RAGLAND FAMILY PAPERS
1861-1899

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INTRODUCTION

The Ragland Family Papers collection is centered on the Ragland family of Haywood County, Tennessee. Included in the collection are correspondence, genealogical data on the Ragland family, and some speeches of Governor John Marshall Stone, Governor of the State of Mississippi. The donor of this collection is Miss Martha Ragland, Brownsville, Tennessee.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Ragland Family Papers Collection, containing approximately 64 items, spans the period 1861-1899. This collection is centered on the Ragland family of Haywood County, Tennessee, whose primary correspondents were John Marshall Stone (1830-1900), Governor of the State of Mississippi (1876-1881, 1890-1896) and Thomas Fletcher Ragland (1842-1863), a Haywood County native who fought in the Confederate Army and died from wounds received at the Battle of Chickamauga (1863). Also included in the collection is genealogical data on the Ragland family and some speeches of Governor Stone.
CONTAINER LIST

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8. Speeches and addresses – Stone, John Marshall, 1890-1896
This is a name index for the correspondence in the Ragland Family Papers, together with the dates of the letters and information regarding their contents. The numbers in parentheses immediately following the name denote the number of letters, if more than one. The last numbers refers to the folder in which the material is to be found.

Ragland, S [allie] A. to her brother, Fred, 1872, re: family news; family data, 1
Ragland, Thomas Fletcher to family (13), 1861-1863, re: discontent among men due to actions of their officers; camp conditions; troop movements; fighting in Columbus, Kentucky; McClellan and the Richmond fight; cost of equipment; news of friends; Tennesseans selling cotton to the Yankees, 1
Stone, John Marshall to cousin, Fannie Holmes [Ragland] (8), 1887-1892; re: family news; reminiscences; advice, 2
Stone, John Marshall to cousin, Fannie Holmes [Ragland] (8), 1893-1894, re: family news; illness; trips; advice; Mississippi politics and government; requesting a visit, 3
Stone, John Marshall to cousin, Fannie Holmes [Ragland] (8), 1895, re: hope for a visit; meetings; family news; Mississippi politics and government; trips, 4
Stone, John Marshall to cousin, Fannie Holmes [Ragland] (9), 1896, re: family news; illness and deaths; Mississippi Deaf and Dumb Institute; duties as president of the Merchants Bank, Jackson, Mississippi, 5
Stone, John Marshall to cousin, Fannie Holmes [Ragland] (10), 1897-1899, re: marriage of his correspondent; family news; reminiscences; illness; enlistment from Mississippi in Spanish-American War; reunion of Confederate Veterans at Atlanta, Georgia; the presidency of the Agricultural and Mechanical College in Mississippi, 6
Stone, John Marshall to I. M. Holmes, 1895, re: requesting that Cousin Fannie be allowed to visit longer, 6