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Armstrong - Neilson Family

Papers, 1755-1930

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Main Entry: Armstrong - Neilson

Title: Family Papers 1755-1930; bulk dates 1800-1860

Size: 16 archival boxes (8 linear ft.)

Source: Gift of Ms. Gregor A. Gamble 1993

Restrictions: Some items are unavailable; they are in the Conservation Division undergoing treatment and repair.

Description: The papers represent several generations of the Armstrong and Neilson families from the 18th century to the 20th century. These families lived mainly in New York City, New York State and Elizabethtown, New Jersey. Prominent family members are Lt. Charles Marshal Armstrong, USN; David Maitland Armstrong, Consul to Rome and artist; Helen Neilson Armstrong (Mrs. David Maitland Armstrong); Rosetta Armstrong; Margaret Armstrong (Mrs. William Salter); Margaret Marshall Armstrong (Mrs. William D. Armstrong); William D. Armstrong; and Margaret Ann Fish Neilson (Mrs. John Neilson Jr.). The remainder of the papers consists of financial documents, land and legal papers, ephemera, photographs and an engraved plate.

Special formats: Photographs and artifact

BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT

The Armstrong and Neilson families represent several generations from the late 18th to the 20th century. Beginning with the emigration of David Armstrong (b-d?) from Scotland to North America in the early part of the 18th century, the Armstrong branch continued in the United States. For the most part, the family lived in New York City and New York State with an estate in Danskammer, near Newburgh, N.Y. This family estate originated with the purchase of land by Edward Armstrong (1800-1840) the son of William Armstrong (1750?-1830?), a former British naval officer and Margaret Marshall Armstrong in the 19th century. He built a house called "Danskammer" that remained in family hands until a descendant sold it off in the 1970's or 80's. Edward Armstrong Married Sarah Hartley War (1801-1853) of Charleston, South Carolina. There were several children from this marriage significantly David Maitland Armstrong.

David Maitland Armstrong (1836-1918) is noted for his prominent careers first as a diplomat and also as a graphic artist. Armstrong was born in Danskammer, near Newburgh, N.Y. He attended Trinity College in Connecticut from which he received a Bachelor's degree in 1858. In 1862, Armstrong received a Master of Arts diploma and admitted to the bar the same year. Armstrong's demonstrated knowledge of law and his familiarity with Latin countries resulted in his appointment as American Consul to the Papal States. During his tenure in this position, Victor Emmanuel took Rome (1870) and subsequently, Armstrong received the appointment as Consul General to Rome. In 1872, Armstrong returned to United States and devoted himself to the art of design possibly being the inventor of the American opalescent stain glass. Returning to Europe several years later, Armstrong went to Paris as head of the American Art Department of the Paris Exposition (1878). At the time of Armstrong's death in New York City at the age of 83, he headed the firm " Maitland, Armstrong & Co., " and with his daughter Miss Helen Maitland Armstrong, Armstrong designed memorials and church windows throughout the country. His survivors were his wife Helen Neilson Armstrong and his children.

Socially prominent and wealthy, the intermarriage of the Armstrongs and Neilsons created the nexus of the Armstrong and Neilson families. Helen Neilson Armstrong (1845-1926?, Mrs. David Maitland Armstrong) is the daughter of John Neilson, Jr. (d. 1851) and Margaret Ann Fish Neilson (1807-1877), the daughter of Colonel Nicholas Fish, hero of the American Revolutionary war and one of the Founders of the Society of Cincinnati. She is also the descendant of Peter Stuyvesant. Helen Neilson married David Maitland Armstrong in 1866; from their marriage there were seven children named Bayard, Hamilton Fish, Helen Maitland, E. Maitland, Noel, Margaret Neilson and Marion Neilson (Mrs. Alfred Eddy). One of their daughters, Helen Maitland Armstrong (1869-1947) was born in Florence, Italy when David Maitland Armstrong was American Consul General in Italy. Talented in graphic arts, Helen Maitland, as stated, joined her father designing stain glass windows. Maitland's daughter Helen developed her own reputation as a fine artist. She studied art for a time at the Art Students League with most of her training coming from her father.

Returning to an earlier generation of Armstrongs, Charles Marshall Armstrong (1805-1850) the uncle of David Maitland Armstrong sought a career in the Navy, as did some of the other

Armstrongs. The son of William Armstrong (1750-1830?) and his second wife, Margaret Marshall Armstrong (b-d?), Armstrong entered the United States Navy as a midshipman in 1823, passed midshipman in 1831 and promoted to lieutenant in 1831. Sometime around 1843 Armstrong received a court martial; the offence is not specified in the collection. He appealed to Commodore Perry in 1843 to give exact details as to the length of the punishment. Despite the court martial, Armstrong continued in the Navy. He died aboard the ship "USS Ohio" after contracting yellow fever after a brief visit to Rio de Janeiro in 1850.

While most of the Armstrongs lived in New York State, at least two of the Armstrongs moved south, in particular Eliza Rosetta Armstrong (d.1839) and her husband, Andrew C. Armstrong (b-d?). Eliza, commonly called Rosetta, is the sister of Charles Marshall Armstrong, Edward Armstrong, and Margaret Armstrong Salter. With regard to Andrew Armstrong, there is no genealogical information about him. He may be a native of New Orleans as reported in a newspaper clipping at the time of his wedding to Rosetta. It may be a coincidence that he has the exact last name as his wife or perhaps he is a distant relative. Andrew Armstrong married Eliza Rosetta Armstrong in 1838 at the home of her sister Margaret Armstrong Salter (Mrs. William D. Salter). Armstrong courted Eliza Rosetta's sister Margaret many years earlier. Margaret decided to marry William D. Salter (1794-1869) who eventually retired at the rank of Commodore in the United States Navy in 1862. They settled in Elizabethtown, New Jersey. Soon after the marriage of Rosetta and Andrew Armstrong, the couple moved to New Orleans so that Armstrong could continue in business. Tragedy occurred when Rosetta died in childbirth. It is evident in the collection that Armstrong remained in New Orleans for about a year after the death of Rosetta. The Armstrong and Neilson continues to be viable families in the late 20th century through their descendants. Historically these families were noted for their prominence in society and also for their multi-faceted careers.

Note on Provenance: The Armstrong Neilson Family papers were donated to the Research Libraries of the New York Public Library 1993 by Ms. Gregor A. Gamble.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

The papers (1755-1930, bulk dates 1800-1860, 8 linear ft.) reflect the Armstrong and Neilson families of New York.. The papers contain correspondence between family members locally and abroad; writings; land and financial papers, including the estate "Daskammer"; graphics; printed material; photographs, and material unrelated to the family.

The body of the collection concentrates on the correspondence of family members including cousins, aunts, and other relatives. These letters recount every day activities, information about oneself and relatives, friends and events such as marriages and deaths. The person who emerges with the fullest profile is **David Maitland Armstrong (1836-1918)**, the Consul to Rome who later established a career as an artist designing stain glass windows with his daughter Helen. Many of Armstrong's letters are addressed to his immediate family and relatives; another portion of the letters regard his official appointments in Rome. There are a few surviving letters (1872; 1878-1880) from Europe written to his children Margaret, Helen and Maitland. Written on the level a child or adolescent could understand, Armstrong's correspondence to his children emphasizes how much he missed them and about the sights in Rome and France. His letters to his wife also indicates his interest in family matters and his experiences in Europe. For example, in a letter to his wife Helen dated 11 Sept. 1870 Armstrong criticize his brother Gouverneur's business acumen over the property "Danskammer." Gouverneur wanted to trade the real estate for land in Brooklyn about which Armstrong had strong doubts. He clearly trusted his wife's judgement to handle this situation. Helen and their children eventually joined Armstrong in Rome where one of their daughters, Helen Maitland, was born. Armstrong's initial letters to his mother-in-law, Margaret Ann Fish Neilson, announcing the birth, reveal the excitement he felt over his new daughter. Subsequent letters to Neilson are about the recuperation of his wife after childbirth, and their daughter's health (she was born six weeks premature). With regard to his career as a graphic artist, Armstrong corresponded with his colleagues about his stain glass firm "Maitland, Armstrong & Co." and other related issues with individuals such as John La Farge and Charles McKim. The remainder of the material associated with Armstrong is a diary, a photograph of himself, accounts and passports.

Helen Neilson Armstrong's (1845-1926?) letters to her husband David Maitland are few and scattered over the years from 1872 to 1900. The bulk of the letters from 1866 to 1871 are addressed to her mother Margaret Ann Fish Neilson while she lived with her husband and children in Rome. Her letters to her mother describes the cultural variety of Paris and Italy. One of Armstrong's most interesting descriptions of Italy is the takeover of Rome by Victor Emmanuel II in 1870. Although not in Rome at the time, she worried about David who was in the city at the time. Many of Armstrong's letters contains descriptions of her daughters Margaret and Helen, including the premature birth of Helen and her subsequent growth. Helen displays interest in life in the states by commenting frequently about it. While in Europe, mother and daughter wrote to each other weekly. There are a few letters to other members of the family.

Margaret Ann Fish Neilson (Mrs. John Neilson Jr., 1807-1877) letters to her daughter Helen are the bulk of her outgoing letters. These letters dating from 1869 to 1871 were sent to Helen while she resided in Italy, form a substantial portrait of life at home and abroad. Neilson's remaining letters to

others include her mother Elizabeth Stuyvesant Fish; her other daughter Mary Neilson; and siblings Susan Fish LeRoi and Stuyvesant Fish.

David Maitland Armstrong's uncle Charles Marshall Armstrong (1805-1850) spent his entire adult life in the Navy. His letters to relatives were written from various ports of call from around the world. The bulk of his letters are written to his sister Margaret Armstrong Salter (Mrs. William Salter). Armstrong letters begin when he first shipped out to sea as a teenager. Not formally inducted into the Navy, he awaited a warrant. His early letters written in 1821 tell of his experiences on the trip, homesickness, and the desire for his siblings to write him. The few surviving letters written to other relatives concern family matters, daily experiences and life aboard ship. Armstrong held the affection of his family including his brother-in-law William Salter. Letters written by other family members to Armstrong indicate that Armstrong traveled extensively around the world including Canton, China as evident by a letter written by his nephew David Maitland Armstrong in 1849. Besides corresponding with his family on a regular basis, there are letters relating directly to the Navy. A letter dated October 1843 to Commodore Perry refers to his court martial offence. He wanted Perry to clarify the length of the suspension. Armstrong also kept a journal aboard the "U.S.S. Constitution" from the years of October 1824 to August 1825. The only letter from the Navy about the death of Armstrong is written to his brother-in-law William Salter dated 23 March 1850. Briefly, it states that Armstrong died aboard the USS Ohio from yellow fever contracted in Rio de Janeiro.

Although, Charles Marshall Armstrong and William D. Salter both shared contemporary careers in the Navy, only Armstrong's letters to Salter remain. Salter is the receipt of letters mainly from his wife and various in-laws. Possibly remembering the loss of her brother Charles at sea and the death of her sister Eliza Rosetta in New Orleans, Salter's wife Margaret occasionally expresses anxiety when she does not receive letters from her husband.

Eliza Rosetta Armstrong died in New Orleans November 1839. The bulk of her letters recall daily events in her life and surroundings. Some of Armstrong's most interesting letters are written to her sister Margaret Armstrong Salter and her brother-in-law William Salter after her marriage to Andrew C. Armstrong in 1838. These letters written from 1838 to 1839 recall her trip from New York to New Orleans by land with her husband and mother-in-law (briefly mentioned); descriptions of sights and customs of Louisiana; yellow fever; her daily activities and impending motherhood. Rosetta's final days is recollected by her husband Andrew Armstrong to his sister in-law Margaret Armstrong Salter recalling the difficulty of the stillborn daughter and Rosetta's subsequent death. Armstrong's letters indicate that he remained in New Orleans for at least a year after the death of Rosetta grieving over the loss of his wife. There is no further information regarding Armstrong.

The remainder of the family papers consists of an assortment of documents including passports, accounts, land papers, and photographs. The photographs are a portrait of David Maitland Armstrong and photographs of the estate "Danskammer." There are a few unrelated papers including a sampling of nineteenth century newspapers "The Albion," "Charleston Daily Courier," "Elizabeth Daily Herald," "New York Commercial Advertiser," "New York Herald," and the "Ulster County Gazette." One of the most interesting non-family papers is a diary kept by Thomas Helmsby entitled "An account of certain strange events in the Falkland island in 1833". This diary written on pages torn out

of a logbook recounts the murder of a Captain Brisbane in the Falkland Islands in 1833 and the subsequent efforts of Helmsby and the islanders to elude the murderers who pursued them for several months. The original exists along with a typescript edited by Margaret Armstrong who speculates that this item remained in the family papers because her great-uncle William Salter kept it for legal purposes.

ARRANGEMENT NOTE

The Armstrong-Neilson Family papers (1755-1930) which are contained in fifteen manuscript boxes are arranged into three series: I Family Correspondence; II Financial and Legal documents; III Printed Material.

Series 1. Family Correspondence (Containers nos. 1-8)

The Family Correspondence, 1755-1930 (3.2 linear ft.) is alphabetical in its arrangement. The majority of the letters is incoming; replies (if any) are located under the sender's name. Subjects include announcements, childbirth, family events, local news and news from abroad, and some business correspondence such as David Maitland Armstrong's firm. Other correspondents of interest are Charles Marshall Armstrong's naval activities and Eliza Rosetta Armstrong's descriptions of New Orleans and Louisiana during the early part of the 19th century.

Series II. Financial and Legal Documents (Containers nos. 9, 13; 16)

The Financial and Legal documents, c1800-1850 (1.11 linear ft.) are mainly related to some miscellaneous family accounts of family members and documents relating to the estate "Danskammer" and passports.

Series III. Printed Material (Container nos. 10-12, 14-15)

The Printed Material, c1800-1895 (2.11 linear ft.) consists mainly of newspaper clippings, an assortment of 19th century newspapers, and "An account...Falkland Islands (1833) by Thomas Helmsby. The remainder of the material is ephemera, photographs, an engraved nameplate, and assorted notes.

ARMSTRONG-NEILSON FAMILY PAPERS

Container list

- Box 1
- f. 1. Armstrong, Andrew C. To Edward Armstrong (brother-in-law) 1839
 - f. 2-3. To Margaret Armstrong (sister-in-law) 1824; 1839-1840
 - f. 4. Armstrong, Catherine. To William Armstrong (Brother) 1790
 - f. 5. To Edward Armstrong (nephew) 1839
 - f. 6 Armstrong, Charles Marshall. To David Maitland Armstrong (nephew) 1846.
 - f. 7. To Margaret Armstrong Salter(sister)1821-1837
 - f. 8. To William D. Salter (brother-in-law) 1831; 1838
 - f. 9. United States Navy Correspondence 1826-1850
 - f. 10 Journal kept aboard the "U.S.S. Constitution" Oct. 1824 - Aug. 1825
 - f. 11. Armstrong, David Maitland. General Correspondence A-E
 - f. 12-13. Robert Gordon 1870-1889; 1909-1918
 - f. 14. H-J
 - f. 15. John La Farge 1892; 1909; n.d.
 - f. 16. Charles McKim 1890-1897
 - f. 17. Henry R. Marshall 1890
 - f. 18. Robert J. Nevins 1870-1900
 - f. 19. P
 - f. 20. R-W
 - f. 21. Armstrong, David Maitland. Letters to his children
 - f. 22. To Gouverneur Armstrong (brother) 1858-1859
 - f. 23. 1869-1870
 - f. 24. 1886; 1889; 1899
 - f. 25. Armstrong, David Maitland. To Lt. Charles Armstrong (uncle) 1849
 - f. 26. To Helen Neilson Armstrong (wife) 1870; 1872; 1878
 - f. 27. 1890; 1895; 1907
 - f. 28. To Mary Ann Neilson 1868-1871(mother-in-law) 1868-1871
 - f. 29. To Margaret Armstrong Salter (aunt) 1869
 - f. 30 To Edward Armstrong (nephew) 1832
- Box 2
- f. 1. Armstrong, David Maitland. Miscellaneous Correspondence as consul to Rome
 - f. 2. Appointment as Consul to Rome 1869; 1872
 - f. 3. Paris Expo 1878; American Committee 1878
 - f. 4. Description of residence 64 Via Sistine 1870

- f. 5. Directions for Italy tours; Diary 1851
- f. 6. Legal Documents; see also: Box 9 & 13

- f. 7. Armstrong, Edward. General Correspondence 1826-1840
- f. 8. To Charles Marshall Armstrong (brother) 1840
- f. 9. To Margaret Salter 1826; 1833; 1840
- f. 10. To [Eliza] Rosetta Armstrong (sister) 1830
- f. 11. To William D. Salter (brother-in-law) 1826
- f. 12. Inventory of estate 1840

- f. 13. Armstrong, Edward Maitland. To Gouverneur W. Armstrong (uncle) 1887; 1898
- f. 14. To Helen M. Armstrong (mother) 1911
- f. 15. To Margaret Neilson (sister) 1890

- f. 16. Armstrong, Eliza Rosetta (Mrs. Andrew Armstrong)
 - To Charles M. Armstrong (brother) 1833; 1838
 - To Edward Armstrong (brother) 1826
- f. 17. To Margaret A. Salter (sister) 1824-1839
- f. 19. To William D. Salter (brother-in-law) 1839
- f. 20. Poem

- f. 21. Armstrong, Gouverneur Wilkins. Letters written on behalf of William H. Armstrong 1855-1856
- f. 22. To David Maitland Armstrong (brother) 1869-1888

- f. 23. Armstrong, Helen M. General Correspondence 1908-1930; n.d.
- f. 24. To David Maitland Armstrong (father) 1880
- f. 25. To Helen Neilson Armstrong (mother) 1885-1887; n.d.
- f. 26. To Margaret Neilson Armstrong (sister) 1884
- f. 27. Condolences on the death of her father 1918
- f. 28. Certificate of birth
- f. 29-30. Assorted graphic designs

- Box 3 f. 1. Armstrong, Helen Neilson. General Correspondence A-Z
- f. 2. To David Maitland Armstrong (husband) 1872-1900
- f. 3. To Mary Ann Neilson (mother) 1866
- f. 4. 1869
- f. 5. 1870 Jan.- May

- Box 3 f. 6. Armstrong, Helena Neilson. To Mary Ann Neilson (mother) 1870 Jun.-Jul.
- f. 7. 1870 Aug.
- f. 8. 1870 Sept. - Oct.
- f. 9. 1870 Nov. - Dec.
- f. 10. 1871 Jan. - Mar.

- f. 11. 1871 Apr. - May
- f. 12. 1871 Jun. - Aug.
- f. 13. 1871 Sept. - Dec.
- f. 14. 1872
- f. 15. To Lillie Neilson Howard(sister)1851
- f. 16. To Mary Neilson (sister) 1869-1871
- f. 17. List of wedding presents; poems
see also: Box 9 & 12

- f. 18. Armstrong, Henry Bruin. To William Armstrong
(father)
- f. 19. Armstrong, J. Maitland. General Correspondence
1904
- f. 20. Armstrong, John Ward. To Margaret and Helen
Armstrong (nieces) 1878

- f. 21. Armstrong, Margaret Marshall (Mrs. William
Armstrong). To Margaret A. Salter (daughter)
1816; 1826
- f. 22. To Betsy Ramsay (sister) 1816
- f. 23. To William Armstrong (son) 1792;1798
- f. 24. To William Armstrong (brother) 1789

- f. 25. Armstrong, Margaret (Mrs. William Salter).
General Correspondence A-M
- f. 26. O-Z
- f. 27. To Elizabeth Ramsey (aunt) 1844
- f. 28. To David Maitland Armstrong (nephew) 1869-
1870
- f. 29-30. To William D. Salter (husband) 1842-1865

- Box 4f. 1. Armstrong, Margaret. Genealogy
- f. 2. Last will and testament

- f. 3. Armstrong, Matilda Grayson (Mrs. William Henry
Armstrong). To G.W. Armstrong n.d.
- f. 4. To Margaret Salter (aunt) 1873

- f. 5. Armstrong, Sarah Hartley (Mrs. Edward Armstrong).
To Charles M. Armstrong 1843-1847
- f. 6. To Margaret Salter 1840-1843
- f. 7. To [Eliza] Rosetta Armstrong n.d.
- f. 8. Business Correspondence 1824; 1845; 1848

- Box 4 f. 9. Armstrong, [William] Henry. To David Armstrong
(brother) 1869-1914
- f. 10. To Margaret Salter (aunt) 1868-1869
To Margaret (niece?) 1861

- f. 11. Armstrong, William. To Edward Armstrong 1827; n.d.

- f. 12. Armstrong, William.(b.1750-1830?)
To Edward Armstrong (uncle) 1773
- f. 13. To Margaret Armstrong Salter(daughter)1826-1827
To William D. Salter (son-in-law) 1824
- f. 14. Business Correspondence regarding land grants in Nova Scotia 1802; 1809-1812
- f. 15. 1815; 1817-1819; 1826
- f. 16. Pertaining to Army service 1803-1823
- f. 17. Regarding officer's salary 1804-1826
- f. 18. Certificate of naturalization 1793
- f. 19. Stewart vs. Armstrong 1799
- f. 20. Arnold, Eleanor. To Margaret Salter(niece) 1811
- f. 21. Barry, Julia Kean Neilson. To Helen Neilson Armstrong 1888
- f. 22. Clinton, Governor George. To Thomas Smith 1794
- f. 23. Currie, Jane. To William Armstrong (cousin) 1792
- f. 24. Dalzell, Robert. To David Armstrong 1794

- Box 5
- f. 1. DeHart, Abigail (Mrs. Abigail Mayo). To Margaret Marshall 1755; 1781
See also: Box 7
 - f. 2. DeHart, Louisa. To Margaret Armstrong Salter 1822-1868
 - f. 3. To William D. Salter n.d.
 - f. 4. Donald, Rev. E. Winchester
To Helen Margaret Armstrong n.d.
To Margaret Armstrong 1903; n.d.
 - f. 5. To David Maitland Armstrong 1886-1899
 - f. 6. To Meta Neilson 1892-1893; 1895-1898
 - f. 7. 1899-1901
 - f. 8. 1902-1904

Eastburn, Bishop Manton
see also: John Neilson Jr.
Meta Neilson
Margaret Ann Neilson

- Box 6
- f. 1. Fish, Hamilton. To David Maitland Armstrong 1869; 1875-1887
 - f. 2. To Margaret Ann Neilson (sister) 1858-1877
 - f. 3. Fish, Col. Nicholas and Elizabeth. To Margaret Ann Fish (daughter) n.d.
 - f. 4. Fish, Peter Stuyvesant. Letter to Margaret Ann Neilson (sister). n.d.

- f. 5. Hewson, Emily. To Margaret Armstrong Salter 1829;
n.d.
- f. 6. Hewson, Thomas. To Margaret Armstrong Salter 1824
- f. 7. Horsley, Rose, and J.C. To "Misses Armstrong."
1898; 1900
- f. 8. Legare, Hugh Swinton. To Sarah Hartley Ward
(Mrs. Edward Armstrong - cousin) 1843
- f. 9. Leroy, Susan E. Neilson (Mrs. Daniel Leroy).
To Helen N. Armstrong (niece) n.d.
- f. 10. Maitland, David. General Correspondence 1840-1848
- f. 11. 1851-1871
- f. 12. Maitland, Armstrong & Co. General Correspondence
A-L
- f. 13. M-Z
- f. 14. 1918
- f. 15. Newspaper Clippings
- f. 16. Art designs inked for clients

See also: Box 7 - Margaret Marshall; Gouverneur Morris

- f. 17. Murray, Charles Augustus. To Edward Armstrong
1837-1840
- f. 18. n.d.
- f. 19. To Gouverneur Armstrong 1869; n.d.
- f. 20. Murray, Martha Neilson. To Helen Neilson Armstrong
(cousin?) 1923; 1926
- f. 21. To Meta Neilson (cousin) n.d.
- f. 22. Neilson, Anthony Bleecker. To John Neilson Jr.
1814
- f. 23. Neilson, Augusta Baker. To Helen Neilson Armstrong
(Sister-in-law) n.d.
- f. 24. Neilson, Helena. To John Neilson Jr. (brother)
1826
- f. 25. Neilson, James. To John Neilson Jr. (brother) 1826
- f. 26. Neilson, Colonel John. to Dr. John Neilson (son)
1823
- f. 27. To John Neilson (grandson) 1808

- Box 7
- f. 1. Marshall, Margaret. General Correspondence
 - f. 2-4. Letters from Francisco Rendon 1785-1788
 - f. 5. Morris, Gouverneur. Poem to Margaret Marshall
 - f. 6. Neilson, John Jr. Incoming letter regarding the
Marquis de Lafayette 1827
Address delivered to Lafayette when he visited
Bloomington Asylum 1824
 - f. 7. Neilson, John Jr. General Correspondence; poem
 - f. 8. To Meta Neilson (daughter) 1848
 - f. To Margaret Fish Neilson (wife) 1826; n.d.
 - f. 9. Letters of introduction 1826
- see also: Diary Box 14

- f. 10. Neilson, John M.D. To Neilson (son) 1814
- f. 11. Neilson, Margaret Ann. To David Maitland
(son-in-law) 1869; n.d.
- f. 12. To Elizabeth Stuyvesant Fish (mother). 1817
- f. 13-14. To Helen Neilson Armstrong (daughter) 1869-
1871
- f. 15. To Mary Neilson (daughter) c.1868
- f. 16. To Susan Fish LeRoi (sister) 1850
- f. 17. To Stuyvesant Fish (brother) 1833
- f. 18. Letters from Bishop Manton Eastburn 1851-1855

- f. 19. Neilson, Mary Noel. To David Maitland Armstrong
(brother-in-law) 1870; 1878
To Helen Neilson Armstrong (sister) 1869; 1888

- Box 8 f. 1. Neilson, Meta. General Correspondence 1852-1865;
1890; n.d.
- f. 2. To David Maitland Armstrong (nephew-in-law)
n.d.
- f. 3. To Margaret Neilson (niece) 1872

- f. 4. Pierce, Franklin. To Mrs. Sidney Webster 1868
- f. 5. Popham, John. To Mary S. Wilkins 1823
- f. 6. To Gouverneur Morris Wilkins (cousin) 1821-
1822
- f. 7. Ramsey, Elizabeth. To Margaret Armstrong (Mrs.
William D. Salter) 1824-1848
- f. 8. Ramsey, John. General Correspondence 1785; 1973
- f. 9. Reade, Jas. To Nicholas Fish 1807

- f. 10. Salter, Emily H. To Charles M. Armstrong (uncle)
1839; 1842
- f. 11. To Margaret Armstrong Salter (mother) 1846; n.d.
- f. 12. To William Salter (father) 1842
- f. 13. Salter, Louise. To Margaret Armstrong Salter
(sister-in-law) 1878
To Sarah Armstrong 1873
To William Salter n.d.
- Box 8 f. 14. Salter, Margaret Armstrong. General Correspondence
- f. 15. Salter, William D. To Marshall Armstrong
(Brother-in-law) 1835
- f. 16. Schuyler, Elizabeth. To her mother 1805
- f. 17. Schuyler, [General] Philip. To Petrus Stuyvesant
Ten Broeck 1799
- f. 18. Steele, William. To William D. Salter (cousin) 1826
To Charlotte D. Williamson 1849

- f. 19. Stuyvesant, M. To Margaret Ann Fish (niece) 1819
- f. 20. Ten Broeck, Dirck. To Abraham Ten Broeck (father)

1787

- f. 21. Ten Broeck, Petrus Stuyvesant. General Correspondence 1777-1778
 - f. 22. To Abraham Ten Broeck (grandfather) 1804
 - f. 23. Von Pfister, Ellen. To Mrs. William Salter (cousin) 1860
 - f. 24. Wallace, Sue H. To Margaret Armstrong Salter (sister) 1863
 - f. 25. Ward, John. Business Correspondence 1804-1805; 1813
 - f. 26. Wilkins, Ellen. To [?] Armstrong (aunt) n.d.
 - f. 27. Wilkins, Gouverneur Morris. To David M. Armstrong. 1822; 1865; 1897
 - f. 28 To Edward Armstrong 1826 offset copy
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 - f. 29. Business Correspondence 1820; 1822
 - f. 30. Wilkins, Mrs.[?] 1870
 - f. 31. Williamson, Charlotte. To [?]Steele(cousin) n.d.
 - f. 32. Williamson, Charlotte D. To Margaret Salter (aunt) 1868
 - f. 33. Winthrop, R. To Margaret Ann (cousin) 1825
 - f. 34. W?, R. To Margaret Ann (cousin) 1825
- Box 9
- f. 1. Armstrong, David Maitland. Account Book of Rome 1870
 - f. 2. Armstrong, Helen Neilson. Accounts 1850-1851
 - f. 3. Armstrong, Mrs. Edward. Accounts 1841-1852
 - f. 4. Armstrong, Edward. Checks 1829-1840; estate 1840; shares 1825-1836
 - f. 5. Armstrong, George. Accounts 1852
 - f. 6. Armstrong, Henry. Accounts 1850
 - f. 7. Armstrong, Sarah H. Accounts 1842-1845
 - f. 8. Armstrong, Margaret Ann Neilson. Accounts 1867-1873
 - f. 9. Armstrong Family Miscellaneous. Accounts 1844-1850
- Box 10.
- f. 1-7. Ephemera: calling cards; tickets
 - f. 8-11 Invitations to the Armstrongs
 - f. 12. Miscellaneous
- Box 11.
- f. 1. Ephemera: Exposition Universelle a Paris 1878
 - f. 2. Relating to the Armstrongs European travels 1890
 - f. 3. Chicago Expo 1892
 - f. 4. Miscellaneous ephemera
 - f. 5. Miscellaneous Correspondence
 - f. 6. Newspaper clippings - David Maitland Armstrong
 - f. 7. E. Maitland Armstrong
 - f. 8. Helen M. Armstrong

- f. 9. Eliza Rosa & Andrew Armstrong
- f. 10. Neilson family
- f. 11. William D. Salter
- f. 12. Obituaries (general)
- f. 13. General clippings
- f. 14-15. Articles 1876-1881; 1894

- f. 16-17. Catalogues
- f. 18. Sermons
- f. 19. Unidentified diary n.d.
- f. 20. Genealogy of the family of Van Stuyvesant in North Netherlands
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