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Hollingsworth Family Papers
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EXTENT: 2.71 linear feet.

CREATOR: Hollingsworth family.

DATE: 1764-1965

EXISTENCE AND LOCATION OF COPIES: If there are photographs or other visual resources available through PastPerfect use the following: Photographs in this collection have been digitized and are available to view online through the Past Perfect online database: <http://handley.pastperfectonline.com/>

FamilySearch (then operating as the Genealogical Society of Utah) digitized this collection in 2007. The collection is available online through FamilySearch.org. Use the catalog to search for Image Group Number (DGS) [4207937] to find “Genealogical collections, Hollingsworth, Family papers collection, 1600-2005.”

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection contains correspondence, deeds and wills, land surveys, inventories, Bible records, and other documents belonging to the Hollingsworth family of Winchester, Virginia.

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL: Abraham Hollingsworth, only child of Thomas and Margaret Hollingsworth, was born on Jan. 19, 1686, in Newark, Delaware. He married Ann Robinson on March 13, 1710, and moved to Cecil County, Maryland. From Maryland he moved to the Shenandoah Valley and acquired 582 acres in 1732 from Alexander Ross, leader of 34 Quaker families in the Clearbrook area. When Hopewell Meeting was formed in 1734, the Hollingsworth family became members there. By that time, he had located on Shawnee Spring in Winchester, and the family was operating a flour mill by 1752. Upon Abraham's death in 1748, the oldest son Isaac became owner of the 582 acres. He built Abrams Delight in 1754 after marrying Rachel Parkins in 1748. Isaac died at age 37 and the property passed to their son Jonah and then to his son David. Abrams Delight became the property of the City of Winchester in 1943, the first time it had been owned by other than members of the Hollingsworth family.

BIBLIOGRAPHY: Cecil O' Dell, *Pioneers of Old Frederick County, Virginia* (Marceline, MO: Walsworth Publishing Company, 1995); Joint Committee of Hopewell Friends, *Hopewell Friends History, 1734-1934, Frederick County, Virginia* (Strasburg, VA: Shenandoah Publishing Co, 1936); J. Adger Stewart. *Descendants of Valentine Hollingsworth, Sr.* (Louisville, KY: J. P. Morton & Co, 1925).

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CONTAINER LIST:

BOX 1

Hollingsworth, Abram (1686-1748)—Arithmetic Book, 1 item, manuscript

Hollingsworth, Abraham (1686-1748) Will—3 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

Hollingsworth, Abram (1782-1864)—Correspondence, 1812, (majority of letters to and from Nancy Connell of Connellsville, PA), 10 items, manuscript

Recipient	Author	Date Written	Place of Origin
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Feb. 8, 1812	Pittsburg, PA
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Mar. 9, 1812	Louisville, KY
Abram Hollingsworth	Nancy Connell	Mar. 28, 1812	Connellsville, PA
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Mar. 28, 1812	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Apr. 25, 1812	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	June 1, 1812	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	June 18, 1812	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Aug. 25, 1812	Poplar Levill, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Oct. 25, 1812	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Dec. 20, 1812	Louisville, KY

Hollingsworth, Abram (1782-1864)—Correspondence, 1813, 14 items, manuscript

Recipient	Author	Date Written	Place of Origin
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Jan. 1, 1813	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Feb. 18, 1813	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Mar. 28, 1813	Louisville, KY
Abram Hollingsworth	Nancy Connell	Apr. 18, 1813	Connellsville, PA
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	April 27, 1813	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	May 8, 1813	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	May 22, 1813	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	July 2, 1813	Louisville, KY

Recipient	Author	Date Written	Place of Origin
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Sept. 16, 1813	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Sept. 25, 1813	Louisville, KY
Abram Hollingsworth	Nancy Connell	Oct. 11, 1813	Connellsville, PA
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Oct.31, 1813	Louisville, KY
Nancy Connell	Abram Hollingsworth	Nov. 27, 1813	Louisville, KY
Abram Hollingsworth	Nancy Connell	Dec. 5, 1813	Connellsville, PA

Hollingsworth, Abraham (1782-1864)—Papers, items relating to his life in Ohio, 3 leaves, printed (photocopy); 3 leaves, manuscript on printed form (photocopy)

Hollingsworth, Betsey—Will and Inventory, 1885, 8 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

Hollingsworth, David—Correspondence, 1813-1856, incomplete—Receipts—1834, 22 items, manuscript

Hollingsworth, David—Memorandum Book, 1847, 1 item, manuscript

Hollingsworth, David – Check paid to John Fagan, January 30, 1857, for gravestone for Mrs. Hollingsworth, 1 leaf, printed and manuscript

Hollingsworth, David—Will and Inventory, 1859, transcript of inventory, 11 leaves, manuscript (photocopy), 11 leaves manuscript on printed form

Hollingsworth, David A., 1844-19??, of Ohio—Biographical Sketches

Hollingsworth, George—material, photocopied articles from a variety of publications, 25 leaves, printed (photocopy); 50 leaves, manuscript (photocopy) –Folder includes the following:

-*Columbia, South Carolina* [land] *Memorials*, all Hollingsworth entries

No. 8, 1765-1769, 7 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

No. 9, 1765-1769, 7 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

No. 11, 1771-1772, 9 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

-Deed records, South Carolina Department of Archives/History, for Abraham Hollingsworth and his son George Hollingsworth, 6 leaves, manuscript

-*Earliest Land Entries in Fayette County[IN]*, Township 14, Range 12E, lists George Hollingsworth, July 29, 1813, 160 acres, 1 leaf, manuscript (photocopy)

-*Early Landowners of Fayette County [IN]*, lists two entries for George Hollingsworth, Franklin County, Indiana, 1 leaf, typescript (photocopy)

-*Early Ohio Settlers—Purchasers of Land in Southwestern Ohio, 1800-1840*, 1986, Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore, pages that verify George Hollingsworth's land entries, 8 leaves, printed (photocopy)

-*Franklin County, Indiana Federal Census of 1820*, National Archives Microfilm, Population Schedules of the Fourth Census of the United States, Roll 13, Volume 1, entries for George and several other Hollingsworths, 11 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

-*Taxpayers Franklin County, Indiana, 1813-1831*, lists George Hollingsworth, 1817, 2 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

-*Franklin County, Indiana Tract Book, 1952*, compiled by Twin Forks Chapter, DAR, Brookville, IN, lists George Hollingsworth's land entry, 1806, 2 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

- History of Union County, Indiana*, describing Hollingsworth House, built during 1806 and 1808 by George Hollingsworth, 1989, Union County Indiana Historical Society, 3 leaves, printed (photocopy)
- Indiana Land Entries, Volume I, Cincinnati District, 1801-1840*, by Margaret R. Waters, 1977, The Bookmark, Knightstown, IN, pages verifying George Hollingsworth's land entries, 4 leaves, printed (photocopy)
- Land Grant to George Hollingsworth* from United States of America, deed record B, recorded 1823, 1 leaf, manuscript (photocopy)
- Minute Book for the Court of Common Pleas*, Franklin County, IN, Book B, 5 leaves, manuscript: (photocopy) July 11, 1811; 1) George Hollingsworth served on Grand Jury (?); 2) George Hollingsworth appointed to "view the ground on which the Road is to Run" 1813 (p. 15); 3) George Hollingsworth appointed Overseer of the Poor in the Second District
- North Carolina Court of Claims, Land Records, 1755-1774*, lists Abraham Hollingsworth, title page 1 leaf printed (photocopy) and 1 leaf, manuscript (photocopy)
- Shenandoah County, Virginia Deed Book Series*, excerpts from Volume I, Books A-D, 1772-1784 abstracted, 5 leaves, typescript (photocopy)
- Will of George Hollingsworth*, Probate Court, February Term, 1837, Union County, Indiana, 3 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

Hollingsworth, Ira—Correspondence, 2 items, 1 envelope, 1 manuscript; letter from Mary Hollingsworth, Jan. 15, 1883, regarding family genealogy (no stamp on envelope)

Hollingsworth, Jonah J.—letters, 1867-1869, unnumbered items, manuscript in old letter binder. **Fragile - Do not photocopy**

Hollingsworth, J.J.—correspondence, 1889, 2 items, 1 letter, manuscript; 1 envelope, The Diamond Mill Co., Cincinnati, OH to J. J. Hollingsworth (no stamp on envelope)

Hollingsworth, Valentine—An address by Edward W. Cooch, given May 23, 1936, 3 items in subfolders as follows: 1) printed original *Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine*, September 1936, pages 947-958 6 pages 2) reprint of item 1 for the Winchester-Frederick County Historical Society, 11 leaves printed (photocopy), 3) reprint of address for WFCHS in 6 page printed booklet w/envelope. **Not digitized**

BOX 2

Abram's Delight—Hollingsworth Home, essay by Harriet Bruce Rhodes, n d, 11 leaves, typescript

Abram's Delight Log Cabin—notes, manuscript, no author, n d, 1 leaf, manuscript (photocopy)

Abram's Delight items auctioned April 1945, 5 leaves, news articles (photocopy)

Hollingsworth, Bernard Family Bible Records, covers 1791-1894, 4 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

Hollingsworth, Elihu Family Bible Record, covers 1813-1918, 3 leaves, printed/manuscript (photocopy)

Hollingsworth/Maze Family Bible Record, covers 1787-1926, 9 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

Hollingsworth Coat of Arms, 2 items

Pen/ink drawing, black and white, 1 leaf

Drawing, colored, 1 leaf

Hollingsworth Family Chart, covers 1630-1930, 2 sheets, printed w/envelope by Mary F. Boxley, 1964, published Genealogy Chart Hollingsworth Family 1630-1930, 2 leaves, manuscript (photostat). **Not digitized**

Hollingsworth Family Correspondence, covers 1820-1852, 14 items, manuscript/typescript

Recipient	Author	Date Written	Place of Origin
C. Hollingsworth	Rebecca (Hollingsworth)	July 9, ?	Concord, KY
Abram Hollingsworth	Williy(?)	June 19, 1820	Flemingsburg, KY
Robert I. Hollingsworth	Mother	May 1, 1838	Retirement, Winchester. VA
David Hollingsworth	Gambrill (?) Shaw	March 19, 1839	Baltimore, MD
D. Hollingsworth	Glenn Foote (?)	October 1, 1841	Baltimore, MD
C. Hollingsworth	C. S. Hinks	April 1, 1844	Baltimore, MD
David Hollingsworth	Walter Co.	October 20, 1845	Baltimore, MD
D. Hollingsworth	C. S. Hinks	December 8, 1845	Baltimore, MD
David Hollingsworth	Walter & Co	September 30, 1846	Baltimore, MD
David Hollingsworth	Walter Co.	April 18, 1849	Baltimore, MD
Brother	J.W. Philips	December 20, 1849	Uniontown, PA
Account for D. Hollingsworth	Walter Co.	June 30, 1850	Baltimore, MD
Account for D. Hollingsworth	Walter Co.	March 3, 1851	Baltimore, MD
D. Hollingsworth	Walter Co.	June 10, 1852	Baltimore, MD

Hollingsworth Family Correspondence, covers 1865-1879, 12 items, manuscript/typescript

Recipient	Author	Date Written	Place of Origin
Mary Hollingsworth	Samuel Dornell, Co. B, 3 rd WV Cavalry	May 29, 1865	Washington, DC
Mary Hollingsworth	Will H.E. Platt	July 27, 1865	Sherburne Barracks Washington, DC
Mary Hollingsworth	Henry K. Mattison	October 12, 1865	Leesburg, VA
Mary Hollingsworth	Jno. A. Avinett	Aug. 22, 1866	Winchester, VA
Mr. W.M. Huntington	R.P. Duff, Duff's Mercantile College	Aug. 1, 1868	Pittsburgh, PA
J.J. Hollingsworth	W.J. Morrow, Gravel Roofer	Aug. 17, 1869	Wilmington, DE
J.J. Hollingsworth	Charles L. Oudesluys	May 27, 1871	Baltimore, MD

Recipient	Author	Date Written	Place of Origin
Bettie Hollingsworth	L. V. Wood	August 5, 1872	Springboro, OH
Jonah Hollingsworth	Wm. B. Hollingsworth	September 28, 1878	Baltimore, MD
J.J. Hollingsworth	Anthony & Dodge	October 1, 1878	Baltimore, MD
Mary Hollingsworth	C.M. Hollingsworth	February 2, 1879	Downey, Cedar County, IA
Mary Hollingsworth	B.J. Hollingsworth	August 23, 1879	Capon Springs, WV

Hollingsworth Family Correspondence, covers 1880-1912, 12 items, manuscript/typescript

Mary Hollingsworth	Margaret Hollingsworth	Feb. 2, 1880	Harford County, MD
Lydia Wood	(?)	Sept. 24, 1880	Warren County, OH
Mary Hollingsworth	L.V. Wood	March 28, 1881	Springboro, OH
Cousin	L.V. Wood	Aug. 1, 1881	Springboro, OH
Mary Hollingsworth	B. Hollingsworth	Oct. 13, 1881	Baltimore, MD
Mary Hollingsworth	Richard Parker	Oct. 10, 1885	Wilna (?), MD
Mary Hollingsworth	John Sivat, Adams Express Company	June 11, 1886	Winchester, VA
J. Isaac Hollingsworth	W.W. Searl, editor, the office of <i>The Watch Tower</i>	Aug. 22, 1893	Bradford, IL
Cousin Caroline	Cousin Lide Darli_____	November 30, 1895	Pasadena
"My dear Madam"	<i>The Saturday Evening Post</i>	Dec. 15, 1898	Philadelphia, PA
Dear Friend Henry	[Geo. A. Gsun]	Mar. 18, [1900]	[near Gloucester]
W.J. Stone	Isaac Calvert	April 22, 1912	Russellville, OH

Hollingsworth Correspondence Envelopes and Postcard (No letters). 12 envelopes stamped and unstamped, 1 postal card stamped

Hollingsworth Family News articles, unnumbered items, 7 leaves printed (photocopy)

Hollingsworth Family Notes, excerpt from *A History of Adams County, Ohio*, 5 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Hollingsworth, Eugene – Family Notes, Hickman Co., Kentucky 1787-1984, 3 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Hollingsworth Genealogical Memoranda in the United States from 1682 to 1884, by William B. Hollingsworth, Baltimore, 1884, 1 item, 77 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Hollingsworth Genealogical Memoranda in the United States from 1682 to 1884, by William B. Hollingsworth, Baltimore, 1884, 2 small printed 144 page booklets (duplicate copies). **Not digitized**

Hollingsworth Family Genealogical Notes, 7 leaves, printed

Hollingsworth Graveyard—dedication of a marker, remarks by E.G. Crawford, June 6, 1927, 2 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

Hollingsworth House, Loudoun and Germain streets—abstract of title, 5 leaves, typescript (photocopy) - Includes will and testament of Charles Grim Aug 1777, Fred Co, VA Will Bk 4-390

Hollingsworth, Isaac – Pedigree Chart, Ireland/Virginia, 1661-1863, 1 leaf, printed (photocopy)

Hollingsworth Plat, surveyed by Jesse Pugh, 1792, 2 leaves, manuscript (photocopy). **Not digitized**

Hollingsworth Report, by Alice B. Hollingsworth, August 1982, 17 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

Land Deed – Coontz to Hollingsworth, 625 S Loudoun Street, 1865, 1 item, original and photocopy. **Not digitized**

Literary magazine—Poems and Sketches by Mary W. Lupton [1870], 1 item, 36 pages, manuscript

Lupton Family Bible Notes in a letter from Julia R. Lupton to Miss Hollingsworth, Feb. 26, 1886, 1 page, manuscript; 2 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

Miscellaneous Papers, Letters, Biblical Notes, Estate of Ada Bliss Hollingsworth, 6 items, (3 pages manuscript, 1 leaf manuscript, 2 leaves photocopy)

BOX 3 – Not Digitized

Hollingsworth, Mary—Journal excerpts, 26 leaves, manuscript (photocopy) Do Not Copy in Entirety or Publish Without Written Permission of Special Collections, Duke University Libraries

Hollingsworth, Mary—Journal excerpts, transcript, 15 leaves, typescript; 15 leaves, typescript, overheads,

Hollingsworth, Mary—obituary, 1 leaf, printed (photocopy)

Hollingsworth, Mary “Mollie” – Composition Book and Report Cards for Powell Female Seminary, late 18650s, 20 leaves, manuscript (photocopy), 5 leaves, printed (photocopy), transcript of composition book by Jerry Holsworth, 11 leaves, typescript

Program - Hollingsworth, Mary— “An Afternoon with Mary Hollingsworth,” flyer of program presented Feb. 8, 1998, 1 leaf, printed; script for Mary’s diary, 12 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

Program- Hollingsworth, Mary—Highlights of Mary Hollingsworth’s Life, speech 4 leaves, typescript (photocopy); 13 overheads—excerpts from journal; 15 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

BOX 4

Journal, author unknown, January 18 to May 31, 1871, 1 item, 30 pages, manuscript, (has not been transcribed)

Survey, division of land of Isaac Hollingsworth, deceased, April 1793, 3 items, 1 leaf, manuscript; 1 leaf, manuscript (photocopy)

Survey of Jonah Hollingsworth, May 1792, 3 items, 1 leaf, manuscript; 1 leaf, manuscript (photocopy)

“Abrams Delight Restored,” collection of news articles printed and bound, 32 leaves, printed. **Not digitized**

PHOTOGRAPHS

- [003-001] Jonah Hollingsworth, circa late 19th century
- [003-002] Mary Hollingsworth as young woman, circa 1860
- [003-003] Mary Hollingsworth as mature woman, circa late 19th century
- [003-004] Annie Hollingsworth, circa 1910s
- [003-005] Annie Hollingsworth knitting, circa 1910s
- [003-006] Annie Hollingsworth and Mrs. Lines, circa 1920s
- [003-007] Nathaniel Hollingsworth, circa 1870