 1838 which mention the author breaking her arm in a carriage accident, a yellow fever outbreak including the death of a "citadel soldier," and mention of a possible hurricane.
Folder 4 item 1	John Vanderhorst last will and testament, 1787 February 27
Folder 4 item 2	Letter from Charles Cotesworth Pinkney to Governor Vanderhorst, 1795 August 21
Folder 4 item 3	Lewis Morris Vanderhorst obituary, undated

3. Confederate manuscripts, 1860-1865, undated

This series includes Civil War era documents assembled by the Allston family, including broadsides, correspondence, handwritten manuscripts, news clippings, and cartoons from *Punch* and *Vanity Fair* caricaturing personalities and issues before and during the war. Detailed information about each item included with collection.

Folder 5 item 1	Printed letter from "Edward M'Craday" to "Hon. R.F.W. Allston," 1860 December 20
	Asking for contributions to equip the Meagher Guards.

- Folder 5 item 2 Printed letter from Gabriel Manigault to Governor Francis W. Pickens, 1861 August 9
 Recommends the creation of a flotilla of rowboats to transport soldiers from Charleston to both Santee and Savannah Rivers.
- Folder 5 item 3 Printed message from Jefferson Davis to "The Army in Eastern Virginia," 1862 July 5
- Folder 5 item 4 Typed transcript of letter from Unionist James Louis Petigru to Confederate friend Joshua Hill, 1862 January 28
- Folder 6 item 1 "An Ordinance to dissolve the Union between the State of South Carolina and other states" broadside, 1860 December 20
- Folder 6 item 2 "Battle of Manassas" newspaper clippings, 1861 August 12-1861 August 19
 Include poetry about the Battle of Manassas and Hampton's Legion.
- Folder 6 item 3 *The Charleston Mercury* newspaper, 1861 July 21
 Includes Jefferson Davis' message to Confederate Congress on preparations for defense in the South; includes "Yankee Accounts of the Battle at Bull's Run."
- Folder 6 item 4 "From Savannah: Development of Union Sentiment in Georgia" clipping, 1865 January 10
- Folder 7 *Punch* or *The London Charivari* and *Vanity Fair*, 1860-1865
 Cartoons from the English magazines *Punch* and *Vanity Fair* with uniformly unfavorable depictions of Lincoln until his death; includes some cartoons relating to Garibaldi's "liberation" of Italy from the Papacy.
- Folder 8 item 1 "Sketch of the Country occupied by the Federal & Confederate Armies on the 18th & 21st July 1861" lithograph, undated
 At the Battle of Bull's Run by Captain Samuel P. Mitchell.
- Folder 8 item 2 Typewritten account of the war in Virginia, undated fragment (3 pages)
 Fredericksburg and Richmond are mentioned.
- Folder 8 item 3 Ironclads *USS Keokuk* and *USS Monitor* ink sketch, undated
- Folder 8 item 4 Handwritten poem, "Charge of Hagood's Brigade...21st Aug. 1864 on the Federal lines on the Weldon R[ail] R[oad]," author unknown
- Folder 8 item 5 Handwritten poem, "Stack Arms" by J.B. Allston, undated
 Noted as, "Lines written by a prisoner in Fort Delaware Del. on hearing the surrender of Gen. Lee's army."

4. Slavery manuscripts, 1789-1861, undated

This series includes slave sales and lists between South Carolina families, a printed report from the Committee on Colored Population regarding sentiments about slavery, and a pen-and-ink sketch of "Negroes picking cotton." Detailed information about each item included with collection.

- Folder 9 item 1 Summary of slave sales the estate of John Vanderhorst, 1789 November 19

- Folder 9 item 2 "Bill of Sale" for 19 named slaves, Daniel Ravenel to Elias Vanderhorst, 1828 January 4
- Folder 9 item 3 "List of Negro fellows on Chichesaw Island Plantation," 1860 November 16
 List notes their work roles on rice plantation.
- Folder 9 item 4 "The Committee on Colored Population" report and proposed South Carolina House of Representatives Bill by J. Harleston Read, 1861 December 5
 Calls for "more efficient Police Regulations" of enslaved and free colored people. Sent by mail to Gov. R.F.W. (Robert Francis Withers) Allston.
- Folder 9 item 5 "Final notice" of slave sale by Alonzo J. White from Nightingale Hall, South Carolina, undated
 Broadside notes names of enslaved men, women, and children, with holograph notations on relationships, professions, status, and related.
- Folder 9 item 6 "Negroes picking cotton" ink sketch, undated

5. George N. Shuster letters, 1928-1974

Includes letters from 35 correspondents, nearly all well-known politicians, educators, writers, clerics, and musicians. Many letters relate to Catholic issues and personalities, *Commonweal Magazine*, and Shuster's 1960s retirement from the position of president of Hunter College. Includes letters from Jacques and Raissa Martain, Daniel Berrigan, John Hersey, Hilaire Belloc, Clare Boothe Luce, and Regina Resnik and others. Also includes letters from Abraham Ribicoff, Connecticut governor, asking Shuster to serve on the Board of the University of Connecticut and regretting he could not; Franklin D. Roosevelt, President, about donation of his mother's books and memorabilia to Hunter College; Eleanor Roosevelt, about two houses Shuster wanted to buy from the Roosevelts, and social engagements; and Thornton Wilder, author, regarding his libretto for an opera with music being written by Louisa Talma, member of the Hunter faculty. Detailed information about each item included with collection.

- Folder 10 Babbitt-Cooper
- Folder 11 Farley-Hook
- Folder 12 Javits-Rockefeller
- Folder 13 Roosevelt-Wilder

6. Miscellaneous manuscripts, 1733-1895, undated

This series includes broadsides, clippings, correspondence, and financial materials assembled by the Allston family. Detailed information about each item included with collection.

- Folder 14 item 1 Survey for 176 acres in Craven County, 1733 March 1
 1824 copy.
- Folder 14 item 2 "For cleaning and making navigable Edisto River" broadside, 1787 January 29
 With subscriber's names and shares itemized.
- Folder 14 item 3 Testimony of parole, 1780 July 27

- Printed parole granted by General Henry Clinton with handwritten conditions to stay in Charles Towne.
- Folder 14 item 4 Printed broadside from United States Senator Robert Goodloe Harper to "Dear Sir," 1795 June 29
- Outlines the stipulations of the controversial Jay treaty within Great Britain.
- Folder 14 item 5 Letter from John Rutledge to Governor Arnoldus Vanderhorst, 1795 July 29
- Speaks of Rutledge's resignation as Chief Justice of South Carolina to become Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court.
- Folder 14 item 6 Bank of Charleston stock certificate, 1856 February 14
- Folder 14 item 7 *Harper's Weekly*, 1859 May 28
- Includes obituary for Alexander Humboldt.
- Folder 15 item 1 Bank of South Carolina bank note, Confederate States of America, 1863 February 1
- Folder 15 item 2 *Miller's Planters' & Merchants' State Rights Almanac* title page, 1864
- Folder 15 item 3 "Description of the great-gale of 1874 as seen from Sullivan's Island" holograph, 1874 October 20
- A poetic description of the hurricane of 1874.
- Folder 15 item 4 Broadside advertising "Dotterer's sulky rice planter," offered by T.D. Dottere and the manufacturer, Eason's Iron Works, Charleston, undated
- Includes original photograph.
- Folder 15 item 5 "Recipes from the Text book of Nursing & Food for invalid wine whey," undated
- Folder 16 Linen handkerchief with embroidered flowers, undated