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GEORGE FREEMAN BRAGG PAPERS Collection 6-1

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Scope Note

The George Freeman Bragg papers consist of six items, spans « linear foot and cover the years 1889-1930. The collection reflects Bragg's interest in religion, politics and Negro history. Included are two letters written to Bragg by Theodore Holly concerning Bragg's involvement in the race question, in the Protestant Episcopal Churches of Virginia and South Carolina. A draft of a letter written by Bragg to Maryland Governor Albert Ritchie congratulating Gov. Ritchie on his reelection is also in the collection.

Also included is a scrapbook which contains newspaper clippings on race relations, slavery and politics. There is also a notebook which Bragg compiled as an index to the several scrapbooks he compiled over the years.

Biographical Sketch

George Freeman Bra 1863, Jan. 25	ngg Born in Warrenton, NC
1879	Entered Petersburg Seminary, Petersburg, VA
1882	Appointed Page, Virginia Legislature
1882	Founded Lancet, a weekly newspaper in Petersburg, VA
1886, Jan.	Enrolled in the Bishop Payne Divinity School, Petersburg, VA
1887, Sept. 20	Married Nellie Hill
1887, Dec. 19	Ordained to the Episcopal Ministry in Norfolk, VA
1887-1891	Appointed one of the State Curators of Hampton Institute, Hampton, VA
1891-1940	Served as Rector of the St. James Episcopal Church, Baltimore, MD
1899	Organized and founded the Maryland Home for Friendless Colored Children, Baltimore, MD
1901	Member, Board of Managers, House of Reformation for Colored Boys, Baltimore, MD
1902	Received Honorary Doctor of Divinity from Wilberforce College, Wilberforce, Ohio

Series Description

Series A Correspondence

Box 6-1 Letters between Bragg and James Holly, C. Herbert Richardson, and Gov. Albert C. Ritchie of Maryland

Series B Scrapbook

Box 6-1 A scrapbook of clippings on race relations, politics and slavery plus a notebook in which Bragg compiled an index to the several scrapbooks he owned.

Container List

Series A: Correspondence

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- 1 Holly, James Theodore to George F. Bragg 1889, June 1
- 2 Holly, James Theodore to George F. Bragg n.d.
- 3 Richardson, C. Herbert to Editor of Baltimore Sun 1919, April 25 (copy)
- 4 Bragg, George F. to Gov. Albert C. Ritchie 1923, Nov. 7 (draft)

Series B: Scrapbook

- 5 Clippings on race relations, politics, slavery, and Negro education 1897-1930
- 6 Notebook Index to scrapbooks from A to book 0, n.d.