# **Guide to the Croom Papers**

# **Descriptive Summary:**

Creator: Cicero Stephens Croom

Title: Croom Papers

Dates: 1840-1906 (bulk 1850-1870)

Quantity: 15.2 linear feet

Abstract: Correspondence, personal papers, literary manuscripts.

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# **Biographical Note:**

# William Whitfield and Julia Stephens Croom

William Whitfield Croom was born in Lenoir County, North Carolina, the son of General William Croom and Elizabeth Whitfield. General Croom died in 1829, and William moved to Gadsden County, Florida, ca. 1835, where he became a cotton commission merchant and broker in Quincy. He also hired out most of the fifty slaves he inherited from his father's estate. In 1836 he married Julia Stephens of New Bern, North Carolina. Julia's father, Marcus Cicero Stephens, and mother, Mary Anne "Polly" Ellis, and their seven children had also relocated in Quincy, Florida, in 1835. William and Julia had two children, Cicero Stephens and Elizabeth Whitfield.

During the 1850s William initiated a business relationship with a Dr. Taylor in Columbus, Georgia, and travelled frequently to New York in connection with his commission merchant business and a silk and ribbon jobbing business. William also speculated in land in Minnesota and Iowa, although with little success.

In 1857 William purchased 1,000 acres of land in Bolivar County, Mississippi. The Crooms lived in a boarding house in Memphis, Tennessee, while renovating a house on the plantation. However, they did not stay long in Mississippi, since Julia did not like the climate

or the isolation. They left their daughter, Elizabeth, and her husband to manage the plantation and they returned to New York.

On the eve of the Civil War it became increasingly difficult to conduct business in New York. In 1860, William and Julia moved to Eutaw, Alabama, where they had relatives. Following the war, their financial situation was precarious, and William had no regular occupation. In 1868, the year after Julia Croom died, William was forced to file for bankruptcy. His properties in Eutaw and Mississippi went on the auction block, and he moved to Rome, Georgia, where he secured a position teaching French in a girl's school. He remained there until his death in 1876.

### **Cicero Stephens Croom**

Cicero Stephens Croom was born December 12, 1839, in Quincy, Florida. The youngest of William Whitfield Croom's and Julia Stephens Croom's two children, he was afforded one of the best educations that could be acquired in the nineteenth century. As a result of his father's business ventures which required the family to move often, Stephens attended preparatory schools in Columbus, Georgia, and West Point, New York, as well as in New York City. In January 1856 he entered the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with the intention of becoming an attorney. He was an excellent student and also participated in college organizations such as the Dialectic Society and the Beta Theta Pi fraternity.

Following his graduation from college in June 1859, Stephens traveled to New York City where he worked as a shipping and entry clerk in his father's silk and ribbon business for three months. In the spring of 1860 he moved to Montgomery, Alabama, where he studied law under Judge Wade Keyes. Having completed his training, he moved to Eutaw, Alabama, where his mother and father had recently re-located. He planned to open a law practice there, but the outbreak of the Civil War interrupted his plans.

Immediately after the war began, in 1861, Stephens Croom enlisted in the Confederate Army as a private. He joined a company that was formed in Eutaw and commanded by Captain George Field. The group later became Company B of the 11th Alabama Regiment commanded by Colonel Sydenham Moore, a native of Greensboro, Alabama. The regiment was organized in Lynchburg, Virginia, and later traveled to Richmond and then to Winchester where it became part of the brigade commanded by General E. Kirby Smith. The

brigade remained in Winchester expecting a Union attack until July 18, 1861, when the Union threat dissipated.

Stephens and his unit then traveled to Manassas Junction, Virginia, arriving there on July 22, the day after the Battle of First Manassas. Shortly after arriving at Manassas, he was reassigned as a clerk to the adjutant general of the brigade, which was by then commanded by Colonel John H. Forney of the 10th Alabama Regiment. The brigade spent the winter of 1861-1862 near Centreville and Manassas and in the spring re-located to Yorktown, Virginia. Colonel Forney, who had been severely wounded in the arm in December 1861 at Drainsville, Virginia, was promoted to brigadier general and given command of the district comprising southern Alabama and west Florida. Forney invited Stephens Croom to become his assistant adjutant general and promoted him to the rank of captain. In May 1862 Stephens traveled to Mobile for the first time. He would stay eight months in the city.

In December 1862, General Forney was promoted to major general and re-assigned to the Department of Mississippi where he took command of Dabney H. Maury's old division. Stephens Croom was also promoted, to the rank of major, and followed Forney to Mississippi. By early May 1863, Forney's division had taken a position at Snyder's Bluff overlooking the city of Vicksburg. After being overpowered by the Union army, Stephens's division retreated to Vicksburg where they endured the forty-eight-day siege of the city. On July 4, 1863, Confederate forces at Vicksburg surrendered. As an officer, Stephens was immediately paroled and allowed to leave Vicksburg with his horse and his slave, who served as his personal servant. By July 11, 1863, the Confederate troops at Vicksburg were paroled and quickly reorganized at a camp in Enterprise, Mississippi. After spending some months at the camp, Major Croom was ordered to report to Major General Leonidas Polk's command at Demopolis, Alabama. A month later he was assigned to General William W. Loring's staff in Montevallo, Alabama.

In May 1864 Stephens's new division traveled to Resaca, Georgia, where they reinforced General Joseph E. Johnston's army, which was facing General William Tecumseh Sherman's Union forces. After several bloody battles, a perilous retreat which included crossing rivers, burning bridges, and near hits from falling artillery shells, Major Croom was re-assigned yet again. He rejoined his former commander, Major General John H. Forney, who was a commander in the Trans-Mississippi Department. The general's staff traveled by rail from Demopolis, Alabama, to Jackson, Mississippi, and then was transported by wagon to an area

near Port Gibson. From there they went to Monroe, Louisiana, where General Forney assumed command of General James Alexander Walker's former division. After reorganizing his new army, Forney marched his troops to Monticello, Arkansas, then across the state of Arkansas and down to Meinden, Louisiana, where they remained during the winter of 1864-65.

In the spring of 1865, Stephens's division traveled to Shreveport, Louisiana, where they rested for a month before marching to Texas. By May 1865, Forney's army had passed through Henderson, Rusk, Crockett, Anderson, and Hempstead, Texas. While General Forney tried to keep his army together, most of the soldiers in his division had abandoned the ranks by May 1865. With the surrender of all Confederate forces and the end of the Civil War, Stephens Croom traveled to Galveston, Texas, where he was paroled and transported by a Union ship to Mobile where his slave and personal servant, Henry, left him.

Having arrived back in Alabama, Stephens returned to his parents' home in Eutaw where he found them living in relative poverty and without any source of income. In addition, the woman he was engaged to marry "discarded" him for a more prosperous suitor. In an effort to find work, Stephens moved to Mobile in the spring of 1866. He joined the law firm of Peter and Thomas A. Hamilton where he worked for three years. He sent part of his monthly salary of \$45.00 to his father in Eutaw. In the fall of 1869, he left the Hamiltons to open his own law firm on St. Francis Street. He earned an excellent reputation as an attorney and, in 1875, was elected by the Mobile City Council to be City Attorney, over the popular Civil War hero Admiral Raphael Semmes.

On February 4, 1875, he married a local woman, Mary Marshall, and a year later they had their first child, Caroline Howard Croom, who died in infancy. On September 5, 1877, Stephens and Mary's son, William Whitfield Croom, was born. In 1880, Stephens was elected Commissioner of the Port of Mobile and served a three-year term. His career as an attorney continued to flourish, and he was also a well-respected member of Mobile society and a member of the Strikers, one of Mobile's most prestigious mystic societies.

Despite having survived gun fire, disease, and financial ruin during the Civil War, Stephens Croom was not able to overcome a case of bronchitis which he developed in the summer of 1884. He died July 29, 1884, at the age of forty-five, in Ashville, North Carolina, where he had gone for the fresh mountain air that he hoped would cure him.

## **Elizabeth Whitfield Croom Bellamy**

Elizabeth Whitfield Croom was born April 17, 1837, in Quincy, Florida. The older sister of Cicero Stephens Croom, Elizabeth was also afforded a first rate education. While most upper class women living in the nineteenth century received a very limited education that usually culminated with their graduation from a "finishing school," William and Julia Croom encouraged their daughter to attend college. In fact, the Croom family moved from Florida to Columbus, Georgia, in 1850 so that both Elizabeth and Stephens could get a better education. While in Columbus, she attended the Reverend Thomas Bog Slade's school for girls.

Business interests led William Croom to move his family to New York City. Elizabeth lived there from 1853 to 1857 and studied at the Spingler Institute, a female academy, from which she graduated in 1856 after three years in the school's collegiate department. In nineteenth century New York, young men from elite society attended Columbia and young women attended Spingler Institute. Therefore, Elizabeth attained one of the best educations that was available to a woman living in her time. She took full advantage of her Spingler experience by developing her skills as a writer, which she would put to good use in later years.

William Croom decided to move his family back to the South following a business failure in New York. He bought land in Mississippi where he built a plantation. Elizabeth went south with her parents and lived with them until her marriage on May 12, 1858, to her first cousin, Dr. Charles Edward Bellamy. William and Julia continued to spend time in New York due to William's business ventures. They eventually moved to the South permanently when they settled in Eutaw, Alabama. As a result of her parents' change of residence, Elizabeth and her husband operated the Croom plantation in Bolivar County, Mississippi. By the spring of 1859, she had given birth to her first child, Bryan, and in 1861 Elizabeth had a second child, Elizabeth, who was called "Bessie" by her parents.

Elizabeth Bellamy's childhood and marriage had been full of the kind of joy and opportunities that most people living in the nineteenth century could only dream about. However, that would all change with the Civil War. The first great tragedy of Elizabeth's life occurred June 17, 1862, when her son, Bryan, died. The cause is unknown. He could have

succumbed to one of any number of diseases that were prevalent in the nineteenth century and for which there was neither effective treatment nor vaccines available.

Although still grieving over the loss of their child, Elizabeth's husband, Edward, felt a patriotic duty to his native South and enlisted in the Confederate Army in July 1862. He became an assistant surgeon and was assigned to duty with the 38th Alabama Regiment. Thanks to the influence of Elizabeth's brother, Major Stephens Croom, Dr. Bellamy was assigned to a unit in Mobile for a while. He was also given a couple of furloughs which allowed him to visit Elizabeth and their daughter in Mississippi and later in Eutaw, Alabama, where Elizabeth was staying with her parents.

On December 22, 1862, tragedy struck Elizabeth's life again when her daughter "Bessie" died. As with Bryan, the cause of Bessie's death is not known. Following the loss of her second child, Elizabeth went with Edward when he returned to Mobile for duty. She rented rooms near his camp and the two consoled each other until Edward was re-assigned.

After passing an exam, Captain Edward Bellamy was promoted to surgeon, received the rank of major, and was ordered to report to Ringgold, Georgia, with the 38th Alabama Regiment, which would become part of the Army of Tennessee. While serving in hospitals behind Confederate lines, Edward was relatively safe from enemy gun fire. Unfortunately, he was not safe from the various diseases that struck soldiers in both armies during the Civil War. After battling typhoid fever, he died July 27, 1863.

Having lost both children and her husband in the course of a year, Elizabeth had returned to her parents' home by late October 1863. In an effort to defray some of the financial burdens that her parents were experiencing as a result of the Civil War, she took a position teaching at the Mesopotamia Female Seminary in Eutaw.

At the end of the Civil War the Croom family found themselves in dire financial straits. Elizabeth continued to teach and she also resumed her writing. She wrote a number of poems, some of which were published in the Mobile Register. In 1866 her brother, Stephens, moved to Mobile and he encouraged Elizabeth to write and to submit her work to the Register and other publications.

In 1867 she became a nationally known author when her first novel, Four Oaks was published under the pseudonym, Kamba Thorpe. It was a critical but not a financial success. After her first novel, Elizabeth continued to write and by 1884, was publishing her work under her own name. She wrote novels and short stories that appeared in book form and were also published in national magazines such as Appleton's, The Cycle, Atlantic Monthly, Youth's Companion, Black Cat, Lippincott's, and Ladies Home Journal. Even though her writing was well received by literary critics, it never provided her with financial security. Elizabeth continued to teach and in 1868 she accepted a better teaching position twenty miles from Eutaw in Gainesville, Alabama, where she lived until 1877.

Stephens Croom invited Elizabeth to live with his family, and in 1877 she resigned her position in Gainesville and moved to Mobile. Although she continued to teach part-time, with the financial security that came from living with Stephens's family, she was able to devote most of her time to her writing--at least for a while.

Tragedy struck yet again when Stephens died in 1884. His young son and wife were left without any means of financial support. Elizabeth's care-free days as a writer were over. She went back to teaching full time. Eventually, she and her sister-in-law, Mary Marshall Croom, opened a school in their home on Augusta Street. Elizabeth continued to publish her work and the money she received from it supplemented the family's income. She also gave lectures on literary topics to paying audiences at the Mobile YMCA and was well known for her Shakespeare lectures.

Elizabeth developed Bright's Disease, a form of chronic kidney failure, in 1893. She continued to write, although her health deteriorated over the next seven years. She died April 13, 1900, at the age of sixty-three.

### Scope and Contents:

This collection consists of correspondence between various Croom family members and friends from 1840 to 1906, as well as personal papers and literary manuscripts. Most of the letters were written between 1850 and 1870 by Cicero Stephens Croom, his sister Elizabeth Whitfield Croom Bellamy, and their parents, William Whitfield Croom and Julia Stephens Croom. The personal papers include a journal kept by Stephens in 1863 during the siege of

Vicksburg while he was serving on General Forney's staff. Also included are numerous school essays written by Stephens while he was attending college at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and by Elizabeth who studied at the Spingler Institute in New York City. The literary manuscripts in the collection--poems, short stories, and novels--were written by Elizabeth between 1865 and 1900. Her early works were published in national magazines under a pseudonym, Kamba Thorpe. In later works she used her married name, Elizabeth W. Bellamy. The collection also contains her notes for lectures on literary subjects.

### **Arrangement:**

- 1. Croom family correspondence
- 2. Croom family miscellaneous
- 3. Elizabeth Bellamy
- 4. Stephens Croom personal papers

### **Access Restrictions:**

Appointment and special procedures for use of this collection.

#### **Preferred Citation:**

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# **Content List:**

### Abbreviations used:

BFM (Benjamin F. Marshall)
CSC (Cicero Stephens Croom)
EWC (Elizabeth Whitfield Croom)
EWB (Elizabeth Whitfield Croom Bellamy) after 1858
JSC (Julia Stephens Croom)

MMC (Mary Marshall Croom)
WWC (William Whitfield Croom)

#### Box 1

### Correspondence, 1840-1856

#### File 1

# Correspondence, 1840 and 1848

- 1.1 W. B. P. [Partridge? Primrose?], Washington, La., to uncle [Martin Mayhall?], Fort Claiborne, Ala., 11/20/1840
- 1.2 Wm. W. Croom, Quincy, Fla. to Mon cher fils [CSC], 10/18/1848
- 1.3 Wm. W. Croom, Quincy to Stephens, 11/5/1848 (photo copy)
- 1.4 Wm. W. Croom, Quincy, to Stephens, 11/12/1848

### File 2

# Correspondence, 1850

- 2.1 Wm W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 8/25/1850
- 2.2 Cousin Croom, Terre Bonne, to Cousin [CSC], 10/8/1850
- 2.3 Bryan Croom, Bel Air, to Cousin [CSC], 10/9/1850

#### File 3

### Correspondence, 1852

- 3.1 Friend [Harmon Morgan] to Stephens, 1/31/1852
- 3.2 Sister [EWC], Columbus, Georgia, to Little Brother [CSC], 2/27/1852
- 3.3 E. W. Croom, Columbus, to Brother [CSC], 2/28/1852 [w/note from Mother, 3/1/1852]
- 3.4 Croom Bellamy, Hopoi, [Georgia], to Cousin [CSC], 2/28/1852
- 3.5 Cousin Julia [K]enan, Columbus, to Stephens, 11/3/1852
- 3.6 W. W. Croom, Quincy, [Fla.] to Son [CSC], 11/7/1852
- 3.7 W.W. Croom, Quincy, to Son [CSC], 11/14/1852

### File 4

### Correspondence, January-July 1853

- 4.1 Mother [JSC] to Son [CSC] 1/23/1853
- 4.2 Mother [JSC], Columbus, to Son [CSC] 1/27/1853
- 4.3 Mother [JSC], Columbus, to Son [CSC], 2/7-8/1853
- 4.4 Lizzie [EWC], Quincy, to Brother [CSC], 2/13/1853
- 4.5 C. S. Croom, Quincy, to Mother [JSC], 3/8/1853
- 4.6 W. T. Stockton, Jr., Quincy, to Friend [CSC?], 5/18/1853
- 4.7 Mother [JSC], New York, to Stephens, 7/10/1853 [w/ note from sister L. W. C. [EWC]
- 4.8 Friend Harmon Morgan, Portland [NY], to Stephens 7/23/1853

### File 5

# Correspondence, August-September 1853

- 5.1 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 8/17/1853
- 5.2 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 8/21/1853
- 5.3 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 8/27/1853
- 5.4 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], [n.d., probably 1853]
- 5.5 W. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 9/2/1853
- 5.6 Lizzie W. Croom, New York, to Stephens, West Point, New York, 9/4/1853
- 5.7 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], 9/11/[probably 1853]
- 5.8 Son C. S. Croom, West Point, to Mother [JSC], 9/13/1853
- 5.9 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 9/18/[probably 1853]
- 5.10 C. S. Croom, West Point, to Mother [JSC], 9/21/1853

# Correspondence, October-December 1853

- 6.1 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], [Quincy, Fla.], 10/27/ [probably 1853]
- 6.2 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], [Quincy], 11/14/1853
- 6.3 Sister E. W. Croom, New York, to Brother [CSC], [Quincy], [w/note from JSC], 11/27/1853
- 6.4 George J. Osborn, West Point, to [CS] Croom [Florida], 12/2/1853
- 6.5 C. S. Croom, Casto de Lago, [Florida], to Father [WWC], 12/10/1853
- 6.6 W. W. Croom, Savannah, to Son [CSC], [Tallahassee], 12/10/1853
- 6.7 W. W. Croom, New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], [Tallahassee], 12/14/1853, [w/letter from Mother [JSC] to Son]
- 6.8 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], [Tallahassee], 12/17/1853
- 6.9 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], [Tallahassee], 12/18/1835 [1853]
- 6.10 C. S. Croom, Casto de Lago, [Florida], to Mother [JSC], 12/22/1853
- 6.11 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], [Quincy], 12/24/1853

#### File 7

# Correspondence, January-February 1854

- 7.1 C. S. Croom, Quincy, to Mother [JSC], 1/8/1854, and Husband Wm. W. Croom to Wife [JSC] on same paper as letter above
- 7.2 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], 1/11/1854
- 7.3 L.W.C. [EWC] to Brother [CSC], n.d. [1854]
- 7.4 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Child [CSC], 1/24/1854
- 7.5 Elizabeth [EWC], New York, to Brother [CSC], 1/29/1854
- 7.6 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], 2/5/1854
- 7.7 E.W.C. to C. S. Croom, Quincy, Fla., n.d.[1854] "A rebellion in the chemistry class"
- 7.8 Mother [JSC] to Dear Child [CSC], 2/8/1854
- 7.9 Mother [JSC] to Dear Boy [CSC], 2/12/1854
- 7.10 Mother [JSC] to Dear Boy [CSC], Quincy, Fla., 2/19/[1854]
- 7.11 Lizzie [EWC] to Brother [CSC], n.d. [1854]

### File 8

### Correspondence, March-May 1854 [No correspondence for April]

- 8.1 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], 3/4/1854
- 8.2 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Child [CSC], 3/13/1854

- 8.3 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 3/19/1854
- 8.4 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 3/29/1854
- 8.5 Harold Bellamy, Hopoi, Ga., to Cousin [CSC], 5/9/[1854]
- 8.6 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 5/18/1854
- 8.7 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 5/21/1854
- 8.8 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 5/31/1854 [w/ note from JSC]
- 8.9 Isaac C[room] Jeffrey, Quincy, to Stephens, 5/31/1854

### Correspondence, June 1854

- 9.1 Mother [JSc], New York, to Son [CSC], 6/4/1854 [w/letter from E. W. Croom to Brother]
- 9.2 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], 6/10/1854
- 9.3 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 6/10/1854
- 9.4 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 6/11/1854
- 9.5 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 6/14/1854
- 9.6 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 6/14/1854
- 9.7 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 6/17/1854
- 9.8 Lizzie [EWC], New York, to Brother [CSC], 6/18/1854 [w/letter from Mother [JSC]
- 9.9 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 6/20/1854

#### File 10

# Correspondence, August-December 1854 [No correspondence for July]

- 10.1 Cousin Dooty to Cousin [CSC], 8/21/1854
- 10.2 Aunt Betsey [wife of Sam Bellamy], Quincy, Fla., to Stephens, 9/24/1854
- 10.3 George J. Osborn, West Point, to Friend [CSC], 11/8/1854
- 10.4 Isaac C. Jeff[reys], Quincy, to Stephens, 11/13/1854
- 10.5 George Osborn, West Point, to Friend Croom [CSC], 12/10/1854
- 10.6 Charles Gray [schoolmate], West Point, to Friend Croom [CSC], 12/11/1854
- 10.7 Charles Gray, West Point, to Friend Croom [CSC], 11/17/1854

# File 11

## Correspondence, January-May 1855

- 11.1 George Osborn, West Point, to Croom [CSC], 1/6/1855
- 11.2 Charles O. Gray, West Point, to Friend Croom [CSC], 1/16/1855
- 11.3 George Osborn, West Point, to Croom [CSC], 2/4/1855
- 11.4 Charles Gray, [Warrensburgh], to Friend Croom [CSC], 2/25/1855
- 11.5 Isaac C. Jeff[reys], Quincy, to Stephens, 4/1/1855
- 11.6 Aunt [Bess], Quincy, to Stephens 5/8/[1855]
- 11.7 George J. Osborn, New Haven, to Croom [CSC], 5/12/1855
- 11.8 George J. Osborn, New Haven, to Friend [CSC], 5/20/[1855]

# File 12

# Correspondence, June-December 1855

- 12.1 W. T. Stockton, Quincy, to Dear Friend [CSC?], 6/9/1855
- 12.2 Harold Bellamy, Hopoi, Ga., to cousin Stephens, 7/6/1855
- 12.3 Isaac C. J[...], Quincy, to Stephens, 9/9/1855
- 12.4 George Osborn, New Haven, to Friend [CSC], 10/14/1855
- 12.5 S. L. C., Columbus, to Dear Old Fashionable Friend and Gossip [JSC], 10/17/1855
- 12.6 Bryan Croom Jr., Northhampton, to Stephens, 11/12/1855
- 12.7 George Osborn, New Haven, to Friend [CSC], 11/18/1855
- 12.8 Harold Bellamy to Cousin [CSC], 12/2/1855

### Correspondence, January-April 1856

- 13.1 E. W. Croom to Brother [CSC], n.d. [1856]
- 13.2 Francis L. Hawks [kinsman], New York, to Stephens, 1/12/1856
- 13.3 C. S. C., Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 2/9/1856
- 13.4 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 2/17/1856
- 13.5 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 3/11/1856
- 13.6 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 3/24/1856
- 13.7 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 4/14/1856
- 13.8 Brother [CSC], Chapel Hill, to Sister [EWC], 4/20/1856

#### File 14

# Correspondence, May-August 1856

- 14.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 5/4/1856
- 14.2 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 5/12/1856
- 14.3 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 6/20/1856
- 14.4 Nathan B. Whitfield [cousin], Demopolis, to Stephens, 7/2/1856
- 14.5 [EWC] to [CSC], 7/27/1856 [poem]
- 14.6 Mother [JSC] to Dear Boy [CSC], 8/2/1856
- 14.7 Sister [EWC], Green's Farm, [boarding house outside New York City], to Brother [CSC], 8/10/1856
- 14.8 Mother [JSC], Green's Farm, to Son [CSC], 8/24/1856
- 14.9 C. S. Croom to Father [WWC], 8/31/1856
- 14.10 Sister [EWC], Green's Farm, Brother [CSC], 8/31/1856

# File 15

# Correspondence, September 1856

- 15.1 Mother [JSC], Green's Farm, to Dear Boy [CSC], 9/12/1856
- 15.2 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 9/14/1856
- 15.3 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 9/18/1856
- 15.4 Aunt Betsey [probably wife of Sam Bellamy in Quincy, Fla.] to Stephens, 9/27/1856
- 15.5 Bryan Croom Jr., Northhampton, to Cousin [CSC], 9/28/1856
- 15.6 E. W. Croom, Mrs. Frost's [New York City], to Brother [CSC], 9/28/1856
- 15.7 C. S. Croom, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 9/28/1856

# File 16

# Correspondence, October-December 1856

- 16.1 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 10/12/1856
- 16.2 Stephens, C. H. [Chapel Hill], to Mother [JSC], 10/12/1856
- 16.3 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 10/13/1856
- 16.4 Mother [JSC], New York], to Son [CSC], 10/18/[1856]
- 16.5 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], Mother [JSC] and Sister [EWC], 10/26/1856
- 16.6 E. W. Croom, New York, to Brother [CSC], 11/2/1856
- 16.7 A. K. S., New York, to Friend [CSC], 11/7/1856
- 16.8 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 11/9/1856
- 16.9 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 11/15/1856
- 16.10 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 11/16/[1856]
- 16.11 James P. Coffin, Hampton's Room, to Friend Stephens, 12/16/1856
- 16.12 Syd Smith, Chapel Hill, to Friend Stephens, 12/21/[1856]

#### Box 2

## Correspondence, 1857-1859

### File 1

## Correspondence, January 1857

- 1.1 Nathan [B. Whitfield], Mt. Auburn, to Stephens, 1/3/1857
- 1.2 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 1/15/1857
- 1.3 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 1/18/1857
- 1.4 Wm. W. Croom, Quincy, to Dear Boy [CSC], 1/18/1857
- 1.5 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 1/18/1857
- 1.6 Wm. W. Croom, Quincy, to Wife [JSC], 1/20/1857
- 1.7 Wm. W. Croom to Son [CSC], 1/24/57
- 1.8 [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 1/25/1857
- 1.9 Mother [JSC], New York, to Good Child [CSC], 1/30/1857

#### File 2

### Correspondence, February 1857

- 2.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 2/1/1857
- 2.2 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 2/2/1857
- 2.3 Sister [EWC] to Brother [CSC], 2/8/1857
- 2.4 Mother [JSC], New York, to Dear Boy [CSC], 2/15/1857
- 2.5 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 2/19/57
- 2.6 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 2/22/1857 with note from Mother [JSC]

#### File 3

### Correspondence, March 1857

- 3.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 3/1[1857]
- 3.2 [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 3/1/1857
- 3.3 A. K. S. [Anna K. Sweet] to Friend Stephens, 3/4/1857
- 3.4 Sister [EWC] to Brother [CSC], 3/8/1857
- 3.5 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 3/15/1857
- 3.6 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 3/16/1857

- 3.7 [P.W.] White, Quincy, to S. C. Croom [CSC], 3/19/1857
- 3.8 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 3/22/1857
- 3.9 Aunt Betsey [Croom Bellamy], Quincy, to Stephens, 3/25/1857
- 3.10 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 3/29/1857

### Correspondence, April-June 1857

- 4.1 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 4/3/1857
- 4.2 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 4/4/1857
- 4.3 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 4/11/1857
- 4.4 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 4/13/1857
- 4.5 W. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 4/14/1857
- 4.6 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 4/19/1857
- 4.7 N. [Nathan B. Whitfield?] to Stephens, 5/21/1857
- 4.8 Mother [JSC], Casa del Laga [Quincy, Fla.] to Son [CSC] 5/27/1857
- 4.9 Wm. W. Croom to Son, [6/1857]
- 4.10 Cicero S. C., Asheville, N.C., to Mother [JSC], 6/8/1857
- 4.11 Mother [JSC], Quincy, to Son [CSC], 6/14/1857
- 4.12 Mother [JSC], Quincy, to Son [CSC], 6/22/1857
- 4.13 Alphonse C. A[very], Morgantown, to Stephens, 6/25/1857
- 4.14 [JSC], Hopoi, to Son [CSC], 6/27/1857

#### File 5

# Correspondence, July 1857

- 5.1 Mother [JSC], Hopoi, to Son [CSC] 7/1857
- 5.2 Cousin Hap [Bellamy], Hopoi, to Stephens, 7/2/1857
- 5.3 Sister [EWC], Hopoi, to Brother [CSC], 7/3/1857
- 5.4 Stephens, Ashville, to Father [WWC], 7/3/1857
- 5.5 W. W. Croom, Hopoi, to Son [CSC], 7/8/1857
- 5.6 D. C. Jay, New York, to Sir [CSC], 7/20/1857
- 5.7 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 7/24/1857 [partial letter]
- 5.8. Mother [JSC], Louisville, to Dear Boy [CSC], 7/25/1857
- 5.9 Sister [EWC], Columbus, to Brother [CSC], 7/31/1857

## File 6

# Correspondence, August 1857

- 6.1 Wm. W. Croom, Memphis, Tenn., to Son [CSC], 8/3/1857
- 6.2 Mother [JSC], Hopoi, to Son [CSC], 8/6/1857
- 6.3 N. Whitfield [Nathan B.], Baltimore City, to Stephens, 8/8/1857
- 6.4 Harold [Bellamy], Hopoi, Ga., to Cousin [CSC], 8/11/1857
- 6.5 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 8/11/1857
- 6.6 Mother [JSC], Hopoi, Ga., to Son [CSC], 8/16/1857, w/note from sister [EWC] and W. W. Croom
- 6.7 Aunt Betsey [Croom Bellamy], Quincy, Fla., to Stephens, 8/28/1857

# File 7

# Correspondence, September 1857

- 7.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 9/1/1857
- 7.2 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 9/3/1857
- 7.3 Sister [EWC], Hopoi, to Brother [CSC], 9/5/1857
- 7.4 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 9/9/1857
- 7.5 Cousin Harold [Bellamy], Oxford, N.C., to Stephens, 9/22/1857
- 7.6 Wm. W. Croom, Columbus, to Son [CSC], 9/27/1857
- 7.7 A. K. S. [Anna K. Sweet], Pokupsie [Poughkeepsie], to friend Stephens, 9/29/1857
- 7.8 E. W. Croom, Columbus, to Brother [CSC], 9/30/1857
- 7.9 Mother [JSC], Columbus, to Son [CSC], 9/30/1857
- 7.10 Stephens, [Chapel Hill] to [...], [Written in 1857 when Stephens was a Junior at Chapel Hill]

# File 8

## Correspondence, October 1857

- 8.1 Mother [JSC], Columbus, to Son [CSC], 10/6/[1857]
- 8.2 N. [Nathan B. Whitfield], near Eutaw, Ala., to Stephens, 10/8/1857
- 8.3 Hap [Bellamy], Oxford, to Stephens, 10/10/1857
- 8.4 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 10/17/1857
- 8.5 Croom Bellamy, Oxford, N.C., to Stephens, 10/18/1857
- 8.6 Wm. W. Croom, Bolivar County, to Dear Boy [CSC], 10/30/1857
- 8.7 E. W. Croom, Memphis, Tenn., to Brother [CSC], 10/1857

#### File 9

### Correspondence, November 1857

- 9.1 Mother [JSC], Memphis, to Son [CSC], 11/2/[1857]
- 9.2 C. S. Croom, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 11/3/1857
- 9.3 Cousin Charles E. [Edward] Bellamy, Memphis, to Stephens, 11/3/1857
- 9.4 A. K. Sweet, New York, to Friend [CSC], 11/4/1857
- 9.5 Croom Bellamy, Oxford, N.C., to Stephens, 11/8/1857
- 9.6 Wm. W. Croom, Prentiss, Miss., to Son [CSC], 11/10/1857
- 9.7 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 11/13/1857
- 9.8 Mother [JSC], Memphis, to Son [CSC], 11/15/1857
- 9.9 Mother [JSC], Memphis, to Son [CSC], 11/19/1857
- 9.10 Sister [EWC], Memphis, to Brother [CSC], 11/22/1857
- 9.11 N. [Nathan B. Whitfield], Demopolis, to Stephens, 11/25/1857 [w/ notes from EWC & JSC forwarding his letter]
- 9.12 C. S. Croom, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 11/26/1857
- 9.13 Wm. W. Croom, Memphis, to Son [CSC], 11/26/1857
- 9.14 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 11/31/1857

# File 10

#### Correspondence, December 1857

- 10.1 Wm. W. Croom to Son [CSC], 12/3/1857
- 10.2 Mother [JSC], Memphis, to Son [CSC], 12/4/1857
- 10.3 Mother [JSC], Memphis, to Son [CSC], 12/13/1857

- 10.4 Mother [JSC], Memphis, to Son [CSC] 12/17/[1857, not 1858 as written]
- 10.5 E. W. Croom, Memphis, to Brother [CSC], 12/20/1857
- 10.6 Cousin Harold [Croom], Hopoi, Miss., to Stephens, 12/21/1857
- 10.7 Wm. W. Croom, Memphis, to Son [CSC], 12/30/1857

### Correspondence, January 1858

- 11.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 1/5/1858
- 11.2 Mother [JSC], Memphis, to Son [CSC], 1/9/1858
- 11.3 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 1/12/1858
- 11.4 Wm. W. Croom, Atlanta, Ga., to Son [CSC], 1/13/1858
- 11.5 Wm. W. Croom, Fort Valley, to Son [CSC], 1/17/1858
- 11.6 C. S. Croom, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 1/23/1858
- 11.7 E. W. Croom, Memphis, to Brother [CSC], 1/31/1858

#### File 12

### Correspondence, February-April 1858

- 12.1 C. S. Croom, Chapel Hill, to Sister [EWC], 2/7/1858
- 12.2 A. K. S. [Anna K. Sweet], New York, to Friend [CSC], 2/7/1858
- 12.3 Sister [EWC], Hopoi, Miss., to Brother [CSC], 2/26/1858
- 12.4 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 3/7/1858
- 12.5 Mother [JSC], Hopoi, to Son [CSC] 3/9/1858, with note from Elizabeth [EWC]
- 12.6 N. [Nathan] B. Whitfield, Jr., Demopolis, Ala., to Stephens, 3/19/1858
- 12.7 Lizzie [EWC], Rosewood, Miss., to Brother [CSC] 4/4/1858, with note from Mother [JSC] 12.8 Mother [JSC], Rosewood, to Son [CSC], 4/25/1858

#### File 13

# Correspondence, May-June 1858

- 13.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 5/8/1858
- 13.2 E. W. Croom, Memphis, to Brother [CSC], 5/9/1858
- 13.3 Charles E. [Edward] Bellamy, Memphis, to Stephens 5/10/1858
- 13.4 Wm. W. Croom, Memphis, to Son [CSC] 5/12/1858
- 13.5 Mother [JSC], to Child [CSC] 5/17/1858
- 13.6 Friend & Classmate Lucius Fr[aison], Columbia, Tenn., to Stephens, 6/13/1858
- 13.7 Sister E. W. B., Hopoi, to Brother [CSC], 6/16/1858 [note Elizabeth married Charles E. Bellamy in May 1858]

#### File 14

### Correspondence, July 1858

- 14.1 N. [Nathan B. Whitfield, Jr.], Pass Christian, Miss., to Stephens, 7/8/1858
- 14.2 Sister E. W. Bellamy to Brother [CSC], Memphis, 7/15/1858, not 1857 as written]
- 14.3 C. S. Croom, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 7/23/1858
- 14.4 C. S. Croom, Chapel Hill, to Father, 7/25/1858
- 14.5 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 7/28/1858

# Correspondence, August 1858

- 15.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 8/2/1858
- 15.2 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 8/3/1858
- 15.3 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 8/10/1858
- 15.4 Mother [JSC], Mont Vale Springs, to Son [CSC], 8/15/1858
- 15.5 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 8/19/1858
- 15.6 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 8/25/1858
- 15.7 Mother [JSC], Mont Vale, to Son [CSC], 8/26/1858
- 15.8 James P. Coffin, Knoxville, to Stephens, 8/28/1858
- 15.9 Hap [Harold Bellamy], Memphis, Tenn., to Cousin [CSC] 8/29/1858

#### File 16

## Correspondence, September 1858

- 16.1 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 9/4/1858
- 16.2 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 9/13/1858
- 16.3 Sister [EWB], New York, to Brother [CSC], 9/17/1858
- 16.4 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 9/25/1858
- 16.5 James P. Coffin, Knoxville, to Stephens, 9/29/1858

#### File 17

# Correspondence, October 1858

- 17.1 Nathan B. Whitfield, Demopolis, Ala., to Stephens, 10/1/1858
- 17.2 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 10/3/1858
- 17.3 Charles E. Bellamy, Memphis, Tenn., to Stephens, 10/5/1858
- 17.4 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 10/7/1858
- 17.5 Sister Lizzie, New York, to Brother [CSC], 10/19/1858
- 17.6 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 10/20/1858
- 17.7 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Son [CSC], 10/20/1858
- 17.8 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 10/26/1858

## File 18

## Correspondence, November-December 1858

- 18.1 N. B. C. [Needham Cobb], Greenville, N. C., to Stephens, 11/6/1858
- 18.2 [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 11/14/ 1858
- 18.3 Anna [Anna K. Sweet], East Chester, to Friend [CSC], 11/14/1858
- 18.4 Stephens, Montgomery, to Mother [JSC], 12/15/1858
- 18.5 Mother [JSC], New York, to Son [CSC], 12/17/1858
- 18.6 Stephens, Demopolis, Ala., to Mother [JSC], 12/25/1858
- 18.7 E. W. Bellamy, Hopoi, Miss., to Brother [CSC], 12/26/1858 **File 19**

# Correspondence, January-March 1859

- 19.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 1/19/1859
- 19.2 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 1/26/1859

- 19.3 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 2/7/1859
- 19.4 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Mother [JSC], 2/19/1859
- 19.5 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 3/14/1859
- 19.6 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 3/23/1859

# Correspondence, April-October 1859

- 20.1 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 4/9/1859
- 20.2 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 4/14/1859
- 20.3 Stephens, Chapel Hill, to Father [WWC], 5/4/1859
- 20.4 Wm. W. Croom, New York, to Wife [JSC], 6/1/1859
- 20.5 Stephens, New York, to Mother [JSC], 6/9/1859, with note from Wm. W. Croom
- 20.6 James P. Coffin, Knoxville, to Stephens, 7/28/1859
- 20.7 James L. Gaines, Black Mountain, to Stephens, 10/30/1859

[No correspondence in August, September, November and December 1859]

#### Box 3

### Correspondence, 1860-1865

#### File 1

### Correspondence, 1860

- 1.1 James P. [Park] Coffin, Knoxville, to Stephens, 1/13/1860
- 1.2 Friend N. Collins Hughes, New Berne, N.C., to Stephens, 3/8/1860
- 1.3 James P. Coffin, Knoxville, to Stephens, 10/7/1860
- 1.4 James P. Coffin, Knoxville, to Stephens, 11/11/1860

[No correspondence in February, April-September, or December 1860]

#### File 2

### Correspondence, February-July 1861 [No correspondence January, March-May]

- 2.1 J. S. Gaines to Stephen, 2/3/1861, St. Charles, Mo.
- 2.2 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 6/22/61, Dalton, Ga.
- 2.3 Stephens to Father [WWC], 6/26/1861, Lynchburg, Va.
- 2.4 Stephens to Father [WWC], 7/9/61, Camp Clay, Richmond, Va.
- 2.5 Stephens to [Sister?] [EWB], 7/17/61, Winchester, Va. [partial letter]
- 2.6 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 7/21/[1861], Piedmont, Va.
- 2.7 Stephens to Father [WWC], 7/25/61, Army of the Shenandoah, about eight miles from Manassas Junction and half a mile from the battle field

#### File 3

### Correspondence, August 1861

- 3.1 Mother [JSC] to Dear Boy [CSC], 8/4/61, Eutaw, Ala.
- 3.2 Stephens to Father [WWC], 8/6/1861, Army of Potomac, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade
- 3.3 Stephens to Father [WWC], 8/18/61, Camp near Bristol Station
- 3.4 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 8/19/61, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade

3.5 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 8/27/61, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade, near Bristol, Va.

# File 4

# Correspondence, September 1861

- 4.1 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 9/2/61, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade, Camp near Bristol
- 4.2 Stephens to Father [WWC], 9/9/61, Camp near Bristol
- 4.3 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 9/12/61, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade, Camp near Bristol
- 4.4 Stephens to Father [WWC], 9/21/61, Head Qrs., 5th Brigade, Camp near Bristol
- 4.5 Mother [JSC] to Dear Boy [CSC], 9/22/[1861], Eutaw, Ala.
- 4.6 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 9/24/61, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade, Camp near Centerville
- 4.7 Stephens to Father [WWC], 9/29/61, Hd. Qrs., 5th, 2d Corps

#### File 5

# Correspondence, October-December 1861

- 5.1 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 10/18/61, Hd. Qrs., 5th Brigade, 2d Corps A.P.
- 5.2 Stephens to Father [WWC], 10/26/61, Hd. Qrs., 5th Brig., 2d Corps A.P.
- 5.3 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 11/1/61, Hd.Qrs., 5th Brigade, 2d Corps A.P.
- 5.4 Stephens to Father [WWC], 11/8/61, Hd. Qrs., 5th Brigade, 2d Corps A.P.
- 5.5 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 11/18/61, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade, 2d Corps
- 5.6 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 12/3/61, Hd.Qrs., 5th Brigade, 2d Corps, A.P.
- 5.7 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 12/14/61, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade, 2d Corps
- 5.8 Stephens to [...], n.d. [1861] partial letter

#### File 6

# Correspondence, January-April 1862

- 6.1 Stephens to Father [WWC], 1/13/62, Hd. Qrs., 5th Brigade, 2d Corps A.P.
- 6.2 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 1/26/62, Hd. Qrs., 5th Brigade, 2d Corps
- 6.3 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 1/27/62, Head Quarters, 5th Brigade, 2d Corps
- 6.4 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 2/3/62, Hd. Qrs., 5th Brigade, 2d Corps A.P.
- 6.5 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 2/15/62, Hd. Qrs., 2d Brigade, 1st Division A.P.
- 6.6 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 3/2/62, Hd.Qrs., 2d Brigade, 1st Division, A.P.
- 6.7 Stephens to Father [WWC], 3/22/62, Hd. Ors., 2d Brigade. 1st Div, near Orange C.H.
- 6.8 Stephens to Father [WWC], 4/11/62, Hd.Qrs. near Wynn's Mill, York Co., Va.
- 6.9 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 4/18/62, Hd.Qrs. near Yorktown

### File 7

# Correspondence, May-July 1862

- 7.1 Capt. Stephens Croom to Father [WWC], 5/5/62, Selma, Ala.
- 7.2 Stephens to Father [WWC], 5/7/62, Mobile
- 7.3 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 5/16/62, Hd.Qrs., Dept. Ala & West Fla.
- 7.4 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 5/21/62, Mobile
- 7.5 Stephens to Father [WWC], 6/21/62, Mobile
- 7.6 Stephens to Father [WWC], 7/5/62, Mobile
- 7.7 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 7/15/62, Mobile
- 7.8 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 7/22/62, Mobile

# Correspondence, August-September 1862

- 8.1 Stephens to Father [WWC], 8/1/62, Mobile
- 8.2 Stephens to Father [WWC], 8/9/62, Mobile
- 8.3 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 8/17/62, Mobile
- 8.4 E. W. Bellamy to Brother [CSC], 8/21/62, Eutaw
- 8.5 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 9/7/62, Mobile
- 8.6 Stephens to Father [WWC], 9/10/62, Mobile
- 8.7 [WWC] to Son [CSC], 9/20/1862, Eutaw
- 8.8 Stephens to Father [WWC], 9/25/62, Mobile
- 8.9 S. Croom to Father [WWC], 9/26/62

#### File 9

# Correspondence, October-December 1862 [No correspondence for November]

- 9.1 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 10/2/62, Mobile
- 9.2 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 10/11/62, Mobile
- 9.3 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 12/11/62, Mobile
- 9.4 Stephens to Father [WWC], 12/16/62, Mobile

#### File 10

# Correspondence, March-April 1863 [No correspondence for January-February]

- 10.1 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 3/6/63, Jackson, Miss.
- 10.2 Stephens to Father [WWC], 3/13/63, Head Quarters, 2d Div. A.M., Camp on Big Black River [Miss.]
- 10.3 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 3/27/63, Hd. Quarters, 2d Div. A.M., Camp on Big Black River
- 10.4 Stephens to Father [WWC], 3/27/1863, Mobile
- 10.5 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 4/2/63, Head Quarters, 2d Div. A.M.
- 10.6 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 4/12/1863, Hd. Quarters near Vicksburg
- 10.7 Jas. P. Coffin to Friend [CSC], 4/15/1863, Hawkins Co., [N.C.]
- 10.8 Stephens to Father, 4/19/63, Camp near Vicksburg
- 10.9 Stephens to Father [WWC], 4/19/1863, Camp near Vicksburg
- 10.10 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 4/27/1863, Head Quarters Forney=s Div. near Vicksburg

### File 11

# Daily Journal, April 1863 [near Vicksburg]

#### File 12

### Correspondence, May-December 1863 [No correspondence June or August]

- 12.1 Stephens to Father [WWC], 5/3/63, Vicksburg
- 12.2 Stephens to Father [WWC], 5/17/63, Vicksburg
- 12.3 Stephens to Father [WWC], 7/15/63, Brandon, Miss.
- 12.4 Stephens to Father [WWC], 7/19/63, Enterprise, Miss.

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12.5 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 7/22/63, Enterprise, Miss.
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- 12.6 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 9/11/63, Enterprise
- 12.7 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 10/5/63, Enterprise
- 12.8 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 11/12/63, "Coventry"
- 12.9 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 11/27/63, Enterprise
- 12.10 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 12/4/63, Enterprise, Miss.

### Correspondence, January-June 1864 [No correspondence for March-April]

- 13.1 Stephens to Father [WWC], 1/5/64, Enterprise
- 13.2 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 1/26/64, Enterprise
- 13.3 Stephens to Father [WWC], 2/9/64, Enterprise
- 13.4 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 5/5/64, Montevallo, [Ala.]
- 13.5 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 5/19/64, Capville, Ga. [partial letter]
- 13.6 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 6/19/[1864], Demopolis, [Ala.]
- 13.7 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 6/21/64, near Jackson, Miss.
- 13.8 Stephens to Father [WWC], 6/22/64, Jackson, Miss.

## File 14

# Correspondence, July-Nov. 1864 [No correspondence September, December]

- 14.1 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 7/1/64, St Joseph, La.
- 14.2 Mother [JSC] to Son [CSC], 7/17/64, Eutaw, Ala.
- 14.3 Stephens to Father [WWC]. 8/21/64, Alexandria, La.
- 14.4 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 8/29/64, Alexandria, La.
- 14.5 Mother [JSC] to Son [CSC], 10/6/64, Eutaw, Ala.
- 14.6 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 10/9/[1864], near Camden, Ark.
- 14.7 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 11/12/64, Camp near Camden, Ark.
- 14.8 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 11/30/[1864], Camp near Minden, La.

# File 15

### Correspondence, 1865 [No correspondence January, March-December]

15.1 Stephens to Mother JSC], 2/2/65, Shreveport, La.

# Box 4

# Correspondence, 1866-1906

### File 1

### Correspondence, 1866

- 1.1 Stephens to Sister [EWB], 8/18/1866, Mobile, Ala.
- 1.2 Mother to Son [CSC], 10/26/1866, Eutaw, Ala.

# File 2

# Correspondence, 1867

- 2.1 Stephens to Mother [JSC], 4/13/1867, Mobile, Ala.
- 2.2 Stephens to Miss Mary [Marshall], 7/21/1867, Eutaw, Ala.
- 2.3 B[enjamin] F[ranklin] Marshall to Son [B. F., Jr.], 9/6/1867, Mobile, Ala.

# Correspondence, 1868

- 3.1 B. F. Marshall, Jr., to Howard Marshall Esq [brother], 3/11/1868, Univ. of Va.
- 3.2 [B. F. Marshall, Jr.] to Father [B. F. Marshall], 10/12/1868, Univ. of Va. [partial letter]

#### File 4

# Correspondence, 1869

4.1 Brother Howard to Ben [B. F. Marshall, Jr.], 5/30/1869 [partial letter]

## File 5

## Correspondence, 1872

- 5.1 B[enjamin] F[ranklin] Marshall to Son, 8/15/1872, Mobile
- 5.2 [EWB] to Father [WWC], 8/14/1872, Cape May [N.J.]

#### File 6

# Correspondence, 1874

- 6.1 B. F. Marshall to Daughter [MMC], 6/20/1874, New Orleans
- 6.2 Bertie to Squtch [MMC], 10/10/1874, Atlanta
- 6.3 E. W. Bellamy to Miss Mary [MMC], 12/21/1874, Gainesville, Ala.
- 6.4 B. F. Marshall, Galveston, to Daughter [MMC], 12/24/1874, Galveston

## File 7

# Correspondence, 1875

- 7.1 Mary G. Gazzam to Mame [MMC], 2/3/1875
- 7.2 Wm W. Croom to Daughter [in-law] [MMC], 8/2/1875, Rome, Ga.
- 7.3 E. W. Bellamy to Sister [in-law] [MMC], 10/6/1875, Gainesville, Ala.
- 7.4 Wm W. Croom to Daughter [in-law] [MMC], 12/11/1875, Rome
- 7.5 Wife [MMC] to Husband [CSC], 12/16/1875, Mobile

#### File 8

# Correspondence, 1876

- 8.1 Father [Benjamin F. Marshall] to Daughter [MMC], 5/2/1876, New Orleans
- 8.2 B. F. Marshall to Daughter [MMC], 7/3/1876, New Orleans
- 8.3 B[en Marshall] to Sister [MMC], 8/3/1876, Alum Springs

### File 9

### Correspondence, 1877-1879

- 9.1 Ben [Marshall, Jr.] to Sister [MMC], 12/15/1877, Columbus, Miss.
- 9.2 Father [BFM] to Daughter [MMC], 3/22/1878, New Orleans
- 9.3 Father [BFM] to Daughter [MMC], 12/16/1878, New Orleans
- 9.4 Father [BFM] to Daughter [MMC], 8/7/1879, Mobile

# File 10

### Correspondence, 1880

- 10.1 T. F. [Mayand], Washington, D.C., to Sir, 1/13/1880
- 10.2 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 10/13/1880
- 10.3 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 10/16/1880
- 10.4 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 10/18/1880

#### File 11

### Correspondence, February 1881

- 11.1 M.C. [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 2/5/1881
- 11.2 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 2/7/1881
- 11.3 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 2/11/1881
- 11.4 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 2/17/1881
- 11.5 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 2/18/1881
- 11.6 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 2/19/1881
- 11.7 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 2/20/1881
- 11.8 Mary [MMC], Mobile, to husband [CSC], New York, 2/28/1881

#### File 12

# Correspondence, April-September 1881

- 12.1 Father [BFM], New Orleans, to Daughter [MMC], Mobile, 4/22/1881
- 12.2 E.W.B., Gainesville, to Sister [in-law] [MMC], 8/7/1881
- 12.3 E.W.B., Gainesville, to Sister [MMC], 8/27/1881
- 12.4 Mary [MMC], "Auntie's" [Perdue Hill, Ala.], to husband [CSC], Mobile, 9/15/1881
- 12.5 S. C. [CSC], Mobile, to Mary [MMC], [Perdue Hill] 9/15/1881
- 12.6 M. M. C., "Auntie's" [Perdue Hill], to husband [CSC], Mobile, 9/16/1881
- 12.7 M. M. Croom, Perdue Hill, Ala., to husband [CSC], Mobile, 9/20/1881
- 12.8 [MMC], Perdue Hill, Ala., husband [CSC], Mobile, 9/22/1881

#### File 13

### Correspondence, 1884

13.1 N. H. R. Dawson, Montgomery, to Col. Joseph Hodgren, Mobile, 8/1/1884 13.2 D. J. Cain, Ashville, N. C., to Mrs. E. W. Bellamy, Mobile, 11/24/1884

# File 14

# Correspondence, 1886-1888

- 14.1 Hannis Taylor, Mobile, to Mrs. Croom [MMC], 9/8/1886 [copy]
- 14.2 Vivian [H. Marshall], Anniston, Ala., to Sister [MMC], Mobile, 6/9/1887
- 14.3 Benton Fremont, Los Angeles, to Mr. Belford, 6/27/1888
- 14.4 Robert Belford [publisher], New York, to Mrs. Bellamy [EWB], 10/10/1888

# Correspondence, 1892-1895 [No correspondence for 1893]

- 15.1 Aunt [Lib?] to Maime [MMC], Mobile, 10/5/1892
- 15.2 Fannie [Marshall], Mansfield, Ohio to Sister [MMC], 12/27/1894
- 15.3 Vivian [H. Marshall], Jacksonville, Ala., to Sister [MMC], 8/1/1895

#### File 16

## Correspondence, 1897

- 16.1 Vivian [H. Marshall], Jacksonville, Ala, to Sister [MMC], Mobile, 3/10/1897
- 16.2 Cousin Georgia, Spring Hill, to Mamie [MMC], Mobile, 10/22/1897
- 16.3 Vivian [H. Marshall], Jacksonville, Ala., Sister [MMC], 10/23/1897
- 16.4 C[hess] E. Howard [cousin of MMC], Atlanta, Ga., to Mrs. Bellamy [EWB], 10/26/1897
- 16.5 Cousin Georgia, Spring Hill, to Cousin [MMC], Mobile, 11/3/1897

#### File 17

# Correspondence, 1898-1906 [Empty envelopes only]

#### File 18

### Correspondence, undated

- 18.1 E. W. Croom to Mother [JSC] 9/3/[1857-58]
- 18.2 [EWB], Eutaw, to Brother [CSC], 10/26/[1861-68] includes a long poem
- 18.3 Mother [Caroline Howard Marshall], Mobile, to Daughter [MMC], [1866-68]
- 18.4 Mother [Caroline Howard Marshall], to Daughter [MMC], 8/30/[...]
- 18.5 M.T. [Marie Thompson], Washington, D.C., to Mrs. Marshall 12/19/[...]
- 18.6 Fannie [Marshall] to Sister [MMC] 12/21/[1877-1909], Jacksonville, Ala.
- 18.7 L. M. Higley, Collage Hill, to Mrs. Bellamy, 11/4/[1884-1900]
- 18.8 L. M. Higley, Collage Hill, to Maime [MMC], 11/16/[1884-1900]
- 18.9 M. H. Vaughan to Mrs. B. [EWB], [1890s]
- 18.10 M.C.A. [Mrs. Leroy H. Anderson], Gainesville, to Friend [MMC] [after 4/13/1900]

#### Box 5

### **Elizabeth Bellamy Writings (Lectures)**

- 1. Some Aspects of the Renaissance, Lectures 1-4
- 2. Some Aspects of the Renaissance, Lectures 5-9
- 3. Shakespeare Lectures, 1-4
- 4. Shakespeare Lectures, 5-8
- 5. Shakespeare Lectures, 9-12
- 6. Shakespeare Notes, mixed pages

- 7. Shakespeare and Renaissance Notes, mixed pages
- 8. Notes on Literary Figures
- 9. Notebook on 18th & 19th century literary figures

#### Box 6

## **Elizabeth Bellamy Writings (Published)**

- 1. "Shadow-Fame" by Kamba Thorpe in Mobile Sunday Times, April 26, 1868
- 2. "Jack" by Kamba Thorpe in Appleton's 9 (June 21, 1873)
- 3. "Foreclosing the Mortgage" by Kamba Thorpe in Appleton's 10 (August 16, 1873)
- 4. "The Story of Daffy-Down-Dilly" by Kamba Thorpe in Appleton's 12 (August 1, 1874)
- 5. "Grapes of Thorns and Figs of Thistles" by Kamba Thorpe in *Appleton's* 13 (Feb. 27, 1875)
- 6. "Grapes of Thorns and Figs of Thistles," typed manuscript
- 7. "A Memorable Trip" by Kamba Thorpe in *Appleton's* 13 (April 24, 1875)
- 8. "A Memorable Trip," typed manuscript
- 9. "A Middle-Aged Romance" by Kamba Thorpe in *Appleton's* 11 (May, 9, 16, 23, 1874)
- 10-13. "A Middle-Aged Romance," typed manuscript
- 14. "Tilly Bones Discourses" by E. W. Bellamy in *The Independent* (March 18, 1886)
- 15. "Hannah Caline's Jim" by Elizabeth W. Bellamy in *Atlantic Monthly* (March-April 1889)
- 16-17. "Hannah Caline's Jim," typed manuscript
- 18. "Me 'N' Pearline," typed manuscript [see Box 12 for published version in *Youth's Companion*]
- 19-21. "The Heygood Tea-Service," typed manuscript [See Box 12 for published version in *Youth's Companion*]
- 22. "Easter Sunshine," typed manuscript [See Box 12 for published version in *Youth's Companion*]
- 23. "Po' Ole Mis," typed manuscript [See Box 12 for published version in *Youth's Companion*]
- 24. "Mom Cely's Wonderful Luck," typed manuscript [Published version in *Atlantic Monthly*74 (December 1894)]
- 25. "For Remembrance," typed manuscript [Published version in *Lippincott's* 53 (April 1894)]
- 26. "An Old Southern Home," (n.p., n.d.)
- 27. Penny Lancaster, Farmer (New York: Lovell, 1889) [boxed]
- 28. "Tilly Bones" in *Humorous Masterpieces from American Literature*, ed. Edward T. Mason (New York: Putnam, 1886) [boxed]

#### Box 7

# Elizabeth Bellamy Writings (Unpublished)

#### Stories:

- 1. "Shifting a Responsibility"
- 2. "The Blessing of the Unexpected"
- 3. "The Panic at Kytwin Ferry"
- 4. "Heard at Halfont Junction"
- 5. "An Old Grudge" or "The Ending/Death of a Grudge"
- 6. "A Witch Tale"
- 7. "A Strange Experience"
- 8-10. "A Potent Freak"

- 11-12. "A Question of Duty"
- 13. "Prize Story of Adventure"
- 14. "Marianna's Happy Day" [signed Ellis Barron pseudonym]
- 15. "The Day after the Feast"
- 16. "A Night Watch"
- 17. "Heard at Moxley Station"
- 18. "Manifest Destiny"
- 19. "Miss Bailey's Conflict"
- 20. "Eugenia"
- 21. "A Misfit"
- 22-26. "Rony Pettibone"

#### Box 8

# **Elizabeth Bellamy Writings (Unpublished)**

#### Novels:

- 1-10. "Her One Talent"
- 11. "Clay in the Hands of the Potter"
- 12-14. "Mizzan"

#### Non-Fiction:

- 15. "A Summer Hotel"
- 16. "A Youth Named Abderrahaman"
- 17. "The Persistency of Error"

# Partial Manuscripts:

- 18. "The Stranger"
- 19. "Pen-for-Short"
- 20. "A Confession"
- 21. "Hadassa's Warfare"
- 22. Mixed pages, unidentified manuscripts

## Box 9

## **Elizabeth Bellamy Writings and Personal Papers**

# **Elizabeth Bellamy Writings:**

- 1. Poetry by Elizabeth Croom Bellamy (published):
- "Patria Dolorosa," Mobile Advertiser and Register, August 1866
- "Summer Idyl," *Mobile Daily Register*, August 19, [1868]
- "Transition," Mobile Sunday Times, February 2, 1868
- "Sic Transit Gloria," Southern Collegian, n.d.
- "The Lesson of the Rose," [The Gossip, c. December 1885] photocopy
- "Baby Logic," Ghosts of Old Mobile
- 2. Poetry (published) author unknown:
- "Fallen Snow," Register and Advertiser, January 19, 1868
- "The Devils Delight," Unidentified newspaper, May 12, 1868

"Maryland, My Maryland"
"The Welcome Guest"

- 3. Poetry (unpublished) author unknown:
- "Oh heart, my heart, how strange to yearn no more"

"The Major's Dream"

- 4. Poetry (unpublished) not by Bellamy
- 5. Notebook of Poetry by other authors
- 6. Notebook of Poetry by Bellamy and other authors
- 7. Notebook of short sketches by Bellamy
- 8. Elizabeth Bellamy's school essays (Spingler Institute), 1854
- 9. School essays, 1855
- 10. School essays, 1856
- 11. Graduation composition, 1856
- 12. Address to the Mobile Rifle Company, n.d.

# **Elizabeth Bellamy Personal Papers:**

13. Financial Records, Receipts, 1898:

Mobile Register, 1/1/1900, 1/9/1900, 12/1/1896, 1/1/1898;

Mobile Daily Herald, 1/9/1900;

Mobile Hair and Millinery Store, 4/17/1897, 189(?);

Typewriter Headquarters, 10/2/1894, 11/16/1894;

- M. B. Warren, 12/4/1894, 1/11/1895, 2/21/1895, 3/19/1895, 5/29/1895
- G. H. Randall, 8/1/1895, 12/1/1895, 8/2/1897, 2/1/1898
- E. O. Zadek Jewelry Company, 1/1/1897, 2/9/1898, 8/1/1899
- G. Van Antwerp and Son Drug Co., 5/1/1897, 1/24/1898, 5/1/1898, 1/1/1900

Fitzgerald and Co., 1/1/1897, 5/1/1897, 1/1/1898, 5/2/1898, 6/1/1898, 1/30/1899

- J. G. Hulsbush, 2/1/1898, 3/1/1898
- 14. Financial Records, Contracts and Royalty Accounts, 1889-91:

Belford, Clarke & Co., Publishers to EWB, 4/19/1889

Frank F. Lovell Publishing Company to EWB, 10/31/1889

Frank F. Lovell to EWB, 11/1889

Frank F. Lovell to EWB, 5/1/1890

John W. Lovell to EWB, 5/7/1890 (copy)

Frank F. Lovell to EWB, 11/9/1891

F. Jordan to EWB, 11/9/1891

15. Correspondence with Publishers and Editors, 1874-1888, and undated:

Editors of Atlantic Monthly to EWB, 4/23/1874

W. D. Howells [Atlantic Monthly] to EWB, 5/25/1874

W. D. Howells to EWB, 5/20/1880

J. B. Aldrich [Atlantic Monthly] to EWB

EWB Contract with R. P. Belford, 4/7/1888

R. P. Belford to EWB, 4/19/1888

Robert Belford to EWB, 4/30/1888

Perry Mason and Co. [Youth's Companion] to EWB, 7/7/1888

Unknown to Mr. Derby, 10/4/1888

Robert Belford to EWB, 12/18/1888

R. J. Belford to EWB, 7/11/188(?)

16. Correspondence with Publishers and Editors, 1889-90, 1899, and undated:

John W. Lovell to EWB, 2/1/1889

Perry Mason and Co. to EWB, 9/11/1889

John W. Lovell to EWB, 11/18/1889

George F. Seely to EWB, 5/12/1890

Robert Underwood Johnson to EWB, 6/5/1890

Corresponding Editor of *The Youth's Companion* to EWB, 11/8/1899

Perry Mason and Co. to EWB, April, no year

17. Correspondence - Miscellaneous, 1884-94 and undated:

H. L. Wayland to EWB, 8/8/1884

Olins [Miller?] to EWB, 3/5/1885

Esmeralda Boyle to EWB, 9/30/1888

Samuel Mint[en] Peck to EWB, 11/20/1889

James P. Coffin to Editor of the St. Louis Republic, 11/25/1889

[...] to E. G. T., 7/30/1894

J. R. Trueheart to EWB, undated

- 18. Spingler Institute Catalog, 1859
- 19. Reeve, James Knapp, comp. *Five Hundred Places to Sell Manuscripts*. Franklin, Ohio: The Chronicle Press, 1894.
- 20. Reviews of Bellamy's books and stories
- 21. Biographical Information on Bellamy
- 22. MacInerney, Dorothy McLeod. "Thoroughly Modern Lizzie." Paper presented to the Alabama Historical Association, April 23, 1999.
- 23. Lists of Bellamy's works
- 24. Correspondence about the Bellamy papers.

#### **Box 10**

### **Stephens Croom Personal Papers**

# School Essays written at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

- 1. Essays, 1854: "Death," 10/12/1854; "Napoleon Bonaparte," 10/27/1854
- 2. Essays, 1855:
- "Luxury," 1/10/1855
- "Character of Washington," 1/24/1855 [2 versions]
- "Government," 2/23/1855
- "Tis better for a pig to have two curls in his tail than one," 3/1855
- "The rise of the Chattahoochee," 3/8/1855
- "Sugar cane and the manner of preparing it," 4/1855
- "Slavery," 4/1855
- "Extremes," 11/1855
- 3. Essays, 1858: "Our Commerce," 9/20/1858
- 4. Essays, n.d.: "The Death of Arnold"; "Motion Universal"; "The Persecution of the Jews"
- 5. Essays, n.d.:
- "The Sublime"
- "What will best stimulate a class to literary exertion?"
- "Patience"
- "While we live, let us live"
- "Elocution"
- "Dialogue between the ghosts of Caesar and Webster"

"The Model Student"

"The Proper Conduct of the Understanding"

# Daily Journal, April 1863 (filed in Box 3)

#### Civil War Service Record:

6. File: Civil War Service Record

7. Microfilm: Civil War Service Record from the National Archives

### Speeches:

- 8. Speech on black education and suffrage written during Reconstruction, n.d.
- 9. Speech supporting the candidacy of Col. Mann(?) for the Legislature in the August 30 election, n.d. [possibly 1876]
- 10. Speech "Lien of Judgments" [printed in the *Advertiser and Mail*; read before the Alabama State Bar Association. n.d.]
- 11. Speech by Stephens Croom to the Jury. [n.d.]

### Financial Records:

- 12.1 Stock Certificate from Mobile Building & Loan Assoc. for Stephens Croom, 5/1/1876
- 12.2 Three promissory notes from Stephens Croom to William M. Lewis, 9/5/1876
- 12.3 Receipt of payment from B. F. Marshall to Life Association of America, 12/20/1876
- 12.4 Loan repayment notice, People's Savings Bank to Stephens Croom, 4/1882
- 12.5 State of Alabama Bonds, 6/12/1882, 6/24/1882, 7/7/1882, 11/17/1882, 1/22/1883

# Legal Records:

- 13. List of men and boys in Mobile old enough to law clerk, 11/1/1829; Lists of Law Cases which mention Croom
- 14. Legal Brief--Chancery Court of Mobile. *William H. Lewis, et al, vs. Moses Waring, Joanna Moulton.* Argument and Brief of Robert H. Smith and Stephens Croom. No date.
- 15. Legal Brief--Supreme Court of Alabama. *Thomas A. Knight vs. John D. Haynie*. Brief for the Appelle. Herndon, Croom and Lewis, Council. No date.
- 16. Deed for property bought by Stephens Croom, 2/10/1876; Deed for property owned by Stephens Croom and Elizabeth Bellamy, 10/21/1880

## **Box 11**

# Croom Family, Miscellaneous

- 1. Photographs
- 2. Financial Register (Day Book) of William Whitfield Croom, 1833
- 3. Miscellaneous:

Report from William E. Jennings, Auditor of the City of Mobile to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means, 7/17/1871;

Marriage invitation from Mrs. Martha Mosely;

Stephens Croom's note on "the different signification of auto's and autos";

Stephens Croom's note on Arules for the accentuation of nouns in the Third Delension in Latin;

Contract between B. F. Marshall, Jr. and Allen, Johnson and Allen of Philadelphia, publishers,

3/1877;

Extracts from the minutes of the Mobile Police Board and response from the Commission of the Port of Mobile. The groups supported the proposal to erect a statue of Admiral Raphael Semmes in Bienville Square, 3/18/1880;

Perpetual Almanac and Calendar, 1856;

Letter from J[ohn] Clemmons to Gent., 8/12/1860;

Partial letter on genealogy, probably on the Marshall-Howard family;

Price List from Sheppard's Fancy Grocery, 6/26/18[9]1;

Mobile Cotton Exchange Market Report, 2/13/1895;

F. E. Grant, Bookseller (Advertisement) to E. W. Bellamy, 4/3/1902;

The Advertiser's Clipping Bureau of New York City--List of Bald People in Mobile, n.d.;

Business Card from the Sturges Hotel in Mansfield, Ohio;

Numbered index to Croom correspondence

- 4. Essay written for the Mobile News--"Southern Compliments presented to Northern People who helped the sufferers of yellow fever," author unknown
- 5. Bellamy-Croom School:

Elizabeth Bellamy and Mary Marshall Croom's School;

Journal article on awards of merit:

Recollections from Miss Laura Pillans (one time pupil), 7/5/1962;

Newspaper photograph of students at Mary Marshall Croom's Select School for Boys and Girls taken in 1900;

Article: "Little School Taught By Mrs. Croom Remains," Mobile Press Register, 7/8/1962

- 6-7. Newspaper articles
- 8. Publications:
- Tip Top Library, "Frank Merriwell in New Orleans or The Queen of Flowers," 8/15/1896;
- Tip Top Library, "Frank Merriwell's Mercy or The Phantom of the Everglades," 8/22/1896;
- Tip Top Library, "Frank Merriwell's Friend or Muriel the Moonshiner," 8/29/1896;
- Tip Top Library, "Frank Merriwell's Double or Fighting For Life and Liberty,"9/5/1896;
- Tip Top Library, "Frank Merriwell Meshed or The Last of the Danites," 9/12/1896
- 9. Publications: Puck's Library (Magazine) 9/1890, 3/1891, 10/1891, 10/1893, 1894
- 10. Publications: Wide Awake (Magazine) 7/1889
- 11-13. Croom Family Genealogy
- 14. Velma Croom's Notes
- 15. Miscellaneous:

Letter from Tennant McWilliams to Stephens G. Croom 7/21/1977;

Article on Croom Family Cradle;

Mobile Daily Register article on results of election for Mobile City Attorney, 1/9/1875

# Box 12 (Oversize)

Grey clamshell box contains published Bellamy stories in *The Youth's Companion* (10 issues):

- "Me 'n' Pearline" (April 10, 1890): 202-203
- "Easter Sunshine" (April 14, 1892): 183-84
- "Po' Ole Mis'" (October 13, 1892):503-504; (October 20, 1892): 518-19
- "Doctor Bob" (March 7, 1889):118
- "The Heygood Tea Service" (March 5, 1891):131-32; (March 12, 1891):149-50; (March 19,

1891): 161-62; (April 2, 1891): 193-94; (April 9, 1891): 207-208

# Box 13 (Oversize)

The Youth's Companion: an illustrated weekly paper for young people and the family(loose issues)

1887 (1 issue), 1888 (1 issue), 1893 (4 issues), 1894 (6 issues), 1895 (18 issues), 1896 (4 issues), 1897 (8 issues), 1900 (1 issue)

Paper is very brittle and should be handled as little as possible. Microfilm of this periodical is available at Samford University for the years 1885-97

# Box 14 (Oversize)

The Youth's Companion (bound volumes): 1889 (49), 1890 (48) [See also Box 13 for other 1889 and 1890 issues]

# Box 15 (Oversize)

The Youth's Companion (bound volumes): 1891 (48), 1892 (50)