

Guide to the Anson Conger Goodyear Collection

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Collection Overview

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SUMMARY: Correspondence, diaries, proclamations, and drafts of letters chiefly relating to the Civil War, but also including letters from the Jacksonian period. The major portion of the collection concerns the siege of Fort Sumter with letters from both Major Robert Anderson and General P.G.T. Beauregard. Included also are a diary kept by General S. Wylie Crawford during the siege and two letters from Abraham Lincoln. Other portions of the collection concern Lincoln as a political figure; the relations of Jefferson Davis and General Beauregard, with letters by both principals; letters by and about General Sherman; and letters on the controversy between Andrew Jackson and John Randolph, with letters from both.

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f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of A. Conger Goodyear, 1953.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Anson Conger Goodyear, the son of Charles W. Goodyear, was born in Buffalo, N.Y., June 20, 1877, where his father is engaged in the Lumber and Railroad Business. His mother's name is Ella P. (Conger) Goodyear. Anson was equipped with preparatory knowledge at the Nichols School, Buffalo, N.Y.

After graduation, Anson became connected with the Buffalo and Susquehanna Railroad Company, of which he is now Vice-President. He is Second Vice-President of the Great Southern Lumber Company, and Managing Director of the Goodyear Lumber Company, of which his father is Vice-President.

On June 29, 1904, in the City of Buffalo, N.Y., Anson was married to Miss Mary Forman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George V. Forman, of Buffalo, N.Y. They have one child, a son, born in Buffalo, N.Y., July 8, 1906, and named George Forman Goodyear.

Scope and Contents

This collection of Civil War materials, compiled by Anson C. Goodyear and given to Yale University in 1953, contains correspondence, diaries, proclamations, and other papers relating chiefly to the Civil War but also including letters from the Jacksonian period. The papers are mounted in a series of bound volumes devoted to various subjects. The folder list that follows provides descriptions of the individual items in the order in which they appear in the volumes; an alphabetical index to the items is appended to this register.

The first half of the collection pertains to the siege of Fort Sumter. Included are two diaries kept by General S. Wylie Crawford, surgeon at the Fort. There are also three volumes containing letters and other papers of Abraham Lincoln, Major Robert Anderson, General P.G.T. Beauregard, Gideon Welles, Salmon P. Chase, William Lloyd Garrison, and others.

The second half of the collection covers several topics. Abraham Lincoln's political associates and opinions of Lincoln expressed by Northern and Southern political figures form the subject matter of two volumes. Included are items by Horace Greeley, Mary Todd Lincoln, General Edward S. Bragg, James Garfield, and others. A volume devoted to the relations of Jefferson Davis and General Beauregard follows, containing letters by and about both men, while a further volume contains letters by and about General W.T. Sherman. In these three volumes are letters of Generals Jubal Early, Joseph E. Johnston, Braxton Bragg, and other military figures. The final volume concerns the controversy between Andrew Jackson and John Randolph, and contains items by both men, as well as by Francis Scott Key, Henry Clay, Martin Van Buren, Winfield Scott, and others.

Collection Contents

PAPERS RELATING TO THE SIEGE OF FORT SUMTER
.75 linear feet (2 boxes)

Circa 1813-1890

b. 1, f. 1 Pocket Diary of General Crawford while in Fort Sumter.
The first entry is dated February 13, 1861. It continues with daily entries through April 14, 1861 when the fort was evacuated by the Union forces. There are later entries in the diary relating to other matters during the year. In morocco slip case.

b. 1, f. 2 Original manuscript kept by S. Wylie Crawford during the siege
Running from September 9 to December 26, 1860, in Fort Moultrie, and from December 26 to April 14, 1861, in Fort Sumter. About 80 closely written pages. Crawford, who later became a general, was surgeon with General Anderson at Fort Moultrie and Fort Sumter.

VOLUME I

b. 1, f. 3 General Thomas Sumter, A.L.S. 2pp. folio, Waxsaws (now Waxhaws),
March 9, 1781, to General Greene; fine war letter.
Fort Sumter was named after General Sumter.

Abraham Lincoln

b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 1 p. 8mo., Springfield, Illinois, December 22, 1860, to Major
General David Hunter
Marked confidential in his hand with addressed envelope. Says in part, "If the forts fall, my judgement is that they are to be retaken." Published in volume VI of the complete works on page 86.

b. 1, f. 3 L.S., Executive Mansion, March 15, 1861 to the Secretary of the
Navy
Inquiring if it is the Secretary's opinion that it would be wise to attempt to provision Fort Sumter. A similar letter was addressed to each member of the Cabinet. See Volume VI of the complete works, page 92; with addressed envelope in Lincoln's hand.

b. 1, f. 3 Gideon Welles, A.L.S. 4pp. 4to; Navy Department, March 15, 1861, to
the President replying to the previous letter addressed to him by the
President regarding the provisioning of Fort Sumter.
See volume VI of Lincoln's complete works, page 203.

Major Robert Anderson

b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 4pp. 12mo., Fort Moultrie, S.C., December 19, 1860. To Rev.
R.B. Duan with addressed envelope.
Stating that the fort is a very weak one to be defended, etc.

b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 4pp. 8mo., Fort Sumter, S.C., January 20, 1861, to S.F.
Crawford (brother of S.W. Crawford).
Praising his brother and discussing the situation in the harbor of
Charleston.

VOLUME I > Major Robert Anderson (continued)

- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 6pp. 12mo., Fort Sumter, March 11, 1861, to Reverend R.B. Duan.
Speaking of the policy of the Administration, the occupancy of the fort, etc.; with addressed envelope.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L. unsigned, 2pp. 8mo. Undated, but probably Fort Sumter March 28, 1861.
Speaking of demand for reinforcements, the hope that bloodshed may be averted, etc.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 3pp. Fort Sumter, March 26, 1861, to General P.G.T. Beauregard.
The reply to General Beauregard's demand that Fort Sumter be evacuated. States that unless Beauregard's terms are changed he will never leave the Fort alive.
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- General P.G.T. Beauregard
- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 4pp. 12mo., Charleston, April 12, 1861, 2½ PM to Major Whiting in regard to the time of firing on Fort Sumter, the rate of firing.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 2pp. 8mo., Charleston, April 12 (1861) 2½ P.M. to Major Whiting.
Written a few hours after the first gun had been fired at Fort Sumter. Cautioning him against firing too rapidly. Says that Anderson has provisions for only four days, etc.
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- b. 1, f. 3 General Orders No. 20, Charleston, April 14, 1861.
Signed by D.R. Jones, of Beauregard's staff. 2pp. 4to, regarding the surrender of Sumter. Congratulating the troops upon their success.
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- Montgomery Blair
- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 2pp. 8mo., Washington, April 28, 1862, to General Crawford.
Referring to Fort Sumter and speaking very strongly of Seward's purpose to "surrender the Union."
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 2pp. 8mo., Washington, June 6, 1862, to General Crawford
Referring to Fort Sumter and the Cabinet meeting held to discuss what should be done immediately following Lincoln's Inauguration.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 2pp. 8mo., addressed to General Crawford regarding reinforcements for Fort Sumter, a cabinet meeting, etc.
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- Don Carlos Buell
- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 20pp. Airdrie, January 12, 1864, to General Crawford
Giving the history of the order carried by General Buell from Washington to Major Anderson at Fort Moultrie in December 1860. This order was given verbally to General Buell by the Secretary of War for transmittal to Major Anderson.

VOLUME I > Don Carlos Buell (continued)

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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 5pp. 12mo., Airdrie, February 4, 1884
Amplifying his statements in the previous letter.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 8pp. 12mo., Airdrie, February 18, 1884
Additional details amplifying the preceding two letters.
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- b. 1, f. 3 General S. Wylie Crawford, A.L.S. April 13, (1861).
An account of the bombardment of Fort Sumter and the negotiations
that lead up to it. Written during the bombardment on the date
preceding the evacuation.
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- Gustavus Vasa Fox
- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 1p. 8mo., Washington, February 8, 1882 to General Crawford
Saying he is sending his account of his connection with the Fort
Sumter expedition.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 3pp., Washington, April 25, 1882 to General Crawford
Containing reference to the plans for the relief of Fort Sumter
with mention of Lincoln, Holt, etc.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 4pp., Washington, May 1, 1882 to General Crawford with
reference to Fort Sumter.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 8pp., May 10, 1882, Washington.
Giving an account of his visit to Fort Sumter, where he was sent
to report on the conditions of things generally and to find out
how well the provisions would last. Fox was Assistant Secretary
of the Navy.
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- b. 1, f. 3 Joseph Holt, Secretary of War in Buchanan's Cabinet. A.L.S. 2pp. 8mo.,
Sunday (December 30, 1860) to General Winfield Scott.
Mentioning President Lincoln; touching on the relief of Fort Pickens,
etc.
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- b. 1, f. 3 Francis W. Pickens, Governor of South Carolina
- b. 1, f. 3 L.S. 2pp. folio. Headquarters, January 9, 1861, to Lieutenant
Colonel Hamilton
Ordering that the greatest precaution should be taken to prevent
the receipt of supplies at Fort Sumter.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 7pp. 4to. Charleston, January 23, 1861, to Jefferson Davis.
Probably the first draft of the letter, endorsed in Pickens'
autograph, "Copy of letter to Colonel Davis, Mississippi, January
23, 1861." Giving full details for the defense of Charleston;
proposed Davis' selection as Commander-in-Chief of the
Confederate forces. Discusses the probable status of the
Southern states, should the Union be dissolved.
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VOLUME I > Francis W. Pickens, Governor of South Carolina (continued)

- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 4pp. 4to, Headquarters, State of South Carolina, February 7, 1861.
To J. Thompson, Collector of the Port at Charleston. Probably a first draft. An extraordinary letter in which the writer suggests that the way to prevent the inauguration of Lincoln is for the citizens of Maryland and Virginia to sieze Washington.
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- b. 1, f. 3 A.L.S. 3pp. folio, Executive Department, State of South Carolina, February 13, 1861.
To C.G. Memminger, Secretary of the Confederate Treasury. Mentions President Davis, urges that Sumter's surrender be demanded by Davis, predicts Lincoln's administration will fall to pieces, etc.
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- b. 1, f. 3 James L. Orr, L.S. 9pp. 4to, Greenville, S.C., September 21, 1871, to General Crawford
Contains reference to arrangements between President Buchanan and the South Carolina delegation regarding the forts and troops in Charleston harbor.
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- b. 1, f. 3 William P. Miles, A.L.S. 8pp. 4to, Montgomery, February 20, 1861, to Governor Pickens
Proposing that Davis should issue an order to attack Sumter.

VOLUME II

John A. Campbell, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court

- b. 1, f. 4 A.L.S. 3 pp. 8mo., Washington, April 7, 1861, to Secretary Seward.
Relating to Fort Sumter and Pickens and his discussions with the South Carolina Commissioners who were negotiating for the surrender of the Fort. First draft of the letter and so endorsed by Campbell. Letter dated April 13, 1861 - Unsigned.
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- b. 1, f. 4 A.L.S. 2pp. Washington, April 20, 1861, to Seward
Enclosing copy of letter sent to Seward in 1861 to which he requests an answer. The first draft of letter endorsed on back by Campbell. Complains of the "systematic duplicity" of the administration.
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- b. 1, f. 4 A.L.S. 2pp. Baltimore, April 19, 1888, to General Crawford with reference to the bombardment of Sumter.
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- b. 1, f. 4 M.S. unsigned. 12pp. folio.
Relating in detail the events leading up to the bombardment of Fort Sumter. Recites at length the conversation that took place between the commissioners of the Confederacy and Seward.
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- b. 1, f. 4 W. Gilmore Simms, A.L.S. 3pp. 4to, Woodlawn, S.C., December 13, 1860.
To B.J. Lossing, referring to the temper of the people in the South and the prospect of war.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Major Robert Anderson, A.L.S. 2pp., New York, April 10. Referring to the defense of Sumter.

VOLUME II (continued)

- b. 1, f. 4 E.B. Anderson (Mrs. Robert Anderson), A.L.S. 2pp., Bridgeport, August 7, 1863.
To B.J. Lossing, with narrative of Mrs. Anderson's visit to Fort Sumter with Peter Hart. Written in Lossing's hand on 14pp. 4to.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Salmon P. Chase, A.L.S., 3pp. 8mo., Providence, August 24, 1866, to B.J. Lossing.
Referring to the question that Lincoln proposed to his Cabinet regarding the provisioning of Fort Sumter and the replies to this inquiry made by Blair and Yates.
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- b. 1, f. 4 General David R. Jones, D.S., 2pp. folio. Headquarters Charleston, April 6, 1861.
General Orders Number 9. Ordering the bombardment of Fort Sumter in case the guns from the Fort open fire.
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- Gustavus V. Fox
- b. 1, f. 4 A.L.S. 5pp. 8mo., Washington November 7, 1864.
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- b. 1, f. 4 A.L.S. 3pp., January 21, 1865, giving an account of the arrangements regarding Fort Sumter.
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- b. 1, f. 4 To B.J. Lossing, Washington, January 21, 1865.
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- b. 1, f. 4 General P.G.T. Beauregard, L.S. 3pp. 4to, New Orleans, July 16, 1870, to General Crawford.
Referring to the conditions of the works on Morris Island, etc., at the time of the bombardment of Fort Sumter.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Governor Francis W. Pickens, L.S. 2pp. 4to, State of South Carolina, Headquarters, May 28, 1861.
To General Beauregard, thanking him for pieces of the flag staff taken from Fort Sumter. Endorsed by General Beauregard.
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- b. 1, f. 4 General S.W. Crawford; a series of A.L.S. written to General Beauregard in 1869.
Inquiring about various matters in connection with Fort Sumter. July 12, 22, November 9, November 22, December 4, 1869; all mutilated.
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- b. 1, f. 4 General P.G.T. Beauregard; notes dictated to W.A. Marrin about the first and second siege of Fort Sumter; 12pp., folio, in pencil.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Major Robert Anderson, L.S. 4pp., New York City, May 26, 1862.
Referring to the part he played in the defense of Fort Sumter.
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- b. 1, f. 4 General P.G.T. Beauregard, A.L.S. 2pp. 4to, to General Alf Roman August 22, 1882.
Regarding the evacuation of Fort Sumter and the incorrectness of Jefferson Davis' statements regarding the siege.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Gist, S.R., A.L.S. to Col. Manigault, April 8, 1861.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Ripley, Roswell S., A.L.S. to Gen. Beauregard, Fort Sumter, May 16, 1861.

VOLUME II (continued)

- b. 1, f. 4 General James H. Trapier, A.L.S. Charleston, January 4, 1861, to Governor Pickens.
Reporting on his examination of the defenses of Fort Moultrie and stating what should be done to capture Fort Sumter.
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- b. 1, f. 4 General Gustavus W. Smith, A.L.S. 3pp., New York, March 12, 1861, to General Beauregard
Stating that Sumter will be evacuated by order of the Federal Government. Smith was at this time state commissioner of New York. He later became a General in the Confederate Army.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Pettigrew, James Johnston, A.D.S., Sullivan's Island, April 11, 1861.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Mercer, Samuel. Copies of 3 letters: April 7 [two on this date], 8, 1861.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Admiral Andrew H. Foote, A.L.S. 3pp. 4to, Navy Yard, New York, April 9, 1861, to Gideon Welles, marked private.
With three letters of Captain Mercer. These letters refer to the controversy caused by the ordering of Lieutenant Porter to the command of the "Politan," the vessel intended to carry supplies to Fort Sumter.
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- Joseph R. Hawley, Governor of Connecticut
- b. 1, f. 4 A.L. Hartford, March 12, 1861, to Gideon Welles, recognizing the necessity of evacuating Sumter.
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- b. 1, f. 4 A.L.S. 6pp., Hartford, March 27, 1861, referring to the evacuation of Sumter, etc.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Isaac Toucey, Secretary of the Navy under Buchanan. A.L.S. 2pp., Washington, February 14, 1861, to Gideon Welles.
Referring to his support of Anderson.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Edwin M. Stanton, A.L.S. 1p. 4to. War Department, Washington, March 28, 1865.
To General Robert Anderson, enclosing order of the President, directing the flag of the United States to be raised on the Fort on the 4th anniversary of the evacuation of the Fort.
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- b. 1, f. 4 William Lloyd Garrison, A.L.S. 4pp. 8mo. Providence, April 13, 1866.
Describing the raising of the flag on Fort Sumter in 1865. Tells of the devastation of Charleston. Recommends the impeachment of Johnson and refers to Lincoln's emancipation of the slaves.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Hewett, S.C. 2 A.L.S. to Pres. Lincoln and his cabinet. Boston, April 22, 23, 1861.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Gustavus V. Fox, A.L.S. January 21, 1865, to Benson J. Lossing
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- b. 1, f. 4 Gist, A.L.S., April 8, 1861, to Col. Manigault.
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- b. 1, f. 4 Dr. S.C. Hewett, 2 A.L.S. 12pp., Boston, April 22-23, 1861.
To President Lincoln and his Cabinet. Calls General Scott - Major Anderson - traitors. Attacks the President and Secretaries Seward and Chase.

VOLUME III

- b. 1A, f. 5 Major Robert Anderson, A.L.S. 4pp., Fort Moultrie, S.C., December 15, 1860, to Dr. G.T. Metcalf.
Written shortly before leaving Fort Moultrie and removed to Fort Sumter: "I would rather not be kept here to *surrender* when a demand is made for the Fort, I don't like the name of *having surrendered*.... Having rec'd orders to defend, I felt it my duty to call for an adequate force."
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- b. 1A, f. 5 General Thomas Jordan, A.L.S. 4pp., November 3, 1861, to General Beauregard
"The letter which the President is to write, or has written, about the report, will never be sent you, if it was ever written."
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- b. 1A, f. 5 L.P. Griffin, A.L.S. 4pp., New York March 7 (n.y.) to General Beauregard.
Congratulating him on his promotion: "What the devil is to be the end of all this? ... Fort Sumter will be attacked—Fort Sumter will not be attacked."
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- b. 1A, f. 5 John Bonner, 4 A.L.S. January 16, 31; February 9, 14, 1861.
To Dr. Crawford arranging for the publication in *Harper's Weekly* of interior views of the Fort, etc.
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- b. 1A, f. 5 Papers relating to Fort Sumter 1860 to 1861. Returns of Ordnance, etc. (7 items)

POLITICAL ASSOCIATES OF LINCOLN

All bound in full levant.

- b. 2, f. 6 Horace Greeley, A.L.S. 1p. 8mo., New York, October 24, 1861, to Caleb B. Smith
Stating that Lincoln had never consulted him in regard to cabinet appointments.
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- b. 2, f. 6 John Hay, A.L.S. 2pp. 4to, Washington, March 15, 1861.
Referring to Lincoln's refusal to make recommendations for departmental appointments.
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- b. 2, f. 6 Henry J. Raymond, journalist. A.L.S. 6pp. 8mo, New York, August 11, 1864.
From the contents it is supposed that this letter was written to W.P. Fessenden. It discusses the coming campaign and says that Lincoln's election will be very difficult. It mentions the necessity for raising money and his having approached government contractors for contributions. Raymond was editor of the *New York Times* and also speaker of the New York Assembly in 1861.
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- b. 2, f. 6 Gideon Welles, A.L.S. 4pp. 8mo., Hartford, November 21, 1873 to Ira Harris.
Strongly criticizing Seward and his endeavors to create the impression that Lincoln was dominated by him.
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- b. 2, f. 6 Horatio Seymour, Governor of New York, proclamation 2pp. 4to., Executive Chamber, Albany, May 10, 1864.
Announcing the death of General James S. Wadsworth and ordering flags displayed at half mast on the Capitol and on all arsenals of the State.

- b. 2, f. 6 John Sherman, A.L.S. 4pp. 8mo., November 1, 1862, to Schuyler Colfax.
Reviewing the results of two years of the War. Speaks of his discouragement at the President's want of energy, etc.
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- b. 2, f. 6 Charles Sumner, A.L.S. 3pp., February 7, 1863.
Referring to interviews with Lincoln; at the end of the 3rd p. is a note in pencil signed "H.W.B."
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- b. 2, f. 6 James Garfield, A.L.S., September 15, 1864, 3pp. 4to.
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- b. 2, f. 6 Horace Greeley, A.L.S., April 17, 1848, 2pp. 4to.
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- b. 2, f. 6 Hatch, [I? or J?]T., A.L.S., Buffalo, March 10, 1863.

ABRAHAM LINCOLN NORTH AND SOUTH

- b. 2, f. 7 General Isaac Stevens, A.L.S. 4pp. 4to, Beaufort, South Carolina, April 23, 1862, to W.P. Fessenden.
Speaking enthusiastically of his impression of Lincoln at his first interview and his devotion to Lincoln.
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- b. 2, f. 7 John Bright, English Statesman, A.L.S. 4pp. 8mo. Rochdale, October 1, 1864, to Horace Greeley.
Giving his observations on the feelings of Englishmen in relation to the re-election of Lincoln and the Rebellion. Praises the President and criticizes McClellan.
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- b. 2, f. 7 Richard H. Stoddard, A.L. signed with initials, 2pp. 8mo. New York, May 2, 1865.
Referring to his ode on the death of Lincoln with copy in pencil signed of this ode as it was submitted for publication dated Christmas 1877. Also note partly in ink and partly in pencil addressed to Golder regarding the Lincoln ode.
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- b. 2, f. 7 James Whitcomb Riley, A.L.S. 1p. 8mo. Indianapolis, June 24, 1890, to Robert Underwood Johnson.
Referring to Lincoln and Riley's poems.
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- b. 2, f. 7 Horace Greeley, A.L.S. 1p. 8mo., Office of the Tribune, New York, July 24, 1867, to E.A. Stansbury.
Referring to Lincoln and implying that the Emancipation was due to Greeley although Lincoln got the credit for it.
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- b. 2, f. 7 Sumner, Charles, A.L.S. to Gideon Welles. Cotuit, [Mass.], July 5, 1865.
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- b. 2, f. 7 Mary Lincoln, A.L.S. 4pp., crossed. Frankfurt, A.M., April 3, 1874, to Mrs. Orne.
Speaking of her husband's services to his country, bitterly criticizing Grant, her own sickness, etc.
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- b. 2, f. 7 General Edward S. Bragg, A.L.S. 2pp. 4to, Washington, May 5, 1860. Written to his wife.
Describing the Democratic convention, which had just closed without being able to agree upon a candidate.
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- b. 2, f. 7 To Whom it May Concern - a forgery.

JEFFERSON DAVIS AND GENERAL P.G.T. BEAUREGARD

- b. 2, f. 8 W. Porcher Miles, A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo, August 1, 1861. Addressed to General Beauregard.
Referring to Miles' application to Jefferson Davis for supplies and transportation for Beauregard's army. Miles was a member of the Confederate Congress.
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- Jefferson Davis
- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, August 4, 1861. To General Beauregard.
In reference to the same suggestion. With copy of letter from Beauregard to Davis dated August 10, 1861, replying to Davis' letter.
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 3pp. 8vo., October 30, 1861. To General Beauregard.
The celebrated letter in which Davis accuses Beauregard of trying to exalt himself at Davis' expense, as Beauregard had asserted that Davis had prevented him from moving on and capturing Washington. With notes on the back in hand of General Jordan.
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 1p. 8vo., November 9, 1861.
Asking for copies of his letters to Beauregard.
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 2pp. 8vo., April 1, 1878.
Thanking Beauregard for his offer to loan Davis his papers relating to the War.
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 8pp. 4to, September 25, 1879.
Of great historical interest; regarding Hood's campaign in Georgia and Tennessee; the responsibility for Confederate disasters, which he places on General Beauregard; etc. He refers to Beauregard as an "artful dodger."
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 6pp. 8vo., January 14, 1880.
Regarding Beauregard's actions in the Tennessee campaign.
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S. 4pp. 8vo., November 6, 1884.
Referring to Beauregard's published articles, his incapacity, and misrepresentations.
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- b. 2, f. 8 General Johnson Hagood, A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, June 22, 1881, to General Beauregard.
Written as governor of South Carolina. Inviting Beauregard to be a guest of the State and criticizing strongly Davis' account of the battle of Drury's Bluff.
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- b. 2, f. 8 General Beauregard, A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, July 2, 1881.
This is a draft of a letter to General Hagood, replying to the previous letter. Strongly criticizing Davis and his book.
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- b. 2, f. 8 General Jubal Early, A.L.S., 20pp. 4to, August 22, 1881, to General Beauregard
Reviewing Davis' *Rise and Fall of the Confederacy* and upholding him against General Beauregard's attack. Discusses at length the Battles of Bull Run, Shiloh, Petersburg, etc.

General Beauregard

- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, September 15, 1881, to General Early, replying to the preceding letter.
Saying that a further discussion of Davis' book would be useless, as his own views and Early's are so widely divergent. This is a draft of the letter to Early kept by Beauregard.
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L., written in pencil, 6pp., folio, September, 1881, to General Early.
Referencing discussion of his letter criticizing Davis' *Rise and Fall of the Confederacy*.
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- b. 2, f. 8 Joseph E. Johnston, A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo. March 21, 1874, to General Beauregard.
Containing reference to General Lee and the contemplated removal of General Johnston from command.

General Thomas Jordan

- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, February 6, 1869, to General Beauregard.
Criticizing Davis' "wicked policies," suggesting that Johnston and General Beauregard should join to expose these policies.
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 9pp. 8vo, with a second A.L.S. of General Jordan, 9pp. 8vo.
The two letters are dated March 1 and March 17, 1871. They both refer to Alfred's *Life of General Davis*, which he states to be "full of historical errors and teeming with lies."
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- b. 2, f. 8 General W.S. Walker, A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, June 27, 1881, to General Beauregard.
Referring to Davis' *Rise and Fall of the Confederacy* and his unjust prejudice against Beauregard.
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- b. 2, f. 8 General M.J. Wright, A.L.S. 1p. 4to, June 24, 1881, to General Beauregard.
Concurring in Beauregard's estimate of Davis' book. Saying that it is full of errors and omissions.

Augustas J. Evans

- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 6pp. 4to, January 14, 1863. To General Beauregard
Regretting that Davis discarded Beauregard's plan of campaign. Speaks of insubordination in the army and Lincoln's "infamous proclamation." With pencil note on a small slip of paper signed with initials.
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- b. 2, f. 8 A.L.S., 8pp. 8vo, January 30, 1864.
Denouncing Davis and the government at Richmond and attacking Lincoln.
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- b. 2, f. 8 General Jubal Early, A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, July 11, 1873, to General Beauregard.
Giving his views of the unification movement in Louisiana, which he argues against.

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- b. 2, f. 9 General W.T. Sherman, A.L.S., 3pp., 4to, November 22, 1865. Written to B.F. Wade, Chairman of the Committee on the Conduct of the War.
Referring to material he has regarding the events during the various campaigns in which Sherman took part.
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- b. 2, f. 9 General Braxton Bragg, A.L.S., 4pp., 4to, February 9, 1866. To General Beauregard
Giving at length his reminiscences of General Sherman and conversations with him in New Orleans just before the war.
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- General Jubal A. Early
- b. 2, f. 9 A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo., March 7, 1876, to General Beauregard.
A caustic criticism of General Sherman's book, just published.
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- b. 2, f. 9 A.L.S., 4pp. 8vo., March 17, 1876, to General Beauregard.
Further criticizing Sherman's memoirs.
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- b. 2, f. 9 General Thomas Jordan, A.M. Beauregard's Chief of Staff, 12pp. 4to.
Rough draft of General Jordan's review of Sherman's memoirs, addressed to the editor of the *New York Herald*.
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- ANDREW JACKSON AND JOHN RANDOLPH
Bound together in half morocco.
- b. 2, f. 10 Mrs. Martha Randolph, A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, Monticello, May 13, 1815.
Mrs. Randolph was Thomas Jefferson's daughter. The Letter refers to John Randolph's accusations against the wife of Gouverneur Morris. He accuses Mrs. Morris of murder, licentiousness, and of being the mother of an illegitimate child.
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- b. 2 John Randolph, A.L.S., March 15, 1817, 4pp. 4to.
Containing some interesting autobiographical information.
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- b. 2, f. 10 Francis Scott Key, A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, May 6, 1833.
With Henry Ashton, A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, May 6, 1833; Henry Ashton, A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, May 13, 1833; all to Hon. A.B. Taney, Attorney General. With A.L. in third person from Taney to the President, May 16, 1833. These letters are in reference to insult offered to President Jackson by Lieutenant Randolph, who tweaked the President's nose. The letters contain a full account of what happened on this occasion and the attempts to arrest Randolph. The incident is referred to on pp. 715-716 and 728 in Bassett's *Life of Andrew Jackson*.
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- b. 2, f. 10 Andrew Jackson, A.L.S., 2pp. 4to, 1807 ca. January 13, n.d.
Demanding an apology for a statement that Jackson was engaged in the treason of Colonel Burr. The letter is addressed to James Sanders and is apparently the first draft.
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- b. 2, f. 10 Rachael Jackson, A.L.S., 3pp. 4to, Hermitage, July 18, 182-.
An interesting letter by the wife of the president; the spelling is remarkable. It refers to the attacks made upon her on account of the irregularity of her marriage to Jackson.
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- Henry Clay

Henry Clay (continued)

- b. 2, f. 10 A.L.S. 1p. 4to, August 4, 1827.
Referring to the possibility of Clay's being challenged to a duel by Jackson and saying that he will be "prepared for any and every honorable event." With addressed envelope.
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- b. 2, f. 10 A.L., in the third person, 1p. 4to, June 9, 1834.
Stating that he has never "had of any Jackson functionary the slightest favor."
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- b. 2, f. 10 William Reed, A.L.S., 4pp. 4to, January 13, 1815.
Referring to the Battle of New Orleans, to John Randolph, etc.
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- b. 2, f. 10 W.B. Lewis, A.L.S., Fairfield, November 7, 1845, 3pp. 8 vo., to John C. Calhoun.
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- b. 2, f. 10 Two letters in the hand of Winfield Scott.
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- b. 2, f. 10 Andrew Jackson, A.L.S., 2¼pp, folio, January 8, 1813.
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- b. 2, f. 10 Martin Van Buren, A.L.S., 3pp. 4to. April 8, 1826.
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