Simon Fraser family correspondence

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Biographical or Historical Note

Simon Fraser was born in Scotland in 1801 to Alexander and Sarah (Ferguson) Fraser. He came to New York with his parents in 1805. He moved to Liberty County, Georgia when he was 21 years old. In 1823, he married Miss Rebecca Daniel of Liberty County. Although Fraser was an ordained Methodist preacher, he never pursued a career in the church. Rebecca died in 1835 after the birth of their fifth child. Fraser moved to Roswell, Georgia in 1839 to become the bookkeeper for the Roswell Manufacturing Company. In 1840, he married Miss Matilda Bradford. They had seven children. His home was on Fraser Street between Alpharetta Highway and Norcross Street. He died in 1881 and is buried in the Old Roswell Cemetery.
Alexander Fraser was Simon’s father. Alexander F. is also the name of Simon’s brother. Alexander C., James and Sarah are the children of Alexander F. and nephews and niece of Simon. James Ferguson is the brother of Sarah Ferguson Fraser.

Scope and Content

The collection contains correspondence from 1841 to 1898. The earlier letters are from Simon Fraser to family members. In his letters, Fraser discusses events in Roswell, Georgia and religious issues. The last letter written by Fraser is dated April 28, 1879. The collection contains correspondence from other family members after his death.

Organization Note

The collection is organized according to the sender and recipient of the correspondence. The original order and names of the file folders were maintained as they were received from the donor.

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Selected Search Terms

Fraser, Simon (1801-1881)
Fraser, Alexander (1761-1842)
Fraser, Alexander F. (1810-1882)
Fraser, James (1848-1903)
Fraser, Andrew (1850-1896)
Fraser, Sarah (1844-1900)
Fraser, Alexander C. (1849-1896)

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