

The Blair Family

A Register of Its Papers in the Library of Congress

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Collection Summary

Title: Blair Family Papers

Span Dates: 1755-1968

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1829-1892)

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Creator: Blair family

Extent: 19,050 items; 73 containers plus 1 oversize; 29.5 linear feet; 49 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: Prominent family in nineteenth century national politics. Correspondence, speeches and writings, legal files, financial records, historical research files, printed matter, and estate records documenting principally the careers of Francis Preston Blair, journalist and presidential advisor, Frank P. Blair, soldier and politician, and Montgomery Blair, lawyer and cabinet officer.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Names:

Andrew, John A. (John Albion), 1818-1867--Correspondence
Barnard, J. G. (John Gross), 1815-1882--Correspondence
Benton, Thomas Hart, 1782-1858--Correspondence
Bernays, Charles S.--Correspondence
Blair, Mary Elizabeth Woodbury--Correspondence
Blair, Mary Elizabeth Woodbury--Estate
Blair, Montgomery, 1813-1883--Estate
Blair family
Blair family--Correspondence
Bradford, Augustus W. (Augustus Williamson), 1806-1881--Correspondence
Buchanan, James, 1791-1868--Correspondence
Butler, Benjamin F. (Benjamin Franklin), 1818-1893--Correspondence
Butler, William Orlando, 1791-1880--Correspondence
Carroll, Charles, 1737-1832--Correspondence
Cass, Lewis, 1782-1866--Correspondence
Chaffee, Calvin Clifford, 1811-1896--Correspondence
Clay, Cassius Marcellus, 1810-1903--Correspondence
Clay, Henry, 1777-1852--Correspondence
Cowles, Edwin, 1825-1890--Correspondence
Crittenden, John J. (John Jordan), 1787-1863--Correspondence
Curtis, George Ticknor, 1812-1894--Correspondence
Davis, Jefferson, 1808-1889
Davis, Varina, 1826-1906--Correspondence
Dawes, Henry L. (Henry Laurens), 1816-1903--Correspondence
Dix, John A. (John Adams), 1798-1879--Correspondence
Donelson, Andrew Jackson, 1799-1871--Correspondence
Douglas, Stephen Arnold, 1813-1861--Correspondence
Everett, Edward, 1794-1865--Correspondence
Field, Roswell M. (Roswell Martin), 1807-1869--Correspondence
Fox, Gustavus Vasa, 1821-1883--Correspondence
Fox, Virginia L. Woodbury--Correspondence
Frémont, Jessie Benton, 1824-1902--Correspondence
Frémont, John Charles, 1813-1890--Correspondence

Gratz family--Correspondence
 Greeley, Horace, 1811-1872--Correspondence
 Haywood, William H. (William Henry), 1801-1852--Correspondence
 Hicks, Thomas Holliday, 1798-1865--Correspondence
 Ingersoll, Charles Jared, 1782-1862--Correspondence
 Jackson, Andrew, 1767-1845--Correspondence
 Johnson, Reverdy, 1796-1876--Correspondence
 Kendall, Amos, 1789-1869--Correspondence
 Lee, Elizabeth Blair--Correspondence
 Lee, Samuel Phillips, 1812-1897
 Lewis, William Berkeley, 1784-1866--Correspondence
 Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865--Correspondence
 Livingston, Edward, 1764-1836--Correspondence
 Parker, Theodore, 1810-1860--Correspondence
 Parton, James, 1822-1891--Correspondence
 Porter, Fitz-John, 1822-1901--Correspondence
 Pratt, Thomas George, 1804-1869--Correspondence
 Purnell, William Henry, 1826-1902--Correspondence
 Reid, Whitelaw, 1837-1912--Correspondence
 Richey, Minna Blair, 1850-1919--Correspondence
 Ritchie, Thomas, 1778-1854--Correspondence
 Sanford, John F. A., 1806 or 7-1857--Trials, litigation, etc.
 Scott, Dred, 1809-1858--Trials, litigation, etc.
 Scott, Winfield, 1786-1866--Correspondence
 Sherman, William T. (William Tecumseh), 1820-1891--Correspondence
 Stevenson, Andrew, 1784-1857--Correspondence
 Taney, Roger Brooke, 1777-1864--Correspondence
 Thomas, Philip F. (Philip Francis), 1810-1890--Correspondence
 Van Buren, John, 1810-1866--Correspondence
 Van Buren, Martin, 1782-1862--Correspondence
 Ward, Henry Dana, 1797-1884--Correspondence
 Welles, Gideon, 1802-1878--Correspondence
 Wells, R. W. (Robert William), 1795-1864--Correspondence
 Wright, Silas, 1795-1847--Correspondence
 United States. Congress. House
 United States. Congress. Senate
 United States. Postmaster General
 Blair, Francis Preston, 1791-1876. Papers of Francis Preston Blair
 Blair, Frank P. (Frank Preston), 1821-1875. Papers of Frank P. Blair
 Blair, Gist, 1860-1940. Papers of Gist Blair
 Blair, Montgomery, 1813-1883. Papers of Montgomery Blair
 Blair, Woodbury. Papers of Woodbury Blair
 Clapp, Charles Q., 1799-1868. Papers of Charles Q. Clapp
 Smith, William E. (William Ernest), 1892- The Francis Preston Blair family in politics (1933)
 Stevens, Samuel, 1778-1860. Papers of Samuel Stevens
 Woodbury, Levi, 1789-1851. Papers of Levi Woodbury

Subjects:

Congressional Globe
Globe (Washington, D.C. : Daily)
 American newspapers--Washington (D.C.)
 Land grants--West (U.S.)
 Newspaper editors--Washington (D.C.)
 Practice of law--Washington (D.C.)
 Publishers and publishing--Washington (D.C.)

Reconstruction (U.S. history, 1865-1877)
Slavery--United States--Legal status of slaves in free states
Maryland--Politics and government
Missouri--Politics and government--To 1865
Richmond (Va.)--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
Southern States--History--1865-1877
Saint Louis (Mo.)--Social life and customs
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Peace
United States--Politics and government--19th century
Virginia--History--Civil War, 1861-1865
Washington (D.C.)--Social life and customs

Administrative Information

Provenance:

The Blair Family Papers were given to the Library of Congress between 1903 and 1996 by various donors, including members of the Blair family, William E. Smith, the Breckinridge Long family, Patrick T. Lanigan, and the Blair House in Washington, D.C. Additional papers were acquired by purchase. Material given by Richard C. Hollyday II was received in 2000.

Processing History:

The Blair family papers were processed in 1963 and reprocessed in preparation for microfilming in 1987. Several revisions of the register from 1967 to 2003 reflect the incorporation of additions to the collection. The Blair Family Papers have been described in *Library of Congress Acquisitions: Manuscript Division, 1982*, pp. 12-15, and *Library of Congress Information Bulletin*, vol. 59, no. 10 (Oct. 2000).

Transfers:

Items have been transferred from the Manuscript Division to other custodial divisions of the Library. Some prints and photographs have been transferred to the Prints and Photographs Division. Most maps and atlases have been transferred to the Geography and Map Division. All transfers are identified in these divisions as part of the Blair family papers.

Copyright Status:

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of members of the Blair family is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Microfilm:

A microfilm edition of part of these papers is available on forty-nine reels. Consult a reference librarian in the Manuscript Division concerning availability for purchase or interlibrary loan.

Preferred Citation:

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container or reel number, Blair Family Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Notes

Francis Preston Blair

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1791, Apr. 12	Born, Abingdon, Va.
1811	Graduated, Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky.

1812	Volunteer, War of 1812 Married Eliza Violet Howard Gist
1817	Admitted to the Kentucky bar
1818-1825	Contributor, <i>Argus of Western America</i> , Frankfort, Ky.
1830-1845	Founder and editor, the <i>Washington Globe</i> , Washington, D.C. Member, Andrew Jackson's "Kitchen Cabinet"
1856	Changed support to the Republican party
1860-1865	Supported and advised Abraham Lincoln
1868	Returned to the Democratic party
1876, Oct. 18	Died, Silver Spring, Md.

Frank P. Blair

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1821, Feb. 19	Born, Lexington, Ky., son of Francis Preston Blair
1841	Graduated, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J.
1842-1843	Studied law, Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky.
1843	Admitted to the Kentucky bar Served in Mexican War
1847	Married Apolline Alexander
1852-1856	Member, Missouri House of Representatives
1857-1864	Member, United States House of Representatives
1861	Lieutenant colonel, United States Army
1862	Major general, United States Army
1868	Democratic party nominee for United States vice president
1871-1873	Member, United States Senate
1874	Appointed Missouri superintendent of life insurance
1875, July 9	Died, St. Louis, Mo.

Montgomery Blair

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1813, May 10	Born, Franklin County, Ky., son of Francis Preston Blair

1835	Graduated, United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. Lieutenant, United States Army, serving in Seminole Indian War
1836	Studied law, Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky. Married Caroline Buckner (died 1844)
1837	Moved to St. Louis, Mo., admitted to the bar and practiced law
1839-1841	Appointed United States district attorney for the State of Missouri
1842-1843	Mayor, St. Louis, Mo.
1843-1849	Judge, Court of Common Pleas, St. Louis, Mo.
1844-1852	Delegate, Democratic National conventions
1846	Married Mary Elizabeth Woodbury
1853	Moved to Maryland
1855	Solicitor, United States Court of Claims Counsel for Dred Scott
1860	President, State Republican Convention, Baltimore, Md.
1861-1864	United States postmaster general
1876	Electoral Committee counsel for Samuel J. Tilden
1878	Member, Maryland House of Delegates
1882	Unsuccessful candidate for United States Congress
1883, July 27	Died, Silver Spring, Md.

Gist Blair

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1860, Sept. 10	Born, Washington, D.C., son of Montgomery Blair
1880	Graduated, Princeton University, Princeton, N.J.
1880s-1896	Practiced law, St. Louis, Mo.
1897	Moved to Washington, D.C.; practiced law
1912	Married Laura Lawson
1940, Dec. 16	Died, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The Blair Family Papers span the years 1755-1968, with the bulk of material dating from 1829 to 1892. The collection chronicles the activities of a politically prominent family that included Francis Preston Blair (1791-1876), journalist and advisor to presidents Andrew Jackson, Martin Van Buren, and Abraham Lincoln; Frank P. Blair (1821-1875), soldier, United States senator, and lawyer; and Montgomery Blair (1813-1883), lawyer, politician, and postmaster general under Abraham Lincoln. The collection is organized in ten series: [Family Correspondence](#), [Francis Preston Blair Papers](#), [Frank P. Blair Papers](#), [Gist Blair Papers](#), [Montgomery Blair Papers](#), [Woodbury Blair Papers](#), [Other Family Papers](#), [Miscellany](#), and [Oversize](#). [Additions](#), appended to the papers in 1997 and 2003, are organized as a separate series.

The [Family Correspondence](#) series comprises letters written by family members to one another. The most prolific correspondent represented is Frank P. Blair. His many letters to his wife, father, and brother while serving as a Union Army officer during the Civil War describe the military campaigns in which he was involved. Montgomery Blair's letters to his wife and various family members depict the political and social scene from the 1850s to the early 1870s in St. Louis, Missouri, and later in Washington, D.C.

The series also contains numerous letters to Gist Blair from his mother, Mary Elizabeth Woodbury Blair, from about 1875 until her death. Those from his sister, Minna Blair Richey, include information about private family matters and activities during the last decades of the nineteenth century. Letters written by Virginia Woodbury Fox and her husband, Gustavus Vasa Fox, in the late 1860s and early 1870s during their extensive travels in the southern states note the social and economic conditions in the postwar South. Blair family correspondents also include several sisters and aunts of Francis Preston Blair and other Blair relations, most notably the Gratz family of Philadelphia.

The papers of [Francis Preston Blair](#) span the period from 1829 to 1876. His [general correspondence](#) begins about the time he moved from Kentucky to Washington, D.C., at the request of Andrew Jackson's supporters to establish and edit the *Washington Globe* newspaper. Prominent correspondents include James Buchanan, William Orlando Butler, John J. Crittenden, Andrew Jackson Donelson, John Charles and Jesse Benton Frémont, Charles Jared Ingersoll, Amos Kendall, William Berkeley Lewis, James Parton, Thomas Ritchie, Andrew Stevenson, and Gideon Welles. A [special correspondence](#) subseries contains most of the letters written to Blair by his longtime friend, Martin Van Buren (1782-1862), from 1836 to 1861, though a few letters from Van Buren to Blair are also filed in the general correspondence subseries. Other letters sent and received by Blair or forwarded by him to his son, Montgomery Blair, are interfiled with the latter's [general correspondence](#).

Francis P. Blair's [speeches and writings](#) file contains rough drafts of exhortations to presidents, letters to newspaper editors, and political campaign speeches. [Miscellaneous papers](#) document secret meetings between Blair and Jefferson Davis in January 1865 in Richmond, Virginia. Included in this file are lists of points of negotiation and a memorandum of conversations which occurred during Blair's attempts to negotiate an end to the Civil War. Another file contains working notes and drafts emanating from the meeting of the Republican Party National Executive Committee in Pittsburgh in 1856.

The papers of [Frank P. Blair](#) consist of a small body of [correspondence](#) (1853-1874) and a [miscellany](#) file. A few letters relate to his military activities during the Civil War. His political career is documented in several speeches, fragments of political lists, clippings, and a legal file concerning his contested congressional election in 1862. Blair's correspondence forwarded to his brother, Montgomery Blair, for comment or action and has been retained as a part of Montgomery Blair's papers.

The papers of [Montgomery Blair](#) span the years from 1842 to 1887 and relate chiefly to his professional career after his return from St. Louis to Washington, D.C., in 1853. The most extensive files concern his [law practice](#) before and after his cabinet appointment as postmaster general. Most of his cases pertained to land patents and grants in the western United States. Also included are three volumes containing lists of the names of postmasters and post office revenues for the state of Maryland from around 1861 to 1864. [Financial papers](#) record Montgomery and Mary Elizabeth Blair's personal financial activities, especially from 1870 to 1873. Speeches and writings by Blair chiefly concern political and religious topics, as does a file of [printed matter](#).

Included among Montgomery Blair's [correspondence](#) are letters received and rough drafts of letters written by Francis Preston Blair and Frank P. Blair. His father and brother often sought his advice and frequently forwarded letters received by them. Prominent correspondents besides those already mentioned include John A. Andrew, Thomas Hart Benton (1782-1858), Charles S. Bernays, Benjamin F. Butler (1818-1893), Lewis Cass, Edwin Cowles, George Ticknor Curtis, Varina Davis, Henry L. Dawes, Edward Everett, Horace Greeley, Andrew Jackson, Reverdy Johnson, Abraham Lincoln, Theodore Parker, Fitz-John Porter, Whitelaw Reid, and Henry Dana Ward.

The papers of [Gist Blair](#) (1860-1940), lawyer and businessman, span the period from 1830 to 1968. A [journal](#) (1887-1888), [general correspondence](#) (1876-1925), and [financial papers](#) (1889-1917) chiefly concern his law practice and land speculation prior to his return to Washington, D.C., from St. Louis in 1897. Material related to his years at Princeton University is also included.

A significant portion of Gist Blair's papers consists of historical research files. Blair assumed the role of family historian and was instrumental in placing in the Library of Congress Manuscript Division the Andrew Jackson Papers, the [Levi Woodbury family papers](#), the Asa Clapp family papers, and the Blair family papers. The files contain indexes, lists, and other material related to the history and ownership of the Jackson Papers. Also included are typewritten transcripts of correspondence between Andrew Jackson and Francis Preston Blair written from 1830 and 1845. Gist Blair was also involved in the preparation of William E. Smith's history of the Blair family and retained Smith's files of interviews, genealogical data, and related correspondence before and after the publication in 1933 of his *The Francis Preston Blair Family in Politics*.

The papers of [Woodbury Blair](#) (1852-1933), lawyer and businessman, span the period from 1866 to 1892 and chiefly concern the settlement of the estate of Montgomery and Mary Elizabeth Woodbury Blair. There are a few additional financial papers, a legal file, and a school catalog.

The series designated as [Other Family Papers](#) pertains to individuals related to the Blair family, most of whom are represented by a small number of items. There is, however, a substantial amount of general correspondence received by Elizabeth Blair Lee, as well as general correspondence of her husband, Samuel Phillips Lee. A diary (1840-1843) written by Levi Woodbury, some of the letters he received, law lecture notes, and miscellaneous notes and memoranda are also located in this series.

The [Miscellany](#) series contains genealogical material and files relating to the Silver Spring and Falkland estates in Montgomery County, Maryland, and to the Blair House across from the White House on Pennsylvania Avenue in Washington, D.C.

[Addition I](#) of the [Additions](#) series includes drafts of writings by Francis Preston Blair. The first, probably dated 1832, criticized New York editors James Watson Webb and Mordecai M. Noah for deserting Andrew Jackson. The second was written as a newspaper column or a speech probably during the summer of 1860. The addition also contains a ledger maintained between 1851 and 1855 by Charles Q. Clapp, a merchant in Portland, Maine, and a journal kept by Gustavus Vasa Fox between 1851 and 1855 when, on leave from the navy, he served as an officer on various transatlantic steamships.

[Addition II](#) comprises chiefly correspondence received by Francis Preston Blair and Montgomery Blair. Letters to Francis Preston Blair include political discussions at the state and national levels from the 1820s to the 1850s. Letters from Henry Clay concerning national and presidential politics focus on the disputed election of 1824 and Clay's defense against allegations that he was party to a "corrupt bargain" that resulted in the selection by the House of Representatives of John Quincy Adams as president over Andrew Jackson. Drafts of a few of Blair's responses are also included. Other significant correspondents with Francis Preston Blair include Thomas Hart Benton (1782-1858), John A. Dix (1798-1879), William H. Haywood (1801-1852), Amos Kendall, John Van Buren, Martin Van Buren (1782-1862), and Silas Wright.

Most of the letters received by Montgomery Blair in Addition II depict national, state, and party politics as well as military affairs chiefly during the Civil War. Maryland politics and patronage dominate the correspondence which includes letters from four governors, officers of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Co., and residents throughout the state. Topics include requests from unionists for protection against southern sympathizers and concern over the potential effect of emancipation and compensation. Also among the correspondence is a file pertaining to *Scott v. Sandford*, the United States Supreme Court case in which Montgomery Blair served as counsel for Dred Scott. Included are letters discussing legal issues and strategies from Roswell M. Field and Robert W. Wells, Scott's previous attorney and the United States district judge, respectively, in the lower court hearing in Missouri. The file also contains a draft of a brief by Blair and letters from Calvin Clifford Chaffee regarding Scott's manumission. Military patronage is also reflected in the letters, and several correspondents recount battlefield actions. Montgomery Blair's correspondents include John G. Barnard, Augustus W. Bradford, Benjamin F. Butler (1818-1893), Stephen Arnold Douglas, John Charles Frémont, Thomas Holliday Hicks, Thomas George Pratt, William Henry Purnell, William T. Sherman, and Philip F. Thomas. Addition II also contains a small group of family correspondence and miscellaneous letters by James Buchanan, Charles Carroll (1737-1832), Edward Livingston (1764-1836), Winfield Scott, and Roger Brooke Taney and financial records of Maryland governor Samuel Stevens (1778-1860).

Related Material

Other collections in the Manuscript Division related directly to the Blair family include the [Levi Woodbury family papers](#), the Asa Clapp Family Papers, the Samuel Phillips Lee Papers in the Naval Historical Foundation Collection, the Breckinridge Long Family Papers, and the Blair & Rives Papers which relate to the publishing business partnership of Francis Preston Blair and John C. Rives.

There are also substantial manuscript collections related to the Blair family at the Princeton University Library, Stanford University Library, and the Historical Society of Washington, D.C.

Organization of the Papers

The collection is arranged in ten series:

- [Family Correspondence, 1831-1924, n.d.](#)
- [Francis Preston Blair Papers, 1829-1876, n.d.](#)
- [Frank P. Blair Papers, 1839-1884, n.d.](#)
- [Gist Blair Papers, 1830-1968](#)
- [Montgomery Blair Papers, 1842-1887, n.d.](#)
- [Woodbury Blair Papers, 1866-1892](#)
- [Other Family Papers, ca. 1755-1921](#)
- [Miscellany, 1793-1906](#)
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Description of Series

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Series

Family Correspondence, 1831-1924, n.d.

Letters sent and received by family members.
Arranged alphabetically by author and chronologically therein.

BOX 14-18
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Francis Preston Blair Papers, 1829-1876, n.d.

BOX 14-16
REEL 9-11

General Correspondence, 1829-1873, n.d.

Letters sent and received.
Arranged chronologically.

BOX 17
REEL 11

Special Correspondence, 1836-1861

Letters from Martin Van Buren to Francis Preston Blair.
Arranged chronologically.
Also available on microfilm (shelf no. 17,631).

BOX 17-18
REEL 11-12

Speeches and Writings File, 1863-1870

Printed copies, rough drafts, notes, and memoranda.
Arranged chronologically.

BOX 18
REEL 11-12

Miscellany, 1831-1876

Correspondence, circular letters, deeds, notes, memoranda, bills and receipts, printed matter,
and newspaper clippings.
Arranged alphabetically by subject and chronologically therein.

BOX 18-20
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Frank P. Blair Papers, 1839-1884, n.d.

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General Correspondence, 1853-1884, n.d.

Letters sent and received.
Arranged chronologically.

BOX 19-20
REEL 12-13

Miscellany, 1839-1884

Financial and legal papers, speeches and writings, military papers, political files, printed matter,
notes, and memoranda.
Arranged alphabetically by subject or type of material and chronologically therein.

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Gist Blair Papers, 1830-1968

BOX 21
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Journal, 1887-1888

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General Correspondence, 1876-1925, n.d.

Letters sent and received with miscellaneous attachments and enclosures.
Arranged chronologically.

BOX 23-24
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Financial Papers, 1889-1917

Account books, checkbooks, and business records.
Grouped by type of material and arranged chronologically therein.

BOX 24-26
REEL 17-19

Historical Research File, 1923-1968

Correspondence, transcripts of letters and interviews, and indexes pertaining to William E. Smith's history of the Francis Preston Blair family and the papers of Andrew Jackson.
Arranged alphabetically by subject.

BOX 26-28
REEL 19-21

Miscellany, 1844-1928

Invitations, programs, legal papers, newspaper clippings, notes, memoranda, memorabilia, school papers, and writings by others.
Organized by type of material.

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Montgomery Blair Papers, 1842-1887, n.d.

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General Correspondence, 1847-1883, n.d.

Letters sent and received with miscellaneous attachments and enclosures.
Arranged chronologically.

BOX 38-52
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Legal Files, 1842-1882, n.d.

Correspondence, notes, memoranda, briefs, opinions, deeds, indentures, depositions, powers of attorney, court dockets, and research material.
Arranged alphabetically by name of client.

BOX 52-56
Not filmed

Financial Papers, 1842-1887

Account books, bank books, bills and receipts, checkbooks, and cancelled checks comprising the financial papers of Montgomery Blair and Mary Elizabeth Woodbury Blair.
Arranged by person and by type of material therein.
Bankbooks available on microfilm, Reel 39.

BOX 57-60

Printed Matter, 1842-1882

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Circular letters, a journal, and newspaper clippings.
Arranged alphabetically by type of material and chronologically therein.

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Miscellany, 1849-1882

Address and memoranda notebooks, speeches and writings, business cards, certificates, memorials, United States postmaster lists, notes, and memoranda.
Arranged alphabetically by type of material.

BOX 62-63
Not filmed

Woodbury Blair Papers, 1866-1892

Financial papers, chiefly concerning the estates of Montgomery and Mary Elizabeth Woodbury Blair, a legal file, and a school catalog.

BOX 64-67
REEL 44-46

Other Family Papers, ca. 1755-1921

Papers of other individuals related to the Blair family, most of whom are represented by a small number of manuscripts. These papers include a diary, correspondence, notebooks, scrapbooks, and financial and legal papers.

Grouped by name of family member and then organized by type of material and chronologically therein.

BOX 68
REEL 46-47

Miscellany, 1793-1906

Correspondence, genealogical material, wills and testaments, obituaries, printed matter, material related to the Blair family estates, and notebook. Printed matter available only on microfilm (shelf no.4,991).

BOX 69-73
Not filmed

Additions, 1811-1936, n.d.

BOX 69-70

Addition I, 1822-1936, n.d.

Correspondence, journals, drafts of writings, account ledger, and scrapbooks.
Arranged alphabetically by name of author or creator.

BOX 69-70

Addition II, 1811-1876, n.d.

Correspondence received, writings, financial records, testimony, reports, a certificate, and maps.

Arranged alphabetically by name of person or organization, type of material, or topic and chronologically thereunder.

BOX OV 1

Oversize, 1854-1882, n.d.

Plats, surveys, newspapers, maps, and a certificate.

Arranged and described according to the series, containers, and folders from which the items were removed.

Container List

Available on microfilm. Shelf no. 19,713

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BOX 2 REEL 1-2	Blair, Eliza Violet Gist, 1860-1877 Blair, Francis Preston (1791-1876), 1831-1873 (5 folders) Blair, Francis Preston (1821-1875) 1833-1839 1840-1867
BOX 3 REEL 2	(6 folders)
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BOX 5 REEL 3-4	Blair, James L., 1836-1852 Blair, James L., II, 1864-1891, n.d. Blair, Laura Lawson, 1900-1912 (3 folders) Blair, Mary Elizabeth Woodbury 1831-1883 (3 folders)
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Family Correspondence, 1831-1924, n.d.

Container

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BOX 10 REEL 7-8	 (3 folders) Joseph, Sara Gratz Moses, 1834-1891, n.d. (4 folders)
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BOX 12 REEL 8-9	1890-1907, n.d. (6 folders)
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Francis Preston Blair Papers, 1829-1876, n.d.

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General Correspondence, 1829-1873, n.d.

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Al	Albert Covington Janen
Alice	Alice Bradley (reared by Charles Levi Woodbury)
Apo	Apolline (Alexander) Blair
Arch	Archibald Lowery
Betty	Elizabeth (Blair) Comstock
Blee	Francis Preston Blair Lee
Clew	Charles Levi Woodbury
Cousin Mary	Mary Jane Emerson Clapp
EBL (also Lizzie)	Elizabeth (Blair) Lee
ECdQW (also Nell)	Ellen Carolina de Quincy Woodbury
E. Jane	Eliza Jane (Blair) Speer
EVG	Eliza Violet Howard Gist
EWC	Elizabeth Williams (Clapp) Woodbury
Flinders (also Ginny, Pettie, Sam)	Virginia Lafayette (Woodbury) Fox
FPB	Francis Preston Blair
Frank (also FWL)	Frances Anstriss (Woodbury) Lowery
Frank	Frank P. Blair
FWL (also Frank)	Frances Anstriss (Woodbury) Lowery
GB	Gist Blair
Ginny (also Flinders, Pettie, Sam)	Virginia Lafayette (Woodbury) Fox
Ginny	Virginia Woodbury (Lowery) Brunetti
GVF	Gustavus Vasa Fox
Jack	Brunetti, Duke of Arcos
James (also JB)	James Blair
JB (also James)	James Blair
Jep	Jesup Blair
Lizzie (also EBL)	Elizabeth (Blair) Lee
Lizzie (used until marriage, 1846)	Mary Elizabeth (Woodbury) Blair (see also MEB, Minna)
LLE	Laura (Lawson) Ellis Blair
LOW	Woodbury Lowery
LW	Levi Woodbury
Mary	Mary Serena Eliza (Jesup) Blair
MB	Montgomery Blair
MEB (also Minna)	Mary Elizabeth (Woodbury) Blair
Min (also Minta)	Minna (Blair) Richey
Minna (also MEB)	Mary Elizabeth (Woodbury) Blair
Minta (also Min)	Minna (Blair) Richey
Mont	Montgomery Blair, Jr.
Nan	Anne Clymer Brooke Lee
Nell (also ECdQW)	Ellen Carolina de Quincy Woodbury
Pettie (also Ginny, Sam, Flinders)	Virginia Lafayette (Woodbury) Fox
Sam (also Ginny, Pettie, Flinders)	Virginia Lafayette (Woodbury) Fox
SPL	Samuel Phillips Lee
Uncle William	Asa Henry William Clapp
VB	Violet Blair
Wood	Woodbury Blair