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Guide to the

Letters of Connecticut families

1853-1864

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Summary

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Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Drawings (visual works)

Letters (correspondence)

Subjects

Family life -- Connecticut -- History -- 19th century

Farm life -- Illinois -- Peoria County -- History -- 19th century

Geographic Names

United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865 -- Correspondence

Names

Gilbert family -- Correspondence

Moss family -- Correspondence