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Guide to the

Ellen Craft Dammond reminiscences

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Summary

Creator: Dammond, Ellen Craft

Title: Ellen Craft Dammond reminiscences

Date: 1981

Source: Received in 1998, unknown donor.

Abstract: Ellen Dammond (1916-2007), a social worker and personnel supervisor, was descended from both the Fossetts of Monticello and the famous fugitive slaves William and Ellen Craft. Her uncle was the equal rights activist William Monroe Trotter. She felt strongly about preserving and passing on the history of the struggles for freedom and equality, and both she and her daughter, Peggy Preacely, were active participants in the civil rights movement in the 1960s. Dammond also worked with Polly Cowan and Dorothy Height in the Wednesdays in Mississippi project. This collection includes "The Reminiscences of Ellen Craft Dammond", a transcript of an interview with Jean Blackwell Hutson as part of an oral history class at Columbia University in 1981.

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Creator History

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Key Terms

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