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Mephram Family Papers, 1832-1947 (bulk 1832-1899)

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DONOR INFORMATION

The letter book of George S. Mephram, dated 1871-1885, was purchased from manuscript dealer Paul H. North, Jr., on December 26, 1951.

A collection of Mephram family papers and other manuscripts were donated by Mrs. Philo Stevenson on November 10, 1953.

The checks signed M. Goldsoll; and Mephram family papers including tax receipts 1880s, cash book, envelopes, and list of Indian curiosities lent by M.S. Mephram for exhibit at Buffalo were donated by Mrs. Philo S. Stevenson (courtesy of Mrs. Arthur C. Hoskins) on November 22, 1963.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Michael S. Mephram was born in Kent, England, in 1828 and came to the United States with his family while he was a child. The family settled in Ulster County, New York, then moved to Henderson County, Kentucky, circa 1839, and moved further west to Dardanelle, Arkansas, in the 1840s. In the late 1840s M.S. Mephram moved to St. Louis, Missouri, where he established the firm of M.S. Mephram & Bro. with his brother William G. Mephram, in the early 1850s. M.S. Mephram & Bro. were importers and wholesale dealers in fruits, nuts, and cigars. In the 1860s M.S. Mephram & Bro. became the owners of several steamboats that ran between St. Louis and New Orleans. M.S. Mephram was interested in archaeology and had a collection of artifacts and Indian relics. He died May 25, 1882, in St. Louis.

After M.S. Mephram's death, the firm of M.S. Mephram & Bro. was succeeded by the St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company, with William G. Mephram serving as president. William G. Mephram died August 7, 1894, in St. Louis.

George S. Mephram, the son of M.S. Mephram, established the firm George S. Mephram & Co., manufacturers of paint pigments, in 1890. He retired in 1920 and devoted time to his interest in archaeology and antiquities. He was a passenger on the maiden voyage of the steamer *Olympic* in 1911. He died December 24, 1930, in St. Louis at the age of 74.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The collection is arranged chronologically and consists primarily of receipts, accounts, correspondence, and other papers regarding the businesses of M.S. Mephram & Bro., the St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company, and George S. Mephram & Co. in St. Louis. The collection also contains receipts, correspondence, and other business papers of M.S. Mephram from the 1830s and 1840s, prior to his arrival in St. Louis; several documents relating to the Civil War, many of which do not appear to be related to the Mephram family; papers regarding the steamboats owned by the Mephams, most notably the *M.S. Mephram* and the *Minnie*; a check signed by Brigham Young, 1872; invitation to a Socialist Party demonstration with Mother Jones speaking, 1905; a few items from the maiden voyage of the *R.M.S. Olympic*, 1911; and some personal Mephram family correspondence and papers.

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Folder 1

- circa 1830s Receipt of G.W. Davis to M. Mepham.
- circa 1830s Receipt of Geo. Williams to Mr. Mepham.
- 1832 Jan 7 Document signed Edwd. Andrews and David Green, dated Hobart, Pennsylvania. "Received of Mr. Michael Mepham the sum of fifty pounds for his passage in the cabin from this place to London."
- 1836 July 18 Receipt signed Edward Pierce for payment of Michael Mepham to John Bacon.
- 1836 Aug 1 Receipt signed Houghton Bonnel to Wm. Mepham.
- 1836 Aug 1 Receipt signed Paoli Brooks to M. Mepham, dated Rondout, [New York].
- 1836 Aug 8 Receipt signed John D. Middagh to Mr. Mepham.
- 1836 Sept 2 Receipt of Walter Evans to M. Mepham, dated Ellenville, [New York].
- 1836 Oct 29 Receipt signed Lucas Elmendorf to Michael Mepham.
- 1836 Nov 5 Receipt signed Ezra Fitch to Mr. Mepham.
- 1836 Nov 7 Note signed David Hovey[?] to Mr. Mepham, dated Ellenville, [New York].
- 1837 Feb 9 Letter signed Wm. Jarrett, Paris, [Ohio], to Michael Mepham, Rondout, Ulster County, New York. Describes the farm he purchased.
- 1837 Mar 6 Receipt of Isaac Cocks from Mr. Mepham, dated Eddyville, [New York].
- 1837 Jul 3 Letter signed Charles R. Curtiss to Michael Mepham. Regarding a transaction.
- 1838 Jan 4 Receipt of payment of Wm. H. Lee from Mepham.
- 1838 Apr 12 Letter signed Alexander Baker to Mr. Meffin[Mepham?]. Regarding business transaction.
- 1838 July 11 Promissory note of Michael S. Mepham to pay John Ferguson, dated Kingston, [New York].
- 1838 Oct 15 Account of Michael S. Mepham with Isick L. Hosbrock, dated Kingston, [New York].

- 1838 Dec 13 Account of Michael Mepham with Harvey Otis, dated Kingston, [New York].
- 1838 Dec 31 Deed of sale of land in Henderson County, Kentucky, from David Hart Cowan to Caleb S. Clay (includes attached certifications of government officials).
- 1839 Jan 18 Stock certificate of Michael S. Mepham in the Kentucky Silk Manufacturing Company.
- 1839 Jan 20 Articles of agreement between Isaac A. Blaurett and Marius Schoonmaker of the first part and Michael S. Mepham of the second part.
- 1839 Jan 24 Deed of the sale of land in Henderson County, Kentucky, from David Hart Cowan to Michael S. Mepham (includes attached certifications of government officials).
- 1839 Oct 16 Letter signed [name illegible] to M.S. Mepham, Tallmadge. Regarding business transactions.
- Folder 2**
- 1840 June 14 Letter signed William Jarrett, Paris, [Ohio], to Michael S. Mepham, Henderson, Henderson County, Kentucky. Discusses family news and prices of goods.
- [1844] Campaign ribbon for candidates Henry Clay and Theodore Freylinghausen.
- 1846 Jan 6 Bill of sale, signed John McCall. "Received, Loundesboro, Ala., 6 January 1846 of Seymour H. Powell sixteen hundred dollars in full for the following mentioned negroes, namely: Henry, aged about forty; Sally, aged about forty; John, aged about eighteen; Adaline, aged about eight; and Bob, aged about five years. The above mentioned negroes I warrant sound and healthy, except Henry who has an old burn on the foot – little good."
- 1846 Aug 16 Letter signed Wm. J.G. Mepham, New York, to brother, M.S. Mepham, and sister, near the Sulphur Springs, Yell County, Arkansas. Discusses his health and family news.
- 1847 Jan 19 Letter signed J.A. Mepham, New York, to brother, Michael S. Mepham, Yell County, Arkansas. Discusses the death of her husband.
- 1847 June 26 Letter signed Jane Amelia Mepham, South Rondout, [New York], to brother, M.S. Mepham, and sister, St. Louis, Missouri. Discusses family news.

- 1849 Sept 18[?] Unsigned, incomplete letter addressed to "Dear Aunt," dated St. Louis. Includes note "Edmond Mephram died July 11, 1849" and a poem titled "Little Eddy."
- 185- Blank bill of lading of M.S. Mephram & Bro. (2 copies)
- 1853 Aug 5 Memorial card in memory of Adelaide Maria Mephram, infant daughter of Michael S. and Maria Mephram, who died August 5, 1853.
- 1855 July 18 Letter signed William Mephram, St. Louis, to M.S. Mephram. Contains bill for transactions on tour of Europe and the U.S.
- 1859 Jan 16 Autograph book of Mary L. Sailer, dated Pennsylvania.
- 1859 Sept 5 Letter signed M.S. Mephram, St. Louis, Missouri, to Mr. L.B. Brown. Discusses the market for apples and other business matters.
- 1859 Sept 20 Letter signed M.S. Mephram, St. Louis, Missouri, to Mr. L.B. Brown. Discusses the market for apples.
- 1859 Nov 16 Agreement to extend credit, signed by numerous creditors of M.S. Mephram & Bro., dated New York. **(filed oversized)**
- 1859 Dec 3 Contemporary copy of letter signed Mills, Merritt & Co., New York, to Mephram & Bro. Regarding business transaction with S.A. Kingsland of New Orleans.
- circa 1860s Newspaper article titled "M.S. Mephram & Bro." Description of the business.
- 1860 Mar 27 Receipt signed W.M. Harlow, St. Louis, to M.S. Mephram.
- Folder 3**
1861-1862 Vouchers for payment to the sutler signed by privates in the 11th Iowa Infantry (approximately 200 items).
- Folder 4**
[1861-1865] Military pass granted to Fredk. Christoffer, Company F, National Guard of St. Louis, by the U.S. Provost Guard.
- [1861-1865] Printed lyrics to "Happy Land of Canaan," a pro-Confederate song.
- 1861 Nov 10 Military pass granted to M.S. Mephram by office of provost marshal, St. Louis, Missouri.

- 1862 Jan 9 Letter signed R.W. Johnson, Richmond[?], to John. Regarding John's wish to quit the military.
- 1862 Jan 10 Account of R.R. Wills with the Confederate States for envelopes purchased, dated Bowling Green.
- 1862 May 1 Reproduction of printed proclamation of Major General Benjamin Butler regarding the occupation of New Orleans by Union forces. **(filed oversized)**
- 1862 May 30 Account on stationary of 2nd Wisconsin Cavalry (3 pages).
- 1862 May 30–
1863 May 4 Memorandums of agreement between the Erie Railway Company and M.S. Mephram & Bro. (5 items) **(filed oversized)**
- 1863 Oct 14 Contemporary copy of letter of Jefferson Davis to the soldiers, congratulating and encouraging the Confederate troops, dated headquarters, Army of Tennessee.
- [1863 Dec] Newspaper article titled "Extensive Fire—Loss \$50,000—A New and Extensive Tobacco Factory Destroyed." Describes the fire that destroyed M.S. Mephram & Bro's Sun Tobacco Warehouse, formerly the Gothic Livery Stable Building.
- [1864] Newspaper article titled "A Mississippi Steamer for a St. Louis Merchant—the *M.S. Mephram*."
- 1864 Jan 29 Menu of complimentary dinner to Major General U.S. Grant tendered by the citizens of St. Louis, held at the Lindell Hotel.
- circa 1865 Advertisement for the steamboat *Minnie*, bound for Shreveport, Jefferson and Red River, dated [New Orleans].
- circa 1865-1868 Trip statement of the steamer *Iron City* from New Orleans to "above the raft" and return.
- circa 1865-1868 Ticket and advertisement cards for steamboat *M.S. Mephram*. (3 items)
- circa 1865-1868 Statement of receipts and disbursements of the steamer *M.S. Mephram* from Cairo to New Orleans and return to Louisville.
- 1865 Apr 11 Enrollment certificate of M.S. Mephram in the Enrolled Missouri Militia, dated St. Louis.
- 1865 Dec 19 Account of M.S. Mephram with Aug. H. Becker.

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| circa 1866-1868 | Newspaper article titled "The Arkansas River Trade." Brief account of M.S. Mepham's entry into the Arkansas River trade. |
| 1866 Jan 3 | Telegram of W.H. Schluter to M.S. Mepham & Bro. Regarding the sinking of the steamer <i>Minnie</i> . |
| 1866 Jan 3 | Telegram of H. Robinson to M.S. Mepham & Bro. Regarding the steamer <i>General Anderson</i> that went to the relief of the <i>Minnie</i> and took off the passengers. |
| 1866 July 30 | Receipt of Balmer & Weber to W.G. Mepham, dated St. Louis. |
| Folder 5 | |
| circa 1867 or after | Testimony of William G. Mepham and Mr. Copley regarding dispute of payment of Copley by Mepham. Contains information on M.S. Mepham & Bro. from 1865 to 1867. |
| Folder 6 | |
| 1867 | Statement of assets and liabilities of M.S. Mepham & Bro.[?] |
| 1867 Jan 4 | Bill of fare, Liverpool, New York & Philadelphia Steam Ship Company. |
| 1867 Mar 1 | Trial balance of M.S. Mepham & Bro. |
| 1867 Mar 1 | Statement of the condition of M.S. Mepham & Bro. |
| 1867 Mar 4 | Receipt of O.E. Hall, St. Louis Hotel, New Orleans, to M.S. Mepham & Family. |
| 1867 Mar 5 | Letter signed W.G. Mepham, St. Louis, Missouri, to M.S. Mepham. Regarding bank drafts. |
| 1867 Apr 8 | Letter signed Emile Follner, New Orleans, to M.S. Mepham. Invitation to join him in Europe. |
| 1867 Apr 11 | Letter signed W.D. Speer, Baltimore, to M.S. Mepham. Requests schedule of steamboats to the Upper Missouri and Fort Benton. |
| 1867 Apr 18 | Promissory note of M.S. Mepham and W.G. Mepham to the Charter Oak Life Insurance Company, dated St. Louis. (Note of R.S. Thoms, agent, on back, dated January 26, 1869.) |
| 1867 Apr 25 | Letter signed W.D. Speer, Royal Artillery Barracks, Quebec, to M.S. Mepham. Request for steamboat schedule. |
| 1867 June 1 | Statement from M.S. Mepham & Bro.'s trial balance |

- 1867 June 29 Two tickets issued to Caswell F. Darby for canonization services at the Basilica Vaticana.
- 1867 July 1 Statement of the condition of M.S. Mepham & Bro.
- 1867 July 13 Transcription of article in the *Missouri Republican* regarding the death of Wilfred D. Speer.
- 1867 July 16 Letter signed Courtenay F. Terry, Southern Hotel, St. Louis, to Mr. Mepham. Regarding the remains and effects of the late Captain Wilfred Speer.
- 1867 July 26 Letter signed Courtenay F. Terry, London, Ontario, Canada, to Mr. Mepham. Regarding difficulty in sending the body of Captain Wilfred Speer home.
- 1867 July 26 Telegram of Courtenay F. Terry, London, Ontario, to M.S. Mepham, St. Louis. "Send it to England any way you can without delay."
- 1867 July 31 Letter signed Henry J. Pratten[?], Stadacona Club, Quebec, to M.S. Mepham, St. Louis. Letter of appreciation of the interest taken by Mepham in the death of Captain Wilfred Speer.
- 1867 Aug 14 Balance sheet of steamer *Iron City* for five trips from St. Louis to Johnsonville, Tennessee, and return, dated St. Louis. **(filed oversized)**
- 1867 Sept 14 Letter signed W.M. Trollope, Westminster, to M.S. Mepham, St. Louis, Missouri. Regarding the death of Captain Wilfred Speer.
- 1867 Dec 28 Letter signed by numerous passengers on board the steamer *M.S. Mepham* from Cairo to New Orleans, to Capt. John McDonald and the officers and crew of the steamer *M.S. Mepham*. **(filed oversized, AMD)**
- 1868 Feb 26 Letter signed James E. Yeatman, Merchants' National Bank of St. Louis, to Col. Thomas. Letter of recommendation of M.S. Mepham.
- 1869 Apr 29 Receipt of deposit of money of M.S. Mepham & Bro., signed W. Henry Holland, St. Louis, Missouri.
- Folder 7**
circa 1870 Circular advertisement of M.S. Mepham & Bro., agents for the Cape La Croix Paint and Color Company. Contains numerous testimonials. (2 copies)
- 1870 Printed price list of Welch's improved patent barrel machinery.

- 1870 May 28 Statement and ledger balance of the steamer *Minnie* from December 1869 to May 1870.
- 1870 Dec 25 Micrographic reproduction of issue of *The Weekly Times* (London), produced by J.E. Crawford, shirt manufacturer and dealer in gent's furnishing goods, St. Louis.
- 1871-1885 Letter book of George S. Mephram. Contains letterpress copies of correspondence sent by R.H. Mahon, Shreveport, August 1871 to January 1872, regarding the liquor business; and letterpress copies of correspondence of George S. Mephram, December 1877 to January 1885, regarding business matters and archaeological artifacts. **(bound volume filed separately)**
- 1872 July 22 Check of the Utah Southern Railroad Company to David Pierce & Co., signed Brigham Young.
- circa 1873 Circular advertisement of M.S. Mephram & Bro., agents for the Cape La Croix Paint & Color Company. Advertisement for silver white for wood filler; contains numerous testimonials. (2 copies)
- 1874 June 20 Printed copy of H.R. 3766, a bill for the relief of M.S. and W.G. Mephram and A.H. Shaw of St. Louis, Missouri, "on account of damages sustained by them in the sinking of their steamer *Minnie* by the United States monitor *Oneoto* while their steamer *Minnie* was in the employ of the United States."
- 1874 Aug 16 Letter signed J.B. Rinehart, Fort Ripley, Minnesota, to George W. Wilcox, Cincinnati, Ohio. Recounts the capture of an Indian jacket by Sergeant William Langenberg during the Modoc War.
- Folder 8**
- 1877 Jan-Aug Canceled checks signed by M. Goldsoll, dated St. Louis (112 items).
- Folder 9**
- 1877 Dec 28 Letter signed F.H. Gifford, Alton, Illinois, to H.W. Mephram. Describes artifact pipe discovered in Macoupin County, Illinois.
- 1878 Feb 8 *Missouri Republican* newspaper article titled "Chester's Idol. The Strange Image Recently Exhumed There. An Interview with Geo. John G. Fonda. His Description of the Singular Object—Relic of a Lost People."
- 1879 Apr 15 Price list to Mr. N. Hatch.

- 1879 July 18 Receipt of Ward & Howell, Ward's Natural Science Establishment, Rochester, New York, to M.S. Mephram.
- circa 1880 Notes regarding a court case, written on letterhead of the St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company.
- circa 1880s Notes of freight and labor of switch fittings from Charleston to Mosby[?] and return, Vandalia Line, Terre Haute & Indianapolis Railroad Co. (2 pages)
- 1880 Mar 25 Postcard announcement of new factory of M.S. Mephram & Bro. (2 copies)
- Folder 10**
- 1882 Expense book of George S. Mephram.
- 1882-1892 Tax receipts of H.F. McDonald and Mrs. Maria Mephram. For state, school and city taxes and special tax bills (15 items).
- Folder 11**
- 1882 Mar 14 Letter signed Henry J. Lyda, general agent for Halstead & Co., to M.S. Mephram. Enclosures: business card Lyda, solicitor of patents and war claims; two copies of a circular of Halstead & Co., Washington, D.C., regarding charter parties or steamers and vessels employed by the government during the Civil War.
- circa 1882 Apr 5 Printed form of Halstead & Co. titled "Statement for a Single Steamer or Vessel." Contains information regarding the steamboat *Minnie*.
- 1882 Apr 5 Appointment of power of attorney of A.H. Shaw (one half owner of the steamboat *Minnie*) to Halstead & Co., to prosecute claim in connection with the loss of the *Minnie*.
- 1882 Apr 5 Agreement of fees between Halstead & Co. and A.H. Shaw regarding the claim against the U.S. government for the loss of the steamboat *Minnie* and cargo in 1866.
- [1882 May 26?] Photocopy of fragment of St. Louis newspaper obituary of Michael S. Mephram.
- 1882 June 26 Letters signed Munn & Co., New York, M.S. Mephram & Bro. Encloses patent for an improved process of preparing sulphate of barytes.
- 1882 Sept 12 Contemporary copy of list of subscribers to the capital stock of the St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company.
- 1883 Mar 20 Receipt of Mawdsley & Mephram, St. Louis, to Mrs. M.S. Mephram.

1884 Jan 31 Receipt of Mawdsley & Mepham, St. Louis to Mrs. M.S. Mepham.

1884 May 24 Letter signed H.G. Adam, editor, *The Independent Journal*, New York, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co. Contains information regarding Mr. Wolcott.

1884 June 9 Telegram of C.O. Wolcott, Brooklyn, New York, to St. Louis Paint Co. Regarding business transaction.

1884 June 10 Telegram of St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company to C.O. Wolcott, Brooklyn, New York. Regarding business transaction.

1884 June 13 Letter signed Chas. O. Wolcott, St. Louis, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co. Requests company to remove machinery, etc. from premises in Scott County, Missouri.

1884 July 22 Letter signed Geo. S. Mepham, St. Louis, to Herman A. Haeussler. Regarding Mrs. Friend's estate.

1884 Aug 4 Receipts of the St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Railway Co. to the St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company. (2 items)

1884 Aug 6 Receipt of the Missouri Pacific Railway Co. to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company.

1884 Aug 7 Receipt of James B. Davis, St. Louis, to W.G. Mepham.

1884 Aug 7 Receipts of St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Railway Co., St. Louis, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co. (2 items)

1884 Aug 9 Receipt of Missouri Pacific Railway Co., St. Louis, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co.

1884 Aug 11 Letter signed W.M. Gray, Oran, Scott County, Missouri, to St. Louis Paint Co. Requests immediate payment of C.O. Wolcott's account.

1884 Aug 16 Receipt of F. Meyer, St. Louis, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co.

1884 Sept 6 Receipt of Smith, Beggs & Ranken Machine Company, St. Louis, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co.

1884 Sept 19 Receipt of Cole & Glass, St. Louis, to W.E. Mepham.

1884 Sept 20 Receipt of Charles Humes & Co., St. Louis, to W.G. Mepham.

1884 Sept 25 Receipt of Cole & Glass, St. Louis, to W.G. Mepham.

- 1884 Sept 27 Receipts of Grote & Scott, St. Louis, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co. (2 items)
- 1884 Oct 1 Receipt of Charles Humes & Co., St. Louis, to W.D. Mepham.
- 1884 Oct 1 Receipt of Dennison Manufacturing Company, St. Louis, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co.
- 1884 Oct 4 Receipt of Dennison Manufacturing Company, St. Louis, to St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co.
- 1884 Nov 15 Letter signed B.B. Dovener, Wheeling, West Virginia, to Geo. S. Mepham, Washington, D.C. Regarding claim against the United States for the loss of the steamer *Minnie*.
- 1884 Dec 2 Account of expenses of Geo. S. Mepham for trip to the East Coast regarding Sarter collection and *Minnie* claim.
- 1884 Dec 31 Balance sheet covering the period September 18, 1882, to December 31, 1884. **(filed oversize)**
- 1884 Dec 31 Balance sheet, written on back of St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company stationery.
- Folder 12**
- 1885 Notes on business disputes including transcribed company meeting minutes. Many of the notes are written on the letterheads of Geo. S. Mepham & Bro. and the St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co.
- Folder 13**
- 1885 Jan-Feb Accounts of St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company, written on letterhead of St. Louis, Iron Mountain & Southern Railway Company. (5 pages)
- 1886 Jan 5 Letter signed E.P. Pettes, St. Louis, to Geo. S. Mepham. Offer to purchase stock in the St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Company.
- 1886 Feb 2 Receipt of Mawdsley & Mepham, St. Louis, to Mrs. M.S. Mepham.
- [1887] Newspaper article titled "The Mepham Trade-Mark Case."
- 1887 May 21-
1888 Apr 7 Receipts of H. Konert & Son, merchant tailors, St. Louis to Geo. S. Mepham (4 items).
- 1889 Jan 21 Funeral card of Mme. Geo. Arthur Reineke, dated New Orleans.

- 1890 Sept 20 Cabin passenger list of the State Steamship Co., Limited, Glasgow, for the vessel *State of Nebraska* from Glasgow via Londonderry to New York.
- 1892 Jan 29 Certificate of qualifications for admission to the high school awarded to Beatrice Sailor[Sailer] Lodge, Peabody School.
- 1892 Jan 29 Certificate of scholarship awarded to Beatrice S. Lodge for passing the examination for admission to high school, dated St. Louis. **(filed oversized)**
- 1895 June 14 Certificate of Mary Institute for completion of studies granted to Beatrice Sailer Lodge, given by the board of directors of Washington University, St. Louis. **(filed oversized)**
- 1899 Mar 13 Letter signed Edward V. Papin, St. Louis, to J.L. Foy. Regarding George S. Mepham's collection of artifacts.
- circa 1901 Broadside: "Millionaire Parker Never Contributed One Cent to the World's Fair Fund! He Cannot Deny It? 20,000 men, rich and poor, did their share, and yet the man who wants to be Mayor Did Not Contribute One Cent." Refers to George Washington Parker.
- 1905 Mar 11 Invitation to a Socialist Party demonstration to be held at the Concordia Turner Hall. Mother Jones will speak at the demonstration.
- 1907 June 17 Invitation to the marriage of Beatrice Sailer Lodge to Philo Speer Stevenson.
- circa 1911 White Star Line postcard with image of steamers *Olympic* and *Titanic*.
- 1911 June 21 Menu card for the *R.M.S. Olympic*.
- 1911 June 21 Printed card with record of the maiden voyage of the *R.M.S. Olympic* from Southampton to New York (includes sketch of the ship).
- Folder 14**
- 1915 May 22 Letter signed A.H. Godbey, Bridgeton, Missouri, to Mr. Bushnell. Encloses report on sheep tablet and seal tag.
- 1915 May 27 Letter signed A.H. Godbey, Bridgeton, Missouri, to Mr. Mepham. Regarding ancient clay tablets.
- 1915 May 28 Letter signed A.H. Godbey, Bridgeton, Missouri, to Mr. Mepham. Regarding ancient clay tablets.

1915 Aug 20 Typescript letter signed Morgan P. Robinson, Virginia State Library, Richmond, to Mr. Godbey. Regarding Revolutionary War–era document relating to General George Rogers Clark.

1915 Sept 27 Typescript letter signed Edgar J. Banks, Alpine, New Jersey, to Mr. Mephram. Regarding sale of Nebuchadnezzar cylinder.

1922 Jan 22 Photocopy of *St. Louis Star* newspaper article titled “Do You Remember Away Back When the Robert E. Lee Won Great Race?”

1925 Nov 21 Invitation to the marriage of Beatrice Thomas to Archie Lee.

1930 Dec 26 *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* newspaper obituary of George S. Mephram.

1931 Jan 25 Program for service of worship at the Church of the Unity, St. Louis. Contains memoriam to George Saxby Mephram.

1947 Feb 9 *St. Louis Globe-Democrat* newspaper article regarding the marriage of Georgia Mephram Lee to Peter Bakewell.

no date Lodge-Mephram family history form, compiled by Mrs. Elizabeth D. (Lodge) Mephram.

no date Biographical sketch of Michael Saxby Mephram written by his wife, Elizabeth Mephram.

no date Engraver’s proof of portrait of M.S. Mephram (2 copies) (**filed oversize**).

no date Printed oath of the Knights of Columbus, dated St. Louis.

no date Transcription of the abstract of the will of Pernell Mephram, late wife of Michael Mephram, of Maighfield, County Sussex, England, dated October 4, 1541.

no date Printed list of goods of M.S. Mephram & Bro.

no date Illustration of flag on linen; advertisement for M.S. Mephram & Bro.

Folder 15

no date Business cards and envelopes of M.S. Mephram & Bro. and the St. Louis Paint Manufacturing Co. (12 items)

no date Exhibit of affairs of M.S. Mephram & Bro., containing a statement of the company’s financial condition.

no date Receipt of Hotel Victoria, Biskra, Algeria, to Mr. Mephram.

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| no date | Statement of revenue and expenses for seven steamboat trips. |
| no date | Broadside advertisement for the Wisconsin Central Line titled "Don't Use Big Words." (filed oversized) |
| no date | Business card of Reed & Beck, real estate agents, Cape Girardeau, Missouri. |
| no date | Nineteenth-century newspaper article titled "Exercises for Articulation." |
| Folder 16 | |
| no date | Papers regarding M.S. Mepham's collection of Indian artifacts, including several lists of these items. |
| no date | Document fragments and miscellany. |