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WILLIAMS, NANNIE E. HASKINS **PAPERS, 1863-1917**

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INTRODUCTION

The Nannie E. Haskins Williams Papers are centered on Nannie E. Haskins Williams of Clarksville, Tennessee. The papers were a gift of Lucy Stark Williams and Rowena Day of Clarksville, Tennessee.

The materials in this collection measure .42 cubic feet. There are no restrictions on the materials.

Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the Nannie E. Haskins Williams Papers may be made for purposes of scholarly research.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Nannie E. Haskins Williams Papers, containing about 38 items, span the period 1863-1917. The papers revolve around Nannie Haskins, a young woman from Clarksville, Tennessee. Nannie Haskins (b. 1846) was the daughter of E.B. and Tennessee Stark Williamson Haskins. She grew up during the Civil War, and her diaries offer penetrating views of the effect of the war on a small community. Nannie Haskins in 1870 married Henry Philips Williams and lived in Birmingham, Alabama. The correspondence consists primarily of the letters from Nannie Haskins Williams to her daughters, Teressa Stark Donald and Lucy Stark Williams.

The Nannie Haskins Papers may be ranked with other female diarists of the Civil War era, in the detail and perception of her work. For the researcher, the diaries provide a brilliant view of the war in the South.

CONTAINER LIST

Box 1

- 1. Correspondence Rodefer, Charles P.
- 2. Correspondence Williams, Nannie Haskins to Teressa Williams Donald
- 3. Correspondence Williams, Nannie Haskins to Teressa Williams Donald
- 4. Correspondence Williams, Nannie Haskins to Teressa Williams Donald
- 5. Correspondence Williams, Nannie Haskins to Teressa Williams Donald
- 6. Correspondence Williams, Nannie Haskins to Lucy Stark Williams
- 7. Correspondence Williams, Nannie Haskins to Lucy Stark Williams
- 8. Diaries, memoirs, etc. Haskins, Nannie E. February 16, 1863 October 24, 1863
- 9. Diaries, memoirs, etc. Haskins, Nannie E. January 31, 1864 July 3, 1864
- 10. Diaries, memoirs, etc. Haskins, Nannie E. July 3, 1864 December 5, 1864
- 11. Diaries, memoirs, etc. Haskins, Nannie E. December 9, 1864 July 9, 1865
- 12. Diaries, memoirs, etc. Haskins, Nannie E. August 6, 1865 April 9, 1866
- 13. Photographs, drawings, etc. Haskins family

NAME INDEX

This is a name index of the correspondence only in the Nannie E. Haskins Williams Papers, together with the dates of the letters and information regarding their contents. The figures in parentheses denote the number of letters, if more than one. The last numbers refer to the box and folder in which the material is to be found.

- Rodefer, Charles P. to Lucy Williams, 1895, re: discusses confirmation; duties and obligations of the "Christian woman," 1-1
- Williams, Nannie Haskins (15) to Teressa Williams Donald, 1907-1908, re: sickness of daughter, Lucy; encourages daughter to continue education; church work; family and personal news; growth of grandchildren; birth of a child; sickness in community of Clarksville; moving to Birmingham, visit to Arizona; describes famous "Snake Dance" [Hopi Indians]; rental of the Guthrie House, 1-2; 1-3; 1-4; 1-5
- Williams, Nannie Haskins (7) to Lucy Stark Williams, n.d., re: life in Hot Springs, Arizona; recuperation from unspecified illness; family news, 1-6; 1-7