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KERR ARTIFACT COLLECTION

ca. early-mid 1800s-ca. 1905

3 Boxes

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KERR ARTIFACT COLLECTION

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The Kerr Artifact Collection was donated to the Winthrop University Archives and Special Collections in 2016 by Dorothy Kerr.

Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 1.25
Approximate number of pieces: 16

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Scope and Content Note: **The collection contains household artifacts from the 19th and early 20th centuries. Items included in the collection are a wax bead necklace, eyeglasses, a set of hand cotton cards, a clothes iron (or sad iron), a cast iron cobbler's stand, a wooden shoe last and five wooden loom shuttles.**

Related Collection: Pinckney Family Papers, Accession 564 MF; Peyre Plantation Journal, Accession 767 MF; "Cotton in the Coast and Upland Fields of South Carolina" Article, Accession 1301 M645 (699)

II

DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1	-- WOODEN LOOM SHUTTLES Includes five wooden loom shuttles that are used to transport thread in a loom quicker than human hands. These five loom shuttles are considered boat shuttles because of their shape. A bob of thread fit inside of the shuttles and was held in by the bobbin or axel. * See Appendix I for image of artifact.	ca. early-mid 1800s
1	-- SET OF HAND COTTON CARDS/COMBS Includes a set of hand cotton cards that were used to comb the cotton and make it ready for spinning. This set of hand cards was made by L.S. Watson & Co. of Leicester, Massachusetts. The inscription on the hand cards says, "The only genuine Old Whittemore Patent No. 10, Cotton, L.S. Watson & Co., Leicester, Mass" * See Appendix I for image of artifact	ca. mid-late 1800s
1	-- WOODEN SHOE LAST Includes one wooden shoe last that was used in shoemaking and shoe repair. The wooden shoe last is shaped to resemble a human foot. * See Appendix I for image of artifact	ca. early 1800s
2	-- CLOTHES IRON/SAD IRON Includes one clothes iron/sad iron manufactured by King Stove & Range Company of Sheffield, Alabama. * See Appendix I for image of artifact	ca. 1905
2	-- CAST IRON COBBLER'S STAND WITH FOUR FORMS Includes one cast iron cobbler's stand with four shoe forms. * See Appendix I for image of artifact	ca. early-mid 1800s
3	-- WAX BEAD NECKLACE Includes one wax bead necklace that is made to look like pearls. * See Appendix I for image of artifact	nd
3	-- EYELGASSES Includes one pair of eyeglasses that has octagonal shaped frames and also a sliding temple. The sliding temple on this pair of eyeglasses is a loop slide or a Jack Downing slide. The temples slide to a longer length for wearing and back to a shorter length for storing. * See Appendix I for image of artifact	ca. 1830s

APPENDIX I

IMAGES OF ARTIFACTS



Box 1 – Wooden loom shuttles



Box 1 – Wooden shoe last



Box 1 – Cotton hand cards/combs



Box 2 – Cast iron cobbler's stand with four forms



Box 2 – Clothes iron/sad iron



Box 3 – eyeglasses



Box 3 – Wax bead necklace