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Summary

- Main entry:** Delafield, John Ross
- Title:** Delafield family genealogical research papers, 1845,1891,1900-1961 (bulk 1900-1961)
- Size:** 4.38 linear feet (11 boxes)
- Source:** Gift of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, 2008
- Abstract:** John Ross Delafield (1874-1964) was a New York attorney and amateur genealogist whose work to trace the Delafield and other related family lines culminated in his private publication of *Delafield: A Family History* in 1945. The Delafield family genealogical research papers contain notes and correspondence by John Ross Delafield created while researching his book as well as the research of others, both relatives and professional genealogical research firms.
- Access:** Advance notice required. Apply at <http://www.nypl.org/mssref>.
- Preferred citation:** Delafield Family Genealogical Research Papers, Manuscripts and Archives Division, The New York Public Library.
- Special formats** Genealogical tables.

Provenance note

Gift of John White Delafield to the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, 1982

Biographical note

John Ross Delafield (1874-1964) was a New York attorney and amateur genealogist whose work to trace the Delafield and other related family lines culminated in his private publication of *Delafield: A Family History* in 1945. Graduating Harvard Law School in 1899, he served in the law firm of Strong and Cadwalader and later he was a founding partner in several law firms including Delafield and Howe. Delafield was a member of the New York National Guard and was made a colonel in the Ordnance Department of the United States Army. He was also named chairman to the War Department's Board of Contract Adjustment during World War I. Delafield continued his genealogical research until the time of his death in 1964.

Scope and content note

The Delafield Family genealogical research papers contain notes and correspondence maintained by John Ross Delafield in the course of researching his book on the Delafield family, as well genealogical research furnished by both relatives and professional genealogical research firms. The John Ross Delafield research files contain both subject files on the Delafields and allied families, as well as correspondence concerning the completion of his family history. Genealogical research performed by others contains both the work of other amateur genealogists and reports by professional research firms with agents in London.

Arrangement note

The Delafield Family Genealogical Research Papers are organized in the following series:

- I. John Ross Delafield genealogical research files, 1901-1961
- II. Genealogical research performed by others, 1845, 1891, 1901-1960

Series descriptions and container list

I. John Ross Delafield genealogical research files, 1901-1961

This series consists of subject files related to the Delafield and allied families (including Blackwell, Hallett, Livingston, and Schuyler) created by John Ross Delafield in the course of his research as well as correspondence relating to his book, *Delafield: A Family History*. The subject and allied families files primarily contain correspondence but also include genealogical charts, maps, clippings, typescript copies of original documents, and loose notes. The book correspondence reflects last minute corrections leading up to publication as well as reactions and corrections after completion.

<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	Delafield
1	1	Apprenticeship indentures
	2	Baptist Church records
	3	Bible entries
	4	Charts
	5	Clippings
	6	Coat of Arms
	7	De Banco rolls
		Delafield
	8	Arthur
	9	Edward
	10	Edward Coleman
	11	Francis
	12	John (First Delafield in America)
	13	John, Jr.
14	John Ross	
2	1	John White
	2-4	Joseph (Scrapbooks, material dating 1875-1891)
	5	Nicholas
	6-8	Richard
3	1	Rufus
	2	Samuel George
	3	Thomas Alfred
	4	General
	5-6	Great Britain
	7	Ireland
	4	1
2		Spurious and Fictional Delafields
3		Texas
4		Yorkshire
		Allied Families
5-6		Alsop family
7		Annesley family
8		Archer-Shee family
9		Barton family
10		Beekman family
5	1-3	Blackwell family
	4	Bonithon family
	5	Coleman family

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5	6	Combes family	
	7	de Champagne family	
	8	Dubois family	
	9	Fankhauser family	
	10	Field family	
	11-	Hallett family	
	12		
6	1	Hassard family	
	2	Lewis family	
	3-4	Livingston family	
	5	Robinson family	
	6	Ross family	
	7-8	Schuyler family	
7	1	Van Cortlandt family	
	2	Wetmore family	
	3	Woolsey family	
		Book research correspondence	
	4	1921-1940	
	5	1940-1944	
	6	1945-1948	
	7	1954-1955	
	8	1	1956-1957
		2	1958-1959
3		1959-1961	

II. Genealogical research performed by others, 1845, 1891, 1901-1960

This series contains reports, correspondence and notes compiled by researchers from professional firms such as Lea and Hutchinson and Bernau and Bernau, and from individuals that Delafield paid to conduct research in other parts of the country and overseas, especially Great Britain. This series also contains research completed by other members of the Delafield family, including several family histories.

<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	
8	4	Anjou, Gustave
	5-6	Bernau and Bernau
9	1	Delafield, Alfred W. (Genealogical tables)
	2	Delafield, Charles <i>Delafields in America</i>
	3	Delafield, Rev. John <i>Family History</i>
X-18		Delafield, Richard (Genealogical tables)
9	4-5	Howard, Mabel
	6-7	Lea and Hutchinson reports
10	1-5	Lea and Hutchinson reports
11	1	Rand, Robert D.
	2	Watson, G.W.
	3-4	Woodman, A. Vere