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**Inventory of the Harby, Moïse, Levy, Moses,
and Davis Family Photographs, circa 1860-1890**

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Harby, Moïse, Levy, Moses, and Davis family photographs
Date(s)	circa 1860-1890
Creator:	Moses, Octavia Harby, 1828-1904
Abstract:	Photographic portraits featuring the relations of Octavia Harby Moses, including her immediate family as well as descendants and relatives through the marriages of her children. Octavia Harby Moses married Andrew J. Moses in 1839 and the couple had eighteen children, fourteen of whom lived to adulthood. Many of the children married into the Moïse, Levy, Moses, and Davis families, which are primarily featured in the collection. The photographs were originally housed in an album believed to belong to Octavia Harby Moses.
Extent:	0.25 linear feet (1 slim document box)
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Language of Material:	Materials in English

Biographical Note

Octavia Harby Moses (1823-1904) was born to Rachel Mordecai (1781-1827) and Isaac Harby (1788-1828). Her father, Isaac Harby, was a prominent newspaper editor and publisher, playwright, drama critic, essayist, political and social commentator, and religious reformer. After her mother's death in 1827 and her father's death in 1828, Octavia and her siblings were raised by Isaac's sister Caroline De Litchfield Harby. Octavia married Andrew Jackson Moses in 1839 and the couple settled in Sumter, South Carolina, in 1842. Over the next 27 years, she gave birth to 18 children, 14 of whom lived to maturity. Five of Octavia's children served in the Confederate army during the Civil War; her eldest, Joshua Lazarus Moses, was killed at the Battle of Blakely in 1865. Many of Octavia's children married into the Moïse, Levy, Moses, and Davis families.

Of the couple's daughters, Rebecca Harby Moses (1841-1918) married Thomas Jefferson Moïse (1826-1869) on November 2, 1859, Armida Moses (1850-1902) married Ansley S. Davis (1848-1906), and Caroline Moses (1855-1904) married Montefiore J. Moses (b. 1871). Of their sons, Alfred Harby Moses married Rosalie Davis (1851-1918), Perry Moses (1844-1916) married Rosalie V. Levy (1845-1930), Andrew Jackson Moses (1846-1911) married Adele Levy (1849-1920) on September 3, 1873, and Walter Irving Harby (1859-1915) married Jacqueline E. Levy on May 21, 1889.

Collection Overview

This collection consists of cabinet cards and tintypes that were originally housed in a single photograph album believed to belong to Octavia Harby Moses. The photographs have been removed from the album and kept in original order. Many include inscriptions to Octavia on the reverse. Images document the extensive family and descendants of Octavia Harby Moses, featuring members of the Harby, Moïse, Levy, Moses, and Davis families, as well as a single member of the Phelps family, a single member of the Bultman family, and a number of unidentified individuals. Examples include Armida Harby, Thomas Jefferson Moïse and his wife Rebecca Harby Moses Moïse, Ansley S. Davis and his wife Armida Moses Davis, Caroline Moses, Dulcie Moïse, Lucia Levy, Albert L. Moses, and others. The photographs originate from a number of different states, including Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, New York, Pennsylvania, and South Carolina. Also included is an index identifying the subjects in the photographs.

Collection Arrangement

Materials are described at the folder level.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Related Material

Related materials in Special Collections include the Harby family papers (Mss 1116) and the Octavia Harby Autograph album (Mss 1115), Weinberg and Moses family papers (Mss1135), Cohen, Emanuel, Moses, and Seixas family papers (Mss 1124).

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

- Harby Family
- Moïse family
- Levy family
- Moses family
- Davis family
- Moses, Octavia Harby, 1828-1904--Family

Subjects

Jews--South Carolina--Charleston
Jewish families--South Carolina--Sumter
Charleston (S.C.)--Genealogy--Photographs

Types of Material

Black-and-white photographs
Cartes-de-visite (card photographs)
Cabinet photographs
Tintypes (prints)
Portraits

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

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Acquisitions Information

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Inventory

- Box 1 Folder 1 Photograph index, undated
- Box 1 Folder 2 Photographs, 1876, undated

Includes cabinet cards and tintypes of members of the Harby, Moïse, Levy, Davis, and Moses families, including Armida Harby, Octavia Harby Moses, Thomas Jefferson Moïse and his wife Rebecca Harby Moses Moïse, Ansley S. Davis and his wife Armida Moses Davis, Caroline Moses, Dulcie Moïse, Lucia Levy, Albert L. Moses, and others.