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**UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.
CLARK CHAPTER, NO. 13 (GALLATIN, TENN.),
MINUTE BOOKS,
1898-1902, 1942**

COLLECTION SUMMARY

Creator:

United Daughters of the Confederacy. Clark Chapter, No. 13 (Gallatin, Tenn.)

Inclusive Dates:

1898-1902, 1942

Scope & Content:

Two handwritten volumes spanning the period 1898-1942, with the bulk of the materials dating to 1898-1902. Minute books of the transactions and proceedings of the Clark Chapter, No. 13, United Daughters of the Confederacy, are chronological. The first includes minutes dated 1898-1899 and also contains a letter dated 1942. An entry dated March [1898] details the gift of one dollar to Virginia for a memorial to Jefferson Davis. Especially poignant is an [1898] memorial resolution for Varina Anne Jefferson Davis, daughter of Confederate President Jefferson Davis. An excerpt from the resolution reads:

Be it resolved that we bow our heads in submission to the will of God, and pay a loving tribute to her memory and that we tender to her Mother and Sister our heartfelt sympathy in this hour of trial.

The benevolence of the group can be seen throughout the logs. A good example of this is enclosed in the proceedings of a special called meeting on November 21, [1899]:

The object of the meeting was to take some action in regard to giving assistance to...the widow of a Confederate soldier & her invalid daughter who are in wretched circumstances. It was decided to send her what contributions could be received in money, clothes & provisions.

The second book contains records for the years 1900-1902. Details regarding Trousdale Place in Gallatin, Tennessee, as well as the Library and Historical Society and the Monumental Association can be found in the 1900 minutes.

The records give insight into the transactions and business of a hereditary organization. They could be beneficial to students or researchers studying the American Civil War, the Confederate States of America, Jefferson Davis, and/or the history of Trousdale Place. Individuals researching Confederate ancestors should also find the materials of interest.

Physical Description/Extent:

2 volumes

Accession/Record Group Number:

Mf. 1973

Language:

English

Permanent Location:

Mf. 1973 (available only on microfilm)

Repository:

Tennessee State Library and Archives, 403 Seventh Avenue North, Nashville, Tennessee, 37243-0312

Administrative/Biographical History

Clark Chapter, No. 13, in Gallatin, Tennessee, is a chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (UDC). The UDC is a national society organized on September 10, 1894, in Nashville. It extends membership to women over the age of 16 “who are blood descendants, lineal or collateral, of men and women who served **honorably** in the Army, Navy or Civil Service of the Confederate States of America, or gave Material Aid to the Cause.”

The group was chartered on October 29, 1895, and is one of the oldest chapters in the national association. It was named after the four sons of Emma Douglass and William F. Clark: Edward, Reuben Douglass, David Fulton, and Charles. All four served in the Confederate Army; only Charles survived and returned home to Sumner County. Emma was a widow at the time of her sons’ enlistment, and her “sacrifice...is memorialized in the name of the Clark Chapter.”

Clark Chapter owns and operates Trousdale Place in Gallatin. The historic site has been in its care since 1900 and is listed on the National Register of Historic

Places. The home was built about 1813 by John H. Bowen. After Bowen's death, the house was acquired by Gov. William Trousdale. It was deeded to Clark Chapter in 1899 by Annie Berry Trousdale, Gov. Trousdale's daughter-in-law. Along with Trousdale Place, the chapter also maintains a small library of military history.

Source: Information in the historical note was gleaned from various items within this collection and from the following websites:

http://www.rootsweb.ancestry.com/~tnc13udc/clark_chapter_13.html
<http://www.hqudc.org/>

Organization/Arrangement of Materials

Two single-volume ledgers containing chronological meeting minutes.

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Index Terms

Personal Names:

Davis, Jefferson, 1808-1889
Davis, Varina Anne, 1864-1898
Trousdale, William, 1790-1872

Corporate Names/Organizations/Government Bodies:

United Daughters of the Confederacy. Clark Chapter, No. 13 (Gallatin, Tenn.) -- Records and correspondence

Subjects:

Confederate States of America -- History--Sources
Confederate States of America -- In popular culture

Confederate States of America -- Presidents
Trousedale Place (Gallatin, Tenn.) -- History -- Sources

Geographic Names:

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Societies, etc.

Document Types:

Minute books

Acquisition and Appraisal

Provenance and Acquisition:

The minute books were loaned to the Tennessee State Library and Archives by the Clark Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy on November 26, 2012. They were microfilmed and returned to the lender.

Processing and Administrative Information

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Existence and Location of Originals:

Held privately.

Electronic Location and Access:

<http://www.tennessee.gov/tsla/history/manuscripts/findingaids/mf1973.pdf>

DETAILED COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

CONTAINER LIST

Contents/Item Title	Date	Volume
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