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Guide to the

Jenny Mitchel letters

1851-1855

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Summary

Creator: Mitchel, Jenny

Title: Jenny Mitchel letters

Date: 1851-1855

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Abstract: Jane Verner Mitchel (known as Jenny) was the wife of Fenian leader John Mitchel. Collection consists of transcripts of Jenny Mitchel's letters to Mary Thompson in Ireland, describing the life of the Mitchel family as political prisoners in Van Dieman's Land (Tasmania), their escape to San Francisco in 1853 and life in the United States.

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Creator History

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Scope and Content Note

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Key Terms

Geographic Names

Ireland -- Politics and government -- 1837-1901

Subjects

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Mitchel family

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Names

Mitchel, Jenny

Mitchel, John, 1815-1875

Thompson, Mary-Frances

Fenian Brotherhood