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Summary

Title: Kraft Collection

Accession Number: 2016-03

Creator: Charles Edwin Kraft (1935-2019)

Extent: 2 boxes, consisting of 37 file folders

Language: English

Abstract

The Kraft Collection contains family history research compiled by Charles Edwin Kraft. The collection includes descendant reports, family group sheets, copies of vital records, copies of Bible records, correspondence, and biographical sketches.

Prominent surnames include Adams, Deguire, Denslow, McLeod, Thomson, Thompson, Turnbull, and Wilson. Locations include Scotland, Quebec, Illinois, Missouri, New York, Oregon, and Pennsylvania.

Administrative Information

Provenance: The genealogical collection of Charles Edwin Kraft was acquired by the Genealogical Forum of Oregon in 2016.

Processing History: Processing and description of the Kraft Collection began in late 2016 and was completed in 2021.

Retention and Access: Scanned images of the collection are currently retained by the GFO Manuscripts Committee in three separate digital storage locations and can be accessed at the GFO library or by contacting manuscripts@gfo.org.

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Biographical Note

Charles Edwin Kraft was born 6 December 1935 in Longview, Cowlitz County, Washington. He spent his early years in Bridal Veil, a small Oregon community in the Columbia River Gorge, where his father ran the lumber mill. He attended Lewis & Clark College in Portland, Multnomah County, Oregon, where he met his wife, Jacqueline Howard. He served in the Navy on Guam and later attended graduate school at the University of Oregon, receiving his master's degree in 1964. In 1966, he moved back to Portland with his family and taught history at the Sylvania Campus of Portland Community College until his retirement in 1994. Charles joined the GFO in 1978 and donated his papers and many reference books in 2016. He died on 12 June 2019.

Finding Aid

Box	File	Description	Prominent Surnames	Locations	Pages
1	1	Descendants of Alexander Thomson, of Scotland through several generations, includes Parish registers, court docket, wills, census, cemetery, family narratives.	Thomson, Watson, Ferree, Settle, Dixon, Shaw, Logan Hughey	Scotland, Pennsylvania	84
1	2	Continuation of file #1	Thomson, Ferguson, Kelly, Ritchie, Alexander, Kennedy, Inman, Shannon, Carpenter	Pennsylvania, Ohio	174
1	3	Pedigree charts, descendants	Turck, Cool, Jansse, Hoes, Van Hoesen, Hall, White, Knox	Amsterdam, New York	3
1	4	More descendants following the Thomson line, includes census, parish records, biographical references, misc. historical records	Thomson, Colhoun, Campbell, Ritchie, Ijams, Schoolcraft, Whitlock, Culbertson, Swank, Motter	Scotland, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Missouri	148
	5	Continuation of the descendant report; includes research notes. Most references are for Ohio and early 20th century	Thomson, Thompson, Barleen, Peck, Roup, Snyder, Dorbecker, LaFabre, Williamson, Postlewait	Pennsylvania, Ohio	93
1	6	Continuation of the descendants, most references are for Illinois.	Thomson, Shields, McClellan, Saunders, Marshall, Kyner, McCormick, Downing, Merriell, Cluck	Pennsylvania, Illinois	196
1	7	Biographical sketches for the families of Alexander Reid, Robert Mitchell, Thomas Wright Butler, and Ellis Lafferty McCammon; includes historical records, wills.	Reid, Mitchell, Butler, McCammon, Grist	Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana	29
1	8	Correspondence, research notes, pedigrees, family group, parish registers, baptisms.	Tripp, Wright, Riches	Illinois	128

1	9	Correspondence between Charles Kraft and a professional researcher	Motter, Culbertson, Thomson, Howland, Reynolds, and others	Illinois, Ohio	29
1	10	Photos of various people, and headstones. Includes family groups, Bible records, research notes	Adams, Stevenson, Donald, McKay, Turnbull, Cameron	Illinois, Nova Scotia	26
1	11	Descendants of Alexander Thomson. Some duplicates of previous files	Thomson, Ritchie, Inman, Alexander, Kennedy, Shannon, Neeley, Anderson, McCague, McCormick.	Pennsylvania	319
1	12	More Thomson descendants	Wylie, Childs, McClelland, Black, Rodman, McKinney, Magee, Pentland, McLeod, Reside, Marshall	Pennsylvania, Illinois	239
1	13	1976 itinerary of a 2-week trip beginning in Tacoma WA., travel to Midwest, South, and West Coast. Listed places visited, people seen, etc.			54
1	14	Biographical sketches of William Marvin Denslow and of his son Ray Denslow. Both were influential in their roles as leaders.	Denslow	Missouri	109
1	15	Pedigree chart beginning with George Denslow (1514-1621)	Denslow		1
1	16	Denslow descendant charts and records from various branches of the family. Includes pedigrees, family groups, research notes	Denslow	Ohio	160
1	17	12-generation, 355 years of descendants of Francois Deguire dit La Rose and Jean Baptiste Deguire dit La Rose, includes family group sheets with attached notes	Deguire	France, Montreal, Quebec	216

1	18	Grist descendants, includes family group sheets, London death certificates, photos, correspondence	Grist, Gryst	England	29
1	19	Biographies and descendants of William Faulkner and John Johnston. Article written for a Detroit publication by Mr. Frost about Milton Sweet, including copies of court cases	Faulkner, Rogers, Sweet, Johnston, Thomson	New York, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Michigan	54
1	20	Bible records from Patterson Bible, 1795. Computerized listing of cemeteries in Pictou Co Nova Scotia, includes some inscriptions. Photos of headstones.	Patterson	Pictou, Nova Scotia, Pennsylvania	164
1	21	Descendant chart of George Denslow, surname index, diary entries 1864 of Abner Denslow		Connecticut	213
1	22	Obit, pedigree charts with notes relating to the charts, photos, many Irish vital records	Watson, Dyell, Hoey	Ireland	63
1	23	Heraldry pedigree charts		Europe	122
2	1	Biographical notes, census, vital, and Bible records; some correspondence.	Wilson, Kenfield, Coon, Cobb, Joechel	New York, Texas, Illinois, Nebraska, Oregon	133
2	2	Descendants of Thomson, includes census, land, probates, vital records.	Watson, McLeod, Wylie, Black, McClelland, Dilworth, Rodman, Reed, Magee, Pentland	Pennsylvania, New York, Illinois, Kentucky	152
2	3	Thomson descendants. Mostly census, vital records	McLeod, Clarkson, Thorburn, Bradley, Mellett, Wylie, Richardson, Forsythe, Snyder, Moorhead, Bryan	New York, Pennsylvania, California	89
2	4	Thomson descendants. Mostly census, vital records	Purviance, Callow, McCluney, Bryden, Bredin, Thomson	Pennsylvania, Missouri	168

2	5	Thomson descendants, covering generations 6-9. Mostly census, vital records	Purviance, Ehrick, Irwin, Haines, Tait, Neyman, McCluney, Turley	Pennsylvania	139
2	6	Wilson family origins, following the descendants of Nathaniel or Elnathan Wilson. Includes census, marriages, children, church, tax, correspondence	Lewis, Vantress, Watts, Honnold, Arnold, Evans, Cook, Bixby	New York, Illinois, Michigan, Oregon	150
2	7	Descendants of Nathaniel Wilson, mostly census, children. Life story from the Missourian news of Rosemary Bewerk Lucas Ginn and Stanley Ginn	Wilson, Potter, Strickland, Lucas, Tate, Hawes, Burdick	New York, Missouri, Illinois, Washington, Oregon	139
2	8	Descendants of Alexander Thomson, obit of Frank Thomson from the Public Ledger, 1899	Lesley, Henricks, Pierce, Graham, Covode, Mobon, Hamill	Pennsylvania, Indiana	75
2	9	Descendants of Alexander Thomson, misc. records	Watriss, Henderson, Hendricks, Hobbs, Pierce, Graham, McCoy, Mabon	Pennsylvania, Indiana	184
2	10	Descendants of Alexander Thomson, misc records	Cowan, Daugherty, McMath, Karns, Kearns, Tomer, Kirkpatrick, Bardue	Pennsylvania, Iowa	71
2	11	Descendants of Alexander Thomson, misc records	McKee, Tindell, Reiter, McMath, Greer, Karns, McCune, Kirkpatrick, Wetzel, Krebs, Cowan, Siechert	Pennsylvania, Iowa, California	143
2	12	Summary of physicians	Thomson, Marshall, Kennedy, Williams, Morton, Streett, Colhoun, Pinkerton, Culbertson, Roberts, Marshall, Sawyer, Howell, and others	Pennsylvania	14
2	13	Alexander Thomson descendants, misc. records	Paton, Agnew, Thomson, Auchincloss, Page, Coates	New York, Pennsylvania	36

2	14	Alexander Thomson descendants, misc. records	Lusk, Renfrew, Thomson, McGowan, McElroy, Criswell, Bunker, Paton, Agnew, Kerr, Talcott, Clark, Auchincloss	Pennsylvania, New York	160
2	15	Alexander Thomson descendants, misc records	McElray, Kramer, Paton, Page, Talcott, Auchincloss, Agnew, Foote, Morris, Renfrew, Oyler, Ilgenfritz, Clark, Stauffer, Geiter	Pennsylvania, New York	128
2	16	Descendants of William Denslow (1700-1767) through the early 1900s, an account of the murder of Dr. Denslow in St. Josephs, Michigan, 1906, by his wife	Denslow	Michigan	81
2	17	Descendant report of William Denslow through 10 generations	Denslow		148
2	18	Author Ray V. Denslow gives an account of the origin of the Denslow name, including the pedigree of Nicholas Denslow, historical references with maps, will of Nicholas.	Denslow		134