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Collection Inventory for the Freeman Henry Morris Murray Papers Coll. 074

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Summary Information

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Repository	Moorland-Spingarn Research Center, Howard University
Creator	Murray, Freeman Henry Morris, 1859-1950
Title	Freeman Henry Morris Murray Papers
Date [inclusive]	1883-1916
Extent	1.0 Linear foot
Language	English

Biographical Sketch

Freeman Henry Morris Murray	
1859 September 22	Born in Cleveland, Ohio (reared in Cincinnati),
	Taught school in Kentucky, Moved to Alexandria,
	Virginia, successfully passed the first civil service
	examination given in the United States, and received
	a position in the War Department.
1916	His book Emancipation and the Freed in American
	Sculpture was published.
ca.1920	Founded and managed the Murray Brother's Printing
	Company in Washington, D.C.
1950 February 19	Died in Washington, D.C.

Scope Note

The papers of Freeman Henry Morris Murray, author, lecturer, editor and printer, span the period 1883-1916 and total 1 linear foot.

The collection centers on *The Horizon: a Journal of the Color Line*, of which Murray was editor, and his book, *Emancipation and the Freed in American Sculpture*. In the materials relating to both publications, there is correspondence with notables such as W.E.B. DuBois, Meta Warwick Fuller, and William Monroe Trotter.

The papers also contain corrected typescripts of some of Murray's writings, as well as clippings from his newspaper columns, "The Cynic Says" and "Chips from the Quarry". Other items of interest are materials related to the Niagara Movement including a group photograph of the wives of the men who organized the first conference.

Complementing his business activities are the personal papers of Freeman H.M. Murray. These materials include financial papers as well as 13 diaries belonging to Murray and one diary belonging to his wife, Laura Hamilton Murray.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Moorland-Spingarn Research Center, Howard University June 1980

Source

The collection was donated to Howard University by Florence Murray in March 1961.

Collection Inventory

Series A: Correspondence

Series Description

Primarily correspondence related to Freeman H. M. Murray's affiliation with The Horizon; and correspondence related to his research for his book, Emancipation and the Freed in American Sculpture; also includes general correspondence related to the various activities he was involved in; as well as a few letters dealing with personal matters.

General Correspondence

	Box	Folder
A-Z	1	1
Trottler, Geraldine	1	2
Trotter, William Monroe	1	3
Other correspondents	1	4

Emancipation and the Freed in American Sculpture correspondence

	Box	Folder
A- F	1	5

Fuller, Meta Warwick	1	6
G-Z	1	7

The Horizon - correspondence

Receipts

	Box	Folder
A - D	1	8
DuBois,W. F. B.	1	9
E - M	1	10
N - Z	1	11
Illegible and partial names	1	12
Series B: Financial Papers		
Series Description		
Receipts from property taxes, insurance policies and purchases.		
	Box	Folder
Receints	1	13

Receipts	1	14
Receipts		

Series C: Writings by Freeman H. M. Murray

	1	15
Receipts		

Series C: Writings by Freeman H. M. Murray

Series Description

Corrected typescripts of writings by Murray, including his book Emancipation and the Freed in American Sculpture; also there are a few newspaper clippings of his columns, "The Cynic Says," and "Chips From the Quarry"

	Box	Folder
Adoration of the Magi	2	16
Emancipation and the Freed in American Sculpture - announcement flyers	2	17
Emancipation draft	2	18
Emancipation draft	2	19
Emancipation draft	2	20
Emancipation draft	2	21
Emancipation draft	2	22
Emancipation draft	2	23
Emancipation draft	2	24

Emancipation draft	2	25
The Ethiopians as Pioneers of Civilization and Religion	2	26
Newspaper columns	2	27

Series D: Organizational Affiliations

Series Description

Primarily materials related to The Horizon, also includes a corrected typescript of the constitution of the American Negro Academy, and materials related to the Niagara Movement.

	Box	Folder
American Negro Academy Constitution	2	28
Conference on the Status of the Negro- List of names	2	29
The Horizon - lists	2	30
The Horizon - financial papers	2	31
The Horizon - subscription	2	32
The Niagara Movement	2	33

Series E: Photographs

Series Description

Photographs of notable Blacks during the turn of the 20th century; included are John B. Parker, Alfred Hope, and a group photograph of the wives of the men who organized the Niagara Movement; also there is a photograph of Freeman H. M. Murray.

	Box	Folder
Photographs	2	34

Series F: Printed Materials

Series Description

Newspaper clippings, a poem by Sarah Jones, and guidelines for employees of the Afro-American.

	Box	Folder
Lovingly Dedicated to the Dear Women of the O.S.F. of T.W., by Sarah Jones (poem)	2	35
Instructions for the Guidance of Writers, copy editors, Linotype Operators, and Proof Readers, and Proof Readers on the Afro-American	2	36
Newspaper clippings - general	2	37
Memorabilia - stationary, coupon	2	38
Programs	2	39
Series G: Diaries		

Series Description

Thirteen diaries belonging to Freeman H. M. Murray spanning the period 1883-1899, and one diary belonging to his wife Laura Hamilton Murray, dated February 7, 1885-February 17, 1886.

Freeman H. M. Murray

	Box	Folder
Diary December 26, 1883-May 12, 1884	3	40
Diary May 13, 1884-January 20, 1885	3	41
Diary January 20, 1885 November 16, 1885	3	42
Diary November 17, 1885 June 4, 1886	3	43
Diary June 5, 1886-December 31, 1886	3	44
Diary January 1, 1887-September 26, 1887	3	45
Diary September 27, 1887-June 19, 1888	3	46
Diary June 20, 1888-December 31, 1888	4	47
Diary January 1, 1890-December 31, 1890	4	48
Diary January 1, 1891-April 30, 1891	4	49

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Diary January 1-12, 1892; June 26, 1892; January 9, 1893	4	50
Diary January 1, 1893-December 31, 1893	4	51
Laura Hamilton Murray Diary April 5, 1899-October 27, 1899	4	52
Diary February 7, 1885-February 17, 1886	4	53