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James Riker, 1822-1889

Papers, 1660-1989

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Summary

- Main Entry:** Riker, James, 1822-1889
- Title:** James Riker Papers, 1660-1989
- Size:** 16 linear feet (24 boxes, 39 volumes)
- Source:** Donated by Title Guarantee and Trust Company, 1918; Nancy Hillegas, via Kroch Library, Cornell University, March 5, 1997.
- Abstract:** The James Riker Papers document the literary activity and family background of the New York historian and genealogist. The collection consists of original documents from colonial-era New York in Dutch and English, extracts and transcripts from New York and New Jersey historical records, genealogical notes, correspondence, writings, notebooks, printed matter and photographs. Also included are Civil War correspondence and military records of James Riker's brother, Colonel John Lafayette Riker of the New York 62nd Regiment Volunteer Infantry.
- Access:** Volumes 9-17, Volumes 23-39 and Box 5, Folder 1 are fragile and have been microfilmed. Readers are required to use the microfilm versions of these materials.

Biographical Note

The historian James Riker was born on May 11, 1822 in New York City. His father was a merchant and landowner descended from early Dutch settlers. Riker left school at the age of sixteen to work in his father's business. During the late 1830s and early 1840s he lived intermittently in Goshen, New York, where he ran a store. By the mid-1840s he had settled at the family home on Delancey Street in Manhattan. There Riker studied informally for the Presbyterian ministry and began the genealogical and historical research that would occupy him for much of his life. He collected original documents from the colonial era, copied extracts from documents in state and local archives and corresponded extensively with historians, relatives and old family friends. In 1848 Riker moved with his father to Harlem. Two years later, having given up his plans for a religious career, he began work as a teacher in New York's Ward School 24. James Riker's first publication, a pamphlet genealogy that traced the Riker family to their early Dutch origins, appeared in 1851. He followed it with a substantial volume of local history, *The Annals of Newtown* (1852). Riker married Vashti Wood Horton in 1853, and the couple had several children. Vashti died in 1864, and Riker was re-married in 1867 to Anna C. Clute. Several years later Riker moved to Waverly, New York where he established the Waverly Library and Museum, and wrote two additional historical works, *Harlem (city of New York): its origin and early annals* (1881) and *Evacuation Day, 1783, with Recollections of Capt. John Van Arsdale, of the Veteran Corps of Artillery* (1883). In his later years Riker struggled financially and was forced to auction off a substantial portion of his library. James Riker died in 1889.

Scope and Content Note

The James Riker Papers are a valuable source of information on colonial New York, the early settlement of Harlem and the history of the Riker family and their ancestors. The collection also provides insights on historical scholarship and family life during the nineteenth century. The papers consist of original documents from colonial New York, transcripts and translations of documents, genealogical notes, research notes and memoranda, personal and financial records, correspondence, writings by James Riker and printed matter pertaining to his writings. Highlights include Dutch manuscript records of the town of Harlem (New York City), 1662-1674, in Dutch; Kingston, N.Y., church accounts, 1681-1684, in Dutch; original papers relating to the Harlem Commons; transcripts and extracts of early records concerning Harlem, Newtown, Long Island, Brooklyn and other early communities in New York; maps of Holland and New York; Civil War correspondence and military records of James Riker's brother John, who was Colonel of the New York 62nd Regiment Volunteer Infantry ("Anderson Zouaves"); and photographs of the Riker family and their descendants.

Arrangement Note

The collection is arranged in eight series:

- I. Correspondence
- II. Colonial Papers
- III. Genealogical Papers
- IV. Notebooks
- V. Miscellaneous Papers
- VI. Writings by James Riker
- VII. Memoria
- VIII. 1997 Additions

Series Descriptions

SERIES I. CORRESPONDENCE, 1864 - 1894, n.d.

BOX 1 AND VOLUME 1

James Riker's correspondence files contain incoming and outgoing letters regarding his historical and genealogical research, the publication of his books and pamphlets and, to a lesser extent, his personal affairs. Several items that postdate Riker's death in 1889 are addressed to his widow, Anna. The chronologically arranged letters in Series I are complemented by additional correspondence filed in Subseries VIIIA, described below.

SERIES II. COLONIAL PAPERS, 1660 - [1880s]

REELS 1-6, BOXES 2-6 AND 24, VOLUMES 2-19

The bulk of this series is comprised of Dutch manuscript records of Harlem pertaining to real estate transactions, wills, surveyor's reports, auditor's accounts and lawsuits. Of particular interest are several volumes of the Council Minutes of New Harlem from 1602-1760. Also included are extracts from church records and other documents from several New York-area towns including Bergen, N.J., Brooklyn, Kingston and Newtown. The material is arranged by town name.

SERIES III. GENEALOGICAL PAPERS, [1840s - 1880s]

BOXES 7-8

These files contain miscellaneous genealogical and demographic notes regarding New York families of the colonial era and their descendants. Interspersed among Riker's notes are extracts from church and town records.

SERIES IV. NOTEBOOKS, [1840s - 1880s]

BOX 9

These pocket notebooks contain diary entries, appointments, accounts, memoranda, genealogical references and research notes on Harlem and Newtown. The sixteen volumes were numbered by James Riker; a volume numbered 18 is included in the 1997 additions to the collection and is filed in Subseries VIIIA, described below. Notebook number 17 is missing.

SERIES V. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS, 1790 - 1873, n.d.

BOXES 10 AND 24, VOLUMES 20-22

These files and volumes contain extracts from French and Dutch historical works, indexes to historical records and publications, notes of conversations with various persons regarding local history and genealogy, personal memoranda and maps.

SERIES VI. WRITINGS BY JAMES RIKER, [1880 - 1881]

BOXES 10-11

Filed here are a draft manuscript of Riker's *History of Harlem* (1881) and related research notes, and a few pages of personal reminiscences.

SERIES VII. MEMORIA, [1840s - 1880s]

Reels 7-10, VOLUMES 23-29

These volumes contain extracts, clippings and research memoranda drawn largely from New York state and town records. There is abundant information regarding New York-area marriages, births and wills during the colonial era, with a particular emphasis on Newtown. Also included is information regarding the participation of New Yorkers in the French-Indian War and the American Revolution.

SERIES VIII. 1997 ADDITIONS, 1754 - 1989

BOXES 13-23

Additions to the James Riker Collection received by The New York Public Library in 1997 have been arranged into eight subseries which mirror the organization of the previously accessioned Riker materials described above. The eight subseries and their contents are described below.

A. Correspondence

These chronologically arranged correspondence files contain incoming and outgoing letters, postcards and telegrams regarding historical and genealogical research, the publication of books and pamphlets, book purchases and sales, business affairs and family matters. In contrast with the letters contained in Series I, which focus primarily on historical research, there is an emphasis here on Riker's youth, his search for a vocation and his personal life. Correspondence from the 1840s describes his early pursuit of a religious career and the dawning of his lifelong interest in local history and genealogy. Scattered items from the 1850s document Riker's work as a teacher in the New York public schools. Letters and telegrams from the 1880s provide evidence of the financial difficulties Riker faced during his final years. Prominent addressees include historian E. B. O'Callaghan and statesman Hamilton Fish (1808-1893).

B. Colonial Papers

A roll and account book of John Lamb, American patriot and Revolutionary soldier who was captain of an artillery company under General Richard Montgomery during the invasion of Canada (1775-1776). The book is written in Lamb's hand and contains the names of men who served under him during 1775-1776, their dates of enlistment, their pay records and cash accounts for the company as a whole.

C. Genealogical Papers

This subseries includes manuscript notes, extracts from and copies of historical documents and original documents gathered by Riker in the course of his research on his ancestors. There is a great deal of material relating to his father, James Riker, Sr. and his maternal grandfather, the American Revolutionary soldier John Van Arsdale. In addition, there is one folder of genealogical information regarding the Crump family and the Ferris family, both descended from the Rikers; this material extends well into the 20th century.

D. Notebooks

This small subseries includes several empty notebook bindings, a small volume containing lists of books, and a pocket notebook of memoranda relating to genealogy, accounts and books. This last item is the 18th in a series of notebooks numbered by James Riker; numbers 1-16 are contained in Series IV, describe above. Number 17 is missing.

E. Miscellaneous Papers

Filed here are school records kept by Riker during his career as a teacher in the New York public schools, real estate documents, miscellaneous notes and accounts, printed materials and financial records.

F. Writings by James Riker

The subseries contains research notes and printed copies of two short works by James Riker: *A Brief History of the Riker Family, from Their First Emigration to This Country in the Year 1638, to the Present Time* (1851) and *Evacuation Day, 1783, with Recollections of Capt. John Van Arsdale, of the Veteran Corps of Artillery* (1883). Also filed here are two corrected holograph manuscripts regarding the history of the Van Arsdale family.

G. John Lafayette Riker Papers

James Riker's younger brother John Lafayette Riker served in the American Civil War as Colonel of the New York 62nd Regiment Volunteer Infantry ("Anderson Zouaves"). He was killed on May 31, 1862 at Fair Oaks, Virginia. His papers include the enlistment rolls of his regiment, personal and military correspondence, military orders, lists of soldiers and officers and a few items pertaining to his education for a legal career.

H. Photographs and Ephemera

Items include photoprints, tintypes and daguerreotypes of members of the Riker family, the Crump family and several unidentified persons; buttons from a coat worn in the American Civil War by John Lafayette Riker; fragments of an unidentified flag or pennant; a badge and medallion dating from the 20th century, probably originating from the Crump family.

Container List

SERIES I. CORRESPONDENCE, 1864 - 1894, n.d.

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	
1	1	1864 - 1871
	2	1872 - 1873
	3	1874 - 1876
	4	1877 - 1878
	5	1879 - 1880
	6	1881 - 1894, n.d.
<u>Volume</u>		
1		Letterbook, 1864 - 1872

SERIES II. COLONIAL PAPERS, [1660 - 1880s]

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	
		Bergen, N.J.
2	1	Extracts from the records of the Reformed Dutch Church, n.d.
		Brooklyn
		[See also: Series IV. Notebooks, Numbers 9 and 10 and Series VII. Memoria, Reel 8 (Volume 28)]
	2	Extracts from the records of the Reformed Dutch Church, 1660 - 1719
	3	Survey map, Bushwick-Newtown, 1706
	4	Power of Attorney, Gowanus, 1660 Oct 27 [Autograph document]
		Hackensack, N.J.
		[See also: Series VII. Memoria, Reel 10 (Volume 39)]
	5	Extracts from church records, n.d.
		Harlem
	6	Analysis of Quit Rent Lists, 1715 - 1753
	7	Composite notes on early conveyances, n.d.
	8	Conveyance of land, 1683 [Copy]
	9	Copies of records in Secretary of State's Office, Albany, n.d.
	10	Extracts from deeds in Register's Office, New York, n.d.
	11	Extracts from marriage bonds, n.d.
	12	Extracts from Wills relating to Harlem taken from the Surrogate's Office, n.d. [With index at end of volume]
	13	Extracts, notes and copies of records relating to the history of Harlem, n.d.
<u>Volume</u>		
2		Copies of abstracts relating to Harlem, n.d.
3		Harlem chronology, n.d.
4		Chronological notes on Harlem, n.d.
5		Commonplace book of Harlem data, n.d.
6		Harlem settlers, n.d.
7		Lists of taxes, assessments and quit rents, 1670 - 1685
8		Extracts from Albany Records relating to Harlem settlers and families, n.d.
<u>Reel</u>	<u>Volume</u>	
1	9	Council Minutes of New Harlem, 1662 - 1664 [Autograph documents]
1	10	Council Minutes of New Harlem, 1666 - 1670 [Autograph documents]
1	11	Council Minutes of New Harlem, 1670 - 1674 [Autograph documents]

Harlem (continued)

<u>Reel</u>	<u>Volume</u>	
1	12	Council Minutes of New Harlem, 1679 – 1691 [Autograph documents]
1	13	Council Minutes of New Harlem, 1699 – 1760 [Autograph documents]
2	14	Register of Constables and Magistrates, New Harlem, 1674 – 1678 [Autograph documents]
3	15	Miscellaneous Papers of the Council of New Harlem, 1710 – 1788 [Autograph documents]
4	16	Schult Boeck of New Harlem, 1678 – 1702 [Autograph documents]
5	17	Quit Rents on New Harlem lands, 1699 – 1753 [Autograph documents]
	18	Minutes of the Congregational Church, Harlem, 1862 – 1867
<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	
3	1	General Table of the lands in occupation, 1715 Mar 1
	2	Grant of land to George Hanel, 1664 [Copy]
	3	Inquiries: Books A and B. Questions relating to the history of Harlem, n.d.
	4	Item Book A. Notes about places, peoples and persons, in Europe and America, as relating to the history of Harlem, n.d.
	5	Item Book B. Genealogical memoranda relating to Harlem families, n.d.
	6	Johannes la Montagne's accounts for the maintenance of Hendrick de Forest's plantation, 1638 [Copy]
	7	List of first settlers of Harlem, 1636 – 1699
	8	List of Grants, Deeds, Sales, Wills, 1662 – 1797
	9	Memoranda from the Collegiate Church Records, n.d.
	10	Memoranda book relating to Harlem lands. References to authors in <i>History of Harlem</i> , Part 1, General History. Family Records. Inscription book: genealogical data taken from Harlem graveyards, n.d.
24	1	New Harlem Deacon's Books, 1672 - 1685
3	11	Notes and extracts concerning Harlem deeds, n.d.
	12	Notes and extracts from records relating to Jochem Pieter's Flat, n.d.
	13	Notes and extracts from records relating to Jochem Pieter's Flat, n.d.
	14	Notes and extracts from records relating to Jochem Pieter's Flat, n.d.
4	1	Notes on Harlem land transactions, n.d.
	2	Notes on Harlem land transactions, n.d.
	3	Notes on Harlem land transactions, n.d.
	4	Notes on Harlem land transactions, n.d.
	5	Notes on tracts of land in Harlem, n.d.
	6	Notes on tracts of land in Harlem, n.d.
	7	Opinion of Murray Hoffman relating to land dispute, 1783
	8	References to Deeds and Wills to be examined in the Register's Office, New York, n.d.
	9	Succession Book. Data relating to land distribution, 1715

			Harlem (continued)
<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>		Title of Leonval Guthrie and Livingston Guthrie to land on the Boulevard, 11th Avenue between 146th and 147th Streets, n.d.
4	10		
		11	Translation of Court Record of Land Trial, 1662
			Kingstowne [Kingston], N.Y.
<u>Reel</u>	<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	
6	5	1	Accounts of the Dutch Church, 1681 - 1864
			New Amsterdam
<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>		
5	2		Alphabetical list of residents, 1638 – 1690
	3		Commonality of the Mannhattans, n.d.
	4		Index to Valentine's Manuals, n.d.
	5		Lists of church members and marriages, 1639 – 1701
	6		List of early settlers, n.d.
	7		List of female church members, 1649 – 1661
	8		List of residents of New Amsterdam who were made burghers from the institution of the Burgher Right, 1657 Mar 28 – 1658 Aug 16
	9		Transcripts of baptismal records – Doop Boaeck, Off Register der Kinderen, 1639 – 1666
			New Netherlands
	10		Albany deeds and memoranda for Albany, n.d.
	11		Index to passengers, 1654 – 1664
	12		List of emigrants to New Netherlands from 1623 to 1664. Copied from the original account books of West India Company at Albany, 1623 – 1664
	13		Memoranda of Deeds, n.d.
	14		Miscellaneous deeds and grants, n.d.
	15		Residents of New Netherlands commencing July 15, 1630. Extracts from documents relating to the colonial history of New York City, n.d.
<u>Volume</u>			
19			Index to New Netherlands settlers, n.d.
			New York City
			[See also: Series VII. Memoria, Reels 9 - 10 (Volumes 33 and 38)]
<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>		Various deeds and mortgages. Extracts from the Minutes of the Supreme Court, in the County Clerk's Office, n.d.
5	16		
			Newtown (Queens) Long Island
			[See also: Series IV. Notebooks, Numbers 2, 14, 15 and Series VII. Memoria, Reels 7 - 10 (Volumes 23 - 26, 31, 32, 34 - 36)]
6	1		Burroughs family, n.d.
	2		Document relating to woodland and meadows at Newtown[?], 1667, 1680 [Autograph document]
	3		Extracts from various church and family records including the Riker family, n.d.
	4		Hallett family, n.d.
	5		List of deaths of the early settlers of Newtown, n.d.
	6		Quit-Claim deed to Thomas Skillman, 1713 [Copy]
	7		Woodward family, n.d.
			Orange County, N.Y.
	8		Extracts from Orange County records, n.d.
			Schraelenbergh, N.J.
	9		Extracts from church records, n.d.

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	
		Tappan, N.Y.
6	10	Extracts from Tappan records, n.d.
		Ulster County, N.Y.
	11	Extracts from Ulster County records, n.d.
		Westchester County, N.Y.
	12	Extracts from Westchester County records, n.d.
		SERIES III. GENEALOGICAL PAPERS, [1840s - 1880s]
		[See also: Series II. Colonial Papers and Series IV. Notebooks]
7	1	Beekman-Zyperius, n.d.
	2	Genealogical and demographical notes on various families – Index [incomplete], n.d.
	3-8	Genealogical and demographical notes on various families, n.d.
8	1-12	Genealogical and demographical notes on various families, n.d.
		SERIES IV. NOTEBOOKS, [1840s - 1880s]
9	1	Biographical information chiefly relating to the Riker family, n.d.
	2	Biographical information extracted from Newtown records for the period 1690 - 1800, n.d.
	3	Commentary on the Gospels; genealogical notes relating to the Riker family for the period of the late 1600s and 1700s, n.d.
	4	Genealogical notes on the Riker family, n.d.
	5	Genealogical notes on the Riker family and other families, n.d.
	6	Riker Journal, 1845. Genealogical notes on the Riker family, 1845
	7	Genealogical notes on various families; information taken from family bibles, church records, gravestones, etc., n.d.
	8	Miscellaneous genealogical notes, n.d.
	9	Extracts from Kings County (Brooklyn) records, 1687 - 1710; dates taken from the tombstones in the Presbyterian churchyard and the Dutch churchyard, n.d.
	10	Extracts from Trinity Church records; index to extracts from the Mortuary Records in the Surrogate's Office, Hall of Records, N.Y.; index to Wills in the Surrogate's Office, Hall of Records, N.Y.; index to Deeds in Register's Office, Hall of Records, N.Y.; index to Wills in Surrogate's Office, Jamaica (Queens); index to Wills in Office of Secretary of State of New Jersey, Trenton; index of Deeds, County Clerk's Office, Kings County (Brooklyn), n.d.
9	11	Extracts from newspapers dealing chiefly with military matters, 1755 - ca.1780s; extracts from Porter's <i>Historical Notes of Connecticut</i> and Hisman's <i>Catalogue of the First Settlers of Connecticut</i> ; extracts from Force's <i>American Archives</i> , n.d.
	12	Descriptions of coats-of-arms of various families including the Riker family, n.d.
	13	Genealogical notes on Ditmars, Wyckoff, Remsen and other families, n.d.
	14	Genealogical notes relating to Newtown (Queens), n.d.
	15	Memoranda and queries relating to Newtown and environs, arranged by locality, n.d.
	16	Miscellaneous information; index to notebooks, n.d.

SERIES V. MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS, 1790 - 1873, n.d.

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	
10	1	Alphabetical list of names and list of British army regiments, n.d.
	2	
	3	Extracts concerning Bouchard d'Avisnes, n.d.
	4	Extracts from Anselme's <i>Histoire Genealogique de France</i> , n.d.
	5	Extracts from <i>Archeologie des Monuments Religieux de L'Ancien Beauvoisis</i> by Eugene Woillez, n.d.
	6	Memoranda from conversations with Colonel Samuel Waldron of Harlem; genealogical data relating to various Harlem families, n.d.
	7	Notes of conversation with Mr. Alofsen[?] concerning Schuyler, Van Rensselaer, Van Buren and Van Wageningen families, n.d.
	8	Extracts from <i>Chronicon Balduini Avennensis</i> , n.d.
	9	Extracts from Gouthoeven concerning the Counts of Flanders, n.d.
	10	Extract from <i>Tafreelen mit de Geschiedenis der Ontwikkeling van het Nederlandsche Volk, 1520</i> , n.d.
	11	Graphological notes, n.d.
	12	Harangue de Francois de Louvencourt, n.d.
	13	Historical chronology, 600 A.D. - 1598, n.d.
	14	Index to Maps, Buildings, Views etc. in New York, n.d.
	15	Index to views in Holland, n.d.
	16	Map of Easton, Penn. - Trenton, N.J. - New Brunswick, N.J. triangle, n.d.
	17	Memoranda book, 1873 Feb
	18	Newspaper clippings, n.d.
24	Notes and miscellaneous lists of names, n.d.	
24	2	Original papers of the Trustees relating to the sale of Harlem Commons, 1816 – 1828
	3	Original papers of the Trustees relating to the sale of Harlem Commons, 1826
	4	Original papers of the Trustees relating to the sale of Harlem Commons, 1827
	5	Original papers of the Trustees relating to the sale of Harlem Commons, 1825 - 1828
	6	Original papers of the Trustees relating to the sale of Harlem Commons, 1829
	7	Proceedings of the Committee for the Harlem Commons, 1826 - 1829
	8	Newspaper clipping relating to the Harlem Commons, 1921 Apr 6
	<u>Volume</u>	20
21		Government Map of Holland, 1807
22		Dezauche's Map of Holland; Maaskamp's Traveler's Chart of Holland and Table of Distances, 1790, ca.1790

SERIES VI. WRITINGS BY JAMES RIKER, [1880 – 1881]

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	
11	1-9	<i>History of Harlem</i> - draft manuscript and notes, n.d.
12	1-3	<i>History of Harlem</i> - draft manuscript and notes, n.d.
	4	Reminiscences - notes, n.d.

SERIES VII. MEMORIA, [1840s - 1880s]

<u>Reel</u>	<u>Volume</u>	
7	23	Extracts principally from the Town Records of Newtown, L.I. consisting of one volume of Court Minutes and five volumes of other records, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 1]
7	24	Miscellaneous material, chiefly extracts from papers and records of the Reformed Dutch Church, Newtown, L.I.; brief biographical memoranda of early inhabitants of Newtown; an outline chronology of Newtown, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 2]
7	25	Copy of Book A of Newtown Records, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 3]
7	26	Copy of Register of the Presbyterian Church of Newtown, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 4]
7	27	Extracts from the State records at Albany, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 5]
8	28	Copy of Register of marriages and baptisms performed at the associated Dutch churches, Kings County (Brooklyn) 1677 - 1757; lists of church members, 1677, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 6]
8	29	Extracts from New York Wills; notes, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 7]
8	30	Histories and genealogies of various families, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 8]
8	31	Miscellaneous information relating chiefly to Newtown and its inhabitants, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 9]
9	32	Miscellaneous information relating chiefly to Newtown and its inhabitants, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 10]
9	33	Documents relating to the British prisons at New York and to the Revolutionary War, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 11]
9	34	Miscellaneous facts relating chiefly to Newtown and its inhabitants, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 12]
10	35	Memoranda chiefly relating to Newtown; early patentees at the Wallabout Bay Settlement, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 13]
10	36	Memoranda, extracts and clippings chiefly relating to Newtown, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 14]
10	37	Newspaper clippings relating to the French - Indian War and the War of Independence within the State of New York, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 15]
10	38	Newspaper clippings relating to New York Churches; A History of the Reformed Dutch Denomination in the City of New York, from the first settlement to the year 1850, n.d. [Formerly Memoria Volume 16]
10	39	Hackensack, N.J. - Records of inhabitants prior to 1695; church records of baptisms, 1686 - 1730, and marriages, 1695 - 1706, n.d.

SERIES VIII. 1997 ADDITIONS, 1754 - 1989*A. Correspondence*

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	
13	1	1834 - 1841
	2	1842
	3	Copies of selected letters, 1834 - 1842
	4	1843 - 1844
	5	Drafts of letters, 1844 - 1846
	6	1845 - 1846
	7	1847
	8	1848
	9	1849
	10	1850
14	1	1851 - 1853
	2	1854
	3	1855 - 1858
	4	1860 - 1869
	5	1870 Jan - Apr
	6	1870 May - Aug
	7	1870 Sep - Dec
	8	1871 - 1877
15	1	1878 - 1879
	2	1880 - 1881
	3	1882 - 1883
	4	1884
	5	1885 Jan - Apr
	6	1885 May - Aug
	7	1885 Sep - Nov
	8	1889
		<i>B. Colonial Papers</i>
16	1	Roll and account book of Captain John Lamb's Company of Artillery, 1775 - 1776
		<i>C. Genealogical Papers</i>
	2	Biographical notes regarding James Riker, Sr., 1820s - 1860s
	3	Crump and Ferris families, 1918 - 1989
	4	Family Register, ca. 1870
	5	Kindred Book - genealogical notes on the Riker family, ca. 1850s
	6	Materials for the history of the Rikers, 1845
16	7	Miscellaneous genealogical notes, 1852, n.d.
21	1	<i>New-York Commercial Advertiser</i> , 1845 Dec 11 [Item on p.3 regarding sale of Riker family property]
16	8	Riker family coat-of-arms, n.d.
17		Van Arsdale Book - biographical information, extracts and original documents relating to the Van Arsdale family, 1754 - 1893

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21	2	Van Arsdale papers - original documents relating to John Van Arsdale, 1791 - 1835
		<i>D. Notebooks</i>
18	1	Empty bindings, n.d.
	2	Lists of books, n.d.
	3	Notebook 18: Memoranda relating to genealogy, accounts and books, 1852 [18 th in a series of notebooks numbered by Riker; numbers 1-16 are included in Series IV, described above. Number 17 is missing.]
		<i>E. Miscellaneous Papers</i>
	4	Bills of Estate, 1852 - 1869
	5	Blotting paper, n.d.
	6	Building plans, n.d.
	7	Engravings, n.d.
	8	Greenwood Cemetery, 1865 - 1873
	9	Miscellaneous accounts and notes, n.d.
	10	Miscellaneous printed materials, n.d.
	11	Notes on books and newspapers, n.d.
	12	Real estate, 1860s - 1870s
19	1	School roll books, registers and documents, 1843 - 1854
	2	School roll books and registers, 1853 - 1858
	3	United States Pension Office circulars, 1817 - 1853
		<i>F. Writings of James Riker</i>
	4	<i>A Brief History of the Riker Family, from Their First Emigration to This Country in the Year 1638, to the Present Time</i> , 1851 [Printed pamphlet, 19 pp.]
	5	<i>Evacuation Day, 1783, with Recollections of Capt. John Van Arsdale, of the Veteran Corps of Artillery</i> , 1883 [Printed pamphlet, 56 pp. and miscellaneous notes]
	6	Van Arsdale family, n.d. [Two holograph manuscripts]
		<i>G. John Lafayette Riker Papers</i>
	7	Correspondence, 1860
	8	Correspondence, 1861 Apr
	9	Correspondence, 1861 May
	10	Correspondence, 1861 Jun
	11	Correspondence, 1861 Jul
	12	Correspondence, 1861 Aug
20	1	Correspondence, 1861 Sep - Nov
20	2	Correspondence, 1862
	3	Countersigns, 1861 - 1862
21	3	Enlistment rolls - New York 62 nd Regiment Volunteer Infantry (Anderson Zouaves), 1861
20	4	General Orders – New York 62 nd Regiment Volunteer Infantry (Anderson Zouaves), 1861
	5	General Orders – Army of the Potomac, 1861 - 1862
	6	General Orders - New York State, 1861 - 1862

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20	7	General Orders – Headquarters of the Army, 1861
	8	General Orders - War Department, 1861 - 1862
	9	List of Captains and Lieutenants, 1861
	10	List of Soldiers, n.d.
	11	Newspaper clipping – “The Advocate” by John Lafayette Riker, n.d.
	12	Recruiting Service, 1861
	13	Regiments of New York Volunteers, 1861
	14	Requisitions, 1861
21	4	Supreme Court of the State of New York - admission of John Lafayette Riker to the Bar, 1860
20	15	Tattoo reports, 1861 - 1862
	16	Union Defense Committee, 1861
	17	University of the City of New York - Law Department Commencement, 1860
		<i>H. Photographs and Ephemera</i>
22		Photoprints, tintypes and daguerreotypes of the Riker family, Crump family and unidentified persons, 1850s - 1910s
23	1	Buttons from the coat worn in the Civil War by John Lafayette Riker, 1861 -1862
	2	Fragments of an unidentified flag or pennant, n.d.
	3	Montclair Golf Club medallion, 1910
	4	Taft - Hotchkiss Dual Meet badge, 1929