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Wells Family

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**LAURENCE KNOX WELLS PAPERS**

**I**

The Lawrence K. Wells Papers were donated by Laurence Knox Wells to the Louise Pettus Archives and Special Collection at Winthrop University on October 10, 2017.

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Scope and Content Note: **The Laurence Knox Wells Papers consist mainly of papers relating to family and genealogical research done by Mr. Laurence Wells (1938- ) for various family members and groups of his family from the 1950s throughout the 1990s. These papers contain records of family members from the late 1700s through the early part of the nineteenth century including genealogical records of family in the Revolutionary War to copied letters of a Confederate soldier during the Civil War. The family names included in the research include: Barry; Davison; Faris; Foster; Hagans; Henry; Lattimore; Love; Martin; McKnight; Palmer; Ross; Smith; Stallings; Wells; Winborne;**

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DESCRIPTION OF SERIES

<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1	1	<p>LATTIMORE FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records compiled by Laurence K. Wells, pertaining to the Lattimore Family. Included in this series: <i>Notes on Lattimores in Pennsylvania</i>; <i>The Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania's</i> copy of the "Lattimore Family in Northumberland County, Pennsylvania" from the Herber G. Gearhart Collection; <i>The Scotch-Irish Settlements</i>; copies from the <i>Third Edition of the Handy Book for Genealogists</i>, correspondence between L.K Wells and others concerning the Lattimore Family; <i>Clerk of Court, Deed Record</i> from York County Courthouse April 3, 1987, York S.C; "Genealogical Records Of William Ceddes Latimer" from the book <i>Genealogical Records of George Small, Philip Albright, Johann Daniel Duncul, William Ceddes Latimer, Thomas Gartom, John Reid, Daniel Genezet, Jean Crommelin, Joel Richardson</i> compiled by Samuel Small Jr. published by J.B Lippincott Company, Philadelphia, 1905; Letters of Correspondence between a member of the Latimore Family and several people including Lawrence K. Wells.</p>	ca. 1905-1987
1	2	<p>HENRY FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records pertaining to the Henry Family History starting in the year 1715-1839: <i>William Henry, Three James Henrys of York County S.C, Marriages and Deaths; Malcom Henry and Decedent</i> and written notes compiled by Lawrence K. Wells.</p>	ca. 1970-1981
1	3	<p>DAVISON FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records pertaining to the Davison Family including: a booklet entitled <i>The Origins and Offspring of John Davison</i>; the Obituary of James B. Davison; a booklet entitled <i>Land and Davison Family History</i>, written by James N. Land, Sr. (Bedford Pennsylvania, 1976); a short article entitled: "The First Three Generations of Descendants of James Black Davison and Sarah Latimer Davison and the Husbands and Wives of Descendants in the First Two Generations" (1971); a short article entitled: "In Regard to Participation in the Civil War by Eight Davison Brothers and their One Brother in Law, all of York County, S.C" and a notecard compiled by Lawrence K. Wells.</p>	ca. 1976

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<u>Box(es)</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Year(s)</u>
1	4	<p>CEMETERY RECORDS 1790-1815</p> <p>This series consists of case tombstone inscriptions and cemetery records from the following cemeteries and locations: Woodside Cemetery in Clover, S.C inscribed by Jeanna Ferguson; Rose Hill Cemetery, York S.C inscribed by T.J Caldwell and J.E Hart, Jr.; Bethel Presbyterian Churchyard in York County, S.C inscribed by T.J Caldwell and J.E Hart, Jr.; Concord Churchyard or Cemetery, located in York County near the Catawba River, adjacent to Lake Wylie Power Plant inscribed by T.J Caldwell and J.E Hart, Jr.; Alison Creek Presbyterian Churchyard in York County S.C; Case #79, File #3845 William Choate; Case #20, File # 351 Andrew B. Simril. Compiled by Lawrence K. Wells.</p>	1980-1982
1	5	<p>MCKNIGHT FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records, pertaining to the McKnight Family and other related families compiled by Lawrence K. Wells including: a short booklet entitled <i>An Incomplete Sketch of the Earliest Mcknights, Lindseys, and McCleaves of SW York Co., S.C</i> by L.K Wells, a booklet entitled: <i>The York County McKnights and Their Kin Including the Lindsay and McCleave Families</i>; Notes and Correspondence of Jenny Maye Foster – which contains more information concerning the Lindsay family as well; a booklet entitled <i>John McKnight and His Family County Antrim, Ireland to Charleston, S.C. 1772 York Co. S.C. with ties to Freeman, Hoggue McCleave, Lindsay, and Sterling descendants in Blount Co., Alabama and Texas</i> compiled by Sonia Bennett Murray (Mrs.) Gilbert L. Murray.</p>	ca. 1965

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2	6	<p>LOVE FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records perhaps compiled by Laurence K. Wells, pertaining to the Love Family, including a short publication entitled “William and Robert Love, Brothers”, “The Love Families of Beersheba, Sharon and Bethany Churches York County, S.C” Compiled by Laurence K. Wells; a short article entitled “Andrew Love” which includes a list of his descendants; a short article entitled “William and Robert Love, Brothers, Their Irish Origins and American Beginnings” transcribed by Laurence K. Wells; Love Family History: <i>Research of My Uncle Walter Brown Love, Jr.</i>; Article entitled, “Alexander Love, Godfather of York”; a letter by Martha Love transcribed by Lawrence K. Wells; articles entitled “History of Pike County”; an article entitled “Descendants of Tyra S. Taylor”; an article entitled “Ancestors of Tyra S. Taylor; and an article entitled “Love Genealogy”.</p>	ca. 1987- 1998
2	6	<p>PALMER FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records compiled by Laurence K. Wells, pertaining to the Palmer Family including: “Sketch of the Descendants of Joseph Palmer” written by the late Joseph E. Hart Jr. of York, S.C (1745-1906) and includes a brief biography of Joseph Palmer followed by a list of his descendants.</p>	ca. 1906
2	6	<p>ROSS FAMILY</p> <p>This series contains information on different genealogical records perhaps compiled by Laurence K. Wells, as it pertains to the “Notes on the Ross Families of York County, S.C Is a list of descendants and connections between different families.</p>	nd
2	6	<p>SMITH FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of a typed copy of genealogical records of Henry Smith and his descendants from 1790 through 1830.</p>	nd
2	6	<p>HAGANS FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records compiled by Laurence K. Wells, pertaining to the genealogical record beginning with Patrick Hagans in 1796 and lists his descendants through 1978.</p>	nd

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2	6	<p>FARIS FAMILY OF BETHANY</p> <p>This series consists of records compiled by Laurence K. Wells, pertaining to the Faris family of Bethany Associate Reformed Church near Clover, in York County, S.C beginning with the earliest known ancestor, Samuel W. Faris (ca. 1785) and lists his descendants through 1925.</p>	ca. 1988
2	6	<p>FOSTER FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records compiled by Laurence K. Wells, pertaining to the Foster family of Union and York County, S.C including “Descendants of Robert D. Foster (1805-1855) Union and York Districts, S.C” found online ; “An Attempted Genealogy of Fosters in Colonial Virginia Compiled from Secondary or Tertiary Sources” by Dr. Bill G. Foster.</p>	ca. 2010
2	7	<p>TEMPLETON FAMILIES</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records compiled by Laurence K. Wells, pertaining the Templeton family including, <i>Origins of the Templeton Families of North and South Carolina</i> by Laurence Knox Wells.</p>	nd
2	7	<p>BARRY FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records compiled by Laurence K. Wells, pertaining to the Barry family. It includes a booklet entitled <i>The Carolina Backcountry Ancestors of Andrew Moore Barry: Barry Family</i> compiled by T. J Barry, Jr. which includes “The Barrys and their Kin: Earlier Generations of a Scotch-Irish Presbyterian Family, Moore Family, and Kilgore Family” There is information on the Britton (or Brittain) Family of Rowan County, North Carolina.</p>	nd

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2-3	8-9	<p>WELLS FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records pertaining to the John Wells Family including: "A Trial Genealogy Incorporating the Research of Mr. Kenyon Withrow (Ellenboro, N.C) Compiled by Laurence K. Wells Kingstree, S.C. 1978; an article entitled "Descendants of John Wells" from Family Tree Marker's Genealogy Site: Genealogy Report: Descendants; also included is correspondence between Laurence K. Wells and others relating to the family; and article entitled "the Welles of Orange County, NC."; an article entitled "<i>The Genealogy of John Wells, (Jr.) and His Family of Knox and Whitley Counties – Kentucky</i> researched by James H. and Dorothy L. Wells of Lexington, Kentucky compiled by Dorothy L. Wells, 1980; an article entitled "Wells- Steele Connection –Kentucky and Indiana", an article entitled "Our Ancestry" referencing Laurence K. Wells personal ancestry which includes a photograph of Marcus R. Wells, Harriet D. Wells and their children James S. and Zulia Wells; a booklet entitled: "A Partial Account of the Descendants of John Wells Pioneer Resident Cleveland County, North Carolina" Deed Records; "John Wells and His Descendants (2)" includes Mexican American War Military Records Caldwell's 3<sup>rd</sup> Regiment; "Is this the Wells-Collins Connection?" [no author].</p>	ca. 1970-2005
3	10	<p>WINBORNE - STALLINGS FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records pertaining to the Winborne- Stallings Family connection to the Wells family and includes correspondence records of lands, deeds, and plats.</p>	1980-1997
3	11	<p>WINBORNE FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records pertaining to the Winborne Family including: "Winborne (Winburn) Descendants of William Winborne, Sr. Who Died 1761 Northhampton County, NC." Compiled by Mrs. Marion (Helen A.) Johnson. (1985).</p>	1985



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4	12	<p>STALLINGS FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of genealogical records pertaining to the Stallings Family, including: a letter to Mr. Laurence K. Wells; A copy of Orphans Court from the National Archives in Washington, DC and from Alabama Records, Vol. 204, compiled by Jones and Gandrud on the Stallings(Sterling) Family; a short booklet entitled: <i>Published Accounts of the 1780 Raid on Fishing Creek Home Where The Love-Stallings (Stallions- Sterling-Starlings) Lady Was Shot and Killed</i>; a short booklet entitled <i>Information on John Stallings and Family: First Father – In- Law of Dempsey Winborne, Sr. (I) Whose First Wife was Winney Stallings</i>; correspondence with Mr. Ferry H. Getty who was working on locating Winborne- Stallings family lands.</p>	1900-1986
4	13	<p>MARTIN FAMILY</p> <p>This series consists of the Records of Service in the Confederate Army of George Canning Martin who was assigned to Captain John R. Winston's company (Dan River Rangers), which became Co. F, 45<sup>th</sup> Regiment, N.C Infantry (1862) transcribed by Lawrence K. Wells; notes on the ancestral line of George Canning Martin; transcribed letters from George Canning Martin to his wife Sarah Jane Martin (1862-1864) transcribed by Lawrence K. Wells; one letter to George Canning Martin from his wife Sarah Jane Martin transcribed; one letter to Mary R. Lindsay from Sarah Jane Martin; copies of Confederate Receipt Rolls for clothing, Receiving and Wayside Hospital or General Hospital No.9, Richmond Virginia; Receipt Roll for clothing issued to soldiers, Hospital Muster Roll: 4<sup>th</sup> Division, General Hospital Camp Winder, Richmond Va.; U.S.A. General Hospital, West's Buildings, Baltimore Maryland; Confederate Company Muster Roll: the 45<sup>th</sup> Regiment North Carolina Infantry (State Troops), Roll; Company Muster-in and Descriptive Roll: Captain John R. Winston's Co. (Dan River Rangers), 45 Reg't North Carolina Infantry (State Troops).</p>	nd