

George Brinton McClellan Papers

A Finding Aid to the Collection in the
Library of Congress

Prepared by Beverly W. Brannan
Expanded and revised by Melinda K. Friend



Manuscript Division, Library of
Congress

Washington, D.C.

2010

Contact information: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc/mss/mss.contact>

Finding aid encoded by Library of
Congress Manuscript Division, 2010

Finding aid URL: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc/mss/eadmss.ms010155>

Latest revision: 2011 August

Collection Summary

Title: George Brinton McClellan Papers

Span Dates: 1783-1898

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1850-1885)

ID No.: MSS31898

Creator: McClellan, George Brinton, 1826-1885

Extent: 33,000 items; 199 containers plus 2 oversize; 82 microfilm reels

Language: Collection material in English

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

Abstract: Army officer and governor of New Jersey. Correspondence, diaries, military papers, memoranda, telegrams, notes, writings, printed copies of speeches, articles, and books relating primarily to McClellan's Civil War service, particularly the Yorktown and Maryland campaigns.

Selected Search Terms

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

People

Barlow, Samuel L. M. (Samuel Latham Mitchill), 1826-1889.

Cox, Samuel Sullivan, 1824-1889.

Curtis, George Ticknor, 1812-1894.

Everett, Edward, 1794-1865.

Franklin, William Buel, 1823-1903.

Johnston, Joseph E. (Joseph Eggleston), 1807-1891.

McClellan family

McClellan, George Brinton, 1826-1885.

Paris, Louis Philippe Albert d'Orléans, comte de, 1838-1894.

Pinkerton, Allan, 1819-1884.

Porter, Fitz-John, 1822-1901.

Prime, William Cowper, 1825-1905.

Rosecrans, William S. (William Starke), 1819-1898.

Organizations

United States Military Academy.

Subjects

Elections--United States--1864.

Maryland Campaign, 1862.

Mexican War, 1846-1848.

Places

Antietam (Md.)--History.

Arkansas--Discovery and exploration.

Europe--Description and travel.

Maryland--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

New Jersey--Politics and government.

Texas--Discovery and exploration.

United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Campaigns.

Virginia--History--Civil War, 1861-1865.

Washington (State)--Discovery and exploration.

Yorktown (Va.)--History.

Occupations

Army officers.
Governors--New Jersey.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of George Brinton McClellan, army officer and governor of New Jersey, were given to the Library of Congress by his son, George B. McClellan, from 1911 to 1923. An addition was purchased in 1998.

Processing History

The papers of George Brinton McClellan were arranged and described in 1973. The finding aid was revised in 2010. The additional material was processed and the finding aid revised in 2010.

Transfers

Maps have been transferred to the Geography and Map Division of the Library of Congress where they are identified as part of these papers.

Copyright Status

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

Access and Restrictions

The papers of George Brinton McClellan are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Microfilm

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

Preferred Citation

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

Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1826, Dec. 3	Born, Philadelphia, Pa.
1840-1842	Attended University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pa.
1842-1846	Attended United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.
1847	Served in Mexican War
1848-1851	Duty as instructor, United States Military Academy, West Point, N.Y.
1852-1853	Undertook engineering surveys

1855	Appointed captain Reported on European military systems
1857	Resigned commission to become chief engineer, Illinois Central Railroad
1860	Became president of the Ohio & Mississippi Railroad Married Ellen Mary Marcy
1861	Appointed major general of Ohio Volunteers Appointed major general of the regular army Assumed command of the Army of the Potomac
1862	Relinquished command of Army of the Potomac to General Ambrose Everett Burnside
1864	Published <i>Letter of the Secretary of War, Transmitting Report on the organization of the Army of the Potomac, and of Its Campaign in Virginia and Maryland, Under the Command of Maj. Gen. George B. McClellan, From 26 July 1861, to 7 Nov. 1862.</i> Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office Nominated by Democratic Party as candidate for president Resigned commission in the army
1865	Toured abroad
1868-1878	Employed as engineer
1878-1881	Governor of New Jersey
1885, Oct. 29	Died, Orange, N. J.
1887	Posthumous publication of <i>McClellan's Own Story</i> . New York: C. L. Webster

Scope and Content Note

The papers of George Brinton McClellan (1826-1885) span the years 1783-1898, with the bulk of the material dated between 1850 and 1885. The collection includes correspondence; military papers, diaries, notes, writings, financial material, printed matter, and items related to McClellan's death. The papers are organized in twelve series: [Correspondence I](#); [Correspondence II](#); [Letters and Telegram Books](#); [Special Correspondence](#); [Diaries](#); [Speech, Article, and Book File](#); [Military Papers](#); [Notebooks](#); [Financial Papers](#); [Miscellany](#); [Addition](#); and [Oversize](#) .

Over half of the collection concerns the period of McClellan's service in the field in the Civil War, 1861-1862, with particular emphasis on the peninsular campaign and the battle of Antietam. Notable are the correspondence, military papers, and material bearing on his report on the Army of the Potomac, 1864, and on his autobiography, 1887. Among the correspondents for the Civil War period are Nathaniel Prentiss Banks, J. G. Barnard, Don Carlos Buell, Ambrose Everett Burnside, Simon Cameron, H. W. Halleck, Samuel Peter Heintzelman, Rufus Ingalls, Abraham Lincoln, Irvin McDowell, Randolph Barnes Marcy (McClellan's father-in-law), George Gordon Meade, Edwin McMasters Stanton, Edwin V. Sumner, Stewart Van Vliet, George H. Weeks, and John Ellis Wool.

McClellan's first letters in the collection were written during his years as a cadet at the United States Military Academy at West Point, 1842-1846. Later letters are from Mexico, where he was

on duty during the Mexican War. Additional information on the war is in a diary, 1846-1853. Letters and another diary for the period during which he served as an instructor at West Point, 1848-1851, are also in the collection.

A letterbook and several notebooks relate to McClellan's years of service, 1851-1852, as a member of an exploring party on the Red River, as engineer in charge of an expedition in Texas, and on engineering duty in Oregon and Washington, where for a time he was construction engineer in the western division of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Among the correspondents for the period are Benjamin Alvord, J. D. Foster, George Gibbs, Joshua R. Giddings, Randolph Barnes Marcy, Charles E. Mix, Persifor Frazer Smith, and Isaac Ingalls Stevens. Incoming letters, a letterbook, reports, and notebooks bear on McClellan's mission to Europe, 1855-1856, as a member of a board of officers assigned to study European military systems. In his published reports he made numerous recommendations for changes in the United States Army.

McClellan's letters and letters received from such correspondents as William Dennison, Winfield Scott, and E. D. Townsend illuminate his successive roles as engineer and executive of privately-owned railroad companies, 1857-1861. His presidential aspirations and interest in national political affairs, 1864-1865, are reflected in letters from John Jacob Astor, Jr., Leslie Combs, John A. Dix, Millard Fillmore, Amos Kendall, Hiram Ketchum, Manton Marble, Joel Parker, Benjamin Rush, Charles E. Swann, Clement L. Vallandigham, Daniel W. Voorhees, James C. Welling, and Henry Benjamin Whipple.

Post-Civil War correspondence concerns his tour abroad, 1865-1868; invitations extended to him to accept the presidency of the University of California and of Union College, respectively; a project for reorganization of the United States Army; his service as chief engineer of the New York City Department of Docks, 1870-1872; his governorship of New Jersey, 1878-1881; and the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. Among the correspondents are F. S. Blount, Ambrose Everett Burnside, William Buell Franklin, Ulysses S. Grant, Samuel Peter Heintzelman, Randolph Barnes Marcy, Thomas B. Peddle, Allan Pinkerton, Fitz-John Porter, William Cooper Prime, Nathaniel Bradstreet Shurtleff, Gustavus Woodson Smith, Stephen W. Tichenor, and Augustus Woodbury.

The collection includes diaries and notebooks kept by people other than McClellan. Among them are members of his family and Joseph F. Minter, who compiled a Comanche alphabet at Fort Vancouver in 1853.

Other correspondents in addition to those named above include Samuel L. M. Barlow, Samuel Sullivan Cox, George Ticknor Curtis, Edward Everett, Joseph E. Johnston, Robert E. Lee, Louis Philippe Albert d'Orleans, comte de Paris, and William S. Rosecrans.

An [Addition](#) includes three diaries of Ellen Mary Marcy McClellan and three unidentified photographs. Her diaries include personal observations and direct transcriptions of General McClellan's thoughts and views on his meetings with famous world leaders during his European travels. There are also reflections on General McClellan's military and political service during the Civil War. The diaries complement her earlier volumes in the Diaries series.

Organization of the Papers

The collection is arranged in eleven series:

- [Correspondence I, 1783-1888](#)
- [Correspondence II, 1823-1898](#)
- [Letterbooks and Telegram Books, 1852-1862](#)
- [Special Correspondence, 1870-1873](#)
- [Diaries, 1846-1884](#)
- [Speech, Article, and Book File, 1864-1885](#)
- [Military Papers, 1846-1862](#)

- Notebooks, 1842-1885
- Financial Papers, 1842-1885
- Miscellany, 1852-1885
- Addition, 1866-1872
- Oversize

Description of Series

<i>Container</i>	<i>Series</i>
BOX A1-A109 REEL 1-43	<u>Correspondence I, 1783-1888</u> Correspondence, transcripts of correspondence, and related military papers, business papers, reports and speeches, financial matter, and memorabilia. Arranged chronologically.
BOX B1-B41 REEL 43-61	<u>Correspondence II, 1823-1898</u> Correspondence and related military papers, articles, and printed campaign material. Arranged chronologically.
BOX C1-C20 REEL 61-66	<u>Letterbooks and Telegram Books, 1852-1862</u> Letterpress copies, fair copies, drafts, and extracts of outgoing letters and telegrams, and two volumes of deciphered telegrams sent and received. Arranged by type of material and therein chronologically. Several of the volumes overlap.
BOX D1-D2 REEL 66	<u>Special Correspondence, 1870-1873</u> Correspondence of the New York City Department of Docks-Engineers' Bureau; arranged in part in reverse chronological order as originally received by the Library. Board correspondence is indexed in a separate volume.
BOX D2-D6 REEL 66-68	<u>Diaries, 1846-1884</u> Diaries kept by McClellan, by his wife, Ellen Mary Marcy McClellan, by his children, May and George McClellan, and by his brother, Arthur McClellan. Arranged by name of author and therein chronologically.
BOX D6-D10 REEL 68-72	<u>Speech, Article, and Book File, 1864-1885</u> Manuscripts and printed copies of speeches, articles, and books. Arranged by type of material and therein chronologically.
BOX D10-D13 REEL 72-75	<u>Military Papers, 1846-1862</u> Army orders, receipts, vouchers, inventories and lists. Arranged chronologically.
BOX D13-D20 REEL 75-77	<u>Notebooks, 1842-1885</u> Engineers' field books, note and memorandum books kept by George Brinton McClellan, Arthur McClellan, Joseph F. Minter, and Robert Johnson.

Arranged chronologically.

BOX D20-D23
REEL 77-79

Financial Papers, 1842-1885

Account books, bills, receipts and vouchers.
Arranged by decade.

BOX D23-D29
REEL 79-82

Miscellany, 1852-1885

Memorabilia, campaign literature, passports, photographs, newspaper clippings, materials related to McClellan's death, scrapbooks, diplomas, awards, memorials, certificates, and commissions.
Arranged by type of material.

BOX E1
not filmed

Addition, 1866-1872

Diaries and photographs.
Arranged by type of material.

BOX OV 1-OV 2
REEL 81-82

Oversize

Oversize scrapbook and certificates, awards, and awards.
Arranged and described according to the container and series from which the items were removed. Filmed in its original location before removal to Oversize.

Container List

Available on microfilm. Shelf no. 16,004

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX A1-A109 REEL 1-43	Correspondence I, 1783-1888 Correspondence, transcripts of correspondence, and related military papers, business papers, reports and speeches, financial matter, and memorabilia. Arranged chronologically.
BOX A1 REEL 1	1783, Feb. 12
BOX A2 REEL 1	1840, Aug. 12-1849, May 1 1849, May 2-1850, Oct. 2
BOX A3 REEL 2	1850, Oct. 3-1852, Aug. 16
BOX A4 REEL 2	1852, Aug. 17-1853, June 29
BOX A5 REEL 2-3	1853, June 30-1854, Mar. 4
BOX A6 REEL 3	1854, Mar. 6-1855, Oct. 11
BOX A7 REEL 3	1855, Oct. 12-1856, July 20
BOX A8 REEL 4	1856, July 22-Dec. 31
BOX A9 REEL 4	1856 (reports on European mission)
BOX A10 REEL 4	1856 (reports on European mission)
BOX A11 REEL 5	1857, Jan. 1-1861, May 6
BOX A12 REEL 5	1861 May 7-31 June 1-21
BOX A13 REEL 6	June 22-25
BOX A14 REEL 6	June 26-28
BOX A15 REEL 7	June 29-July 1
BOX A16 REEL 7	July 2-5
BOX A17 REEL 8	July 6-8
BOX A18	

Correspondence I, 1783-1888

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
REEL 8	
BOX A19	July 9-14
REEL 9	
BOX A20	July 15-17
REEL 9	
BOX A21	July 18-20
REEL 10	
BOX A22	July 20-22
REEL 10	
BOX A23	July 23-Aug. 4
REEL 11	
BOX A24	Aug. 5-19
REEL 11	
BOX A25	20 Aug.-2 Sept.
REEL 11	
BOX A26	Sept. 3-15
REEL 12	
BOX A27	Sept. 16-Oct. 11
REEL 12	
BOX A28	Oct. 12-21
REEL 12	
BOX A29	Oct. 22-30
REEL 13	
BOX A30	Oct. 31-Nov. 14
REEL 13	
BOX A31	Nov. 15-28
REEL 13	
BOX A32	Nov. 29-Dec. 13
REEL 14	
BOX A33	Dec. 14-23
REEL 14	
BOX A34	Dec. 24-31
REEL 14	
BOX A35	1862
REEL 15	
	Jan. 1-8
BOX A36	Jan. 9-17
REEL 15	
BOX A37	Jan. 18-26
REEL 15	
BOX A38	Jan. 27-31
REEL 16	
BOX A39	Jan. 31 Feb. 7
REEL 16	
BOX A40	Feb. 8-15
REEL 16	
BOX A41	Feb. 16-23
REEL 17	
BOX A42	Feb. 24-28
REEL 17	

Correspondence I, 1783-1888

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX A43 REEL 17	Feb. 28-Mar. 5
BOX A44 REEL 18	Mar. 6-9
BOX A45 REEL 18	Mar. 10-12
BOX A46 REEL 18	Mar. 13-16
BOX A47 REEL 19	Mar. 17-21
BOX A48 REEL 19	Mar. 22-25
BOX A49 REEL 19	Mar. 26-30
BOX A50 REEL 20	Mar. 31-Apr. 8
BOX A51 REEL 20	Apr. 9-16
BOX A52 REEL 20	Apr. 17-20
BOX A53 REEL 21	Apr. 21-24
BOX A54 REEL 21	Apr. 25-29
BOX A55 REEL 22	Apr. 30-May 4
BOX A56 REEL 22	May 5-9
BOX A57 REEL 22-23	May 10-20
BOX A58 REEL 23	May 21-27
BOX A59 REEL 23	May 28-31
BOX A60 REEL 24	June 1-3
BOX A61 REEL 24	June 4-7
BOX A62 REEL 24	June 8-12
BOX A63 REEL 25	June 13-14
BOX A64 REEL 25	June 14-16
BOX A65 REEL 26	June 17-19
BOX A66 REEL 26	June 20-21
BOX A67 REEL 27	June 22-24

Correspondence I, 1783-1888

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX A68 REEL 27	June 24-25
BOX A69 REEL 27-28	June 26
BOX A70 REEL 28	June 27
BOX A71 REEL 28	June 28-30
BOX A72 REEL 29	June [?]-July 13
BOX A73 REEL 29	July 14-Aug. 3
BOX A74 REEL 29-30	Aug. 4-26
BOX A75 REEL 30	Aug. 27-31
BOX A76 REEL 30	Sept. 1-4
BOX A77 REEL 31	Sept. 5-7
BOX A78 REEL 31	Sept. 8-10
BOX A79 REEL 31	Sept. 11-15
BOX A80 REEL 32	Sept. 16-22
BOX A81 REEL 32	Sept. 23-30
BOX A82 REEL 33	Sept. [?]-Oct. 9
BOX A83 REEL 33	Oct. 10-15
BOX A84 REEL 33	Oct. 16-20
BOX A85 REEL 34	Oct. 21-24
BOX A86 REEL 34	Oct. 25-30
BOX A87 REEL 34	Oct. 31-Nov. 6
BOX A88 REEL 35	Nov. 7-1863, Jan. 12
BOX A89 REEL 35	1863
	Jan. 13-Apr. 14
BOX A90 REEL 35	Apr. 15-Sept. 24
BOX A91 REEL 36	Sept. 26-1865, Jan. 16
BOX A92	1865, Jan. 17-1867, Oct. 16

Correspondence I, 1783-1888

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
REEL 36	
BOX A93	1867, Oct. 17-1870, May 7
REEL 37	
BOX A94	1870, May 8-1874, Sept. 21
REEL 37	
BOX A95	1874, Sept. 22-1876, Oct. 27
REEL 38	
BOX A96	1876, Oct. 28-1877, Mar. 22
REEL 38	
BOX A97	1877, Mar. 23-1879, June 5
REEL 38-39	
BOX A98	1879, June 6-1880, July 15
REEL 39	
BOX A99	1880, July 16-Oct. 13
REEL 39	
BOX A100	1880, Oct. 14-1881, Sept. 2
REEL 40	
BOX A101	1881, Sept. 3-1884, Feb. 4
REEL 40	
BOX A102	1884, Feb. 5-Oct. 21
REEL 40	
BOX A103	1884, Oct. 22-1885, Feb. 15
REEL 41	
BOX A104	1885, Feb. 15-Oct. 29
REEL 41	
BOX A105	1885, Oct. 30-1888, Feb. 1
REEL 41	
BOX A106	Undated
REEL 42-43	
BOX A107	Undated
REEL 42-43	
BOX A108	Undated
REEL 42-43	
BOX A109	Undated
REEL 42-43	
BOX B1-B41	Correspondence II, 1823-1898
REEL 43-61	Correspondence and related military papers, articles, and printed campaign material. Arranged chronologically.
BOX B1	1823, Dec. 5-1850, Dec. 12
REEL 43-44	
BOX B2	1850, Dec. 15-1854, June 19
REEL 44	
BOX B3	1854, June 21-1857, Feb. 14
REEL 44-45	
BOX B4	1857, Feb. 15-Oct. 20
REEL 45	

Correspondence II, 1823-1898

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX B5 REEL 45	1857, Oct. 26-1859, Sept. 16
BOX B6 REEL 46	1859, Sept. 21-1861, May 16
BOX B7 REEL 46	1861
	May 20-July 8
BOX B8 REEL 47	July 10-Oct. 20
BOX B9 REEL 47	Oct. 24-1862, Jan. 11
BOX B10 REEL 47-48	1862
	Jan. 13-Apr. 29
BOX B11 REEL 48	May 1-Sept. 19
BOX B12 REEL 48	Sept. 20-1863, Aug. 7
BOX B13 REEL 49	1863, Aug. 8-1864, Jan. 16
BOX B14 REEL 49	1864
	Jan. 17-Mar. 15
BOX B15 REEL 49-50	Mar. 16-June 16
BOX B16 REEL 50	June 17-Aug. 9
BOX B17 REEL 50-51	Aug. 10-31
BOX B18 REEL 51	Sept. 1-5
BOX B19 REEL 51	Sept. 6-13
BOX B20 REEL 51-52	Sept. 14-26
BOX B21 REEL 52	Sept. 27-Oct. 17
BOX B22 REEL 52	Oct. 18-Dec. 3
BOX B23 REEL 53	Dec. 5-1865, Jan. 2
BOX B24 REEL 53	1865, Jan. 6-Aug. 6
BOX B25 REEL 54	1865, Aug. 18-1867, Apr. 3
BOX B26 REEL 55	1867, Apr. 12-1868, Sept. 30
BOX B27 REEL 55	1868, Oct. 1-1871, Mar. 11
BOX B28	1871, Mar. 14-1877, Sept. 22

Correspondence II, 1823-1898

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
REEL 56 BOX B29 REEL 56	1877
	Sept. 23-Oct. 11
BOX B30 REEL 56	Oct. 12-Nov. 6
BOX B31 REEL 57	Nov. 7-28
BOX B32 REEL 57	Nov. 29-1879, July 7
BOX B33 REEL 57	1879, July 19-1885, Oct. 29
BOX B34 REEL 58	1885
	Oct. 29-30
BOX B35 REEL 58	Oct. 30-Nov. 2
BOX B36 REEL 58	Nov. 2-7
BOX B37 REEL 59	Nov. 8-20
BOX B38 REEL 59	Nov. 20-1886, Mar. 4
BOX B39 REEL 60	1886, Mar. 15-1898, Sept. 20, undated
BOX B40 REEL 60-61	Undated
BOX B41 REEL 60-61	Undated
BOX C1-C20 REEL 61-66	Letterbooks and Telegram Books, 1852-1862
	Letterpress copies, fair copies, drafts, and extracts of outgoing letters and telegrams, and two volumes of deciphered telegrams sent and received. Arranged by type of material and therein chronologically. Several of the volumes overlap.
BOX C1 REEL 61	Letterbook, 1852, Nov. 16-1856, May 24
	Reports, 1854
BOX C2 REEL 61	Letterbook
	1857, Aug. 25-1858, Mar. 19
BOX C3 REEL 62	1861, Apr. 27-June 6
BOX C4 REEL 62	1861, Aug. 28-1862, Mar. 7
BOX C5 REEL 63	1862, Mar. 18-Oct. 6
BOX C6	1862, July 6-Aug. 8

Letterbooks and Telegram Books, 1852-1862

Container

Contents

REEL 63	
BOX C7	Extracts of letters to wife, 1861-1862
REEL 63	
BOX C8	Telegram book, 1861
REEL 63	
	May 28-June 5
BOX C9	July 5-19
REEL 63	
BOX C10	Telegrams sent in cipher, 1862, Feb. 28-Aug. 12
REEL 63	
BOX C11	Telegrams received in cipher, 1862, Mar. 11-Aug. 12
REEL 63	
BOX C12	Telegram book, 1862
REEL 64	
	Apr. 5-Aug. 29
BOX C13	Apr. 7-June 28
REEL 64	
BOX C14	Apr. 17-Nov. 7
REEL 64	
BOX C15	July 9-Oct. 30
REEL 64	
BOX C16	Aug. 30-Oct. 21
REEL 65	
BOX C17	Sept. 2-Oct. 31
REEL 65	
BOX C18	Sept. 8-Oct. 25
REEL 65	
BOX C19	Oct. 25-Nov. 8
REEL 66	
BOX C20	Oct. 29-Nov. 4
REEL 66	
BOX D1-D2	Special Correspondence, 1870-1873
REEL 66	
	Correspondence of the New York City Department of Docks-Engineers' Bureau; arranged in part in reverse chronological order as originally received by the Library. Board correspondence is indexed in a separate volume.
BOX D1	New York City Department of Docks, Engineers' Bureau
REEL 66	
	Communications from Board
	Index
	Vol. 1, 1872, Oct. 24-1870, July 29
	Vol. 2, 1873, May 8-1872, Oct. 23

Special Correspondence, 1870-1873

Container

Contents

BOX D2 REEL 66	Communications from Executive Committee, 1870, Sept. 12-1873, Apr. 14
BOX D2-D6 REEL 66-68	Diaries, 1846-1884 Diaries kept by McClellan, by his wife, Ellen Mary Marcy McClellan, by his children, May and George McClellan, and by his brother, Arthur McClellan. Arranged by name of author and therein chronologically.
BOX D2 REEL 66	McClellan, Arthur 1862, Mar. 10-Aug. 26 1864, Jan. 1-Oct. 19 1864, May-June McClellan, Ellen Mary Marcy, 1865, Feb. 6-June 24
BOX D3 REEL 67	McClellan, George B. (1826-1885) 1846-1847, 1851-1853 1850, Jan. 1-Dec. 31 1852, Mar. 6-Nov. 28 1853, May 20-Dec. 16 1853, July 18-Sept. 30 1854, June 20-Dec. 13 1855, Apr. 11-Apr. 29
BOX D4 REEL 67	1855, Sept. 12-1856, Jan. 11 1856, Jan. 24-Mar. 13, with engineering sketches 1860, Jan. 1-Dec. 26 1864, Nov. 28-1865, May 25 1865, Aug. 22-Dec. 19 1865, Sept. 1-9 1867, Dec. 1-1868, July 1 1867, Dec. 15-1868, May 13, with list of outgoing correspondence, 1868 1868, July 3-1869, Sept. 10 1873, May 12-June 11
BOX D5 REEL 68	1873, Oct. 4-1874, Mar. 20 1873, Oct. 8-1874, Oct. 22 1874, Aug. 27-Nov. 6 1874, Oct. 30-1875, Mar. 27 1880, July 7-Oct. 31 1881, May 19-Oct. 8 1883, May 17-June 4 1884, Jan. 6-Dec. 24 McClellan, George B. (1865-1931), 1873 McClellan, May Marcy 1880, Nov. 4-1881, Oct. 6

Diaries, 1846-1884

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX D6 REEL 68	1881, Oct. 31-1882, Oct. 30 1882, Dec. 22-1883, Nov. 16
BOX D6-D10 REEL 68-72	Speech, Article, and Book File, 1864-1885 Manuscripts and printed copies of speeches, articles, and books. Arranged by type of material and therein chronologically.
BOX D6 REEL 68	Speeches Oration at dedication of West Point battle monument and address at Lake George, 1864 "Speeches of Gen. George B. McClellan during the Presidential Campaign of 1876" "Inaugural Address," Jan. 15, 1878 "Second Annual Message of His Excellency, George B. McClellan, Governor of New Jersey, to the Legislature, Session of 1880" Speech before the New Jersey state electors, 1885 Articles "Manual of Bayonet Exercise," 1852 Biographical sketch of Henri Jomini, 1870 "Army Organization," 1874 "A Winter on the Nile," 1875 "The War in the East," 1877 Part 2 Part 3 Civil-Military Relations, 1877 "Capture of Dars and Fall of Piona," 1878 "The Princess of the House of Orleans," <i>Century Illustrated Monthly</i> , Feb. 1884 "The War in Egypt," 1884
BOX D7 REEL 69	Battles of South Mountain and Antietam, undated History of the United States Army, fragment, undated The presidency, undated "Manoeuvres and constrictions Appertaining to the Duties of Pontoniers," undated Use of militia, undated Books McClellan's <i>Report</i> Manuscript Manuscript
BOX D8 REEL 70	Related material
BOX D9 REEL 71	Related material <i>McClellan's Own Story</i>

Speech, Article, and Book File, 1864-1885

Container

Contents

	Introductions by others
	Manuscript
	Related material
BOX D10	Related material
REEL 72	
BOX D10-D13	Military Papers, 1846-1862
REEL 72-75	
	Army orders, receipts, vouchers, inventories and lists. Arranged chronologically.
BOX D10	Military construction engineer's notes, 1846
REEL 72	
	Receipts, vouchers, inventories
	1847-1848
BOX D11	1848, 1850-1852
REEL 73	
	Account book, 1852-1853
	Receipts, vouchers, inventories, 1853
	Copies of orders to McClellan, 1853, Apr. 12-May 9
	Washington Territory expedition, orders and accounts, 1853, May-1854, Mar.
BOX D12	Army of the Potomac
REEL 74	
	General orders, 1861-1862
BOX D13	Receipts, vouchers, and inventories, 1861-1862
REEL 75	
	Headquarters command notice book, 1862
BOX D13-D20	Notebooks, 1842-1885
REEL 75-77	
	Engineers' field books, note and memorandum books kept by George Brinton McClellan, Arthur McClellan, Joseph F. Minter, and Robert Johnson. Arranged chronologically.
BOX D13	Translation of <i>Iliad</i> , 16th book, 1842
REEL 75	
	Engineer's notebook and diary, 1848
	Assignment and grade book, 1849, Dec.-1850, Mar.
	Math class grade book, 1849, Dec.-1850, Apr.
	German grammar notes, 1850
	West Point memorandum book, 1850
	Red River expedition
	Astronomical data, 1852, Apr. 20-July 24
	Courses and distances, 1852, May 7-July 28
	Engineer's field book
	1851, June-July, Nov.-1852, Jan.
	1852, Oct. 11-1853, Apr. 1
BOX D14	1853

Notebooks, 1842-1885

Container *Contents*

REEL 75

Jan. 2-May 18
Jan. 9-Mar. 25
Apr. 5-6
Engineer's field books
Altitudes, 1853
July 2-Aug. 7
July 2-Sept. 1
Time, 1853, July 2-Oct. 31
Latitude, 1853
July 4
July 8-Sept. 1

BOX D15
REEL 75

Engineer's field book, by Joseph F. Minter, 1853, July 18-Oct. 17

Journal, by Joseph F. Minter, 1853, July 18-Oct. 17
Engineer's field book, by Joseph F. Minter, 1853, Oct. 22-Nov. 15
Journal, by Joseph F. Minter, 1853, Oct. 22-Nov. 15
Notebook, 1853, Dec. 23-1854, Jan. 17
Engineer's field book, 1853

BOX D16
REEL 76

Vocabulary and staff notebook, 1853

Memorandum book, Mar.-Nov. 1854
Santo Domingo, engineer's notebook, 1854, July 18-Aug. 4
Engineer's field book, 1854, Aug. 1-1855, Jan. 13
Santo Domingo, journal, 1854
European military systems
1855, Nov. 7-1856, Feb. 19
1855, Nov. 7-1856, May 6

BOX D17
REEL 76

1855
Memorandum book of Europe, 1855
Memorandum book
1856
1861-1862
1862
May
June

BOX D18
REEL 76

Memorandum book by Arthur McClellan

1862, Nov. 7-1863, Dec. 30
1862
Notebook by Robert Johnson, 1862
Household inventory, 1863, Aug.-1871, Nov. 29
Memorandum book, 1869, Jan. 18
Memorandum book on drydocks, 1869
Memorandum book
1860s

Notebooks, 1842-1885

<i>Container</i>	<i>Contents</i>
BOX D19 REEL 77	1875 1877 1882, Oct. 19-1883, Apr. 30 1885, Jan. 16-Sept. 17 Canada Notes, undated Terrain and military establishments, undated Railroad memorandum books, undated
BOX D20 REEL 77	Railroad memorandum books, undated
BOX D20-D23 REEL 77-79	Financial Papers, 1842-1885 Account books, bills, receipts and vouchers. Arranged by decade.
BOX D20 REEL 77	1842-1860
BOX D21 REEL 77-78	1860-1870
BOX D22 REEL 78-79	1870-1885
BOX D23 REEL 79	Undated
BOX D23-D29 REEL 79-82	Miscellany, 1852-1885 Memorabilia, campaign literature, passports, photographs, newspaper clippings, materials related to McClellan's death, scrapbooks, diplomas, awards, memorials, certificates, and commissions. Arranged by type of material.
BOX D23 REEL 79	Biographical material Campaign literature, 1864 General
BOX D24 REEL 80	Material related to McClellan's death
BOX D25 REEL 80	Newspaper clippings
BOX D26 REEL 80	Newspaper clippings
BOX D27 REEL 81	Newspaper clippings Passports Photographs
BOX D28 REEL 81	Scrapbooks
BOX D29	Scrapbook <i>See also Oversize</i>

Miscellany, 1852-1885

Container *Contents*

REEL 81-82

Certificates, awards, and citations *See Oversize*

BOX E1
not filmed

Addition, 1866-1872

Diaries and photographs.
Arranged by type of material.

BOX E1
not filmed

Diaries, Ellen Mary Marcy McClellan

1866, May 6-1867, Dec. 31

1868, Jan. 1-1869, Feb. 26

1870, June 4-1872, Dec. 31

Photographs, undated

BOX OV 1-OV 2
REEL 81-82

Oversize

Oversize scrapbook and certificates, awards, and awards.

Arranged and described according to the container and series from which
the items were removed. Filmed in its original location before removal to
Oversize.

BOX OV 1
REEL 81

Miscellany

Scrapbook (Container D29; formerly Container D30)

BOX OV 2
REEL 82

Certificates, awards, and citations (Container D29; formerly Container D31)