COLLECTION REGISTER

Name: Bowdle, Daniel (1796-1876)  
Material: Family Papers (1762-1932)  
Volume: 0.75 linear feet (Document Boxes 1-2, Oversized Folders 1-3, 1 Photograph Folder)  
Donation: Gift of Miss Rebecca Hart Shriver, 1960-62  
Usage: These materials have been donated without restrictions on usage.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

The Bowdle Family was one of the founding families on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. One important line in this family are the descendants of Henry Bowdle. Henry Bowdle, Jr., was born in 1757 in Talbot County, Maryland. In 1778 he took the Oath of Allegiance and fought with the Maryland Militia during the Revolutionary War. On November 5, 1779, Henry married Ruth Mulliken, and the couple ultimately had eleven children.

One of the eleven children, Daniel Bowdle, was born on January 27, 1796. In 1827, Daniel left Baltimore and moved to Cincinnati, Ohio. Upon his arrival in Cincinnati, Daniel worked at the Records Office assisting in recording deeds. In August 1828, he began working at the Clerk’s Office of Hamilton County. On October 17, 1832, he married Catherine Dickey, the daughter of Patrick and Margaret Dickey. Their son, Daniel Dickey Bowdle, was born July 16, 1835. In February 1837, Daniel Bowdle left his post at the County Clerk’s office to become the Clerk to the Agent of the Bank of the United States, where he continued to work throughout his life. On June 26, 1837, Catherine Dickey Bowdle died, and Daniel never remarried.

Daniel Dickey Bowdle married Eleanor Eyre Doran of Attleboro, Pennsylvania on January 30, 1862. Their son, Stanley Eyre Bowdle, was born on September 4, 1868. Daniel Dickey Bowdle died only eight years later, on October 13, 1876.

In 1889 Stanley graduated from the Cincinnati School of Law. On November 29, 1900, he married Lillian Crane Scott of New York. In 1912, he was a member of the Ohio Constitutional Convention. He served as a Democratic member of the 63rd United States Congress (1913-1915) representing the First Ohio District. He was an unsuccessful candidate for Congress in both 1914 and 1916. He also served as mayor of Clifton, Ohio. Stanley died in an automobile accident on April 16, 1919. His sister, Eleanor Eyre Bowdle Shriver, was active as
president of the Philadelphia chapters of both the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Daughters of Founders and Patriots. Her daughter, Miss Rebecca Hart Shriver, donated this collection to Dickinson College.

Another branch of the Bowdle family had a small connection to Dickinson College. Amos Bowdle, brother of Daniel Bowdle, had a son who attended Dickinson College. William James Bowdle was born on October 8, 1834 in Church Creek, Maryland. He graduated from Dickinson in 1854 and went on to practice medicine. William James Bowdle died on August 1, 1876.

**COLLECTION DESCRIPTION**

The Bowdle Family Papers are housed in two document boxes, two oversized folders, and one photograph folder, and are arranged into four basic categories: Correspondence, Legal Papers, and Miscellaneous Materials, and Photographs. The bulk of these materials are correspondence between Daniel Bowdle (1796-1876) and his relatives and business associates.

The Correspondence section of this collection contains letters which have been arranged alphabetically by author, and then chronologically. The great majority of the letters was written by or to Daniel Bowdle. Correspondents include his brother Amos, his sisters Ann, Julia, and Nancy, and his nieces and nephews Amanda, Benjamin, Francis Isabel, Maria, Robert, William H., and William James (Dickinson College, Class of 1854). The bulk of the letters details family and local news of Talbot County, Maryland, and news of Daniel Bowdle and his son Daniel Dickey Bowdle in Cincinnati.

The Legal Papers section of the collection is composed mainly of wills, deeds, and leases of the Bowdle and Dickey families. These papers are arranged alphabetically by the individual with whom these papers deal. Of particular note are the papers of Patrick Dickey involving a case of disputed land in Mason County, Virginia. This case between the heirs of Patrick Dickey and the heirs of John Stewart lasted from 1829 to 1838. Also of note in this section are papers conveyed between Daniel Gano and future president General William Henry Harrison as officers of the court of common pleas in Hamilton County, Ohio. Several deeds to the Dickey estate are housed in two oversized folders.

The Miscellaneous Materials section contains a variety of interesting news clippings and memorabilia of the Bowdle Family, all arranged alphabetically by family member. A great deal of material about Stanley Eyre Bowdle can be found here. Of particular note among the miscellany is the certificate discharging Nicholas Hart from the 3rd Pennsylvania Regiment of the Continental Army in 1783, and a 40 shilling note of Pennsylvania currency dated 1772. Several miscellaneous newspaper items have been separated out due to their size and are housed in an oversized folder.

The Photographs section contains numerous images of Bowdle Family members and descendants, all listed alphabetically. These photographs are all housed in a single folder, designated PC 1998.3, within the photograph collection.
COLLECTION INVENTORY

BOX 1 - MC 1998.3

CORRESPONDENCE

Folder 01) Bowdle, Amanda
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1847-1850

Folder 02) Bowdle, Amos
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1827-1849

Folder 03) Bowdle, Ann
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1846
Bowdle, Benjamin
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1822-1826

Folder 04) Bowdle, Daniel

Nov. 17, 1836  Letter to Dr. Rufus Haymond
Aug. 10, 1837  Letter to John Snyder
July 13, 1841  Letter to George Jenkins
Dec. 17, 1844  Letter to V. Worthington
Mar. 18, 1845  Letter to Nancy Bowdle
Apr. 22, 1845  Letter to Nancy Bowdle
June 28, 1845  Letter to Mr. Cary
June 28, 1845  Letter to Mrs. Thomas
Dec. 4, 1845  Letter to Nancy Bowdle
Apr. 29, 1846  Letter to V. Worthington
Nov. 10, 1846  Letter to Ann Bowdle
Mar. 2, 1847  Letter to Amanda Bowdle
June 28, 1847  Letter to Nancy Bowdle

Folder 05) Bowdle, Daniel

Mar. 15, 1848  Letter to Amanda Bowdle
Mar. 22, 1848  Letter to William Bain
July 12, 1848  Letter to William H. Bowdle
Sept. 18, 1848  Letter to Thomas Jenkins
Oct. 2, 1848  Letter to Thomas Jenkins
Jan. 31, 1849  Letter to Amanda Bowdle
Aug. 4, 1849  Letter to George Jenkins
Aug. 13, 1849  Letter to Amos Bowdle
Sept. 26, 1849  Letter to Maria Bowdle
Nov. 26, 1849  Letter to Amanda Bowdle
Dec. 12, 1849  Letter to William James Bowdle

Folder 06) Bowdle, Daniel

Apr. 12, 1850  Letter to William James Bowdle
Apr. 17, 1850  Letter to Maria Bowdle
Dec. 2, 1850  Letter to William James Bowdle
Sept. 20, 1852  Letter to George Jenkins
Nov. 17, 1852  Letter to George Jenkin
Folder 06) Bowdle, Daniel
Nov. 26, 1852   Letter to Susan Willis
Jan. 26, 1853   Letter to Maria Bowdle
Jan. 29, 1853   Letter to Julia Bowdle
Aug. 13, 1853   Letter to Robert Bowdle
Dec. 17, 1853   Letter to Dr. G. Bailey
Apr. 17, 1854   Letter to Thomas Stevens, Jr.

Folder 07) Bowdle, Francis Isabel
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1853-1854
Bowdle, Julia
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1825-1853

Folder 08) Bowdle, Maria L.
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1849-1853

Folder 09) Bowdle, Nancy
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1845-1850

Folder 10) Bowdle, Robert H.
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Aug. 24, 1853
Bowdle, William H.
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1848
Bowdle, William James
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1849-1850

Folder 11) Brackenridge, Robert, Jr.
Letter to Catherine Bowdle and Margaret Duffield – June 4, 1834
Letter to Daniel Bowdle – May 7, 1836
Letter to Daniel Bowdle – Aug. 29, 1836
Letter to Daniel Bowdle – Nov. 7, 1836

Folder 12) Cockey, John H.
Letter to William James Bowdle - June 26, 1827
Colton, Rev. Dr. C.
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - undated
Cummings, Edward H.
Letter to Charles Duffield - Oct. 12, 1839
Duffield, Charles
Letter to Daniel Dickey Bowdle - July 2, 1883

Folder 13) Fitzgerald, J. J.
Letter to Daniel Dickey Bowdle - Mar. 12, 1884
Hanly, Mrs. M. A.
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Feb. 23, 1836
Hart, William
Letter to Henry Lyndale - Jan. 6, 1859
Henderson, Charles
Letters to Margaret Dickey - 1816
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Folder 14) Jenkins, George
Letters to Daniel Bowdle - 1841-1853

Jones, Michael
Letter to Patrick Dickey - Dec. 9, 1806

Kirby, T.
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Apr. 21, 1849

Lloyd, James
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Sept. 12, 1848

Lloyd, Louisa
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Nov. 10, 1848

Folder 15) McNicoll, Peter
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Jan. 12, 1829

Moore, J. Hampton
Letter to Mrs. George Howard Shriver - Aug. 8, 1932

Prigg, Joseph, Jr.
Letter to William Prigg - Dec. 4, 1827

Pugh, Achilles
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - July 18, 1852

Stephen, R. H.
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Sept. 5, 1806

Van Tuyl, Dr. D. B.
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Mar. 19, 1846

Willis, Nicholas
Letter to Daniel Bowdle - Feb. 4, 1853

LEGAL PAPERS

Folder 16) Ballantine, Matilda
Will - Feb. 17, 1873

Bowdle, Catherine D. and Eleanor E.
Quit Claim Deed from Thomas and Laura E. Watts - July 27, 1905

Bowdle, Daniel
Lease to Lewis Martz - Jan. 1, 1835
Papers regarding Lafayette Bank and Clifton Farm - 1843-1849
Summons for Jury Duty - 1852
Will and Probate Entries - 1876

Folder 17) Bowdle, Daniel and Daniel Dickey
Lease to John Hans - Aug. 1, 1865

Dickey, Margaret
Deed of Trust to Aaron G. Gano - 1832

Folder 18) Dickey, Patrick
Papers regarding land dispute in Virginia - 1808-1836

Folder 19) Dickey, Patrick
Papers regarding settlement of Estate - 1816-1841
Folder 20) Dickey, Patrick
   Leases between Dickey Estate and various individuals - 1824-1826
Folder 21) Franklin, Benjamin
   Mortgages for properties on Spruce St., Philadelphia - 1836-1845
Folder 22) Gano, Daniel
   Court of Common Pleas fees, Hamilton County - 1834-1835
   Order for payment to George Smith - June 20, 1836
Folder 23) Hart Family
   Will of Nicholas Hart - Oct. 15, 1817
   Will of Rachel Hart - July 13, 1821
   William Hart Estate administration - Mar. 12, 1845
   Will of John M. Hart - July 26, 1853
Folder 24) Hughes, Mary
   Inventory of personal property - undated
   Symmes, John Cleves
   Deed of sale to Patrick Dickey (Cincinnati Lot #30) - Aug. 4, 1795
   Townsend, Charles
   Will - Jan. 31, 1775

MISCELLANEOUS MATERIALS
Folder 25) Brant, Mrs. Mary Bowdle
   Memorial printed in Triangle News, Vol. III, No. 2 by the
   Canton, Ohio Y.W.C.A. - Feb. 1926
   Bowdle, Daniel
   Bills and receipts - 1819-1832
   Cincinnati College, 1st Medical Commencement - Mar. 3, 1836
   Cincinnati Observatory, Circular - May 25
   Farmer's College, Hamilton County, Circular - Mar. 21, 1848
Folder 26) Bowdle, Daniel Dickey
   Birth announcement for daughter - July 13, 1874
   Collegiate Institute, Weekly School Report - Feb. 14, 1857
   Description of illness - Nov. 10, 1840
   Receipts and accounts - 1887-1894
   Newspaper obituary - Dec. 21, 1904
   Bowdle, Ellen E.
   “In Memoriam” - undated
   Bowdle, Eleanor Eyre (Mrs. George Howard Shriver)
   Concert program - Sep. 15, 1901
   Daughters of American Revolution, agenda - Feb. 1932
   Daughters of Founders and Patriots of America, ballot - Jan. 1932
   Newspaper clipping, wedding announcement
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MISCELLANEOUS MATERIALS (cont.)
Folder 01) Bowdle, Stanley Eyre
Speech on Women’s Suffrage before the Ohio Constitutional Convention - undated
The Reclamation of the Arid West - July 12, 1911
H.R. 17801 (introduced by Stanley Bowdle) - July 9, 1914
Woman Suffrage - Jan. 15, 1915
“Tribute” in Ohio Law Reporter - June 2, 1919
“Memorial” in Ohio Law Bulletin - June 9, 1919

Folder 02) Memorial, Cincinnati Bar Association - May 26, 1919
Folder 03) Miscellaneous newspaper clippings
Folder 04) Bowdle, William Doran
Unsigned composition regarding his death on Jan. 31, 1886
Bowdle Family
Coat of Arms
Genealogy notes

Folder 05) Dickey, Catherine (Mrs. Daniel Bowdle)
Several handwritten pages of poetry
Dickey, Margaret
Fire Insurance Policy, Ohio Insurance Company - Feb. 18, 1831
Doran, Eleanor Eyre (Mrs. Daniel Bowdle)
Token of Esteem signed by Preston Eyre
Hart, Nicholas
Army discharge, 3rd Pennsylvania - Sep. 9, 1783

Folder 06) Shriver, George Howard
Autograph album - Dec. 25, 1880

Folder 07) Willis, Clara Amy
“A Prophecy” - June 8, 1893

Folder 08) Ephemera

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LEGAL PAPERS
Folder 01) Bentham, Robert
Deed of sale to Patrick Dickey (Cincinnati lot #57) - Dec. 11, 1797
Dickey, Catharine and Margaret
Quit claim deed from Joseph and Mary Brackenridge - Mar. 15, 1824
Kelshimer, Francis
Deed of sale to Patrick Dickey - Apr. 15, 1813
Hart, John
Commission as Inspector of Tobacco - Mar. 26, 1836
LEGAL PAPERS (cont.)

Folder 02)  Penrose, Thomas  
Deed to Charles Woolfall for Philadelphia lots - Nov. 30, 1762  
Rathburn, Thomas  
Deed of sale to Patrick Dickey - undated  
Taylor, Henry  
Account of the estate of Henry Taylor - Dec. 15, 1801  
Townsend, Charles and Joseph  
Deed to John Townsend - Mar. 25, 1811

MISCELLANEOUS MATERIALS

Folder 03)  *The Cincinnati Chronicle* - July 1, 1837  
Notice of death of Catherine Bowdle  
*Cincinnati Commercial* - Mar. 12, 1882  
Clipping regarding Junius Brutus Booth, actor  
*The Morning Enquirer*, Battle Creek, MI - Sep. 14, 1905  
Clipping regarding Eleanor Eyre Bowdle  

PHOTOGRAPHS - PC 1998.3

Folder 01)  Bowdle, Daniel Dickey - color photo of childhood portrait (c.1845) - Feb. 1961  
Bowdle, Edward (son of Daniel Dickey Bowdle) - c.1880  
Bowdle, Eleanor Eyre (Mrs. George Howard Shriver)  
in costume - Feb. 4, 1894  
color photo - Feb. 1961  
Doran, Eleanor Eyre (Mrs. Daniel Dickey Bowdle) - c.1865  
Shriver, Rebecca Hart  
color photo at home (“Doll House”) - c.1960  
color photo of Doll House entrance - c.1960

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