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CREATOR: Carrington family.

TITLE: Carrington Family papers

DATES: 1749–1929

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 3 Linear Feet (8 boxes, 1 folio)

LANGUAGE(S): The materials are in English.

SUMMARY: The papers consist of correspondence, pamphlets, printed material, scrapbooks, sermons, and other papers relating to members of the Carrington family. Henry Beebee Carrington (1824-1912) and his grandfather, David Lewis Beebe (1763-1803), are two central figures in the papers. Material relating to David Lewis Beebe, including essays and sermons, documents his religious duties in Connecticut and family concerns in Ohio. Henry Beebee Carrington material includes correspondence, a diary, a letterbook, maps, pamphlets, scrapbooks, and other items documenting his experiences as a student at Yale University, as a lawyer practicing in Ohio, and as a commanding officer for Union forces during the Civil War. Carrington's role in military campaigns and treaty negotiations with Indians of the American West is also documented. His design of Fort Philip Kearney, the site of a famous massacre, and treaty negotiations with the Flathead Indians of Montana are detailed in pamphlets, scrapbooks and other papers.

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Carrington Family Papers (MS 130). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Alternative Formats

Correspondence, 1866-1912, is available on microfilm (585 frames on 1 reel, 35mm.) from Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library, at cost. Order no. HM176.

Biographical / Historical

Henry Beebee Carrington was born in Wallingford, Connecticut on March 2, 1824. He graduated from Yale in 1845 (B.A.) and attended Yale Law School in 1847. He practiced law in Ohio. During the Civil War he was appointed colonel of the 18th U.S. Infantry (May, 1861) and brigadier general of volunteers (Nov, 1862). Carrington supervised military tribunals in Indiana and Ohio, trials later ruled “illegal” by the Supreme Court. He was mustered out of volunteer service in 1865. He joined his regiment in 1866 and established Fort Philip Kearney in the Dakota Territory. He led military campaigns against the Sioux Indians, negotiated a treaty with the Flathead Indians of Montana, and conducted relocation and census studies of other tribes. Carrington wrote several popular American history texts. He died in Hyde Park, Massachusetts on October 26, 1912.

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The Carrington Family Papers are arranged in two series:

I. Correspondence, 1790-1929
II. Family Papers, 1749-1929

SERIES I, CORRESPONDENCE, 1790-1929, contains correspondence of David Lewis Beebe (1790-1791) relating to his pastoral duties as minister for the First Society of Woodbridge, Connecticut. Henry Beebee Carrington correspondence begins in the 1840s with personal letters from George Rockwell and other friends at the Irving Institute in New York. Carrington's military career is documented by correspondence, telegrams, and copies of documents from the 1850s-1860s. This includes a letter from Salmon P. Chase which records Carrington's appointment as judge advocate general in Ohio. Daniel Wolsey Voorhees, a congressman (1861-1866; 1869-1873) and senator (1877-1897) from Indiana is represented through several letters he wrote in the 1860s. Voorhees argued against the constitutional aberrations of secession and military rule.

Additional correspondence concerns Carrington's military duties, including his efforts to recruit Union soldiers in Indiana, his opposition to the efforts of the Sons of Liberty, and the military courts he convened to carry out his duties. Correspondence subsequent to 1865 focuses on the Indian campaigns Carrington participated in, his establishment and command of Fort Philip Kearney, and his treaty negotiations with the Flathead Indians of Montana. Correspondence from the 1900s details Carrington's literary career as an author of American historical and military texts, including works on the American Revolution, the Civil War, and his own experiences in the American West. Selected correspondence is also available on microfilm (HM 176).

SERIES II, FAMILY PAPERS, 1749-1929, contains a variety of writings by Henry Beebee Carrington, including a composition entitled "Exodus of the Flatheads." A diary (1845-1849) provides extensive detail on Carrington's student years at Yale College and Yale Law School. In addition, maps, pamphlets, printed material, and scrapbooks detail the history of Fort Philip Kearney, the site of a well-known massacre and a fort built and established by Carrington.

Arrangement

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A brief essay on Crow Indian traditions, language, lands, and their relations with Anglo-Americans and other Indian tribes. Carrington calls for the establishment of Absaraka, a Crow homeland.

A discussion of Anglo-American settlement of the trans-Mississippi West and white-Indian relations. Carrington focuses on the Flathead Indians of Montana, white encroachment on their lands in the Bitterroot Valley, their removal to other territory, and the key role he played in negotiations with them.

A description of the 1866 war with the Sioux Indians under the command of Chief Red Cloud, emphasizing Carrington's role. Includes mention of the Fetterman Fight and of Carrington's return to Connecticut.

This appears to be a typed transcription of a list of field notes and orders received and given by Carrington when he commanded Union forces in the Civil War in Kentucky and Indiana.

A speech Carrington delivered at the centennial anniversary of Meriden, Connecticut discussing early colonial life in Connecticut.

Account of the formation of the division and some of the action it saw in the Civil War in Kentucky and Illinois, and Indian wars in Montana and Wyoming in the 1860s.

An appendix to an official Army report that includes Carrington's official account of the Fort Phil Kearney Massacre.
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