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**Anna P. Neave Letters, 1881-1920**

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**DONOR INFORMATION**

These papers were purchased from Constance R. Spande of Wyngate Manuscripts (Bethesda, Maryland) in May 1989.

**BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

In 1842, Alexander Neave married Anna Philips, a native of Pennsylvania from a Quaker background. The couple and their children resided in Hamilton County, Ohio, before moving to St. Louis in the 1870s. Alexander Neave died May 25, 1897, and was buried in Cincinnati, Ohio.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

Collection contains ten letters of Mrs. Anna P. Neave, dated St. Louis, Missouri, to her niece Anna P. Haines in West Grove, Chester County, Pennsylvania. Collection also includes a Zurich postcard addressed to Dr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Haines and an itemized description of the letters written by manuscript dealer Constance R. Spande.

**Folder 1**

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Itemized description of the Anna P. Neave letters written by manuscript dealer Constance R. Spande.

**Folder 2**

1881 July 21

Letter signed Anna P. Neave, 1015 South 13th St., St. Louis, Mo., to her niece Anna P. Haines. Provides her niece with advice regarding her pregnancy. Describes Emma's health following an accident. Mentions Lizzie's recovery from a foot injury. Describes Clemmie's recovery after giving birth to a stillborn son. Discusses other family news. (14 pages)

**Folder 3**

1882 Mar 5

Letter signed Anna P. Neave, 1611 Hickory St., to her niece. Sends her condolences on the death of her niece's mother and her father's illness. Lizzie and her husband, W.H., have gone to Hot Springs, Arkansas, for their health. Discusses other family sickness and family news. Mentions Phebe Whitson and John Sharpless. (4 pages)

**Folder 4**

1882 Mar 12-14

Letter signed Anna P. Neave, 813 Tayon Ave., St. Louis, Mo., to her niece. Describes the new lodging where they are boarding. Her son Eddie is expected to marry a girl he first met at the Chautauqua Literary Society. Her daughter Emma has been ill after giving birth to a stillborn child. Anna has had electricity treatments on her bad knee. Discusses other family news. Mentions cousin Jennie Maule, Charlie and Willie Philips, and Parvin Smith. (10 pages)

**Folder 5**

1884 Jan 20-24

Letter signed Anna P. Neave, 3817 Finney Ave., St. Louis, Mo., to her niece. Discusses grandchildren suffering from croup. Discusses other family sickness and family news. Mentions aunt Jane Smith, uncle Jos. H. Hopkins, aunt Susan Brinton, cousin Charlie Philips, Richard Baily, Cassy Smith, Mary Moore (Charlie Philip's grandmother), aunt Phebe Philips, cousin David Evans, cousin Willie Evans, Amy Sharpless, Mary Bell, and James and Sarah Emlen. Mentions the birth of a grandchild named Mary B. Neave. (14 pages)

**Folder 6**

1884 Oct 12

Letter signed Anna P. Neave, 3817 Finney Ave., St. Louis, Mo., to her niece. Discusses the sickness of her and her husband. Discusses family news. Mentions sister Anna E. Lupton, cousins David and Willie Evans, Henry Woods, Hannah Forsyth Wood, nephew Charlie Philips, and Richard Baily. (6 pages)

**Folder 7**

1885 Jan 15

Letter signed A.P. Neave, 3817 Finney Ave., St. Louis, Mo., to her niece Anna. Discusses family news. Mentions Benjamin and Elizabeth Johnson, Wm. Coles, and Elizabeth Smith. (6 pages)

**Folder 8**

1885 July 1

Letter signed A.P. Neave, 2734 Olive St., St. Louis, Mo., to her niece. Mentions the previous death of two of her young children. Mentions suffering from asthma. Advises her regarding her pregnancy. Describes Emma's new home in Bartmer Place (St. Louis). Discusses family news. Mentions cousin Charlie Philips, Wm. Stanley, and Joshua Jacobs. (10 pages)

**Folder 9**

1887 Dec 5–1888 Jan 1

Letter signed Anna P. Neave, 2830 1/2 Locust St., to her niece. Discusses illnesses among various family members and the death of her daughter Clemmie. Mentions Wm. A. Rutledge, cousin Elizabeth Clendenon, and Elizabeth Clendenon's sister, Ann Parker. (8 pages)

**Folder 10**

1890 Nov 26-30

Letter signed Anna P. Neave, 2830 1/2 Locust St., to niece Anna P. Haines. Discusses sickness in the family, including mentions of treatment of ailments with electricity. Mentions that her 6-year-old grandson Frank takes two cars alone to make his 4-mile trip to school. Mentions Alexander Neave Rutledge, Elizabeth Isling, Sarah Forsythe, Elizabeth Forsythe, Mary Smith, cousin David Evans, C. Canby Balderson, Susan S. Forsythe, and Ella Leeds. (8 pages)

**Folder 11**

1890 Nov 30

Letter of Anna P. Neave, 114 University Ave., to her niece. Discusses her ailing knee, which has caused her to be confined to a wheelchair. (4 pages)

1920

Postcard of Zurich addressed to Dr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Haines, Jackson, Mississippi.