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# INTRODUCTION

Since the early 1980s a rebirth of the study of the West and the frontier has been going on throughout America. Anniversaries such as the centennial of the Turner frontier thesis, 1492, the Constitution's bicentennial and that of establishment of the Old Northwest, the sesquicentennial of Texas, and even Davy Crockett's 200th birthday have helped to create this resurgence of interest. But perhaps nowhere has this activity been more intense and significant, if understated, than in St. Louis, the traditional "gateway" to the great events that laid the foundation of western American history. When John Francis McDermott, brilliant historian of early Mississippi Valley culture and society, once said that "St. Louis made the western fur trade: the western fur trade made St. Louis,"<sup>1</sup> he summarized the matter and called for renewed effort in placing St. Louis' role in the development of the West once more at the forefront of scholarship.

Since 1980, two of the great repositories of western history—the Mercantile Library and the Missouri Historical Society in St. Louis—have been enlarged. Nearby Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville has arranged and made available for researchers the research papers of the aforementioned Professor McDermott, a gold mine for the study of western American history. The fragmentary *Narrative*<sup>2</sup> by Auguste Chouteau has been republished by the Mercantile Library; William E. Foley and C. David Rice published the important study *The First Chouteaus*;<sup>3</sup> and for the widest possible audience, University Publications of America has published the microfilm edition of the Chouteau papers held at the Missouri Historical Society. The Campbell House, miraculously still standing in the heart of downtown St. Louis, has been revitalized and its records and artifacts on the fur trade have become better known internationally.

Perhaps another anniversary, the 225th of the founding of St. Louis celebrated in 1989, had something to do with this, or maybe the upcoming 200th anniversary of the Louisiana Purchase is on people's minds. Regardless of the reasons, St. Louis is today helping to preserve some of the most important records on the development of the West. The reader holds in hand yet another manifestation of this

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<sup>1</sup> See John Francis McDermott's introductory essay in *The Fur Trade: Northern Border/Rivers South*, an exhibition catalogue by T. R. Oates (St. Louis: Webster College, 1976): 5.

<sup>2</sup> *Fragment of Col. Auguste Chouteau's Narrative of the Settlement of St. Louis* was first acquired from Gabriel Chouteau by the Mercantile Library in 1857, and originally translated and published in St. Louis in 1858. It was reprinted by the Mercantile Library in 1989.

<sup>3</sup> William E. Foley and C. David Rice, *The First Chouteaus: River Barons of Early St. Louis* (Urbana: University of Illinois Press, 1983).

endeavor, the microfilm edition of a collection of papers thought until just a few years ago to be lost, the record of one of the most important figures of the West, Robert Campbell, believed to be irretrievably scattered and forgotten. This recent microfilm discovery is an event of major proportions for the history of the fur trade, that great commercial theme in the development of the economy of the American West, and hence the nation as a whole.

As early as 1963, noted historian of the American West Dale L. Morgan had recognized in his research that a good, balanced history of the fur trade in the 1830s as it developed in the trans-Mississippi West would have to be centered, at least in part, around the life and career of one participant: Robert Campbell of St. Louis (1809–1879).<sup>4</sup> This logically follows from the documentary record. Campbell stood at the center of so many events in the complicated history of the later rivalries, politics, struggles, and strategies of the fur trade on the upper Missouri and the Rockies (which in turn reflect the tale of the North American fur trade) that it is a sound assumption that the study of his life could be useful in underscoring key aspects of that era.

Campbell was associated not only with events but also with important figures, such as William Ashley, William Sublette, and Thomas Fitzpatrick. In addition, he left a legacy of business skill as one of St. Louis' most important financiers of the mid-nineteenth century. Thus this compelling individual has often been looked to as a link, a connecting thread to St. Louis and its economic province, the fledgling American West.

Maddeningly, this connection between Campbell and the struggle for fur trade empires in the young nation has for generations been tentative at best. While for years Campbell was known through classics such as Washington Irving's *Captain Bonneville* and in secondary sources such as the old biographical "mug books" of the later proud metropolis of St. Louis<sup>5</sup> (bent as it was toward the end of the century on celebrating its most famous or productive citizens as a ploy for further urban promotion), the primary sources on this venerable trapper's life have been greatly lacking. Readers have had to depend on secondary sources as well as on the echoing memory of Campbell's later reputation as a fair businessman who helped develop St. Louis once he settled down.

Of course, Hiram M. Chittenden had rescued what could be considered today half of the story of the mountain fur trade by inventorying and analyzing the papers of the Astor-Chouteau partnerships in the American Fur Company. Certainly these papers, which reach far back to the beginnings of St. Louis' history, were crucial to

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<sup>4</sup> Dale L. Morgan, ed., *The West of William H. Ashley* (Denver: Rosenstock–The Old West Publishing Company, 1964): xiii. For further information on Campbell's influence, see also Morgan's *The Rocky Mountain Journals of William Anderson: The West in 1834* (San Marino: Huntington Library, 1967): 271–74.

<sup>5</sup> The first edition of Washington Irving's *Adventures of Captain Bonneville, or Scenes Beyond the Rocky Mountains of the Far West* was published in 1837 (Philadelphia: Carey, Lea, & Blanchard); see also J. Thomas Scharf's biography of Campbell, *History of Saint Louis City and County*, Volume 1 (Philadelphia: Everts, 1883): 370–72.

the later writing of the commercial and economic history of Missouri and upper Louisiana. And, of course, the absolutely essential documents—the narratives and diaries of various participants—gradually have been recognized and recovered. Yet very little of the business side of the rival firms associated with William Ashley and the Rocky Mountain Fur Company had been added to the record until recently, over the last decade, when a large body of Campbell's business records and ledgers were discovered in St. Louis and added to the holdings of the Mercantile Library, and thus to the record of the St. Louis fur trade in general.

Campbell's life is illustrative of what became of those pioneering St. Louisans who helped open the West in their search for furs and profit. How such a life, once back in the home base of the developing midwestern urban center, continued to be involved with events on the western frontier is instructive for researchers examining western history in detail.

### ***Life of Robert Campbell***

As a young man just arrived from Ireland, Campbell made his way almost immediately to the burgeoning little river town of St. Louis in the mid-1820s. As had William Sublette, James Bridger, and Jedediah Smith before him, Campbell answered General Ashley's famous clarion call for "enterprising young men" from St. Louis and Missouri to go in search of the untold fur wealth of the Rockies. Ambitious, steadfast, loyal—possessed of all the "right stuff," in twentieth-century parlance—Campbell had the qualities of leadership needed in the uncharted mountains to make good the success of the mountain man's enterprise. The shrewd Ashley was already putting Campbell in charge of trapping and trading parties by 1826. His exploits, as against the Blackfoot warriors at Pierre's Hole in 1832,<sup>6</sup> made him a hero, a courageous Indian fighter, a strong, silent, fair-minded Crockett or Boone of the Rockies, if one could be considered so who was less than sanguine about his lonely, dangerous life in the wilderness—a life he probably never totally embraced, even when it called him back with the promise of further gain.<sup>7</sup>

Campbell crowded the experiences of the romantic era of St. Louis' century of fur trade domination into his decade of leadership in the mountains. In his partnership with William Sublette, he was able to challenge the hegemony exercised by the monopolistic Astor-Chouteau alliances. This serious competition, played out in the chess game of establishing forts and posts in the Rockies, was later relocated to St. Louis itself. The outfitting firm of Sublette & Campbell profited until the early 1840s.

The result of Sublette and Campbell's partnership was the division of the vast trading territory between the mountains and the upper Missouri valley as agreed upon by the American Fur Company, after such rival posts as the famed Fort William were

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<sup>6</sup> *Ibid.*

<sup>7</sup> George R. Brooks edited the "Private Journal of Robert Campbell" in 1965 for *The Bulletin of the Missouri Historical Society* (Volume XX, Nos. 1 and 2): 3–24, 107–18. The diary contains entries for 1833, when Campbell was in the mountains in partnership with William Sublette.



established by the Campbell interests.<sup>8</sup> Even as Campbell's many other business ventures began to take precedence, he continued to finance various western operations. The firm of Sublette & Campbell sold out to Fontenelle, Fitzpatrick & Company in 1835, and thus Campbell and Sublette left the mountains to others. Back in St. Louis, though, they had not really left the Rockies or the trade altogether; throughout the 1840s and even into the 1850s, "to upper Missouri fur trade investors in St. Louis and the East, Campbell represented anti-Chouteau capital in its purest form."<sup>9</sup>

Thus, by the 1840s, Campbell entered into the phase characteristic of his later career. His business entrepreneurship in St. Louis included banking, finance, insurance, and real estate ventures, along with dry goods, furs, and outfitting products for western development. The Merchants' National Bank and the Southern Hotel were Campbell enterprises. Much of his wealth was built upon his success in dealing with other early St. Louis merchants who farsightedly looked to urban and western development for gain. Campbell's prominence in St. Louis came at a time when the merchant class dominated a city destined for greatness, for metropolis status. He was a friend of powerful individuals further to the east with capital to develop the western lands. Even rivals, it has been said, esteemed his worth and his understanding of and lifelong compassion for the West and its peoples, especially Native Americans.<sup>10</sup>

As Campbell became associated more with his business interests at home, the West would not be expected to hold as much power over him. St. Louis was passing through its "adolescence" into young adulthood in the later 1840s and 1850s. But Campbell was one of those truly imaginative individuals who realized at this time that St. Louis' future greatness would still in part depend on the West. His financial worth was considered so sound that it was as good as gold throughout much of the continent at mid-century.<sup>11</sup>

Thus, Campbell's career clearly illustrates the role of such St. Louis businessmen in developing the West. He also was interested in the political future of the region. In 1846 he was called upon to help organize and outfit troops in St. Louis for service in the Mexican War, attaining the rank of colonel. Subsequently, Campbell's direct, decades-long association with various tribes enabled him to become a sought-after authority on questions concerning Native Americans. He had attained a reputation among both whites and Indians for fair dealing and honesty. In helping to protect the trade routes to the West in 1851 and 1869, he had participated as an Indian commissioner in various goodwill missions and peace

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<sup>8</sup> See Morgan, *William Anderson*, *op. cit.*, pp. 273–74; see also Scharf, *op. cit.*, and Brooks's editorial notes on the Campbell Journal, *op. cit.*, pp. 4–5.

<sup>9</sup> John E. Sunder, *The Fur Trade on the Upper Missouri, 1840–1865* (Norman: University of Oklahoma Press, 1965): 92–93.

<sup>10</sup> *Id.*, p. 93. See also Scharf, *op. cit.*, p. 371.

<sup>11</sup> Sunder, *op. cit.*, p. 93.

negotiations, most notably in helping craft the Fort Laramie Treaty of 1851,<sup>12</sup> which also involved the efforts of Father Pierre Jean De Smet, Thomas Fitzpatrick, and such other St. Louisans as B. Gratz Brown and A. B. Chambers.

In summary, the contents of the Robert Campbell Family Collection, for which this microfilm edition has been published, include primary materials on the activities of Robert Campbell, his friends, associates, business partners, and adversaries. Campbell's life in the early Rocky Mountain West, and later in the rapidly growing frontier town of St. Louis, which would become the fourth largest city in America by the turn of the twentieth century, is an important story in American history, and these papers offer a glimpse of one of the most important participants in that chronicle. Campbell's life, intertwined as it was for a half century with events in the West and in St. Louis, illustrates the story of the economic development of half a continent, and why St. Louis was important as a crossroads to trade, empire, and the western movement.

### ***Contents of the Collection***

This collection comprises papers thought to have been lost after the death of the last Campbell heir in the late 1930s. These papers resurfaced in 1985 and were donated to the Mercantile Library, to be accessioned as a special collection of that institution as one of its most important holdings on the American West. The collection is a rich store of virtually untapped ledgers, copy books of business correspondence, checkbooks, summary business reports, cash account records, and stock inventories—nearly the entire range of materials with which fur trade scholars have become familiar in their analyses—for the various business enterprises of Robert Campbell.

The collection of original material housed at the Mercantile Library is thirty-five linear feet in size. The inclusive dates run from 1832 to 1920; however, the core material and bulk of the collection is centered between 1832 and 1879, the year of Campbell's death. The collection is divided into six basic series: correspondence, dated between 1836 and 1883; various business records, 1832–1885; financial records of the firm of Robert Campbell & Company, 1862–1885; printed materials, especially published government reports present in Campbell's business papers; financial documents, 1857–1924; and other financial documents.

Included in the correspondence series are the variously dated letterbooks of the firm of Sublette & Campbell from 1836 through the dissolution of the firm in the 1840s. Many hundreds of letters in each volume concerning Campbell's business enterprises are present in these indexed copy books. The 1850s era is well represented with letters from the firm of R.&W. Campbell. The era of Campbell's business activities in the 1860s is particularly well documented: for example, nearly one thousand pages cover Campbell's correspondence between 1861 and mid-1862.

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<sup>12</sup> An original copy of the Fort Laramie Treaty of 1851 is in the collection of the St. Louis Mercantile Library Association. Numerous St. Louis names, including Campbell's, appear in this famous document.



In the second series, complementing this copious correspondence, are company ledgers, business day books, account books, receipts, and property records. The earliest ledgers include such important documents as Campbell's written record of goods sold to trappers at the 1832 rendezvous. Place names and individual buyers are recorded. One ledger also records the estate of Campbell's friend, Jedediah Smith, for which Campbell and William Ashley were co-executors. These ledgers record the accounts and receipts of Campbell's businesses through the 1840s, 1850s, and 1860s. One account book records the diary of a steamboat voyage in 1858. Many relate to the vast purchases of the Campbell dry goods companies for such ventures as western outfitting and supplies.

The financial reports of the firm Robert Campbell & Company, which record the history of Campbell's finances throughout the 1860s and 1870s, are also present. Earnings and interest reports detail the worth of Campbell's business ventures.

A fourth section of the Campbell papers includes important published reports and other publications that were present in Campbell's business papers, and therefore were probably used alongside the formal correspondence and ledgers. These materials—maps, reports of explorations, internal improvements, and material on Indians—give adequate testimony to the range of western interests with which Campbell continued to concern himself. One item is a copy of George Catlin's 1871 catalogue of Indian drawings that the artist used to promote patronage of his work, inscribed by Catlin himself to Campbell. This series offers an important glimpse of Campbell's detailed knowledge and reading concerning contemporary American affairs of his day.

Later financial documents in the fifth section of this microfilm edition are represented especially by checkbook records from the 1850s and 1860s. Earnings and receipts from Campbell's various banks were also preserved and included. Expenditures that cover the financial activity of the Campbell family extend through the late 1920s.

Vital and other legal records for Robert Campbell are covered in section six of the papers. These biographical records include genealogical material, wills, legal certificates, such as Campbell's naturalization documents, and the unusual document on the *Life History of Robert Campbell*, included in the legal papers.

### ***Additional Documents***

Added to the Campbell papers at the beginning of Reel 1 of this microfilm edition are further previously unpublished papers in the collections of the Mercantile Library related to the early days of St. Louis and the founding of the city. These papers have direct bearing on the establishment of the town in its early days as a trading center for the natural wealth of upper Louisiana and the Illinois country east to the Ohio and Wabash river valleys and north to the Great Lakes. These papers include documents from the General Daniel Bissell collection relating to St. Louis history in the formative period between 1800 and 1820 and related documents and correspondence dated between 1787 and 1819 from the Auguste Chouteau collection.

General Bissell was commandant of the U.S. Military Department of Missouri Territory. As commander of the army in St. Louis in the key period after the French cession of the Louisiana Purchase, he was in close communication with the civic leadership of these areas, including the Chouteaus, which is reflected in his letters.

The Chouteau collection in the Mercantile Library possesses the founding document for the history of St. Louis—Auguste Chouteau's 1810–1820 journal, a fragment of which recorded in his own hand the old fur trader's memories of the founding period of St. Louis when as a teenager he came upriver from New Orleans with Pierre de LaCledé Liguist. This journal is the only eyewitness documentation on these activities. It is also the original source that documents the exclusive trade privilege of Maxent, LaCledé & Company in the fur trade of the mid-eighteenth century in the Mississippi Valley.

The documents present in this addendum to the Campbell papers, written in English, Spanish, and French, relate to the exclusive trading rights or the claimed rights that the Chouteaus possessed among the Osage Indians. The documents record receipts, treaties, and relations with Native Americans. The significance for researchers of this body of material is in helping to illustrate historical currents concerning the economic, political, and social development of much of the North American continent as that history unfolded in the nineteenth century and was played out in such important crossroads and commercial centers at St. Louis, and in such vast regions as the upper Missouri river valley and the Rockies.

### ***Research Significance of the Campbell Papers***

It has been outlined above why it is accurate to say that no St. Louisan was more fully married to the Far West of his day, to the fur trade, and to the economic dynamics that drove his city, all so well depicted in Chittenden's classic analysis,<sup>13</sup> than Robert Campbell. His papers are a legacy to historians of his life as a mountain man, an explorer, a trader, a merchant, a banker, and a frontier citizen of the West.

In an era when everyone in St. Louis was seemingly involved in the fur trade, directly or indirectly, Campbell distinguished himself as one of the most astute commercial minds to come out of such a setting. He was able to channel his organizational skills and business energies into the development of St. Louis, a strong rival for decades with Chicago for dominance in the economy of half the continent. In the trade rivalry between other major midwestern cities and St. Louis, the latter would probably have needed half a dozen businessmen of Campbell's vision to have assured such a victory. It would have been a victory necessarily based on the wealth initially won for the city through fur.

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<sup>13</sup> See Hiram M. Chittenden's classic *The American Fur Trade of the Far West: A History of the Pioneer Trading Posts and Early Fur Companies of the Missouri Valley and the Rocky Mountains and of the Overland Commerce with Santa Fe* (New York: Francis P. Harper, 1902) for the standard history. For a discussion of the Sublette & Campbell firm's achievements, see Volume I, pp. 350–51.

The dates of the materials present in this microfilm edition are compelling for researchers. As the fur trade declined in the 1850s and 1860s, Campbell's capital still remained in the field of operations. As did other major participants, he diversified his interest in the civic leadership and improvement of St. Louis, in rail and river transportation development, and in banking. As William Swagerty has indicated, very little research has been done on this period and there are gaps in the Chouteau papers concerning the later era.<sup>14</sup> The researcher will now have an additional body of material available to help answer such questions.

The history of St. Louis during the Civil War period is a tragic one and has often been depicted thus. The records for civic, philanthropic, and economic institutions in St. Louis at this time were to some extent disrupted. The Campbell papers give a record of continued business activity throughout this time of turmoil and are subject to new analyses and insight concerning the city's business life in crisis.

The ways in which Campbell's fur trade ventures were made the basis for further business activity at mid-century are significant. A study of them will allow the researcher the opportunity to analyze the methods an early trapper used—how he approached business in general and how he recorded subsequent economic profit and gain. Comparative studies of accounting between the older fur trade economy of St. Louis and the money-driven economics of modern banking come together in Campbell's career as both a trader and a banker with high financial stakes.

No published biography exists of Robert Campbell; the letterbooks present in this collection are virtually untapped and can be used in the creation of a historical analysis of the life of this quintessential frontiersman. Campbell was a keen observer of events on the frontier, especially as they would affect his business outposts. Thus, the letters can yield useful information on relations with Native Americans, disturbances on the frontier, the Fort Laramie Treaty, and various other western events to which Campbell was witness. Also, these letters will give important information on life in St. Louis as experienced by the Campbell family over two generations.

Many of Robert Campbell's and his son Hugh's expenditures are listed in detail for the philanthropic organizations that the family supported. This is an important, if little known and documented, story that can provide a glimpse into the shouldering of societal responsibilities by the wealthy class of a major American city in the nineteenth century. Heretofore it has only been hinted at just how deeply Campbell viewed his philanthropic responsibility on the home front. These papers should add much detail to a nineteenth-century subject needing further investigation. Such study should yield much information on the charitable Victorian mind in the early American Midwest and West.

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<sup>14</sup> See William R. Swagerty's introductory essay for the guide to Parts 1 and 2 of *Papers of the St. Louis Fur Trade* (Bethesda: University Publications of America, 1991): xi.

Most importantly, if one grants that by the mid-nineteenth century the fur trade in its final phase in the West culminated in the story of two rival groups, one originally more nimble, opportunistic, and based on individual action and the other more organized and possibly unwieldy—the mountain man of the Rockies versus the Astor-Chouteau trade—then the historian finally has the business records of the former with which to compare similarities and differences in operation with the latter. Who really won or lost in such a rivalry? How was conflict resolved in St. Louis? How did business interests originally based in the fur trade economy diversify toward urban development? How did “sold out” companies retain an influence in the mountains? What were the real profits charted over the last three decades of the fur trade? Evidence heretofore gathered in the early newspaper files of St. Louis can now be more fully corroborated than once thought possible on these and many other questions concerning reported fur trade activities.

The researcher now has the other side of the coin for a little-studied period. The romantic diaries and trail narratives of the Rocky Mountain traders and trappers will have to be placed in perspective beside the hard-nosed business papers of a trapper who knew all operations of his business and translated that knowledge into more wealth, respect, and power than St. Louis had ever seen. In Campbell's life and career, we see the rapid growth of the West and the true meaning of St. Louis' role as a gateway to the western frontier.

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# SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

## **General Daniel Bissell Manuscripts**

This collection at the St. Louis Mercantile Library forms part of the correspondence and papers of Daniel Bissell, the builder and commandant of Fort Bellefontaine near old St. Louis. General Bissell (1769–1833) served with distinction as military commander of upper Louisiana—the U.S. military department of the Missouri Territory—in the key period after the French cession of the Louisiana Territory to the United States. A young Revolutionary War soldier who rose through the ranks quickly before the War of 1812, he took command of Fort Bellefontaine in 1808 as colonel. Previously in Missouri, Bissell essentially served not only as commander for other important, strategic military outposts, but also at times as customs officer between French-held Louisiana and the United States. From Fort Bellefontaine he helped in the military reorganization of the American frontier between 1808 and 1813—a time of unrest and insecurity for American settlers. Bissell worked with individuals in St. Louis such as James Wilkinson and Frederick Bates.

The letters are bound in one volume labeled “Bissell Ms.” One piece of correspondence described as follows is extracted as part of this microfilm edition: “Wm. Clark, Ninian Edwards, Auguste Chouteau, US Commissioners to treat with the Indians, dated Portage des Sioux, 11 July, 1815; to Gen. D. Bissell, Bellefontaine. 2pp. in length.”

## **Chouteau Manuscripts**

From a bound volume of forty-one manuscripts in the Mercantile Library collections labeled “Chouteau MS” has been microfilmed various additional letters of Auguste Chouteau. These materials date between 1787 and 1818 and are representative of the wide correspondence the Chouteau family maintained over the decades in the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries. Included is the Carondelet commission granting Auguste Chouteau exclusive rights as trader among the Osage Indians (New Orleans, 1794); materials concerning goods used in the fur trade; and correspondence with James Wilkinson, William Clark, James Monroe, and Lord Selkirk. Of particular interest are materials concerning the establishment, planning, and building of forts for the Osage trade. The documents are in Spanish, French, and English.

In general, this correspondence documents the rights and claims of the Chouteaus that they held regarding the fur trade with native tribes, as well as records, treaties, and various relations undertaken to promote this enterprise.



## **Journal of Auguste Chouteau**

In the collection of the Mercantile Library is a fourteen-page fragment of Auguste Chouteau's journal in his own hand recording the early events that led to the founding of the city of St. Louis as a trading center in 1764. The fragment of seven folio leaves (or fourteen pages of text in French) is the only eyewitness account of St. Louis' founding by a major, on-site participant. Probably put down on paper as an outline for a longer, lost manuscript, the work was used by the Chouteaus to establish various land claims as St. Louis began to grow out of its earlier bounds. The journal has been used repeatedly by historians of St. Louis; it is also the original source documenting the exclusive trade privilege of Maxent, LaCledé and Company in the mid-eighteenth century fur trade in the Mississippi Valley—Missouri River confluence and beyond.

The document was acquired from Auguste Chouteau's second son, Gabriel. It was printed by the Mercantile Library as a pamphlet in the following year, and reissued in facsimile in 1989, both times under the title "Fragment of Colonel Auguste Chouteau's Narrative of the Settlement of St. Louis."

## **Robert Campbell's Narrative**

The Mercantile Library holds a facsimile copy of a late-nineteenth-century manuscript entitled *A Narrative of Col. Robert Campbell's Experiences in the Rocky Mountains Fur Trade From 1825–1835*. The original manuscript has a very sketchy history before the twentieth century, but it is known from the text of the narrative that it was transcribed from Robert Campbell's dictation in 1870 by William Fayel, who was Campbell's secretary during Campbell's tenure as U.S. Indian commissioner. Other copies and a typed transcription of this narrative exist at the Missouri Historical Society in St. Louis. This document is forty-eight folio pages in length. The narrative records Campbell's involvement in the fur trade in the key period of the 1820s and 1830s as well as events of later periods, such as Campbell's involvement in 1851–1852 at the Fort Laramie Indian Council with the U.S. government.

## **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers**

As an overview of the Robert Campbell papers held by the St. Louis Mercantile Library, the collection consists of ledger books, copy books of business correspondence, checkbooks with copious expenditure notations, monthly business reports for various firms and enterprises, as well as account books and a myriad of items such as legal papers, various personal books and government documents, maps and printed ephemera.

Personal correspondence, diaries, and other family papers have been separated in a logical pattern from business papers by date. Alphabetical arrangement is employed where appropriate to facilitate usage.

The earliest material—business records and early correspondence—falls between 1832 and the 1920s, with the most massive part of the collection concentrated during Campbell's most active periods of work between 1835 and 1882. The collection comprises approximately thirty-five linear feet of papers, divided into six subject series, is housed in archival storage boxes in the Mercantile Library Rare Book Room, and is available for serious research by appointment at the library.

The collection is divided as follows—Series One: Correspondence, 1836–1883; Series Two: Business Records; Series Three: Robert Campbell and Company; Series Four: Publications; Series Five: Financial Documents; and Series Six: Other Campbell Family Documents.

**Series One: Correspondence, 1836–1883 and Undated**

Correspondence of various business ventures, as well as personal letters by date, 1836–1883, and undated material.

**Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated**

Robert Campbell's businesses and firms: company ledgers, business day books, account books, various receipts, bank books relating to fur trade activities, St. Louis property ownership and management, rental agreements, loans and indebtedness. By date, 1832–1885, and undated material. The first noted year and month of each entry always takes precedence.

**Series Three: Robert Campbell and Company, 1862–1885**

Formal ledgers of financial reports listing sales, debts, credits by date. The core summary of the Campbell family's financial records and reports for the period of 1862 to 1885.

This series is divided as follows—Subseries 3-A: Robert Campbell and Company; Subseries 3-B: Personal Accounts, Real Estate Post Mortem Reports for Campbell Estate Earnings, Robert Campbell Personal Financial Reports; and Subseries 3-C: Interest Accounts.

**Series Four: Publications**

Government documents and reports; pamphlets; maps; business ephemera; advertising flyers and cards; broadside separates and other printed material—possessions of Robert Campbell and family—with underscoring, presentations, annotations, and marginalia. Arranged loosely by type of material. Mostly nineteenth century.

This series is divided as follows—Subseries 4-A: Government Documents and Reports; Subseries 4-B: Catalogues and Pamphlets; Subseries 4-C: Maps; and Subseries 4-D: Business Cards, Advertising Flyers and Broadside, Invitations.

**Series Five: Financial Documents**

Checks; check stubs; bank statements; account books for Robert Campbell, Robert Campbell's companies and Hugh Campbell, by date; miscellaneous receipts. 1857–1924. Listed by first noted month and year per entry.

This series is divided as follows—Subseries 5-A: Checkbooks of Robert Campbell, Robert Campbell and Company, 1857–1885; Subseries 5-B: Canceled Checks, Check Receipts, Bank Statements, Business Notices—Hugh Campbell, 1892–1929; Subseries 5-C: Hugh Campbell's Account Books, 1884–1926; and Subseries 5-D: Later Receipts and Notices.

**Series Six: Other Campbell Family Documents**

Deeds, copies of legal decisions, wills, genealogical materials, and later letters relating to the Campbell family's subsequent history in America after immigration from Ireland.

This series is divided as follows—Subseries 6-A: Copies of Deeds, Wills, Estate Documents; Subseries 6-B: Campbell Genealogical Charts; and Subseries 6-C: Later Letters.

## **NOTE ON SOURCES**

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## **EDITORIAL NOTE**

Several small collections relating to the fur trade are microfilmed at the beginning of Reel 1, including the General Daniel Bissell Manuscripts; the Chouteau Manuscripts; the Journal of Auguste Chouteau; and Robert Campbell's Narrative. The Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers comprises the bulk of this edition and is microfilmed in its entirety.

The four-digit number to the left of each entry indicates the frame number at which a particular document or series of documents begins.

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## Reel 1

### General Daniel Bissell Manuscripts

- 0001 Description of manuscripts relating to Louisiana Territory and Missouri.  
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- 0008 William Clark, Ninian Edwards, and Auguste Chouteau, commissioners to  
treat with the Indians, July 11, 1815. 4 frames.

### Chouteau Manuscripts

- 0012 1787–1818. 109 frames.

### Journal of Auguste Chouteau

- 0121 *Fragment of Col. Auguste Chouteau's Narrative of the Settlement of St. Louis*,  
facsimile edition, undated (published 1858; 1989). 27 frames.

### Robert Campbell's Narrative

- 0148 *A Narrative of Col. Robert Campbell's Experiences in the Rocky Mountains*  
*Fur Trade from 1825 to 1835*, as transcribed by William Fayel. 1886.  
50 frames.

### Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers Introductory Materials

- 0198 *A Guide to the Robert Campbell Collection of Historical Papers in the St.*  
*Louis Mercantile Library*, by Bryan S. Thomas, edited by John Neal Hoover,  
1986. 52 frames.

### Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883

- 0250 Folder 1-1, Letterbook—Business letters of Sublette & Campbell. Dates  
from September 15, 1836 through March 28, 1839. All letters are signed  
Sublette and Campbell. 164 frames.
- 0414 Folder 1-2, Letterbook—"Sublette & Campbell Letter Book." Business  
letters of Sublette & Campbell. Dates from April 1, 1839 through February  
17, 1841. Indexed. 210 frames.

## Reel 2

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.**

#### **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-3, Letterbook—"Letter Book No. 3." Covers business correspondence of Sublette & Campbell. Dates from April 5, 1841 through October 18, 1847. This collection is not a copy book. Instead, the letters have been copied onto paper. 186 frames.
- 0187 Folder 1-4, Letterbook—"Letter Book No. 2." Robert Campbell and R.&W. Campbell business letters. Dates from April 29, 1845 through April 18, 1848. R.&W. Campbell letters toward rear of book. Indexed. 320 frames.
- 0507 Folder 1-5, Letter written by Robert Campbell to Colonel J. J. Albert dated April 17, 1848. Handwritten and signed by Robert Campbell. 2 frames.

## Reel 3

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.**

#### **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-6, Letterbook—Copies of letters, most of which pertain to business, written by Robert Campbell between 1850 and 1855. There are over 1,000 holographs. The collection is bound and each page is numbered. 1,302 frames.

## Reel 4

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.**

#### **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-7, Letterbook—Copies of letters written by Robert Campbell. Dates from December 20, 1851 through December 11, 1852. 649 frames.
- 0650 Folder 1-8, Letters—Two copy sheets of letters found in bottom of transfer box. Dates from December 1852 and October 1862. 3 frames.
- 0653 Folder 1-9, Letterbook—"R. & W. C." Letters signed R. W. Campbell. Dates December 13, 1852 through February 14, 1853. 190 letters. Indexed. 204 frames.

## Reel 5

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.**

#### **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-10, Letterbook—A collection of Robert Campbell's business letters between February 23, 1853 and April 18, 1854. Letters and short notes to clients. Indexed. 647 frames.
- 0648 Folder 1-11, Letter—Dated April 21, 1854. Deals with Fort Kearny. 2 frames.



- 0650 Folder 1-12, Letterbook—"From 13 February 1855 R. Campbell No 3 to \_." Letters pertaining to business dating from February 13, 1855 through March 24, 1856. Letters and notes to clients. Indexed. 720 frames.

## Reel 6

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.** **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-13, Letterbook—Copies of letters and business notes dating from May 28, 1857 through May 18, 1858. 753 frames.
- 0754 Folder 1-14, Letterbook—Copies of letters written by Robert Campbell. Dates from July 25, 1859 through September 25, 1862. 547 frames.

## Reel 7

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.** **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-15, Letterbook—Dates from March 6, 1861 through June 25, 1862. Indexed. 971 frames.

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## Reel 8

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.** **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-16, Letterbook—Set of business letters that date from June 26, 1862 through May 5, 1864. Indexed. 1,079 frames.

## Reel 9

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.** **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-17, Letterbook—"Letters R.C. & Co." Nearly 1,000 pages of letters to clients and private individuals. Dates from May 6, 1864 through March 24, 1866. Indexed. 1,033 frames.

## Reel 10

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont.** **Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-18, Letterbook—Copy book collection of letters relating to business. Dates from March 21, 1866 through December 31, 1867. Indexed. 1,140 frames.

## Reel 11

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-19, Letterbook—A collection of Robert Campbell's business letters dating from January 2, 1868 through August 31, 1869. Letters and notes to clients. Indexed. 1,040 frames.

## Reel 12

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-20, Letterbook—Copies of business and personal letters written between September 1, 1869 through May 9, 1874 by Robert Campbell. 1,097 frames.
- 1098 Folder 1-21, Promissory note—Dated January 10, 1872. To Robert Campbell from Wm. M. Clanahan for \$348.50. 3 frames.
- 1101 Folder 1-22, Letter written by Robert Campbell to his sister, Ann, dated March 4, 1872. Holograph signed. 3 frames.
- 1104 Folder 1-23, Letters—From John Campbell of Kansas City to Robert Campbell. Three letters, dated November 22, 18, and 2, 1872, respectively. There are some notes and figuring of Robert Campbell attached. 11 frames.

## Reel 13

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-24, Letterbook—"Letters R.C. & Co." Letters and notes to clients. Dates from May 15, 1874 through July 30, 1879. Indexed. 234 frames.
- 0235 Folder 1-25, Letterbook—"Letters R.C. and Co." Final business letters of Robert Campbell. Dates from February 11, 1878 through May 22, 1883. 136 frames.
- 0371 Folder 1-26, Letterbook—"Blotter Book." More letters from Robert Campbell. The early entries mention the Sublette-Campbell Company, whereas later letters are signed Robert Campbell. Indexed. 280 frames.

## Reel 14

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series One: Correspondence—By Date 1836–1883 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 1-27, Letterbook—Business notes and letters of Robert Campbell. The last letter in the book is signed Hugh Campbell, asking for a "political favor." 1,024 frames.
- 1859-1861* *- To Frank Blair*

## Reel 15

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated**

- 0001 Folder 2-1, Sale log—Robert Campbell's written record of goods sold to trappers at rendezvous in the West. The book details items sold and the cost per item. It also, selectively, records the place of sale as well as the name(s) of the trapper(s) purchasing goods. Most entries are dated 1832. 40 frames.
- 0041 Folder 2-2, Ledger book—Ledger sheets depicting the constitution of the Jedediah S. Smith estate as administered by W. H. Ashley. Entries range from 1831 through 1833. 8 frames.
- 0049 Folder 2-3, Account book—Record of sales and debts made between March 24, 1834 and April 16, 1834. Most sales are of horses. There is also a note concerning Captain W. Stewart. 26 frames.
- 0075 Folder 2-4, Journal account book—"Sublette & Campbell of St. Louis, April 6, 1835." Listing of purchases made upon return from fur-trading rendezvous. Also list of items needed prior to leaving. 20 frames.
- 0095 Folder 2-5, Receipt book—Deals with payments of notes. Begins as Sublette & Campbell. Dates from October 8, 1836 through 1848. Very few entries. 23 frames.
- 0118 Folder 2-6, Ledger book—List of receipts dated July 22, 1845 through February 9, 1857. 219 frames.
- 0337 Folder 2-7, Ledger book—"H.P. & Co." Accounts with Harvey Primeau, et al. Records indicate fur trading and also list purchases. Dates from May 14, 1849 through October 2, 1865. Also mentions R. Campbell's investments with river boats. 108 frames.
- 0445 Folder 2-8, Receipt book—Record of loans and payment of notes. Dates from August 2, 1849 through December 14, 1852. 62 frames.

## Reel 16

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated cont.**

- 0001 Folder 2-9, Ledger book—Contains accounts of R. H. Campbell, R. Campbell and Sublette & Campbell. Cover of book dates the commencement of records September 30, 1849, yet some records date back to the early 1840s. Indexed. 302 frames.
- 0303 Folder 2-10, Ledger—A list of clients in alphabetical order with page number notations that correspond to ledger page. Dates from 1850 through 1855. 399 frames.
- 0702 Folder 2-11, Ledger—"Ledger." The ledger consists of names at the top of each page, followed by balances. A notation concerning a debt due to Campbell and Kelly is found on page 4. Dates 1850 through 1862. 60 frames.
- 0762 Folder 2-12, Ledger—Includes client index at beginning of ledger. Dates 1850 through 1857. Note: three letters appear in center of journal pertaining to the Indian trade in 1855. Also, two envelopes and a piece of notepaper with names written on it. 445 frames.

## Reel 17

### Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated cont.

- 0001 Folder 2-13, Invoice book—"Invoices." Empty except for loose ledger sheet in middle dated July 11, 1851. 7 frames.
- 0008 Folder 2-14, Ledger book—Lists of accounts receivable. Dates from June 22, 1852 through November 23, 1858. 73 frames.
- 0081 Folder 2-15, Notebook—A brief list of persons trading with R. Campbell. Also notations of trip mentioning wagons and military materiel. Circa 1853. 27 frames.
- 0108 Folder 2-16, Ledger book—"Cash Book A." An account of debits and credits for March 1, 1853 through September 30, 1856. 166 frames. *Detailed*
- 0274 Folder 2-17, Ledger—"Day Book A." Business transactions and payments made between March 4, 1853 and December 31, 1858. 105 frames.
- 0379 Folder 2-18, Receipt book—Collection of charges incurred during Robert Campbell's shopping tours of New York City and Philadelphia. Dates from April 1, 1853 through May 28, 1857. 120 frames.
- 0499 Folder 2-19, Ledger—"Accounts Current R.C." An alphabetical listing of persons and companies followed by page reference numbers. The first section of the ledger is an index. The middle section is a statement of accounts. Dates range from 1854 through 1859. At the back of the ledger is a loose booklet entitled *Robert Campbell & Co.—Memoranda—December 31, 1869*. This booklet is a memo of merchandise sold from 1866 through 1869. 200 frames.
- 0699 Folder 2-20, Notebook—First entries date from 1855. Later listings are a diary of street lamps that are not working. 17 frames.

## Reel 18

### Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated cont.

- 0001 Folder 2-21, Ledger book—"#2." First part of ledger is an index with names of people and businesses. The second half contains the accounts. Circa 1855 through 1860. 93 frames.
- 0094 Folder 2-22, Bank book—J. S. Shaw. Entries from April 6, 1855 through July 1858. 26 frames.
- 0120 Folder 2-23, Ledger—"R.C." Business transactions made from September 1, 1855 through December 21, 1857. Most transactions include per item description of goods sold. 207 frames.
- 0327 Folder 2-24, Ledger book—"Day Book." Accounts for the Aricara Post from Saturday, July 19, 1856 through Monday, May 25, 1857. Account for St. Louis from August 11, 1857 through August 14, 1857. 22 frames.
- 0349 Folder 2-25, Ledger book—List of receipts dated February 13, 1857 through March 24, 1859. Also note entries at beginning and end of ledger that do not correspond to dates listed above. Three entries for January 8, 1859 in front of ledger and January 15, 1858 through March 18, 1859 in the back. 121 frames.
- 0470 Folder 2-26, Receipt book—Receipts from Philadelphia dating from April 25, 1857 through June 12, 1863. 223 frames.

## Reel 19

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated cont.**

- 0001 Folder 2-27, Ledger—"Day Book B, R.C." Includes stocks and interest. Robert Campbell's personal financial interests. Dates from January 1858 through September 1862. 30 frames.
- 0031 Folder 2-28, Ledger—"Blotter B., R.C." List of sales from January 5, 1858 through June 1858. Only the first thirty pages are used. 21 frames.
- 0052 Folder 2-29, Payment book—Robert Campbell's payment book containing names and dates. Dates from May 20, 1858 through April 23, 1860. 75 frames.
- 0127 Folder 2-30, Account book/diary—Some entries listed May 27 through July 6, 1858. Diary portion speaks of a steamboat ride that begins in St. Louis on Sunday, May 23 at 10:30 a.m. and stops in June on Cedar Island, seventeen days after departing St. Louis. 9 frames.
- 0136 Folder 2-31, Cash book—"Robert Campbell and Co." Cash entries dating from June 4, 1858 through September 1, 1862. 23 frames.
- 0159 Folder 2-32, Ledger book—A list of sales and purchases made in St. Louis between June 6, 1858 and December 9, 1858. 44 frames.
- 0203 Folder 2-33, Account book—"The Merchants' Bank of St. Louis, in Account with Robert Campbell." Entries from October 2, 1858 through March 2, 1859. In addition, the latter portion of the book lists types, quantities, and colors of beads, presumably to be used in trade with the Indians. 16 frames.
- 0219 Folder 2-34, Ledger book—"Blotter 1859 R.C. & Co." Sales and purchases made in St. Louis between January 1859 and June 1861. 242 frames.
- 0461 Folder 2-35, Ledger book—"Cash Book 'C' R.C." Detail of transactions between January 2, 1859 and February 25, 1878. 147 frames.
- 0608 Folder 2-36, Receipt book—A few pages of entries noting the payment of interest and installments on loans. Dated February 21 and 22, 1859. 9 frames.
- 0617 Folder 2-37, Ledger—Names of persons and companies in account with Robert Campbell & Co. Dates from March 1859 through May 1865. Index of names at front of ledger. 409 frames.

## Reel 20

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated cont.**

- 0001 Folder 2-38, Receipt book—"Receipts R.C. & Co." Dates from March 25, 1859 through May 18, 1863. Various signatures. 245 frames.
- 0246 Folder 2-39, Ledger book—Showing purchases made in New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, New Orleans, and Buffalo. Dates from April 1, 1859 through July 27, 1866. 38 frames.
- 0284 Folder 2-40, Ledger—Lists some sales and items sold. A few items are kept loose in ledger, i.e., blotter pad, stationery from fur-trading firm. Dates from May 1859 through June 1870. 40 frames.
- 0324 Folder 2-41, Document—"Estate of Robert Ranken, Deceased. Case and Opinion." August 25, 1859. Related to court dispute over property between the Rankens and Campbells. 17 frames.

- 0341 Folder 2-42, Account book—Pocket-size account book belonging to Christian Nestle. Lists of cash outlays. Dates from July 1, 1861 through September 5, 1870. 45 frames.

## Reel 21

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated cont.**

- 0001 Folder 2-43, Receipt book—"Receipts No. 2 R.C. & Co. #2." Company records and early records of the trusteeship. Dates from April 28, 1863 through December 28, 1865. 261 frames.
- 0262 Folder 2-44, Insurance policy—"St. Louis Insurance Company, Open Marine Policy No. 3255 Gold Dust, R. Campbell and Co." Policy is affixed to a premium payment book dated April 6, 1865. Note: there is a rider on the policy stating the policy is good even if stolen by forces within states that have seceded from the Union. 7 frames.
- 0269 Folder 2-45, Account book/scratch pad—A listing of sales and accounts receivable. Many names listed. Dates from May 19, 1863 through May 6, 1865. 32 frames.
- 0301 Folder 2-46, Insurance policy—"United States Insurance Company Open Fire Policy." Dated May 16, 1864. 10 frames.
- 0311 Folder 2-47, Ledger book—"Cash Book No 2 R.C. & Co." Dates from September 1, 1864 through December 31, 1869. Very detailed. 203 frames.
- 0514 Folder 2-48, Receipt book—"Receipts R.C. & Co." Dates from January 2, 1866 through December 31, 1868. Some receipts are posted with tax stamps. 265 frames.
- 0779 Folder 2-49, Savings account book—"State Savings Association, Robert Campbell and Company, March 9, 1866 to July 6, 1868." 28 frames.

## Reel 22

### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832–1885 and Undated cont.**

- 0001 Folder 2-50, Telegraph record book—"Western Union & Illinois & Mississippi Telegraph Companies." Dates from July 9, 1866 through February 28, 1867. Each transmission is recorded along with date. 42 frames.
- 0043 Folder 2-51, Account book—"The Merchants' National Bank of St. Louis In Account with Robert Campbell & Co." Robert Campbell & Company's account book listing deposits and withdrawals. Dates July 5, 1866 through June 20, 1867. 28 frames.
- 0071 Folder 2-52, Rent book—"Robert Campbell Rents." List of rent due beginning December 1, 1866 through May 1870. 28 frames.
- 0099 Folder 2-53, Account book—"The Merchants' National Bank of St. Louis In Account with Robert Campbell and Co." Entries from June 21, 1867 through July 28, 1868. 27 frames.
- 0126 Folder 2-54, Receipt book—"The Adams Express Company Money Receipts." Receipts from August 6, 1867 through February 10, 1870. 114 frames.



- 0240 Folder 2-55, Receipt book—"Merchants Union Express Company." Receipts from September 30, 1867 through January 7, 1869. 11 frames.
- 0251 Folder 2-56, Receipt book—"Merchants Union Express Company." A receipt book for packages received. One entry, dated January 20, 1868. 5 frames.
- 0256 Folder 2-57, Ledger book—A fragment of a ledger book starting on page 300. A list of purchases made in Philadelphia, New York, and St. Louis. February through June 1868. 14 frames.
- 0270 Folder 2-58, Rent agreement—Signed by James L. Little. Rental of farm by Creve Coeur Lake. Dated St. Louis, March 14, 1868. 3 frames.
- 0273 Folder 2-59, Receipt book—"The Western Union Telegraph Company." Book contains stubs of messages sent by wire. Dated June 10, 1868 through November 7, 1868. 17 frames.
- 0290 Folder 2-60, Ledger book—"Memorandum Cash Book, No 2 R.C. & Co." Accounting of sundries, R. Campbell rent, and customer accounts ranging from July 1868 through July 1882. Front index. 93 frames.
- 0383 Folder 2-61, Account book—"The Merchants' National Bank of St. Louis in Account with Robert Campbell and Co." Entries from July 28, 1868 through February 25, 1870. 28 frames.
- 0411 Folder 2-62, Account book—"Collection Book of Robert Campbell & Co." Monthly listing of payments and individuals making payments. Dates from August 1868 through June 1870. 14 frames.
- 0425 Folder 2-63, Pocket account book—"Fall Purchases 1868, Robert Campbell & Co., St. Louis, Mo." List of variety of items purchased, including purchases made in New York and Philadelphia. 40 frames.
- 0465 Folder 2-64, Account book—"First National Bank of Helena, Mt., In account with Robert H. Lemon." Entries from September 24, 1868 through January 22, 1869. 6 frames.
- 0471 Folder 2-65, Insurance policy—"United States Insurance Company Open Cargo Policy No. 499, R. Campbell & Co." December 31, 1868. 18 frames.
- 0489 Folder 2-66, Pocket account book—"Robert Campbell & Co., St. Louis, Mo." A list of purchases made in 1869 similar to the fall purchases made in 1868. 55 frames.
- 0544 Folder 2-67, Receipt book—Appears to be the receipt book for Robert Campbell's trusteeship. Dates from January 4, 1869 through January 5, 1874. Very interesting to note the various receipts and descriptions that accompany the entries. 78 frames.
- 0622 Folder 2-68, Ledger book—A list of sales and receipts of R. Campbell & Co. Covers February through April 1869. Also records purchases made in New York in 1859. Includes statement of accounts at the end. 22 frames.
- 0644 Folder 2-69, Tax receipt—Found in rent book for year 1866. Notice, dated St. Louis, July 1, 1869 from Brookmire and Rankin, Wholesale Grocers. 3 frames.
- 0647 Folder 2-70, Cash book—"Memorandum, Cash Book, R. Campbell & Co." Cash book entries date from August 6, 1869 through October 28, 1870. A memo of each sale is listed with the name of company or individual. 52 frames.
- 0699 Folder 2-71, Ledger book—"Accounts Current No. 3 R. C. & Co." The first section of the book is an index; the middle section is a statement of accounts. Dates range from 1870 through 1875. On the last two pages of the ledger are two letters written to Robert Campbell's sister, Ann, in 1872. 109 frames.
- 0808 Folder 2-72, Ledger book—"Cash R.C. & Co." A detailed account of cash transactions from January 3, 1870 through June 16, 1882. 97 frames.

- 0905 Folder 2-73, Account book—"The Merchants' National Bank of St. Louis in Account with Robert Campbell & Co." Entries from February 25, 1870 through October 14, 1872. 26 frames.
- 0931 Folder 2-74, Account book—"State Savings Association in Account with Robert Campbell and Co." Entries from December 20, 1871 through October 25, 1875. In the last few pages of this book is a listing of accounts for collection. 19 frames.

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### Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Two: Business Records, 1832-1885 and Undated cont.

- 0001 Folder 2-75, Account book—"The Merchants' National Bank of St. Louis in Account with Robert Campbell and Co." Entries from November 19, 1872 through September 8, 1874. 18 frames.
- 0019 Folder 2-76, Journal—Month by month account of cash outlays and sundries. From June 30, 1874 through July 31, 1883. 27 frames.
- 0046 Folder 2-77, Ledger book—"Checks—R.C." List of checks written between September 8, 1874 and March 27, 1877. 177 frames.
- 0223 Folder 2-78, Ledger—"Journal." Listing of cash outlays for bills, payments, etc. Dates from March 1, 1878 through February 8, 1885. (See folders 5-D-1 through 6 for receipts found in back of ledger.) 73 frames.
- 0296 Folder 2-79, Ledger—"Robert Campbell and Robert Campbell & Co. Real Estate Book." List of real estate holdings. Undated. 18 frames.
- 0314 Folder 2-80, Accounting ledger—A ledger covering two years. Details description of stock and bonds, commissions, against losses, etc. Undated. 49 frames.
- 0363 Folder 2-81, Ledger book—A list of names and businesses. Undated. 14 frames.
- 0377 Folder 2-82, Index—Loose, no binding. An alphabetical listing of names followed by sequence of numbers. Undated. 13 frames. 1849-50?
- 0390 Folder 2-83, Ledger book—An alphabetical listing of companies and their city of origin. Undated. 25 frames.
- 0415 Folder 2-84, Rent receipt—To Robert Campbell from Henry Shaw for \$900. Undated. 2 frames.
- 0417 Folder 2-85, Index—Index to a ledger, missing A/B pages, but the rest is intact. Undated. 3 frames.
- 0420 Folder 2-86, Index/binding—Cover to ledger with index written on it. *the A missing from* Undated. 2 frames.
- 0422 Folder 2-87, Index—Fragment of an index to ledger. Undated. 11 frames.

(*Drips, Freeman, George C. 1854-1858*)

### Series Three: Robert Campbell and Company, 1860-1885 and Undated

#### Subseries 3-A: Robert Campbell & Company

- 0433 Folder 3-A-1, February 1, 1860. 14 frames.
- 0447 Folder 3-A-2, July 1, 1860. 10 frames.
- 0457 Folder 3-A-3, January 1, 1861. 11 frames.
- 0468 Folder 3-A-4, July 1, 1861. 11 frames.
- 0479 Folder 3-A-5, January 1862. 10 frames.
- 0489 Folder 3-A-6, August 1, 1862. 10 frames.
- 0499 Folder 3-A-7, October 31, 1862. 10 frames.

0509	Folder 3-A-8, December 31, 1862. 10 frames.
0519	Folder 3-A-9, June 30, 1863. 10 frames.
0529	Folder 3-A-10, <b>September 30</b> , 1863. 10 frames.
0539	Folder 3-A-11, November 30, 1863. 10 frames.
0549	Folder 3-A-12, December 31, 1863. 10 frames.
0559	Folder 3-A-13, March 31, 1864. 10 frames.
0569	Folder 3-A-14, May 31, 1864. 10 frames.
0579	Folder 3-A-15, September 30, 1864. 10 frames.
0589	Folder 3-A-16, October 31, 1864. 10 frames.
0599	Folder 3-A-17, November 30, 1864. 10 frames.
0609	Folder 3-A-18, December 31, 1864. 10 frames.
0619	Folder 3-A-19, January 31 through December 31, 1865 (bound). 65 frames.
0684	Folder 3-A-20, August 31, 1866. 10 frames.
0694	Folder 3-A-21, December 31, 1866. 11 frames.

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### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Three: Robert Campbell and Company, 1860–1885 and Undated cont.**

#### **Subseries 3-A: Robert Campbell & Company cont.**

0001	Folder 3-A-22, February 28 through December 31, 1866 (bound). 99 frames.
0100	Folder 3-A-23, February 28, 1867. 10 frames.
0110	Folder 3-A-24, July 31, 1867. 10 frames.
0120	Folder 3-A-25, December 31, 1867. 14 frames.
0134	Folder 3-A-26, January 31 through December 31, 1867 (bound). 90 frames.
0224	Folder 3-A-27, February 29, 1868. 10 frames.
0234	Folder 3-A-28, April 30, 1868. 10 frames.
0244	Folder 3-A-29, December 31, 1868. 16 frames.
0260	Folder 3-A-30, March 31, 1869. 10 frames.
0270	Folder 3-A-31, December 31, 1869. 6 frames.
0276	Folder 3-A-32, January 30 through December 31, 1869 (bound). 117 frames.
0393	Folder 3-A-33, January 31, 1870. 10 frames.
0403	Folder 3-A-34, February 28, 1870. 12 frames.
0415	Folder 3-A-35, March 31, 1870. 12 frames.
0427	Folder 3-A-36, April 30, 1870. 10 frames.
0437	Folder 3-A-37, May 31, 1870. 10 frames.
0447	Folder 3-A-38, June 30, 1870. 14 frames.
0461	Folder 3-A-39, July 31, 1870. 12 frames.
0473	Folder 3-A-40, <b>August 31, 1870</b> . 12 frames.
0485	Folder 3-A-41, September 1870. 11 frames.
0496	Folder 3-A-42, October 31, 1870. 10 frames.
0506	Folder 3-A-43, November 30, 1870. 10 frames.
0516	Folder 3-A-44, December 31, <b>1870</b> . 10 frames.
0526	Folder 3-A-45, <b>January 31, 1871</b> . 10 frames.
0536	Folder 3-A-46, <b>February 28, 1871</b> . 9 frames.
0545	Folder 3-A-47, <b>March 31, 1871</b> . 17 frames.

0562	Folder 3-A-48, May 31, 1871. 10 frames.
0572	Folder 3-A-49, July 1, 1871. 10 frames.
0582	Folder 3-A-50, July 31, 1871. 10 frames.
0592	Folder 3-A-51, August 31, 1871. 10 frames.
0602	Folder 3-A-52, September 30, 1871. 8 frames.
0610	Folder 3-A-53, October 31, 1871. 10 frames.
0620	Folder 3-A-54, November 30, 1871. 10 frames.
0630	Folder 3-A-55, December 31, 1871. 10 frames.
0640	Folder 3-A-56, January 31, 1872. 10 frames.
0650	Folder 3-A-57, February 29, 1872. 8 frames.
0658	Folder 3-A-58, March 31, 1872. 8 frames.
0666	Folder 3-A-59, April 30, 1872. 8 frames.
0674	Folder 3-A-60, May 31, 1872. 8 frames.
0682	Folder 3-A-61, June 30, 1872. 8 frames.
0690	Folder 3-A-62, August 31, 1872. 8 frames.
0698	Folder 3-A-63, September 30, 1872. 8 frames.
0706	Folder 3-A-64, October 31, 1872. 8 frames.
0714	Folder 3-A-65, November 30, 1872. 8 frames.
0722	Folder 3-A-66, December 31, 1872. 8 frames.
0730	Folder 3-A-67, January 31, 1873. 8 frames.
0738	Folder 3-A-68, February 28, 1873. 8 frames.
0746	Folder 3-A-69, March 31, 1873. 8 frames.
0754	Folder 3-A-70, April 30, 1873. 8 frames.
0762	Folder 3-A-71, May 31, 1873. 8 frames.
0770	Folder 3-A-72, June 30, 1873. 8 frames.
0778	Folder 3-A-73, September 30, 1873. 10 frames.
0788	Folder 3-A-74, October 31, 1873. 9 frames.
0797	Folder 3-A-75, November 30, 1873. 9 frames.
0806	Folder 3-A-76, December 31, 1873. 9 frames.
0815	Folder 3-A-77, January 31, 1874. 8 frames.
0823	Folder 3-A-78, February 28, 1874. 8 frames.
0831	Folder 3-A-79, March 31, 1874. 8 frames.
0839	Folder 3-A-80, April 30, 1874. 8 frames.
0847	Folder 3-A-81, May 31, 1874. 8 frames.
0855	Folder 3-A-82, June 30, 1874. 7 frames.
0862	Folder 3-A-83, July 31, 1874. 7 frames.

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### Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Three: Robert Campbell and Company, 1860–1885 and Undated cont.

#### Subseries 3-A: Robert Campbell & Company cont.

0001	Folder 3-A-84, August 31, 1874. 7 frames.
0008	Folder 3-A-85, September 30, 1874. 5 frames.
0013	Folder 3-A-86, October 31, 1874. 5 frames.
0018	Folder 3-A-87, December 31, 1874. 5 frames.
0023	Folder 3-A-88, January 31, 1875. 4 frames.
0027	Folder 3-A-89, February 28, 1875. 5 frames.
0032	Folder 3-A-90, March 31, 1875. 5 frames.
0037	Folder 3-A-91, May 31, 1875. 4 frames.

0041 Folder 3-A-92, June 30, 1875. 4 frames.  
 0045 Folder 3-A-93, September 30, 1875. 4 frames.  
 0049 Folder 3-A-94, October 31, 1875. 4 frames.  
 0053 Folder 3-A-95, November 30, 1875. 4 frames.  
 0057 Folder 3-A-96, December 31, 1875. 4 frames.  
 0061 Folder 3-A-97, February 21, 1876. 4 frames.  
 0065 Folder 3-A-98, March 2, 1877. 4 frames.  
 0069 Folder 3-A-99, March 31, 1877. 5 frames.  
 0074 Folder 3-A-100, June 30, 1877. 4 frames.  
 0078 Folder 3-A-101, Undated financial report. 10 frames.

**Subseries 3-B: Personal Accounts, Real Estate Post Mortem Reports for  
 Campbell Estate Earnings; Robert Campbell Personal Financial Reports**

0088 Folder 3-B-1, December 31, 1862 through June 30, 1868. 52 frames.  
 0140 Folder 3-B-2, R.C. 1860 (no date or month). 10 frames.  
 0150 Folder 3-B-3, July 1, 1860. 10 frames.  
 0160 Folder 3-B-4, January 1, 1861. 10 frames.  
 0170 Folder 3-B-5, July 1, 1861. 10 frames.  
 0180 Folder 3-B-6, January 1862. 10 frames.  
 0190 Folder 3-B-7, August 1, 1862. 10 frames.  
 0200 Folder 3-B-8, July 31, 1866. 8 frames.  
 0208 Folder 3-B-9, May 31, 1867. 8 frames.  
 0216 Folder 3-B-10, December 31, 1867. 8 frames.  
 0224 Folder 3-B-11, December 31, 1868. 8 frames.  
 0232 Folder 3-B-12, July 31, 1869. 8 frames.  
 0240 Folder 3-B-13, December 31, 1869. 8 frames.  
 0248 Folder 3-B-14, June 30, 1870. 8 frames.  
 0256 Folder 3-B-15, December 31, 1870. 8 frames.  
 0264 Folder 3-B-16, July 1, 1871. 8 frames.  
 0272 Folder 3-B-17, December 31, 1871. 8 frames.  
 0280 Folder 3-B-18, June 30, 1872. 6 frames.  
 0286 Folder 3-B-19, December 31, 1872. 6 frames.  
 0292 Folder 3-B-20, June 30, 1873. 6 frames.  
 0298 Folder 3-B-21, December 31, 1873. 6 frames.  
 0304 Folder 3-B-22, December 31, 1874. 4 frames.  
 0308 Folder 3-B-23, December 31, 1875. 6 frames.  
 0314 Folder 3-B-24, February 21, 1876. 6 frames.  
 0320 Folder 3-B-25, June 30, 1876. 6 frames.  
 0326 Folder 3-B-26, December 31, 1876. 6 frames.  
 0332 Folder 3-B-27, March 31, 1877. 6 frames.  
 0338 Folder 3-B-28, December 31, 1877. 6 frames.  
 0344 Folder 3-B-29, March 1, 1878. 6 frames.  
 0350 Folder 3-B-30, April 1, 1878. 7 frames.  
 0357 Folder 3-B-31, June 30, 1878. 4 frames.  
 0361 Folder 3-B-32, July 31, 1878. 4 frames.  
 0365 Folder 3-B-33, August 31, 1878. 4 frames.  
 0369 Folder 3-B-34, September 30, 1878. 4 frames.  
 0373 Folder 3-B-35, October 31, 1878. 4 frames.  
 0377 Folder 3-B-36, November 30, 1878. 4 frames.  
 0381 Folder 3-B-37, December 31, 1878. 4 frames.  
 0385 Folder 3-B-38, January 31, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0389 Folder 3-B-39, February 28, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0393 Folder 3-B-40, March 31, 1879. 4 frames.

0397 Folder 3-B-41, April 30, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0401 Folder 3-B-42, May 31, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0405 Folder 3-B-43, June 30, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0409 Folder 3-B-44, July 31, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0413 Folder 3-B-45, August 31, 1879. 5 frames.  
 0418 Folder 3-B-46, September 1879. 5 frames.  
 0423 Folder 3-B-47, October 31, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0427 Folder 3-B-48, November 30, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0431 Folder 3-B-49, December 31, 1879. 4 frames.  
 0435 Folder 3-B-50, January 31, 1880. 4 frames.  
 0439 Folder 3-B-51, April 30, 1880. 3 frames.  
 0442 Folder 3-B-52, May 31, 1880. 4 frames.  
 0446 Folder 3-B-53, July 31, 1880. 3 frames.  
 0449 Folder 3-B-54, October 31, 1880. 4 frames.  
 0453 Folder 3-B-55, February 21, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0457 Folder 3-B-56, March 31, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0461 Folder 3-B-57, April 30, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0465 Folder 3-B-58, May 31, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0469 Folder 3-B-59, June 30, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0473 Folder 3-B-60, July 31, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0477 Folder 3-B-61, August 31, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0481 Folder 3-B-62, September 30, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0485 Folder 3-B-63, October 31, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0489 Folder 3-B-64, November 30, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0493 Folder 3-B-65, December 31, 1881. 4 frames.  
 0497 Folder 3-B-66, January 31, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0501 Folder 3-B-67, February 28, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0505 Folder 3-B-68, March 31, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0509 Folder 3-B-69, April 30, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0513 Folder 3-B-70, May 31, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0517 Folder 3-B-71, June 30, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0521 Folder 3-B-72, July 31, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0525 Folder 3-B-73, August 31, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0529 Folder 3-B-74, September 30, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0533 Folder 3-B-75, October 31, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0537 Folder 3-B-76, December 31, 1882. 4 frames.  
 0541 Folder 3-B-77, January 31, 1883. 4 frames.  
 0545 Folder 3-B-78, May 31, 1883. 4 frames.  
 0549 Folder 3-B-79, June 30, 1883. 4 frames.  
 0553 Folder 3-B-80, July 31, 1883. 3 frames.  
 0556 Folder 3-B-81, October 31, 1883. 3 frames.  
 0559 Folder 3-B-82, December 31, 1883. 3 frames.  
 0562 Folder 3-B-83, January 31, 1885. 3 frames.  
 0565 Folder 3-B-84, Undated financial report, R.C. 5 frames.  
 0570 Folder 3-B-85, Undated financial report, R.C. 5 frames.

### **Subseries 3-C: Interest Accounts**

0575 Folder 3-C-1, Mr. Robert Campbell with Robert Campbell & Co., 1866–1877. 9 frames.  
 0584 Folder 3-C-2, Mr. Hugh Campbell with Robert Campbell & Co., 1871–1876. 7 frames.  
 0591 Folder 3-C-3, Mr. John Campbell, 1874. 2 frames.  
 0593 Folder 3-C-4, Cash sheets. Undated loans. 8 frames.



## **Series Four: Publications**

### **Subseries 4-A: Government Documents and Reports**

- 0601 Folder 4-A-1, Government document—"Rep. #308. Oregon Territory. (To accompany bill H.R. #21.) March 12, 1844." 28th Congress, 1st Session. House of Representatives. 15 frames.
- 0616 Folder 4-A-2, Government document—"Proceedings of Senate and Documents Relative to Texas, from which the Injunction of Secrecy has been Removed." 1844. 28th Congress, 1st Session. Senate. (S.doc. 341). 68 frames.
- 0684 Folder 4-A-3, Government document—"Annual Report of the Commissioner of Patents. Report of the Commissioner of Patents, for the year 1844. January 29, 1845." 28th Congress, 2nd Session. H.R. #78. 80 frames.
- 0764 Folder 4-A-4, Government document—"Speech of Mr. Benton of Missouri on the Oregon Question. Delivered in the U.S. Senate, May 22, 25, and 28, 1846." 21 frames.

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### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Four: Publications cont.**

#### **Subseries 4-A: Government Documents and Reports cont.**

- 0001 Folder 4-A-5, Government document—"Message from the President of the United States to the Two Houses of Congress as the Commencement of the First Session of the Thirtieth Congress, December 7, 1847." 30th Congress, 1st Session. Ex. Doc. #1. Senate copy. 464 frames.
- 0465 Folder 4-A-6, Government document—"Report of the Secretary of War Showing the Contracts Made under the Authority of that Department during the year 1848. January 23, 1848." 30th Congress, 2nd Session. Ex. Doc. #17. Senate copy. 50 frames.
- 0515 Folder 4-A-7, Government document—"Message from the President of the United States to the Two Houses of Congress at the commencement of the Second Session of the Thirtieth Congress. 1848." 30th Congress, 2nd Session. Ex. Doc. #1. House of Representatives copy. 681 frames.

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### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Four: Publications cont.**

#### **Subseries 4-A: Government Documents and Reports cont.**

- 0001 Folder 4-A-8, Government document—"California Claims in the Senate of the United States. February 23, 1848." 30th Congress, 1st Session. Rep. Com. #75. Senate copy. 43 frames.
- 0044 Folder 4-A-9, Government document—"Report of the Committee Appointed by the Governor to Examine into the State and Condition of the Bank of Missouri and its Branches. 1851." 48 frames.
- 0092 Folder 4-A-10, Government document—Page of document. "Explorations in the Dakota Country, in the year 1855 by Lt. G. K. Warren, Topographical Engineer of the Sioux Expedition." 34th Congress, 1st Session. Ex. Doc. #76. Senate. [Only this title page.] 2 frames.

- 0094 Folder 4-A-11, Government document—"Report of the Secretary of War in compliance with a Resolution of the Senate of the 9th Ultimo, calling for a copy of the report of Lt. G. K. Warren of his exploration of the country between the Missouri and Platte Rivers and the Rocky Mountains, together with the maps accompanying the same." 1856. 48 frames.
- 0142 Folder 4-A-12, Government document—"Territorial Policy. Speech of Hon. James S. Green of Missouri in the Senate of the United States. January 10 & 11, 1860." 18 frames.
- 0160 Folder 4-A-13, Report—"Reports of the Secretaries of War and Interior, in answer to resolutions of the Senate and House of Representatives in relation to the massacre at Fort Phil. Kearney on December 21, 1866; with the views of Commissioner Lewis V. Bogy, in relation to the future policy to be pursued by the Government for the settlement of the Indian Question; also reports of Gen. John Pope and Col. Eli. S. Parker, on same subject." Government Printing Office. Dated 1867. 34 frames.
- 0194 Folder 4-A-14, Report—"Report of the Commission Appointed under Act of Congress, Approved March 3, 1873, to Negotiate with the Crow Indians in Montana Territory." Government Printing Office. Dated 1873. 28 frames.
- 0222 Folder 4-A-15, Report—"The Seventh Annual Report of the Superintendent and Agents of the Central Indian Superintendency with a Carefully Revised Statistical Table Indicating the Advancement of the Indians in Their Industrial Pursuits, Education and Wealth Compared with That of 1868." Dated 1876. 43 frames.
- 0265 Folder 4-A-16, Journal—"Journal of the Sixth Annual Session of the General Council of the Indian Territory, Composed of Delegates Duly Elected from the Indian Tribes Legally Resident Therein, Assembled in Council at Okmulgee, Indian Territory...." Dated 1875. 60 frames.
- 0325 Folder 4-A-17, Government document—"Militia Law. Articles II, III, IV, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, XIV, XVII." 23 frames.

#### **Subseries 4-B: Catalogues and Pamphlets**

- 0348 Folder 4-B-1, Catalogue—"Catalogue Descriptive and Instructive of Catlin's Indian Cartoons." Portraits, types, and customs. A signed copy to Robert Campbell from George Catlin. Dated 1871. 53 frames.
- 0401 Folder 4-B-2, Pamphlet—"Report of the Supreme Court of Missouri, March Term, 1864. Trial case of David Ranken versus Robert Campbell, et al. 8 7/8" x 6 1/2". [An aqua-colored cover with no print on it.] 7 frames.
- 0408 Folder 4-B-3, Pamphlet—"Address of the Directors of the Pacific Railroad to the People of Missouri. August 20, 1859." [Robert Campbell is listed as a member of the Board of the Directors.] 7 frames.
- 0415 Folder 4-B-4, Church Manual—"Church Manual for the Communicants of the Walnut Street Presbyterian Church in St. Louis." #2. St. Louis. 1869. [Robert Campbell is listed as a member of the Trustees.] 16 frames.
- 0431 Folder 4-B-5, Diagram—"Plate II." Diagram depicting steam furnace with smoke stack. 3 frames.

#### **Subseries 4-C: Maps**

- 0434 Folder 4-C-1, Map—Supplement to *Harper's Weekly* depicting the siege of Paris in 1870. 3 frames.
- 0437 Folder 4-C-2, Map—"Map of the Territory of New Mexico, compiled by Bvt. 2nd Lt. Jno. G. Parke, U.S.T.E. assisted by Mr. Richard H. Kern by order of Bvt. Col. Jno. Munroe, U.S.A. Comds. 9th Mil. Det. drawn by R.H. Kern. Sante Fe, N.M. 1851." 5 frames.
- 0442 Folder 4-C-3, Map—Map of Illinois by J. H. Colton. Dated 1855. 6 frames.
- 0448 Folder 4-C-4, Map—Map of St. Louis City, folded to pocket size and published by Philip Reed. Published in 1899. 4 frames.
- 0452 Folder 4-C-5, Map—"Map of the Territory of New Mexico, made in order of Brig. Gen. S. W. Kearny, under instructions from Lieut. W. H. Emory, U.S.T.E. by Lieut.'s J. W. Abert and W. G. Peck, U.S.T.E. 1846-7." 6 frames.

#### **Subseries 4-D: Business Cards, Advertising Flyers and Broadsides, Invitations**

- 0458 Folder 4-D-1, Business Card—"Chas. M. Williams, General Commission Merchant...St. Louis." Circa 1869. 2 frames.
- 0460 Folder 4-D-2, Business Card—"St Louis Show Factory. J. W. Goodhue & Co., Wholesale Manufacturers of All kinds of Men's, Women's, Misses' and Children's Pegged Shoes...." St. Louis. Circa 1869. 3 frames.
- 0463 Folder 4-D-3, Flyer—From John B. Drake, who had recently purchased the Tremont House Hotel in Chicago, Ill. Dated March 1, 1869. Has engraving of Tremont House complete with street scene on the back. 3 frames.
- 0466 Folder 4-D-4, Flyer—"American & Howe Pin Companies. Reduced Price List. December 1, 1867." 4 frames.
- 0470 Folder 4-D-5, Flyer—"S. B. Merrill & Co. Comb Manufacturers and Commission Merchants, 63 Duane Street, Upstairs, New York." 3 frames.
- 0473 Folder 4-D-6, Advertisement—Mounted on a blotter. An ad for Keevil Bros. Hat Store. 3 frames.
- 0476 Folder 4-D-7, Business Advertisement—Found in letterbook. "Fire Insurance. Capital Represented, \$25,000,000. Wm. Nisbet & Co., General Fire Insurance Agents." 2 frames.
- 0478 Folder 4-D-8, "L'Aisne De vastee Association fondee en 1916...Section de la Propagande A L'Etranger...." French group soliciting donations to rebuild war-devastated France. Dated May 10, 1917. 3 frames.
- 0481 Folder 4-D-9, Government Flyer—"Exchange your 1919 War Savings Stamps for Treasury Savings Certificates." Rates and information concerning transfer of War Savings Stamps to Treasury Savings Certificates. 3 frames.
- 0484 Folder 4-D-10, Flyer—"Women's Christian Home Campaign." Group looking to build new women's home and to raise \$250,000. Campaign dates January 30 through February 9, 1925. 5 frames.
- 0489 Folder 4-D-11, Wedding Invitation—"Mrs. Lemuel Allen Warfield requests the honor of your presence at the marriage of her daughter Charlotte Stephenson to Mr. Frank La Motte Harney...." 2 frames.
- 0491 Folder 4-D-12, Post Card—"Office State and County Collector, St. Louis...." Robert Campbell's tax bill for 1875. Theophile Papin is tax collector. 3 frames.
- 0494 Folder 4-D-13, Stationery/Notes—Found between binders and cover of item #204. Three pieces of stationery belonging to Robert Campbell & Co. Circa 1870s. Also included is a page of notes relating to loans. 5 frames.

- 0499 Folder 4-D-14, Envelope—From St. Francis Xavier's (College) Church. On back of envelope are notes of expenses and sundries. 3 frames.
- 0502 Folder 4-D-15, Envelopes—Found mixed in with ledgers. Two in number. 2 frames.
- 0504 Folder 4-D-16, Booklet—"Guests of an Old Time Inn." Printed 1910. Produced by Ballantine and Sons Brewery and distributed by J. F. Conrad Grocer Co., 713-715 Washington Ave., St. Louis, Mo. It gives a short history and describes the different types of beer produced by the brewery. 18 frames.

### **Series Five: Financial Documents**

#### **Subseries 5-A: Checkbooks of Robert Campbell, Robert Campbell and Company, 1857-1885**

- 0522 Folder 5-A-1, Checkbook—Entries dated July 16, 1857 through October 12, 1857. Check series #496-777. 61 frames.
- 0583 Folder 5-A-2, Checkbook—Robert Campbell in a/c with Merchants Bank, St. Louis. Dates from January 18, 1858 through March 28, 1859. Check series #250-734. 101 frames.
- 0684 Folder 5-A-3, Checkbook—A fragment of a checkbook. Dates from January 28, 1858 through May 15, 1858. 13 frames.
- 0697 Folder 5-A-4, Checkbook—"Checks R.C." Dates from April 15, 1858 through May 9, 1859. 187 frames. *Stopped 747 7/15/11*

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### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Five: Financial Documents cont.**

#### **Subseries 5-A: Checkbooks of Robert Campbell, Robert Campbell and Company, 1857-1885 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 5-A-5, Checkbook—"State Saving Association, St. Louis, Mo. R.C." Dates from May 10, 1859 through August 10, 1860. Check series #1-920. 188 frames.
- 0189 Folder 5-A-6, Checkbook—"Checks R.C. & Co." Dates from August 18, 1860 through June 30, 1862. 195 frames.
- 0384 Folder 5-A-7, Checks—Two checks dated December 19, 1861 and December 21, 1861. Signed by John S. Shaw. 3 frames.
- 0387 Folder 5-A-8, Checkbook—Dates from June 26, 1862 through May 1, 1864. Lists of dollar amounts and for whom "favors" were sent. 239 frames.
- 0626 Folder 5-A-9, Checkbook—"The Merchants' Bank." Checks dated July 29, 1862 through May 30, 1865. R.C. & Co. Check series #2149-2570, #1572-2067. 187 frames.
- 0813 Folder 5-A-10, Checkbook—"Checks on M.N.B. R.C. and Co. (The Merchants' National Bank of Saint Louis)." Dates from August 17, 1865 through October 26, 1866. Check series #1-1010. 206 frames.
- 1019 Folder 5-A-11, Checkbook—"The Merchants' National Bank of St. Louis, R.C. and Co." Dates from October 27, 1866 through January 31, 1868. Check series #1011-1195. 199 frames.
- 1218 Folder 5-A-12, Bank Receipt Book—Robert Campbell & Company. Dates from April 4, 1868 through December 31, 1872. 199 frames.

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### Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Five: Financial Documents cont.

#### Subseries 5-A: Checkbooks of Robert Campbell, Robert Campbell and Company, 1857-1885 cont.

- 0001 Folder 5-A-13, Checkbook—"Checks R.C. & Co." Dates from January 3, 1870 through September 7, 1874. 170 frames.
- 0171 Folder 5-A-14, Checkbook—"Check on S.S.A. R.C. & Co." Dates from January 3, 1873 through December 11, 1876. Check series #7650-7950. 107 frames.
- 0278 Folder 5-A-15, Checkbook—"Checks R.C.E." Robert Campbell estate. Dates from June 16, 1882 through May 18, 1885. Check series #1519-1710. 38 frames.
- 0316 Folder 5-A-16, Receipts—"The Merchants-Laclede National Bank of Saint Louis." Extra stock dividend notice. Dates: April 7, 1926; May 29, 1926; August 31, 1926; November 30, 1926; January 15, 1927; February 28, 1927; May 31, 1927; August 31, 1927; November 30, 1927; February 29, 1928; May 10, 1928; May 31, 1928; August 31, 1928; November 30, 1928; December 20, 1928; February 28, 1929; May 31, 1929 (2). 6 frames.
- 0322 Folder 5-A-17, Receipts—"The State National Bank of Saint Louis." Dividend on stock receipts. Dates: June 1, 1926; December 1, 1926 (2); June 1, 1927; December 1, 1927 (2); June 1, 1928; December 1, 1928 (2); June 2, 1929. 4 frames.
- 0326 Folder 5-A-18, Check—Blank check found in checkbook above. From Robert Campbell estate. 2 frames.
- 0328 Folder 5-A-19, Checkbook—J. & J. Stuart & Co. Dates from November 20, 1868 through July 14, 1882. 179 frames.

#### Subseries 5-B: Canceled Checks, Check Receipts, Bank Statements, Business Notices—Hugh Campbell, 1892-1929

- 0507 Folder 5-B-1, Check—"Merchants National Bank." Hugh Campbell's signature. \$400. September 27, 1892. 3 frames.
- 0510 Folder 5-B-2, Check receipt book—Dates from December 15, 1897 through June 23, 1900. Note: Serious deterioration of right bottom corner due to mold affects last few entries. 101 frames.
- 0611 Folder 5-B-3, Check receipt book—Dates from September 11, 1902 through January 6, 1906. 103 frames.
- 0714 Folder 5-B-4, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1913. Months included: November, December. 17 frames.
- 0731 Folder 5-B-5, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1914. Months included: January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September. 59 frames.
- 0790 Folder 5-B-6, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1915. Months included: April, May, June, July. 29 frames.
- 0819 Folder 5-B-7, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1916. Months included: April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November. 80 frames.
- 0899 Folder 5-B-8, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1917. Months included: November, December. 17 frames.

- 0916 Folder 5-B-9, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1919. Months included: February, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December. 89 frames.
- 1005 Folder 5-B-10, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1920. Months included: January, February, March, April, May, July, August, September, October, November, December. Also included: group of checks not included with monthly statements with a note from Hugh Campbell attached. 129 frames.
- 1134 Folder 5-B-11, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1921. January through December. 120 frames.
- 1254 Folder 5-B-12, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1922. January through December. 108 frames.
- 1362 Folder 5-B-13, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1923. January through December. 120 frames.

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### **Robert Campbell Family Collection of Historical Papers cont. Series Five: Financial Documents cont.**

#### **Subseries 5-B: Canceled Checks, Check Receipts, Bank Statements, Business Notices—Hugh Campbell, 1892–1929 cont.**

- 0001 Folder 5-B-14, Checks and statements—Hugh Campbell's checks and statements for the year 1924. January through December. 97 frames.
- 0098 Folder 5-B-15, Checks and statements—Hugh Campbell's checks and statements for the year 1925. January through December. 86 frames.
- 0184 Folder 5-B-16, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1926. January through December. 113 frames.
- 0297 Folder 5-B-17, Checks—Hugh Campbell's checks for the year 1927. January through December. 93 frames.
- 0390 Folder 5-B-18, Checkbook—"Robert W. Stuart, esq., 25 Broad Street, New York." Checkbook with most checks left unused. Stub dates from March 10, 1913 through February 13, 1920. Note 2 cent postage stamp loose in book. 21 frames.
- 0411 Folder 5-B-19, Statements—Hugh Campbell's checking account statements for November and July, undated. 3 frames.
- 0414 Folder 5-B-20, Deposit Note—Blank deposit slip from The Merchant's National Bank. Some notes have been made on the reverse side. 2 frames.

#### **Subseries 5-C: Hugh Campbell's Account Books, 1884–1926**

- 0416 Folder 5-C-1, Account book—"Merchants' National Bank in Account with Hugh Campbell, Trustee." Only one entry made in book dated December 23, 1884. 3 frames.
- 0419 Folder 5-C-2, Account book—"Merchants' National Bank in Account with Hugh Campbell." Dates from June 17, 1885 through August 19, 1891. 8 frames.
- 0427 Folder 5-C-3, Savings account book—Hugh Campbell, Jr.'s savings account with The Merchants-Laclede National Bank. Dates from June 8, 1895 through July 15, 1910. 26 frames.
- 0453 Folder 5-C-4, Account book—"The Merchants-Laclede National Bank of St. Louis, Mo. in account with Hugh Campbell, Trustee for Hazlett K. Campbell." Entries from October 13, 1920 through January 14, 1926. 5 frames.



### **Subseries 5-D: Later Receipts and Notices**

- 0458 Folder 5-D-1, Receipt—"To Isaac Buchanan, Dr. Florist, ... New York." Dated May 4, 1885. \$40 for flowers. 2 frames.
- 0460 Folder 5-D-2, Receipt—"The Petts and Leathe Art Galleries. Bought of Henry B. Pettes Importing Co. ...." Dated May 13, 1885. \$26.15 for frames and charts for photographs. 3 frames.
- 0463 Folder 5-D-3, Receipt—"Union Line. Through Freight Line owned and Operated by The Pennsylvania Company...." Dated June 22, 1885. \$1.39 for shipping two cartons of bric-a-brac. 2 frames.
- 0465 Folder 5-D-4, Receipt—"D 1st Div. to the St. Louis Gas-Light Co. Dr." Dated May 5, 1885. \$13.50 for electric lights. 2 frames.
- 0467 Folder 5-D-5, Receipt—"Pierre Lambert's Restaurant, S. W. Cor. Fourteenth & Lucas Place." Dated May 15, 1885. Dinner for the Campbell brothers—cost \$52.50. The bill is signed "paid" by Pierre Lambert. 2 frames.
- 0469 Folder 5-D-6, Receipt—"To the Consumers Gas Savings Co. Dr." Dated May 5, 1885. \$26.75 for gas. 2 frames.
- 0471 Folder 5-D-7, Receipts—"Storage Vaults, Mississippi Valley Trust Company." Safety deposit box charge receipts. Dates: May 11, 1906; May 6, 1908; May 6, 1909; May 5, 1910; September 24, 1910; May 4, 1911; September 23, 1914; September 23, 1912; September 25, 1911. 5 frames.
- 0476 Folder 5-D-8, Statement—"Statement September 4, 1912 Mississippi Valley Trust Company, St. Louis." Statement with photograph of bank on front. 3 frames.
- 0479 Folder 5-D-9, Death Notice—"Pray for the Repose of the Soul of Mary Elizabeth Boyce December 21, 1917...." Addressed to Hugh Campbell. 2 frames.
- 0481 Folder 5-D-10, Receipts—"American Central Insurance Company." Stock dividend receipt. Dates: April 18, 1923; April 23, 1925. 2 frames.
- 0483 Folder 5-D-11, Government Notice—"Notice and Demand for Income Tax...." Dated August 16, 1826. Total assessment \$13.45. 2 frames.
- 0485 Folder 5-D-12, Notice—"The State National Bank of St. Louis." Dated December 1, 1928. Notice of annual stockholders meeting, Tuesday, January 8, 1929. 2 frames.

### **Series Six: Other Campbell Family Documents**

#### **Subseries 6-A: Copies of Deeds, Wills, Estate Documents**

- 0487 Folder 6-A-1, Memo book—"Ex. W. C.C." William Campbell's notebook. Earliest notations are from 1818 and 1819. A few entries from 1836. A large number of the notations are land surveys with longitude and latitude coordinates. 28 frames.

- 0515 Folder 6-A-2, Series of legal documents to be kept together as a set—(a) “Robert Campbell’s Certificate of Naturalization.” Dated December 2, 1834. Recorded with the Department of State Passport Bureau, No. 33753, July 4, 1867. (b) “Copy Will of Hugh Campbell, August 5, 1809.” Signed. Aghalane, Parish of Upper Badony, County Tyrone, Ireland. (c) *Life History of Robert Campbell* by the Southern History Company, St. Louis, Mo. Perhaps written by Spiegelberg. No date. (d) Deed of Settlement—Dated February 14, 1877. This is the deed that is referred to in previous legal documents. This continuing copy recorded November 6, 1879. (e) Lease—“The Rt. Honorable George Knox to Mr. Hugh Campbell, Lease of a Moiety of the Town and Lands of Aghalane County, Tyrone.” Copy. Dated August 18, 1825. (f) “Mr. John Campbell—1st part, Mr. Hugh Campbell—2nd part, Mr. Andrew Campbell—3rd part—Conveyance.” Copy. Dated February 15, 1780. #2. (g) “John Hamilton, Esq., to John Campbell Lease for Lives Renewable Forever of one-half of Aghylane. Rent 16 pounds.” Dated March 22, 1763. #1. Copy. (h) “James O’Gibby, Esq., to Hugh Campbell, Esq. Grant in Fee of Part of the Lands of Aghylane County, Tyrone.” Dated December 16, 1857. Copy. 55 frames.
- 0570 Folder 6-A-3, Legal document—“Requested Deed by trustees to Hugh Campbell and refusal.” Request dated March 13, 1881. Dated April 4, 1881. 7 frames.
- 0577 Folder 6-A-4, Legal documents—Handwritten legal documents pertaining to land held by the Campbell estate and currently trustee by Thomas T. Gantt and David Ranken. A squabble over deed. Notarized May 24, 1881. Two copies. (See legal brief report of trial.) “Indemnity to Gantt and Ranken....” 10 frames.
- 0587 Folder 6-A-5, Legal document—“Estate of Robert Campbell. Report of Noble and Orrick, Attorney for Estate at El Paso, Texas.” Dated January 2, 1882. 6 frames.
- 0593 Folder 6-A-6, Legal document—“Estate of Robert Campbell. Report of Noble and Orrick, Attorney for Estate at El Paso, Texas.” Second copy found. 6 frames.
- 0599 Folder 6-A-7, Legal documents—“Acknowledgment of Satisfaction from James A. Campbell.” Dated June 15, 1885. Handwritten and notarized. Paper pertains to the division of the Robert Campbell Trust following the death of Virginia J. Campbell. 5 frames.
- 0604 Folder 6-A-8, Legal document—“Application of Hugh Campbell surviving trustee, for transfer of 4 a/c bonds, affidavit John W. Noble.” Dated June 27, 1885. 4 frames.
- 0608 Folder 6-A-9, Legal documents—“Application of Hugh Campbell, surviving trustee, for transfer of registered 4 a/c now standing in the name of Virginia J. Campbell and Hugh Campbell, Trustees.” June 27, 1885. 5 frames.
- 0613 Folder 6-A-10, Legal document—“Declarations of Trust by Hugh Campbell and James A. Campbell.” Dated January 19, 1887. 5 frames.
- 0618 Folder 6-A-11, Legal documents—“Deed—Thomas T. Gantt and David Ranken to Hugh Campbell and James A. Campbell.” Dated January 19, 1887. Real estate transaction. 13 frames.
- 0631 Folder 6-A-12, Legal document—“Request by Hugh Campbell and James A. Campbell to Thomas T. Gantt and David Ranken to convey.” Pertaining to real estate in question held by trustees. Dated January 19, 1887. 5 frames.

- 0636 Folder 6-A-13, Letter—From Allen C. Orrick, counselor-at-law, regarding lawsuit filed against J. W. Bull. Case involves Hugh Campbell, Jr., foreclosing the mortgage. A copy of the oral comments and final decree are enclosed. 7 frames.
- 0643 Folder 6-A-14, Letter—From T. Gantt, June 10, 1885. Subject is the transfer of deed in question throughout these papers. Reference is made to the deed of February 1877. 2 frames.

#### **Subseries 6-B: Campbell Genealogical Charts**

- 0645 Folder 6-B-1, Series of documents to be kept together as a set—(a) Genealogy—Descendants of Sarah Campbell. (b) Genealogy—Campbell Genealogy—Revision of October 13, 1937. The children of Hugh Campbell. (c) Chart—Showing genealogical lines. (d) Memo and Genealogy—Letter to Mr. Kroeger from Allen C. Orrick. Genealogy was furnished by Miss Elizabeth Campbell. Dated August 3, 1938. (e) Genealogical Chart—Three charts showing the descendants of the grandparents of Hazlett K. Campbell, descendants of Sarah (Campbell) Campbell and descendants of Andrew Campbell. (f) Document—Photocopy of "Valuation of Robert Campbell's Estate." Dated March 16, 1885. (g) Newspaper—"Kansas City Star, Sunday, May 29, 1927." Article on the Campbell family with photographs. (h) Deed of Settlement—Dated February 15, 1877. This is the deed that the lawsuits between Gantt, Ranken, and the Campbells have focused on. (i) Document—Deed—"Virginia J. Campbell et al's Trustees to Thomas Allen." Dated January 18, 1881. Recorded June 23, 1939. (j) Document—Lawyers notes concerning the estate of Robert Campbell's father in Ireland. August 16 through December 9, 1876. (k) Letter and Records—Letter from Harry Trall, attorney, to Harry W. Kroeger, attorney. Included with letter are Hazlett Kyle Campbell and James A. Campbell's photostatic records of attendance at Washington University between 1870 and 1876. 129 frames.

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#### **Subseries 6-C: Later Letters**

- 0774 Folder 6-C-1, Letter—To Hugh Campbell from Eliza Rose of Kansas City. Dated January 18, 1918. Holograph. 2 frames.
- 0776 Folder 6-C-2, Letter—"Newmarket Bank of St. Louis" from the Organization Committee. Solicitation to stockholders for the new bank. Four articles: a letter, a subscription form, a return address envelope, and the cover envelope. Circa 1916. 6 frames.

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