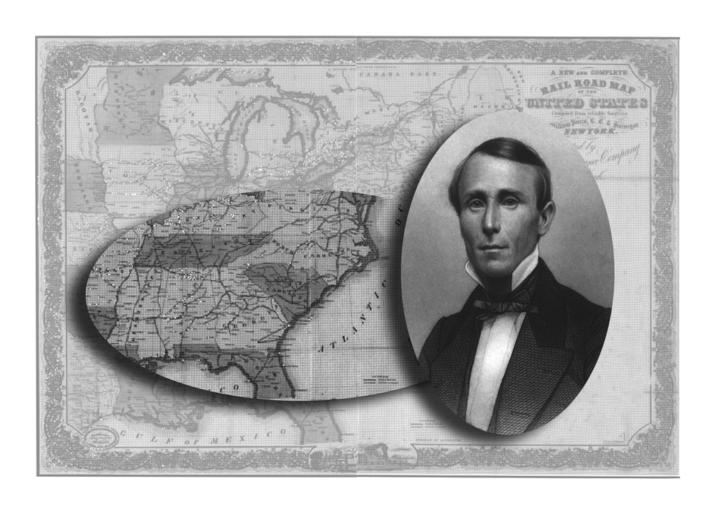
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### **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

"He may as a last resort remove me from my position by the Guiteau method, but he cannot by threats or a display of the gun drive me away from the discharge of my duty," said an internal revenue collector in June of 1883 of a district attorney incensed by charges the collector had made against him. The two men served the country during a particularly violent period in its history, one that had seen two of its presidents assassinated in the previous two decades. Faced with enforcing the laws, prosecuting offenders, and collecting taxes from a citizenry ravaged by the effects of the Civil War and its aftermath, public officials in the South operated in a parlous world that presented many obstacles to the successful discharge of their duties, including at times the personal or political antagonisms of officials with whom they had been charged to perform them.

This LexisNexis collection, Letters Received by the Attorney General, 1871–1884: Southern Law and Order, documents the efforts of district attorneys from southern states to uphold federal laws in the states that fought in the Confederacy and lie east of the Mississippi River. In this publication their correspondence with the attorney general is reproduced on microfilm, as are all other letters received by the attorney general from the states in question during that period, including the correspondence of marshals, judges, convicts, and concerned or aggrieved citizens.

The collection is organized in Source-Chronological Files, arranged by state of origin, judicial district, and the order in which the correspondence was received. Alabama occupies Reels 1–7; Florida, Reels 8–9; Georgia, Reels 10–15; Mississippi, Reels 16–19; North Carolina, Reels 20–22; South Carolina, Reels 23–31; Tennessee, Reels 32–35; and Virginia, Reels 36–39. Researchers interested in a given state can therefore easily find material on that state, although occasionally events in other states are referenced in the correspondence. The subject index found at the end of this guide lists the reels and frames where this additional material might be found.

While district attorneys in each state grappled with cases particular to their state, the problems they faced were often quite similar. Across the South, problems related to the enfranchisement of African Americans occupied the attention of most district attorneys. The late 1860s saw the development of organizations such as the Ku Klux Klan (KKK) to combat congressional Reconstruction. These groups opposed the granting of equal rights to African Americans and unleashed a reign of terror across southern states aimed at intimidating African Americans and white Republicans into not voting. As a response to the Klan, President Ulysses S. Grant signed legislation known as the Enforcement Acts in 1870 and 1871 that authorized law enforcement agents in the South to vigorously prosecute those infringing upon the newfound legal rights of African Americans.

In Alabama and South Carolina, in particular, election fraud and KKK violence were rampant. On repeated occasions, U.S. officials were forced to request troops in attempts to ensure fair elections. Election supervisors were accused of stuffing ballot boxes, and Republican candidates for Congress were prevented from speaking at political meetings and their audiences assaulted by groups of armed white men. U.S. attorneys, who were responsible for prosecuting these violators of the Enforcement Acts, did so at considerable risk to their own safety.

The collection includes documents pertaining to notable events such as the Ellenton race riots of 1876, which began when Democratic rifle clubs lynched an African American accused of assaulting a white woman and her son in South Carolina. In the fighting that ensued, a group of African Americans derailed a train carrying troops, and African American state legislator Simon Coker was killed by whites. He was one of over a hundred casualties of the tragedy.

Another event documented in some depth is the 1879 murder of Judge W. W. Chisholm in Kemper County, Mississippi. A prominent Republican, the judge was accused by resentful locals of having killed a Democrat. He allowed himself to be taken into custody along with his family. A hostile crowd broke into the jail in which he was housed and shot the judge along with his children.

These calamities were reflective of political divisions on a grander scale. The collection sheds light on constitutional crises in Alabama, where there existed two state legislatures for a time, and South Carolina, where two men claimed to be governor. Arguably the greatest electoral controversy in the nation's history, the hotly contested presidential election of 1876, receives particular attention in the file dedicated to South Carolina, where the results of the election were disputed and eventually decided by a congressional committee.

Beyond matters of race and politics, Letters Received by the Attorney General, 1871–1884: Southern Law and Order tracks the efforts of U.S. officials to prosecute violators of the nation's internal revenue laws, trespassers upon public lands, counterfeiters, and corrupt marshals. It includes documents that reveal how well or poorly prisoners were treated in a sometimes overburdened detention system. Comprising thirty-nine reels, the collection testifies to the great demands upon—and bureaucratization of—the nation's law enforcement branch during this tumultuous period in U.S. history.

## **SOURCE NOTE**

All documents microfilmed for this edition of *Letters Received by the Attorney General*, 1871–1884: Southern Law and Order are from Record Group 60: Records of the Justice Department, Entry 55: Registers of Letters Received, and Entry 56: Source-Chronological File, held by the National Archives at College Park, Maryland.

## **EDITORIAL NOTE**

This microfilm project consists of selected correspondence with attachments from the Justice Department's voluminous Source-Chronological File. Selection criteria included the date range of 1871–1884 and correspondence emanating from law enforcement officials in the following states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. The Registers of Letters Received were included for each state. A very small number of documents have legibility problems. LexisNexis has made every technical effort to ensure legibility.

### **REEL INDEX**

The following is a listing of the folders that compose Letters Received by the Attorney General, 1871–1884: Southern Law and Order. The four-digit number on the far left is the frame at which a particular file folder begins. This is followed by the file title and the date(s) of the file. Substantive issues are highlighted under the heading Major Topics. Major Topics are listed in order of first appearance, and each item is listed only once for each folder.

#### Reel 1

Frame No.

#### Northern Alabama

- 0000 Register of Letters Received, Northern Alabama, 1871–1884.
- 0129 January–July 1871.
  - *Major Topics:* Ku Klux Klan (KKK); *U.S. v. Webb;* voter intimidation and violence; Radical Republicans; church burnings; protest against removal of John A. Minnis as U.S. attorney; 14th Amendment and office-holding eligibility; counterfeiting; revenue laws; letter stealing.
- 0218 August–December 1871.
  - Major Topics: KKK harassment; counterfeiting; Alabama law making it a felony to commit assault and battery in disguise; witness tampering; U.S. Attorney John A. Minnis; secret political organization "National Guard"; alleged crimes of Union soldiers during Civil War; voting rights; Enforcement Acts; Richard Busteed.
- 0323 1872.
  - Major Topics: David P. Lewis assignment to prosecute violations of Enforcement Acts; security at county prison; "National Guard" request for removal of John A. Minnis; Republican ticket for state election; national election between Ulysses S. Grant and Horace Greeley; KKK violence; state legislative affairs.
- 0423 1873.
  - Major Topics: State legislative affairs; violations of Enforcement Acts; KKK violence; rape; U.S. Attorney John A. Minnis; soldiers' financial claims; KKK intimidation of Republicans.
- 0566 1874.
  - Major Topics: Funds for sheriffs; resignation of U.S. Attorney John A. Minnis; U.S. Attorney N. S. McAfee; patents; sabotage of railroad bridges; land granted to railroad companies; threatened political violence against Republicans; complaints about Judge Richard Busteed; alleged use of federal troops for election coercion; KKK; press and publications; White Leagues; claims to provisions taken from loyal persons by U.S. troops during war; internal revenue.

0807 1875.

Major Topics: U.S. Attorney N. S. McAfee; prisoners; capture of Confederate officer alleged to have killed Union prisoner during war; oppression of African Americans; appropriation of former Confederate government property by U.S. attorney for personal gain; banks and banking; criticism of appointment of reputed Klansman R. P. Baker as U.S. marshal; murder of son of Judge E. M. Keils on election day and destruction of ballot box; President Ulysses S. Grant; counterfeiting; murder of revenue agent Holman Leatherwood; violations of internal revenue laws; cotton; alcohol abuse and misconduct of assistant U.S. Attorney George W. Parsons; violation of Enforcement Acts.

#### Reel 2

#### Northern Alabama cont.

0000 1876.

*Major Topics:* Charges of misconduct against U.S. Marshal R. P. Baker; illicit distilling; intimidation of African American voters; election day riot and violence; internal revenue; hostility demonstrated toward federal officials.

0108 1877.

*Major Topics:* Murder of revenue agent Holman Leatherwood; elections; tax evasion and delinquency; postal service.

0211 1878.

Major Topics: Prison expenses; murder of revenue agent Holman Leatherwood; counterfeiting; tax evasion and delinquency; court expenses; raid of jail by mob and hanging of prisoners; appropriation of former Confederate government property by U.S. attorney for personal gain; U.S. Attorney Charles E. Mayer; U.S. Marshal R. P. Baker defense from allegations of political bias; election cases.

0427 January–June 1879.

*Major Topics:* Election cases; violation of internal revenue laws; arrest of U.S. Marshal George Turner; U.S. Attorney Charles E. Mayer; repeal of election laws.

0624 July-December 1879.

Major Topics: R. P. Baker correspondence with Charles Devers regarding Justice Department's hostility toward him; acceptability of transmission of pamphlet pertaining to sexuality in the mails; depredation of public lands by iron company; election cases; lands granted for railroads; bankruptcy statistics.

0741 1880.

Major Topics: Banks and banking; treatment of prisoners; timber depredation on public lands; allegations of murder and other charges against deputy U.S. marshal; illicit distilling; revolvers and pistols; murder of Deputy U.S. Marshal John B. Hardie.

0848 1881.

*Major Topics:* Murder of Deputy U.S. Marshal John B. Hardie; illicit distilling; robbery and theft; property; Department of Interior investigation into fraudulent records of public land; election cases.

0964 February–March 1882.

*Major Topics*: Officials' salaries; charges against revenue collection official for serving confiscated brandy.

#### Reel 3

#### Northern Alabama cont.

- 0000 Chronological File, Northern Alabama, April 1882–May 1884.
- 0001 April–December 1882.

*Major Topics:* Illicit distilling; violations of election laws; timber depredation on public lands; fraudulent records of public land; personnel; postal service.

0129 January–July 1883.

Major Topics: Prisons; homesteads for military personnel; fraud; charges of embezzlement levied against late U.S. Marshal Joseph H. Sloss; W. H. Smyth; retirement of Judge Richard Busteed.

0228 August–December 1883.

*Major Topics:* Prisons; Joseph H. Sloss; condition of courthouse in Huntsville; illegal liquor sales; violations of revenue laws; liquor.

0313 1884.

*Major Topics:* Prisons; condition of courthouse in Huntsville; trial of Frank James for Muscle Shoals robbery; W. H. Smyth; Lionel Day.

#### Middle Alabama

- O352 Chronological File, Middle Alabama, January 1871–December 1874.
- 0353 1871

Major Topics: U.S. Attorney John A. Minnis; 14th Amendment and ineligibility of participants in rebellion to hold office; Averett Howard; Amos Tappan Akerman; Robert H. Knox; counterfeiters and counterfeiting; eligibility of veterans of War of 1812 to apply for pensions; loyalty oaths; KKK violence and witness intimidation in Fayette County; murder; rape; railroads; political parties and harassment at party meetings; National Guard; organization of KKK; voting intimidation of Republicans and African Americans.

0508 January–June 1872.

Major Topics: KKK; prisons; mob attack at speaking engagement of William H. Smyth, Lewis E. Parsons, and Willard Warner; murder of African Americans; voter intimidation; request for cavalry company at Opelika and Demopolis; Enforcement Acts; Judge Richard Busteed.

0617 July-December 1872.

Major Topics: KKK; withholding of Republicans' property in Scottsboro; Enforcement Acts; Cary G. Mulligan; voter fraud and intimidation; political parties and affairs; David P. Lewis; state legislature; Confederate General John T. Morgan's threat of insurrection; Montgomery; military.

0745 1873.

*Major Topics:* KKK violence; African Americans; troop withdrawal from Opelika and move to Montgomery; state legislature; Enforcement Acts; poverty; prisons; internal revenue.

0870 1874.

Major Topics: Selma, Rome, and Dalton Railroad Company case; U.S. Attorney John A. Minnis courtroom address on KKK in Alabama; violations of Enforcement Acts; political activities; elections; civil rights of African Americans; race relations; murder of Walter P. Billings and other Republicans in Sumter County; KKK in Tuscaloosa County; Nick S. McAfee; requests for troops; riots and disorders.

#### Reel 4

#### Middle Alabama cont.

- 0001 December 1874.
- 0005 1875.

Major Topics: Selma, Rome, and Dalton Railroad Company case; U.S. Attorney John A. Minnis; White League; courts in Mobile and Huntsville; requests for troops to protect Republican voters; mail theft; bankruptcy law; voter intimidation by White League in Barbour County; riots and disorders; beating of African American schoolteachers in Shelby County; prisons.

- 0097 1876.
  - Major Topics: Perjury; fraud; illicit distilling; Selma, Rome, and Dalton Railroad Company case; loyalty oaths; bankruptcy; U.S. Attorney Charles E. Mayer; U.S. Attorney John A. Minnis; complaints of prisoner abuse made against deputy U.S. marshals; George Turner; counterfeiting.
- 0234 1877.

Major Topics: Tobacco; internal revenue; elections cases.

- 0261 1878.
  - Major Topics: Suspension of George B. Randolph as deputy U.S. marshal by George Turner following charges of collusion with illicit distillers levied against him by internal revenue officials; Selma, Rome, and Dalton Railroad Company case; U.S. Attorney John A. Minnis; counterfeiting; prisoners; bonds; Charles E. Devers resignation from Republican State Execution Committee; sale of erstwhile Confederate property near Selma; alleged witness intimidation; murder of revenue agent Holman Leatherwood; patents.
- 0393 1879.
  - *Major Topics:* Public lands; case against George Turner for contempt of city court of Selma; postal service; internal revenue cases; crimes against women, including violence and the use of profane language; habeas corpus.
- 0477 1880.
  - Major Topics: Seizure of timber by Interior Department official; naval foundry property formerly claimed by Confederacy in Selma; elections; case against John Penton accused of beating U.S. witnesses and resisting arrest in Andalusia; timber depredation on public lands; election day security; intimidation of African American voters and other instances of election fraud.
- 0632 1881.
  - Major Topic: Case against vendors of properties formerly owned by the Confederacy in Selma.
- 0717 1882.
  - *Major Topics:* Case against vendors of properties formerly owned by the Confederacy in Selma; election fraud; citizen seeking redress for property taken by U.S. Army during war.
- 0752 March–July 1883.
  - Major Topics: Compensation claims for horses lost in the service of U.S. government; assault upon Department of Justice examiner E. B. Wiegand and government witness investigating fraudulent accounts entered by U.S. Marshal Paul Strobach and former

Deputy U.S. Marshal H. A. Wilson in Montgomery; Brewster Cameron; embezzlement case against George H. Patrick.

#### Reel 5

#### Middle Alabama cont.

0000 August-December 1883.

Major Topics: Allegations against Arthur Bingham for interfering with investigations of Justice Department officials; U.S. Marshal Paul Strobach; assault upon E. B. Wiegand by H. A. Wilson; internal revenue; fraud; expense accounts of U.S. Marshal George Turner; affidavits of prisoners in Talladega County relating to treatment by deputy U.S. marshals; investigation into accounts of Deputy U.S. Marshals Wilson, S. D. Oliver, Green T. Franklin, Thomas J. Scott, Frederick Jost, and W. B. Jackson; public lands; iron and steel industry; mines and mineral resources; homesteads for military personnel; Huntsville prison.

#### Reel 6

#### Middle Alabama cont.

0000 January-August 1884.

Major Topics: Misconduct charges against U.S. Attorney W. H. Smyth; expense accounts of U.S. Marshal Paul Strobach; counterfeiting; prisons and prisoners in Mobile; Reform School near Washington, D.C.; minors; Interior Department; George Turner; J. W. Dimmick; Robert Barber; Fred Jost; judicial consideration of recognition of Matthias C. Osborn as U.S. marshal; sentence against H. A. Wilson for assault and battery; W. B. Woods; public lands; press and publications.

#### Southern Alabama

0314 1871

*Major Topics*: Banks and banking; internal revenue cases; John P. Southworth; private lands; Mobile circuit court.

0396 1872.

Major Topics: Pension claims for military families; lotteries; charges levied against J. P. Southworth; rioters in Eutaw; loyalty oaths; W. B. Woods; interracial marriage; internal revenue laws; tobacco; request for troops for Mobile; elections; press and publications; state legislature controversy.

0504 1873.

Major Topics: A. McKinstry and R. Hamilton letters regarding political activities in state legislature; Confederate veterans; duties on goods imported during war; U.S. v. Stark; J. P. Southworth; bankruptcy cases; suspension of court business due to yellow fever epidemic in Montgomery and Mobile.

0683 1874.

Major Topics: Claim for property taken during war; Judge Richard Busteed; embezzlement case against John J. Moulton; Mobile and Ohio Railroad Company case; political party affairs; race relations; church-burning; U.S. Attorney Charles E. Mayer; request for troops for Mobile election day; ships and shipping industry.

0842 1875.

Major Topics: Arrests of Deputy U.S. Marshals George B. Randolph and James T. Williford under charges of kidnapping and assault and battery; request for troops for Mobile election day; mail theft; alleged fraud in the Freedmen's Bureau (Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands); poor convicts unable to pay fines.

0961 1876.

*Major Topics:* Election cases; violence perpetrated upon citizens of Escambia County by officers of law.

1009 January 1877.

*Major Topic:* Alleged misconduct of U.S. Attorney George Duskin in election cases in Mobile.

#### Reel 7

#### Southern Alabama cont.

0000 February–December 1877.

*Major Topics:* Alleged misconduct of U.S. Attorney George Duskin in election cases in Mobile; fraud.

0090 1878.

*Major Topics:* Cutting of timber on public lands; Swiss national A. C. Huguenin letters; Confederate relationship with Switzerland; flags; Jews and Judaism.

0120 1879.

Major Topics: Letters by Swiss national A. C. Huguenin alleging theft of property and attempted assassination by Mobile government; Jews and Judaism; election laws detailing duties of supervisors and marshals; arrests ordered of U.S. Attorney Charles Mayer and U.S. Marshal George Turner by Selma local court; KKK crimes in Sumter County; ships and shipping; attempted assassination upon Deputy U.S. Marshal Henry Morningstar following day spent arresting citizens charged with depredating public lands; entrapment case against Morningstar.

0370 1880.

*Major Topics:* Prisons and prisoners; entrapment case against Deputy U.S. Marshal Henry Morningstar; assault upon J. H. Wallace, U.S. official investigating allegations of election fraud perpetrated by Democrats in Greene County.

0464 1881.

Major Topic: Election cases.

0503 1882.

Major Topics: Instructions for U.S. deputies on election day; Republican Party resolution defending the rights of African American citizens and condemning the murder of Jack Turner and torture committed against other leading African Americans of Choctaw County; prisons and prisoners; election fraud.

0568 1883.

Major Topics: W. L. Osborn dismissal of deputy U.S. marshal for misconduct; women; Paul Strobach case; suit brought against Osborn as an individual in state court for damages incurred in the performance of his duties as a U.S. marshal (loss of horses); hanging of Jack Turner; embezzlement case brought against Deputy U.S. Marshal William B. Hughes; George M. Duskin; report on U.S. Commissioners Paul Ravassis, John H.

Wallace, and Henry S. Skaats relative to their conduct and the manners in which complaints were made to them and upon which they issued warrants; fraud; cutting of timber on public lands; conduct of deputy U.S. marshals; *U.S. v. L. W. Savage*; election cases in Mobile relative to 1880 election.

0752 January–July 1884.

Major Topics: Misconduct charges against U.S. Marshal Paul Strobach; grand juries.

#### Reel 8

#### Florida

0000 Register of Letters Received, February 1871–August 1884.

#### Northern Florida

- O064 Chronological File, Northern Florida, February 1871–June 1881.
- 0065 February–November 1871.

Major Topics: Postal service; land ownership and claims; KKK harassment of African Americans.

0128 1872.

*Major Topics:* KKK voter intimidation and violence; instructions for U.S. deputies on election day; election fraud; political activities; Enforcement Act.

0207 1873.

Major Topics: Alan A. Knight; Ulysses S. Grant; alleged outrages by African Americans on British subjects in Pensacola; counterfeiting; violations of the Enforcement Acts in Lake City, Columbia County; instructions for U.S. deputies on election day; Jacksonville bar commemoration of Salmon Chase; Treasury Department rules and regulations; bankruptcy statistics.

0380 1874.

Major Topics: Customs Service; William P. Dockray charges against District Attorney J. Drew and criticism of U.S. Senator Simon Conover appointees; mulatto women; Chattahoochee prison; obstructions placed in Amelia River by the Florida Railroad Company; Ulysses S. Grant; land claims; African American land claims; embezzlement.

0458 1875.

*Major Topics:* J. Drew; political activities; public lands; homesteads; profiteering by U.S. marshals; alleged violations of quarantine regulations by customs officers at port of Cedar Keys; Freedman's Savings Banks.

0533 1876.

Major Topics: Violations of quarantine regulations by customs officials; violence; vigilantism; embezzlement; prisoner flight to Cuba (Spain); loyalty oaths; confiscation of property used by Confederacy in Duval County; elections; accusations of drunkenness against Department of Justice agent chosen to investigate election fraud in Jacksonville.

0679 1877.

Major Topic: Accusations of election fraud.

0731 1878.

*Major Topics:* Timber depredation on public lands; treatment of late British vice consul by police in Pensacola; embezzlement; libel; liquor; J. Stickney.

0818 1879.

Major Topics: Timber cases; election cases; press and publications; maritime laws; escaped prisoners; counterfeiting; Florida Central Railroad Company; German minister complaint of U.S. interference with internal affairs of German merchant vessel; international treaties and agreements.

0944 1880.

Major Topics: Land claims; prisons and prisoners; election cases; jurisdiction over murder committed in Pensacola port; appointment of extra marshals to provide security at polls on election day; voting rights of immigrants; citizenship; taking of prisoners from deputy U.S. marshal by masked men; trespasses upon public lands.

1097 January–June 1881.

Major Topic: Election cases, murder, intimidation, African Americans, and race relations in Madison.

#### Reel 9

#### Northern Florida cont.

0000 June-December 1881.

*Major Topics:* Murder case against Charles Savage and Howard E. James; trespassing upon public lands; John B. Stickney.

0066 1882.

Major Topics: Murder case against Charles Savage and Howard E. James; supreme court of Florida; land ownership and claims; witness intimidation; election frauds in Madison County; U.S. v. Reese, case against British sailor for not paying tariff on flowers from foreign port.

0226 1883.

*Major Topics:* Public library in Pensacola; trespassing upon public lands; postal service; land ownership and claims; arrest of African American accused of stealing; fraudulent homestead claims.

0303 1884.

Major Topic: Timber depredations on public lands.

#### **Southern Florida**

- 0346 Chronological File, Southern Florida, February 1871–July 1884.
- 0347 1871.

Major Topics: Ships and shipping; thefts of timber from British vessel *Three Sisters;* burning of Spanish vessel *Tomas de Resa;* diplomatic relations with Spain; land claims and ownership; attack upon Spanish consulate made by expatriated Cubans; Republican state party complaints about KKK violence in Jackson and Calhoun Counties.

0435 1872.

Major Topics: U.S. marshal salaries; press and publications; territories of the U.S.; burning of foreign vessels; George Allen; relations with Spain and Great Britain; maritime law; international treaties; Cuba; slaves and slavery; *Amistad* case; jury selection.

0507 1873.

Major Topics: Transportation of animals in inhumane conditions; territories of the U.S.

0588 1874.

Major Topics: Judge J. W. Locke; trial for sailors who refused duty; escape of prisoner from Key West jail, Monroe County; U.S. v. Steamer General Sherman, case concerning use of ship bearing U.S. flag for planned hostilities against Guatemala, Salvador, and Honduras in violation of navigation and neutrality laws; libel; U.S. Attorney O. A. Meyers; yellow fever epidemic in Key West; shipwrecks; sugar industry and products.

0723 1875.

*Major Topics:* Resignation of Thomas Savage as U.S. attorney; prisons and prisoners; escape of prisoner from Key West jail; *U.S. v. Steamer General Sherman*; internal revenue; territories of the U.S.

0781 1876.

Major Topic: Bankruptcy laws.

0796 1877.

Major Topic: Divorce.

0813 1878.

*Major Topic:* Complaints against Seminole Indians in Miami vicinity for stealing hogs and acting under state of intoxication.

0823 1879.

Major Topic: Territories of the U.S.

0850 1880-1881.

*Major Topics:* Prisons and prisoners; alleged acts in violation of neutrality laws by Cuban refugees; customs administration.

0891 1882.

*Major Topics:* Indictment of customs officials for contributing money to political campaigns in Tampa, Florida; arrest of Carlos Aguero, wanted by Spanish government on charges of robbery; Cuba; land claims.

0994 1883.

*Major Topics:* Customs administration; ships and shipping; investigation of James W. Locke of Key West as dealer in leaf tobacco by collector of internal revenue.

1043 1884.

Major Topics: Spanish government allegations against Carlos Aguero of leading expeditions against Cuba; extradition; Cuban refugees; ships and shipping; neutrality laws.

#### Reel 10

#### Georgia

- 0000 Register of Letters Received, January 1871-August 1884, Georgia.
- 0126 Chronological File, Georgia, January 1871–December 1873.
- 0127 January–June 1871.

*Major Topics:* Crime statistics; claims of southern loyalists for remuneration for cotton lost during war; land claims upon property formerly owned by Confederacy; Point Peter plantation.

#### 0223 July–November 1871.

Major Topics: W. H. Holden request for government help in arresting outlaw James Briscoe; KKK attack upon J. R. Holiday in Jackson County; land ownership and rights; race relations; Cuba; neutrality laws; counterfeiting; KKK jail break to free member convicted of killing African American in Washington County; murder by Klan of African American prisoner suspected of rape in Morgan County; castration of prominent African Americans and threats against leading Republicans in Wilkerson County; reorganization of U.S. courts in Georgia; political activities.

#### 0388 December 1871–December 1873.

Major Topics: KKK violence; embezzlement and neglect of duty charges against General Wladimir Krygynowski; internal revenue; ships and shipping; cotton industry and products; rescue of KKK prisoner by mob in Atlanta; habeas corpus; accusations of election fraud against Democrats; counterfeiting; pension claims of African American veterans of Civil War; election day security concerns; canals; jury selection in U.S. courts in Georgia; prisons and prisoners; state appropriation for capture of KKK members; charges of corruption against deputy U.S. marshals; press and publications; W. H. Smyth.

#### Reel 11

#### Georgia cont.

#### 0000 December 1873–June 1877.

Major Topics: Illicit distilling and violation of internal revenue laws; land claims; charges of assault levied against John Hynes on ship Daniel Draper upon high seas; contraband turpentine shipments; KKK outrages in Cherokee County and the burning down of the house of James McCoy; U.S. v. Wilson, case of postmasters in debt to U.S. government; U.S. Attorney H. P. Farrow; relations between the U.S. attorney and African Americans; prosecutions against John A. Wimpy for withholding pension money; corrupt practices of deputy marshals; violations of shipping and customs laws; liquor and liquor industry; counterfeits and counterfeiting; Andersonville National Cemetery; beating of African American schoolteacher C. H. Lyons by white men; charges of fraud made against U.S. Marshal William H. Smyth; Republican Party concerns about election fraud; voter intimidation; political activities; prisons and prisoners; weapons requisition for deputies; requests for troops to protect African American voters; requests for troops to protect deputies in Savannah on election day; press and publications; murder of African Americans; riots and disorders; robbery of post office at Macon; security of "Yankee" salesmen traveling around South; crowded condition of Atlanta prison; habeas corpus; alleged perjury of African American man; complaints of abuses and threats made by Democratic Party; alleged illegal imprisonment of Tunis Campbell; property cases concerning cotton taken during war; newspaper advertising; poor convicts and prisoners upon discharge.

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#### Georgia cont.

#### 0000 July-December 1877.

Major Topics: Embezzlement of registered letters; prisons and prisoners; U.S. Marshal W.H. Smyth objection to newspaper report claiming he required troops to assist him in official duties.

0066 January–June 1878.

*Major Topics:* U.S. Attorney Henry Farrow; presence of diphtheria and scarlet fever at Peace Institute (women's seminary) in Raleigh, N.C.; seizure of cigars from ship in Savannah; smuggling; race relations; accusations of witness bribery; Albany penitentiary.

0180 July-December 1878.

*Major Topics:* Assistant U.S. attorney salaries; indictment against deputy U.S. marshal and two assistants for attempted arrest of Erasmus Ennis and Pleasant Ennis; illicit distilling.

0257 January–May 1879.

Major Topics: Pardons; U.S. v. Jones; riots and disorders; murder of two African Americans; revenue cases; newspaper reports of controversy between revenue collector Andrew Clark and U.S. Attorney H. P. Farrow; capture of Ayers Jones, murder of Lieutenant McIntyre; U.S. v. Georgia Railroad and Banking Co.; murder of African American man in jail in Bainbridge by mob; agriculture.

0392 June–December 1879.

*Major Topics:* Violations of revenue laws; murderers of Lieutenant McIntyre; assistant U.S. attorney salaries; allegations of fraud against man who received reparation from U.S. government for property destroyed by Confederacy during war; arson in Atlanta.

0524 December 1879.

*Major Topics:* Charges levied against Spanish captain in Brunswick harbor for obstructing justice; pension claims.

0545 January–June 1880.

*Major Topics:* Misconduct charges against U.S. Attorney H. P. Farrow; treatment of prisoners in state prisons; trial of revenue collector Andrew Clark; revenue cases; illicit distilling.

0682 July-December 1880.

Major Topics: Appointment of John Bigby as U.S. attorney; Georgia v. Part, case of revenue officers being charged with murder for killing attackers impeding their investigation of illicit distilling in Red Oaks, Campbell County; bias of local press and publications against federal government; complaints against Deputy U.S. Marshal R. D. Bolton for neglect of duty; elections; case of William Pollard against Savannah Skidaway and Seaboard Railroad for ejecting Pollard and wife from first-class car on account of their color.

0799 January–June 1881.

Major Topics: Violations of revenue laws; misconduct charges against Assistant U.S. Attorney S. Darnell; refusal of president of Louisville and Hadley Railroad Company to submit return required by Census Act.

0866 July–December 1881.

Major Topic: Terms of circuit and district courts.

0902 January–June 1882.

*Major Topics:* Cemeteries; African American prisoners; Fulton County jail; appointment of Robert Trippe as assistant U.S. attorney.

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#### Georgia cont.

0000 August–December 1882.

Major Topics: Disputed property of Etawah Manufacturing and Mining Company, said to have been used by Confederacy in aiding war effort; illicit distilling; John Bigby; ejection of African American woman from theater in Savannah on account of color; appointment of special deputy U.S. marshals for election.

0079 January-March 1883.

*Major Topics:* Prisoner care; hospitals; disputed property of Etawah Manufacturing and Mining Company, said to have been used by Confederacy in aiding war effort; mail theft.

0213 April-August 1883.

Major Topics: Employment of jail physicians in Atlanta; case of J. B. Campbell alleging mistreatment by Western and Atlantic Railroad Company; prisons and prisoners in Fulton County; intemperance of jail physician; disputed property of Etawah Manufacturing and Mining Company, said to have been used by Confederacy in aiding war effort; mail theft; illicit distilling; violations of revenue laws; Reform School near Washington, D.C.; witness accounts of KKK assaults and murders of African Americans in Banks County; Jasper Yarbrough.

0431 September–November 1883.

Major Topics: Fraudulent accounts made by postal officials in Atlanta; U.S. v. Howard; convictions in Banks County KKK case; Jasper Yarbrough; voting rights; newspaper coverage of trial; expense reports of U.S. Marshal James Longstreet; clothing of prisoners.

0605 December 1883.

*Major Topics:* Case of man charged with resisting arrest; assistant U.S. attorney salaries; embezzlement; Jasper Yarbrough and KKK prisoners.

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#### Georgia cont.

0001 August-December 1882.

Major Topic: S. A. Darnell.

0023 January–June 1883.

Major Topics: Trespass upon public lands; timber; counterfeiting; S. A. Darnell; acts of cruelty perpetrated against Chinese merchant William Loo Chang in Waynesboro; neglect of duty by revenue collector; Darnell charges against customs collector H. P. Farrow for failure to report certain cases to treasury secretary; prisons and prisoners; newspaper report on dispute between revenue collector and Darnell, including alleged assassination threat by Darnell; state prohibition acts.

0184 July-December 1883.

Major Topics: Transportation of prisoners; prisons in Bibb and Monroe Counties; customs cases; U.S. v. Hunter, case of man accused of stealing customs house boat; violations of postal laws; W. Bull complaint over not receiving fees for testifying as witness in case of four white men accused of whipping an African American; case of Bull accused of bribing African American not to testify against his attackers; relations between S. A.

Darnell and African Americans; Republican Party in Georgia; Freedman's Savings and Trust Company; prosecution against Abraham Burke, African American accused of forgery.

0314 January–July 1884.

Major Topics: Confinement of prisoners at or near the place of holding court; transportation of prisoners to Albany, N.Y., penitentiary; disputed land in Augusta; U.S. marshal expense accounts of prisoner travel; cases against men who perpetrated wrongs against Chinese merchants at Waynesboro; smuggling of clothing; care of prisoners at Macon jail; report of Spanish consul that enemies of Cuba are preparing expeditions against that island.

0478 Miscellaneous Correspondence Relating to the Conduct of the U.S. Attorneys and Marshals in Enforcing the Internal Revenue Laws.

Major Topic: Listing of correspondence that follows.

0501 April 1879-March 1880.

Major Topics: Revenue agent William Somerville; violations of revenue laws; allegations of fraud committed by U.S. marshals in transporting prisoners and reporting other expenses; seizures of tobacco factories; illicit distilling; misconduct charges against U.S. Attorney H. P. Farrow; internal revenue agents.

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#### Georgia cont.

- 0001 1873–1877. Farrow, Henry P., Endorsements for Reappointment U.S. Attorney, 1875–1876.
  Major Topics: Correspondence to Ulysses S. Grant; Republican Party in Georgia; Andrew Clark.
- 0066 1873–1877. Farrow, Henry P.

Major Topics: African American opinion of Henry P. Farrow; African American jurors; prosecution of KKK; voter fraud; Jack Brown; correspondence to Ulysses S. Grant; Republican Party in Georgia; newspapers; newspaper reports of misconduct by deputy U.S. marshals, including the taking of bribes.

- 0261 1873–1877. Farrow, Henry P., Endorsements, 1874, U.S. Attorney.

  \*\*Major Topics:\* Republican Party in Georgia; misconduct charges against Henry P. Farrow; revenue cases.
- 0383 1873–1877. Farrow, Henry P., Petitions for Reappointment, U.S. Attorney, 1875–1876. *Major Topic:* Republican Party in Georgia.
- 0517 1873–1877. Farrow, Henry P., Petitions for Reappointment, U.S. Attorney, 1875–1876. *Major Topic:* Republican Party in Georgia.
- 0657 1873–1877. Farrow, Henry P. *Major Topics:* List of indictments; violations of revenue laws.
- 0694 1877–1881. Farrow, Henry P., Charges, 1879.

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#### Mississippi

- 0000 Register of Letters Received, Mississippi, January 4, 1871–August 25, 1884.
- 0084 January–June 1871.

*Major Topics:* Crime statistics; investigation of deputy collector of internal revenue for failure to report collections; violations of Enforcement Act; KKK; murder.

0125 July-December 1871.

Major Topics: Interference of state officials with deputy U.S. marshals in arresting KKK members; need for troops to enforce the laws; eligibility of former office holders in Confederacy for office; composition of grand jury in KKK cases; violations of Enforcement Act; Democratic newspapers; G. Wiley Wells; case of C. H. Wessler, accused of burning man to death; U.S. Marshal J. H. Pierce move of office to Holly Springs; Pierce denial of need for additional troops in district; KKK shooting of white man and woman; secret political organization oaths of allegiance to support Democratic Party in elections and oppose equal rights for Chinese and African Americans.

0243 1872.

Major Topics: Requests for troops to be stationed at Saltillo, Lee County, Miss.; killing of witnesses in Lee and Union Counties; jail facilities in Holly Springs; charge of negligence of duty by postal service agent against J. H. Pierce for escape of criminals accused of stealing the mails; KKK trials; list of persons indicted under Enforcement Act; Pierce request for authority to go to California to arrest fugitive KKK member who killed an African American; riots in Meridian; murder of U.S. soldier by citizen during war; counterfeiting.

0425 1873.

Major Topics: Crime statistics; compensation for William Dowd, special assistant to U.S. attorney to aid in Enforcement Acts cases; G. Wiley Wells report of KKK outrage in Corinth involving beating of African American man by two disguised men; care of sick prisoners in Oxford; newspapers; murder of Deputy U.S. Marshal R. Dunn at Corinth; request for troops for Corinth; KKK men resisting arrest; outlaws.

0568 1874.

Major Topics: KKK attempted assassination of R. W. Flournoy in Pontotoc for having published Republican newspaper, voting with African Americans of county, and assisting in establishment of free schools for African Americans; G. Wiley Wells report of dangerous intentions toward him of murderers of Deputy U.S. Marshal R. Dunn; postmaster in Lee County accused of embezzlement; counterfeiting; indictment of internal revenue officer for violations of the law; political activities; economic conditions; perceptions of carpetbaggers and African Americans; agricultural labor; intimidation of African American voters.

- 0746 January–June 1875.
  - Major Topics: U.S. marshal expenses and jailer fees; Oxford jail.
- 0791 July–December 1875.

Major Topics: Compensation claim of William Dowd for work on Enforcement Act cases; election campaigns; violations of election laws and condition of affairs in Lowndes, Colfax, and Monroe Counties; resignation of H. Wiley Wells following election to Congress.

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#### Mississippi cont.

0000 January–July 1876.

Major Topics: Voter fraud; internal revenue cases; U.S. attorney Thomas Walton disagreement with District Court Judge R. A. Hill in *U.S. v. Stearns*, postmaster at Holly Springs, said to have accepted bribe to seek pardon for a counterfeiter; grand jury examination of violations of election laws, including intimidation of African American and Republican voters and failure of some polls to open.

0212 August–December 1876.

Major Topics: U.S. Marshal J. H. Pierce request for power to appoint extra deputies to prevent election fraud by Democratic officials who have formerly intimidated African Americans voting the Republican ticket; protest against publication by New York Times of witness testimony taken before grand jury in Oxford; intimidation of witnesses by a committee from a Democratic club of Columbus; Thomas Walton campaign against Vannoy Manning for Congress; shooting of five African Americans and two whites at political debate between Walton and Manning; riot at Hernando; proposed assassination of Pierce; newspaper analysis of election fraud perpetrated by Democrats.

0321 1877.

Major Topics: Correspondence between U.S. Attorney General Charles Devers and U.S. Marshal J. H. Pierce regarding Pierce's resignation; indictment against W. R. Tucker, who had sent grand jury foreman a note discouraging him from recommending certain prosecutions; replacement of B. W. Lee as assistant U.S. attorney by Orlando Davis; violations of internal revenue laws; illicit distilling.

0392 1878.

Major Topics: Dispute between U.S. Attorney Thomas Walton and Assistant U.S. Attorney Orlando Davis ending in Davis's resignation; voter intimidation; death of Walton due to yellow fever epidemic; appointment of Greene C. Chandler as new U.S. attorney; election cases.

0587 1879.

*Major Topics:* Election cases; law encouraging development of domestic wine industry; Democrat charged with intimidating candidate for Congress.

0636 1880.

Major Topics: Treatment of U.S. convicts confined in state prisons; election cases.

0659 1881.

Major Topics: Election cases; pension claim of wife of War of 1812 veteran; loyalty oaths.

0689 1882.

Major Topic: Election cases.

0750 1883.

Major Topic: Election cases.

0829 1884.

Major Topic: Public buildings in Oxford.

#### Southern Mississippi

0843 January–July 1871.

Major Topics: KKK whippings and killings in Winston, Neshoba, and Kemper Counties; U.S. Attorney E. P. Jacobson account of arrest of Klansmen, which required help of cavalry; KKK outrage committed at place of Governor Ridgely C. Powers.

0936 August–December 1871.

Major Topics: KKK cases; hostile witnesses; use of military by U.S. attorney in making arrests; violations of Enforcement Act; resistance of Klansman to arrest for shooting African American man in Lauderdale County.

1032 February–November 1872.

Major Topic: Violations of Enforcement Act.

1096 December 1872.

Major Topic: Jury selection.

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#### Southern Mississippi cont.

0000 December 1872.

Major Topic: Pension claims.

0010 1873.

Major Topics: Judgments against internal revenue agents; E. P. Jacobson comments on effect of Enforcement Acts and leniency of Judge R. A. Hill upon affairs in Mississippi; analysis of violators of Enforcement Acts and their relationship to late rebellion; suspension of U.S. Marshal Robert J. Alcorn on pretext of having voted for Horace Greeley for president in 1872; corruption and bribery; Governor Ridgely C. Powers telegram reporting threatened interference of U.S. military in affairs of state legislature.

0166 1874.

Major Topics: Fraud; Judge R. A. Hill explanation of court expenditures; African American soldiers; charges of maladministration of office made against U.S. Attorney Felix Brannigan by Clinton Rice, special assistant to the attorney general; alleged misconduct of internal revenue agents; newspaper extracts on political activities; jury selection; white league outrages in Alabama committed by citizens of Mississippi; African American response to persecution; report of lawlessness in Vicksburg; Vicksburg jail; public opinion of Republican Party in Vicksburg; bounty claims of African Americans.

0404 January-August 1875.

Major Topics: Bounty claims of African Americans; vote of confidence in U.S. Attorney Felix Brannigan by Republican caucus of state legislature; U.S. Marshal J. L. Lake; charges of fraud made against J. M. McKee; charges of fraud made against officers of Freedmen's Bureau; need for U.S. officials at Pascagoula; ships and shipping industry; customs collection at Pascagoula.

0541 September–December 1875.

Major Topics: Attack upon Republican meeting in Clinton conducted by armed white men resulting in killing of many African Americans; political activities; Democratic newspapers; pre-election violence; attack upon Republican meeting in Vicksburg; U.S. Attorney General W. W. Dedrick; relationship between U.S. marshals and the military; affairs of Yazoo County; juries.

0675 January–June 1876.

*Major Topics:* Safety of Republican citizens in Amite County and collectors of internal revenue in Summit; pension claims; U.S. Attorney General W. W. Dedrick.

0728 July-December 1876.

Major Topics: Arrest of African American Howard Russell in Jackson for assault and battery; African Americans in Holmes County and a reported conspiracy to prevent the election of Republicans in that county; newspapers; defense of Thomas Walton as U.S. attorney; conflict between whites and African Americans at political rally and voter intimidation of Republicans in Claiborne County.

0833 January–October 1877.

Major Topics: U.S. Marshal J. Lake report upon political activities in district; elections; state Republican Party; African Americans; state Democratic Party; voter intimidation and fraud; newspapers; U.S. Attorney Luke Lee; riots and violations of Enforcement Acts in Kemper County; murder of Judge W. W. Chisholm and John P. Gilmer in Kemper County.

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#### Southern Mississippi cont.

0000 November–December 1877.

Major Topics: Seizure of logs on Pascagoula River by deputy U.S. marshal and depredation upon public lands; indictment against Colonel S. M. Meek for conspiring to intimidate Judge W. W. Chisholm in his campaign for Congress in Kemper County; election cases; U.S. Attorney Luke Lea.

0076 January 1878.

*Major Topics:* Seizure of logs on Pascagoula River by U.S. marshals and depredation upon public lands; Judge R. A. Hill.

0128 February 1878.

Major Topics: Timber depredation on public lands; Kemper County election cases; loyalty oaths; physical conflict between Republicans and Democrats following political meetings; race relations.

0198 March 1878.

*Major Topic:* Timber depredation on public lands.

0335 April–June 1878.

Major Topics: U.S. Attorney Luke Lea; timber depredation on public lands.

0445 August–December 1878.

Major Topics: Yellow fever; timber depredation on public lands.

0506 January–June 1879.

Major Topics: Murder of Judge W. W. Chisholm and John P. Gilmer in Kemper County; witness intimidation; Harrison Page and killing of sheriff and his deputy in Claiborne County.

- 0602 July-December 1879.
- 0629 January-July 1880.

*Major Topics:* Timber depredation on public lands; ships and shipping; harbor of Vicksburg; cruel treatment of prisoners at Jackson prison.

0738 August-December 1880.

*Major Topics:* Election fraud; grand juries; investigation into treatment of prisoner by U.S. marshal.

0790 1881.

Major Topics: Election cases; timber depredation upon naval reservation near Biloxi.

0853 1882.

Major Topics: Election cases; murder of British subject in Holmes County.

0924 1883.

*Major Topics:* Expense accounts for transportation of prisoners by U.S. marshal; reported unfitness of W. F. Fitzgerald of Vicksburg for position of associate justice of the supreme court of Arizona on account of negligence of money matters.

1007 1884.

*Major Topics:* Assault upon jail by mob and murder of Judge W. W. Chisholm and John P. Gilmer in Kemper County; violations of Enforcement Acts in Kemper County.

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#### **North Carolina**

0001 Register of Letters Received, North Carolina, December 29, 1870–August 25, 1884.

#### **Eastern North Carolina**

0088 January–September 1871.

Major Topics: Office eligibility and the 14th Amendment; violations of the Enforcement Act.

0150 October–December 1871.

Major Topics: KKK prisoner accounts and confessions; violations of the Enforcement Act.

0246 January–June 1872.

Major Topics: Ships and shipping; KKK and violations of the Enforcement Act; depredations upon public grounds; alleged frauds perpetrated upon Indians by Indian agents; Cherokees; Governor Tod R. Caldwell; KKK lynching (hanging) of man (no color indicated) in York County, S.C.

0410 July-December 1872.

Major Topics: KKK; Indians; misconduct by internal revenue collectors.

0491 January–June 1873.

Major Topics: U.S. Attorney D. H. Starbuck; bankruptcy cases; incest; rape; perjury.

0544 September–December 1873.

Major Topics: Bounty claims; bankruptcy cases; internal revenue; medicines.

0605 1874.

Major Topics: Expense accounts; arrests of those indicted for murder of African Americans; consternation caused among whites by African American gathering to develop relief society to aid poor; violence against African Americans; civil rights legislation; voter intimidation; claims denied because of disloyalty.

0699 1875.

*Major Topics:* Bankruptcy legislation; *U.S. v. White*, internal revenue case concerning sale of tobacco; bounty claim frauds.

0809 1876.

Major Topics: Alleged illegal imprisonment of African American; pension claim fraud.

0902 1877.

Major Topic: Pension claims.

0932 1878.

*Major Topics:* Cemeteries; voting rights of foreigners who have served in the U.S. Army; rejection of certain voters on account of not knowing their ages or candidates running in election; liquor and liquor industry.

0983 1879.

Major Topics: Election frauds; violations of internal revenue laws; pension claims.

1075 1880.

Major Topics: Condition of prisons; naturalization; pension claims.

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#### Eastern North Carolina cont.

0000 1881.

*Major Topics:* Election cases; fish and fishing industry; indictment of supervisor of repairs of marine hospital in Wilmington for defrauding the government.

0075 1882.

*Major Topics:* Political activities in South Carolina; reported obstruction of government efforts to improve navigability of Neuse River; election fraud.

0125 1883.

*Major Topics*: Election frauds; reform school near Washington, D.C., for male juvenile offenders; transportation of prisoners to Albany Penitentiary.

0196 1884.

*Major Topics:* Election frauds in Pitt County perpetrated against Republicans; U.S. Attorney W. S. Robinson; removal of whistles from buoys at Cape Hatteras.

#### Western North Carolina

- 0229 Chronological File, Western North Carolina, January 1871–September 1875.
- 0230 1871.

Major Topics: Office eligibility in the state legislature and the 14th Amendment; KKK cases.

0277 1872.

*Major Topics:* Ships and shipping; KKK cases; frauds perpetrated against Cherokee Indians; jury selection.

0401 January-August 1873.

Major Topics: Requests for troops to aid arrest of ten men accused of murdering former state legislator W. Stephens under orders of KKK; frauds perpetrated against Cherokee Indians.

0493 September–December 1873.

Major Topics: Bankruptcy; frauds perpetrated against Cherokee Indians; prisons.

0622 February–August 1874.

*Major Topics:* Court expenses; murder of deputy U.S. marshal; KKK cases; reported tampering with the mails; Assistant U.S. Attorney Marcus Erwin; expense accounts for transporting prisoners.

0728 September–December 1874.

*Major Topics:* Frauds perpetrated against Cherokee Indians; court expenses; political activities; land claims; jury compensation.

0921 January-May 1875.

*Major Topics:* Frauds perpetrated against Cherokee Indians; case against U.S. marshal for killing man in execution of duties; KKK outrages perpetrated against African Americans; discharge of poor convicts; violations of internal revenue laws.

1039 June-September 1875.

*Major Topics:* Liquor and liquor industry; violations of internal revenue laws; frauds perpetrated against Cherokee Indians; W. H. Thomas.

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#### Western North Carolina cont.

0000 September–December 1875.

*Major Topics:* Illicit distilling; salary of U.S. Attorney William Ball; deputy U.S. marshal charged with murder; counterfeiting.

0048 1876.

Major Topics: Misconduct of official taking testimony of loyal persons who lost property and rendered services in the Union cause; perjury; James G. Blunt; frauds perpetrated against Cherokee Indians; circuit court procedures.

0164 1877.

Major Topics: Poor convicts; illicit distilling; charges of misconduct against U.S. Attorney V. S. Lusk and internal revenue collectors; allegations of fraud against U.S. marshals; frauds perpetrated against Cherokee Indians; private property disputes.

0318 1878.

*Major Topics:* Charges against deputy U.S. marshals for killings committed in act of executing arrests of illicit distillers; dangers posed by former Confederates; railroads.

0403 1879.

Major Topics: Deputy marshal indicted for murder; pension claims.

0471 1880.

Major Topics: Violations of internal revenue laws; treatment of prisoners; counterfeiting.

0545 1881.

Major Topic: Court procedures.

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#### **South Carolina**

0000 Register of Letters, South Carolina, January 6, 1871–August 25, 1884.

0112 January–February 1871.

Major Topic: Crime statistics.

0133 March–September 1871.

*Major Topics:* Governor R. K. Scott request for troops for York and Chester Counties to combat KKK; illicit distilling.

0172 October–November 1871.

Major Topics: KKK outrages; political support of Ulysses S. Grant; views toward African Americans; plea for aid of Unionist during Civil War; misconduct of deputy U.S. marshals and soldiers in investigating KKK organization in Union; Enforcement Acts; KKK crimes including murder and seizure of African American arms; postal service; reported British subject arrested for membership in KKK; iron and steel industry; lists of persons imprisoned for violation of Enforcement Acts.

0399 December 1871–October 1872.

Major Topics: Military arrests of violators of Enforcement Acts; KKK cases; voter intimidation; inheritance rights of foreign citizens; Bremen, Germany; KKK leader Robert Riggins petition to be imprisoned at Yorkville jail; South Carolina Penitentiary and the superiority of Albany Penitentiary as a place of confinement for U.S. convicts.

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#### South Carolina cont.

0000 November 1872.

Major Topics: Indictment for conspiracy and murder of John Leland, participant in riot at Laurens that resulted in deaths of African Americans; KKK cases; lighthouses and lightships.

0025 December 1872.

*Major Topics:* U.S. Attorney D. T. Corbin charge of misconduct against U.S. Judge George S. Bryan for tampering with jury in KKK case; violations of the Enforcement Act.

0058 January–October 1873.

Major Topics: Jury selection; newspapers; bankruptcy; U.S. v. John Fraser & Co., case involving U.S. property taken by the Confederacy; public lands; cotton and cotton industry; misconduct charges against U.S. Marshal R. M. Wallace; disputes between judges; recent decisions of juries and grand juries; KKK; sales of liquor in violation of internal revenue laws by African Americans; agriculture.

0376 October–December 1873.

Major Topic: KKK.

0408 January–June 1874.

*Major Topics:* Arrests in York County of KKK charged with violating Enforcement Acts; election fraud; arrest of captain of British vessel for ill-treatment of serviceman on high seas.

0458 July 1874–January 1875.

Major Topics: Race relations; riots at Ridge Spring incited by white Democrats angered at drilling of African American National Guard unit; voter intimidation; railroads; postal service; political activities; request for troops to keep order during trial of KKK prisoners; attempted revolt in Louisiana; elections; indictment against Deputy U.S.

Marshal Alexander Mattison for murder of prisoner attempting to escape; illicit distilling; prisons for African American juveniles; race troubles in Edgefield County.

0599 February 1875.

Major Topic: Arrests of parties who stole money belonging to Confederate States in 1865.

0609 March 1875.

Major Topics: Attempted revolt in Louisiana; charges of corruption against U.S. Attorney D. T. Corbin relating to time spent in state legislature; investigation of retainer of gold by former Confederate officer.

0639 April 1875.

0646 May–June 1875.

Major Topics: Reported injustices perpetrated against African Americans by courts in Georgia; indictment against Deputy U.S. Marshal Alexander Mattison for murder of prisoner attempting to escape.

0685 July-December 1875.

Major Topics: Assistant U.S. Attorney William E. Earle charges of partiality against Judge George S. Bryan; Washington Light Infantry of Charleston; indictment against Deputy U.S. Marshal Alexander Mattison for murder of prisoner attempting to escape.

0752 January-September 1876.

Major Topics: Request for troops following murder of members of an African American militia company at Hamburg; voter intimidation; newspapers; political clubs (rifle clubs) formed to disrupt Republican meetings and ostracize Republican leaders.

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#### South Carolina cont.

0000 September–December 1876.

Major Topics: Intimidation of A. S. Wallace, Republican political candidate; whipping of African American; need for troops to ensure fair election; race relations; attack of various rifle clubs upon a Republican organization of African Americans in Aiken County and murder of many of its members; voter intimidation; U.S. Marshal R. M. Wallace request for troops to help suppress riots; President Ulysses S. Grant proclamation disbanding rifle clubs; presidential election.

0091 January–September 1877.

Major Topics: Democratic intimidation of witnesses in Hamburg and Ellenton murder investigations; race relations; President Ulysses S. Grant proclamation disbanding rifle clubs; political activities; John King letter to Rutherford B. Hayes concerning competing gubernatorial claims of Wade Hampton and Daniel H. Chamberlain; trials of Ellenton riot cases; U.S. Marshal R. M. Wallace report on cooperation between marshals and revenue collectors and problems they face in arresting violators of internal revenue laws.

0238 October–December 1877.

Major Topics: Resignation of Assistant U.S. Attorney William Earle upon qualification of Judge Lucius G. Northrop as U.S. district attorney; civil service rules; Republican Party in South Carolina; Wade Hampton and Daniel H. Chamberlain; indictment of U.S. soldier Lemuel Davis for manslaughter; Ellenton riot cases; murder; Senator-elect D. T. Corbin; controversy following election contest between Rutherford B. Hayes and Samuel Tilden; deputy U.S. marshals killed or wounded in 1877.

#### 0409 January–July 1878.

Major Topics: Contraband tobacco trade and violations of internal revenue laws; rescue of prisoners from revenue officers by armed men; report of valuable Confederate documents taken from Richmond by Jefferson Davis (archives of Confederate government); charges of murder against revenue officers for killing of Amos Ladd.

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#### **South Carolina cont.**

#### 0000 July-November 1878.

Major Topics: Civil service order of President Rutherford B. Hayes; cases of revenue officers accused of murder or manslaughter, including Alexander Mattison and Lemuel Davis cases; illicit distilling and violations of internal revenue laws; violations of election laws in Sumter County; newspapers; Deputy U.S. Marshal John P. Scruggs; attack upon Edmund H. Deas, African American man and Republican county chairman for Darlington County; Democratic meeting in Charleston; election fraud.

#### 0523 December 1878.

Major Topics: Violations of election laws; case against Hugh P. Kane and other revenue officers for killing of Amos Ladd; Lemuel Davis case; writ of habeas corpus; African Americans on juries.

#### 0644 January 1879.

Major Topics: Election fraud; case against Hugh P. Kane and other revenue officers for killing of Amos Ladd; violations of election laws in Sumter County; report of Pennsylvanian of hostile reception accorded to him by local people and election fraud he witnessed.

#### 0803 February 1879.

Major Topic: Election cases.

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#### South Carolina cont.

#### 0000 February-May 1879.

Major Topics: Election cases; jury selection; case of John Pendergrass, accused of election fraud; Louisiana election cases; reliance on district attorney's office by Republicans from North; U.S. Attorney Lucius G. Northrop response to letter concerning threats to his life; murder of Judge W. W. Chisholm in Mississippi; loyalty oaths; Democratic offer to extend pardons to African American leaders Francis L. Cardozo and Robert Smalls and other Republicans in exchange for continuance in election cases; Lemuel Davis case; ports and harbors; contraband liquor and tobacco; British ships and shipping.

#### 0281 June-September 1879.

Major Topics: Lemuel Davis case; juries; health of Judge George S. Bryan; juries; President Ulysses S. Grant suspension of habeas corpus; conspiracy of violence against judge in Union County; charges of murder against revenue officers for killing of Amos Ladd; charges against Lucius G. Northrop for working toward Democratic causes; indictment of corruption against internal revenue officers; liquor and liquor industry.

0466 October 1879–January 1880.

Major Topics: Shooting of Postmaster William Nix; Lemuel Davis case; refusal of election managers to allow African American men to register in Charleston; Savannah and Charleston Railroad Company case; poor condition of convicts leased to work on Greenwood and August Railroad; U.S. Attorney Lucius G. Northrop concern about fate of African American John Pendergrass; internal revenue cases; Greenville and Columbia Railroad Company.

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#### **South Carolina cont.**

0000 January-April 1880.

*Major Topic:* Allegations of misconduct made against U.S. Attorney Lucius G. Northrop by Republican Party official E. M. Brayton.

0059 May-September 1880.

Major Topics: U.S. Marshal R. M. Wallace; internal revenue cases; population census.

0141 October–December 1880.

Major Topics: U.S. Attorney Lucius G. Northrop request to open office in Greenville; right of U.S. marshals to arrest election managers while in performance of duties if guilty of fraud; U.S. Marshal R. M. Wallace warning to father, Judge A. S. Wallace, of threats to his life; political activities; voter fraud; murder of African Americans; Judge George S. Bryan; jury selection; voter intimidation; state Republican Party.

0307 January 1881.

Major Topic: Election cases.

0343 February-April 1881.

*Major Topics:* Allegations of bias levied against George S. Bryan; political activities; race relations; witness intimidation; juries; grand juries; Richland County election cases; resignation of U.S. Attorney Lucius G. Northrop.

0540 May-July 1881.

*Major Topics:* Prosecutions against African Americans and white Republicans who protested election fraud; political activities; counterfeiting.

0660 August–November 1881.

Major Topic: Murder of deputy U.S. marshal and internal revenue collector.

0718 December 1881.

Major Topic: Access to witnesses.

0746 January–March 1882.

Major Topics: U.S. Attorney Samuel W. Melton; election cases.

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#### South Carolina cont.

0000 March–December 1882.

*Major Topics:* Election cases; trial against internal revenue officers for murder; race relations; political activities; negligence of state law enforcement officials.

0360 January-April 1883

*Major Topics:* Santee River; canals; election cases; U.S. Attorney Samuel W. Melton; attacks upon deputy U.S. marshal on account of political views and his arrest for retaliating.

0540 May-November 1883.

Major Topics: Election cases; voter fraud and intimidation carried out by election managers; jury selection; misconduct of internal revenue officers; allegations of misconduct against U.S. Circuit Court Commissioner C. P. Barrett; jury and witness protection.

0794 December 1883.

*Major Topics:* Election cases; condition and treatment of prisoners at penitentiary in Auburn, N.Y.; hindrance of African American voters by election official in Charleston County.

0890 January-February 1884.

Major Topic: Court office need for telephone.

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#### South Carolina cont.

0000 March-August 1884

Major Topics: Resignation of Judge George S. Bryan; election cases; voter fraud and discrimination against African Americans and Republicans on election day; state legislation amending election laws; condition of prisoner in penitentiary in Auburn, N.Y.; U.S. marshal prisoner transportation expense accounts; health care of prisoners.

Miscellaneous Correspondence Relating to the Recognition of Competing State Governments, December 4, 1876–March 5, 1877.

*Major Topics:* President Ulysses S. Grant; Wade Hampton; Daniel H. Chamberlain; military presence in state.

0173 Miscellaneous Correspondence Relating to the Proceedings in the Trial of the "Ellenton Riot Cases," May 15–17 and May 22–24, 1877.

Major Topics: Election cases; juries and grand juries; voter intimidation against African American Republicans; murder of African American Republicans including state legislator Simon Coker in Aiken County by members of Democratic rifle club; railroads.

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#### South Carolina cont.

0000 May 1877.

*Major Topics:* Ellenton riot cases; derailing of train and subsequent violence; race relations; murders; state legislator Simon Coker; arson; military action.

Miscellaneous Correspondence Relating to the Congressional Elections of 1878, October– December 1878.

Major Topics: Newspapers; election fraud; political activities.

0728 Miscellaneous Correspondence Relating to the Congressional Elections of 1882, October 4–November 1882.

Major Topics: Voter intimidation; appointment of deputy U.S. marshals for elections; U.S. Attorney Samuel W. Melton; Democratic intimidation of Republican congressional candidate E. M. Brayton.

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#### **Eastern Tennessee**

- 0001 [Register of Letters Received, December 1870–August 1884.]
- O117 Chronological File, Eastern Tennessee, January 1871–June 1879.
- 0118 December 1870-March 1871.

*Major Topics:* Disagreement between judges in interpreting Enforcement Acts; office holding and the 14th Amendment.

0162 April–December 1871.

*Major Topics:* Interracial marriage; Union army during war; need for revenue collectors to carry arms.

0236 January–June 1872.

*Major Topics:* Office holding and 14th Amendment; fraudulent pension and bounty claims prosecuted by Thomas Boyd; former Confederate General John C. Vaughn, speaker of state senate; women; railroads; U.S. Attorney George Andrews.

0318 July–December 1872.

*Major Topics:* Railroads; attack upon African American by men in disguise in Giles County; Enforcement Acts; fraud case of Thomas Boyd.

0380 January–June 1873.

*Major Topics:* Fraud case of Thomas Boyd; misconduct by jailors; bankruptcy; government advertisements in newspapers.

0432 July–December 1873.

Major Topic: Laws pertaining to district judges.

0472 1874.

Major Topics: Arrest warrants for alleged violators of internal revenue laws; fraud case of Thomas Boyd; fraudulent worker's compensation claim; misconduct by jailors; Department of Justice motto; U.S. Attorney George Andrews; U.S. v. Vaughn, former Confederate General John C. Vaughn accused of bounty and pension fraud; request of former Union soldier in Alabama for recovery of seized property and report of KKK murder of African American in Tennessee; counterfeiting; voting rights of persons not yet naturalized.

0639 1875.

*Major Topics:* Sentencing laws; bounty claims; subpoening of witnesses; allegedly fraudulent property claims; counterfeiting; illicit distilling and violations of internal revenue laws.

0778 1876.

Major Topics: Property claims; murder committed by U.S. soldier at close of Civil War.

0848 1877.

Major Topic: Pension claim fraud.

0893 1878.

*Major Topics:* Inquiry of Scotsman into estate left by deceased father in Knox County; pension claims; bounty claims; illicit distilling and violations of internal revenue laws.

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#### Eastern Tennessee cont.

- 0000 Chronological File, Eastern Tennessee, July 1879–August 1884.
- 0001 July-December 1879.

*Major Topics:* Inquiry into voting rights by veteran of U.S. and Confederate armies born in Britain; state debt; jury laws; patent taxes; pension claims.

0039 1880.

*Major Topics*: Pension claims; loaning out of prisoners for mining; violations of internal revenue laws; election frauds.

0129 1881.

Major Topics: Postal service; arrest warrants for violators of internal revenue laws.

0166 1882.

Major Topics: Counterfeiting; Secret Service.

0182 1883.

*Major Topics:* Fraudulent pension claims; prisons; misconduct charge against U.S. Marshal T. N. Reeves; medical care of prisoners; depredations upon public lands; cemeteries.

0247 1884.

Major Topics: Prison expenses; transportation of prisoners.

#### Middle Tennessee

- 0285 Chronological File, Middle Tennessee, January 1871–July 1875.
- 0286 January–June 1871.

*Major Topics:* Violations of Enforcement Acts; Supreme Court decision on cotton taxes; Republican congressional delegation; office holding and 14th Amendment; ships and shipping.

0396 July–December 1871.

*Major Topics:* Fraud; charges of misconduct against and removal of U.S. Attorney R. M. Smith.

0521 1872.

*Major Topics:* Land ownership and rights; personal property theft; robbery and theft; liability of U.S. officer for acts committed during the war.

0614 1873.

Major Topics: Jury selection; U.S. Attorney Congressman Horace H. Harrison; bankruptcy.

0701 1874.

Major Topics: Violations of Enforcement Acts; beating of African American schoolteacher by men in disguise; illegal seizure of arms from white and African American men; murder of deputy U.S. marshal; race relations; murder of African American prisoners by armed men; Governor John C. Brown; political activities; counterfeiting; witness protection; religious services in courtroom; commutation of prison sentences; bounty frauds.

0830 January–July 1875.

*Major Topics:* U.S. Attorney A. M. Hughes relations with assistant Horace H. Harrison; intimidation of African American voters in Louisiana; mail theft.

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#### Middle Tennessee cont.

0000 August–December 1875.

Major Topics: Commutation of prison sentences; misconduct charges against deputy marshal.

0047 1876.

Major Topics: KKK; liquor and liquor industry; violations of internal revenue laws; misconduct charges against U.S. Attorney A. M. Hughes; jury selection; assassination of Abraham Lincoln.

0182 1877.

Major Topics: Railroads; work stoppages; judges; charges of murder against U.S. soldier fighting in Civil War.

0296 1878.

*Major Topics:* Customs administration; fraud; counterfeiting; African American bounty and pension claims; charges of assault and battery and false imprisonment against internal revenue officer.

0363 1879.

Major Topics: Tennessee v. Davis, case of internal revenue officer charged with murder; Civil War militia; pension claim fraud; prisons; state debt.

0494 1880.

Major Topics: Treatment of U.S. prisoners in state prisons; *Tennessee v. Davis*; violations of internal revenue laws; suit against conductor of passenger train who denied African American persons equal use of cars in violation of act of Congress; election frauds.

0572 1881.

*Major Topics:* Pension claims; medical care for prisoners; robbery of government money funds near Muscle Shoals, Ala.; charges against U.S. Attorney J. A. Warder in relation to case of internal revenue officer James M. Davis.

0646 1882.

*Major Topics:* Counterfeiting; postal service; pension claims; illicit distilling; railroads; violations of election laws.

0759 1883.

*Major Topics:* Pension claims; witness payments; shooting of deputy U.S. marshal following his arrest of violator of internal revenue laws; case of Secret Service employee charged with carrying a concealed weapon; jury selection.

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#### Middle Tennessee cont.

0001 1884.

*Major Topics:* Newspapers; internal revenue officers charged under state law for bearing arms; health care for prisoners; pension claim fraud.

#### **Western Tennessee**

- O055 Chronological File, Western Tennessee, January 1871–July 1884.
- 0056 1871.

Major Topics: Resisting arrest; land census by internal revenue collectors; pension claims.

0168 1872.

*Major Topics:* Fraudulent attempts to deprive African Americans of assuming offices to which they were elected in Memphis; land ownership and rights.

0223 1873.

*Major Topics:* Announced tour of South by President Ulysses S. Grant; use of courthouse as quarters for troops; violations of internal revenue laws; judges; bankruptcy.

0305 1874.

Major Topics: Political activities; elections; race relations; rifle clubs; violations of Enforcement Acts; KKK outrages upon African Americans including murder of African American prisoners in Gibson County.

0373 1875.

*Major Topics:* KKK and violations of Enforcement Acts; 14th Amendment; witness intimidation; Supreme Court; railroads.

0574 1876.

Major Topics: Violations of Enforcement Acts; KKK outrages upon African Americans including murder of African American prisoners in Gibson County.

0606 1877.

*Major Topics:* Land ownership and rights; misconduct of internal revenue officer; suit against defaulting internal revenue collector.

0678 1878.

Major Topic: KKK murder at Pyburn's Bluff.

0745 1879.

Major Topics: Pension claim frauds; health care for prisoners.

0786 1880.

Major Topics: Prison conditions; bounty claim frauds.

0806 1881.

Major Topics: Hospitals; murder of deputy U.S. marshal.

0857 1882.

Major Topics: Hospitals; counterfeiting.

0923 1883.

Major Topics: Land claims; prisons; courthouse in Jackson.

0972 1884.

Major Topic: Courthouse in Jackson.

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#### **Eastern Virginia**

0001 Register of Letters Received, January 1871–August 1884.

- 0106 Chronological File, Eastern Virginia, January 1871–September 1874.
- 0107 January–June 1871.

Major Topics: Lists of arrests of violators of internal revenue laws; allegations of bribery against Assistant U.S. District Attorney Timothy Hennessey; cemeteries; investigation into machinist William H. Lyons at Norfolk Navy Yard for violations of internal revenue laws; tobacco.

0253 July–December 1871.

Major Topic: Eligibility for office of Confederate veteran and 14th Amendment.

0326 1872.

*Major Topics:* Perjury; relations between federal and state courts; telegraphs; railroads; customs; oyster trade; Congressional Amnesty Act; confiscation acts; jury selection.

0456 1873.

Major Topics: Executive order prohibiting federal officials from also holding state or municipal positions; political activities; charges of misconduct against U.S. Attorney H. Wells Jr.; bankruptcy legislation.

0690 January–June 1874.

Major Topics: Petersburg election cases; election fraud; violations of Enforcement Acts.

0782 July–September 1874.

*Major Topics:* Banks and banking; Petersburg election cases; election fraud; violations of Enforcement Acts.

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#### Eastern Virginia cont.

0001 October–December 1874.

Major Topics: Petersburg election cases; threats of racial violence; witness intimidation; White Leagues; Governor James L. Kemper; U.S. arming of state militia; Henry H. Wells; political activities in Arkansas; newspapers.

0094 1875.

Major Topics: Embezzlement; railroads; libraries for African American temperance societies; misconduct charges against internal revenue officers; postal service; witness transportation; violations of internal revenue laws; bounty claims; bankruptcy; lawlessness and harassment of African American supporters of Ulysses S. Grant by disguised men; request for troops; political activities.

0292 1876.

Major Topics: Engineers and engineering; navy; presidential election; election fraud; misconduct charges against U.S. Attorney L. L. Lewis; slave law concerning interracial marriage; request for troops; assault upon Republican candidate for Congress in Portsmouth; popular attitudes toward African American suffrage; intimidation of African American voters; prisons; former Congressman John Ambler Smith.

0451 1877.

*Major Topics:* Election fraud; Petersburg election cases; salaries paid out by state during war; court expenses; robbery and theft.

0575 1878.

*Major Topics:* Confiscation Acts; suits against former officers or agents of the Confederate government; election cases.

0688 1879.

Major Topics: Election fraud; Petersburg election cases.

0783 1880.

Major Topics: Supreme Court; pension claims; tobacco; election frauds; newspapers.

0872 1881.

Major Topics: Pension claims; veterans of Mexican War.

0928 1882.

*Major Topics:* Misconduct of U.S. marshal; U.S. Attorney John S. Wise elected to Congress; investigation into frauds discovered at internal revenue office.

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#### Eastern Virginia cont.

0001 1883.

*Major Topics:* Election fraud; bribery; U.S. Attorney John S. Wise; courthouses; banks and banking; ships and shipping; jury selection; political activities.

0163 1884.

Major Topics: Ships and shipping; shipwrecks.

#### Western Virginia

- 0214 Chronological File, Western Virginia, February 1871–September 1877.
- 0215 February-August 1871.

Major Topics: Pension claims of War of 1812 veterans; loyalty oaths.

0271 1872.

Major Topics: Charges of misconduct against Assistant U.S. Attorney John S. Slater; U.S. Attorney R. W. Hughes; jury selection.

0348 1873.

Major Topics: Bankruptcy; violations of internal revenue laws.

0482 1874.

Major Topics: Violations of internal revenue laws; cotton; confiscation acts; illicit distilling.

0572 January–June 1875.

*Major Topics:* Illicit distilling; conflict between newspaper editor and judge; land ownership and rights; prisons and prison escapes; tobacco.

0666 July–December 1875.

*Major Topics:* Secret Service; misconduct charges against U.S. Marshal A. S. Gray; race relations and popular attitudes toward interracial relationships; poor convicts.

0728 1876.

Major Topic: Murder of Republican merchant by mob.

0791 February–September 1877.

*Major Topics:* Misconduct charges against U.S. Attorney Warren S. Lurty; election of 1876; Supreme Court; illicit distilling.

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#### Western Virginia cont.

0000 October–December 1877.

*Major Topics:* Banks and banking; embezzlement; misconduct charges exchanged between marshal and internal revenue collector.

0134 1878.

Major Topics: Banks and banking; embezzlement; grand jury selection; violations of internal revenue laws; assistant U.S. attorney salaries; illicit distilling; counterfeiting; alleged frauds committed in U.S. marshal's office; shooting of prisoner resisting arrest by deputy U.S. marshal.

0284 1879.

Major Topics: Violations of internal revenue laws; tampering with mails; grand juries; U.S. Judge Alex Rivers and conflict with state courts; discrimination against African Americans in jury selection; newspapers; Supreme Court; habeas corpus.

0427 1880.

Major Topics: Murder charges against internal revenue agents; voting rights.

0510 1881.

Major Topics: Election fraud and voter intimidation; forgery; cemeteries.

0636 1882.

Major Topics: Railroads; prison escapes; mail theft; U.S. Attorney Warren S. Lurty.

0739 1883.

*Major Topics*: U.S. Marshal expense accounts; public buildings in Lynchburg; commutation of sentences for violators of internal revenue laws.

0826 1884.

Major Topics: Requests for clothing for prisoners; public building in Harrisonburg; Smyth County jail; killing of African Americans and wounding of U.S. bailiff by former Confederate soldier; U.S. Attorney Daniel Lewis.

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