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Box 1

Cone Family Correspondence

Years ago, Charlotte Ford began a catalog of the Cone papers. She divided the letters into packets. The following thirteen files are titled with the packet number she gave each set of correspondence. Underneath each heading, I will give the dates and principle authors of the letters. A detailed listing of the letters in each packet, prepared by Ford, is linked to each folder title, and can also be found in each packet's folder and in the inventory folder in Special Collections.

Packet 1

- 1810-1811, Spencer H. Cone to Sally Morrell

Packet 2

- 1812-1813, Spencer H. Cone to Sally Morrell

Packet 3

- 1813-1814, Spencer H. Cone to Sally Morrell; 1862, Spencer W. Cone to wife

Packet 4

- 1862, Spencer W. Cone to wife

Packet 5

- 1863, Spencer W. Cone to wife; Edward Cone to Spencer W. Cone

Packet 6

- 1862-1863, Spencer W. Cone to wife and son

Packet 7

- xeroxed copy of review of Spencer H. Cone biography written by his sons

Packet 8

- 1865, Spencer W. Cone to wife

Packet 9

- 1846-1849, copies of sermons given by Spencer H. Cone

Packet 10

- small booklet with handwritten poetry in it

Packet 11

- 1843-1849, Spencer H. Cone to Spencer W. Cone; Spencer W. Cone to Spencer H. Cone

Packet 12

- 1852-1854, correspondence from W. M. Fleming; 1861, Spencer W. Cone to wife

Packet 13

- 1861, Spencer W. Cone to wife

Packet 14

- two photographs, one of GSC officials accepting collection and one of items from the collection

Packet 15

- petition of Andrew Lee for a homestead under Section 2040 of the 1882 Code [approved May 26, 1883]

Coat of Arms

- This file contains information about the origins of the Cone family and pictures and explanations of its coat of arms.

Loose Documents

- This file contains documents which were loose in the collection. With the exception of the first and last items, they all relate to the Civil War.
- *The Funeral Sermon on the Death of Rev. Spencer Houghton Cone, D.D., Late Pastor of the First Baptist Church, New York. Preached by the Rev. Thomas Armitage, D.D., Sunday Afternoon, Sept. 16, 1855.* Published by request of the Church. Third Edition. New York: Holman & Gray, Printers and Stereotypers, 1855.
- "72nd Regt, Co C" (list of names & hometowns)
- "Co H Captain Bugher(sp.?)" (list of names & home towns)
- untitled, appears to be an officer's log [July-November 1861]
- "Journal of the Operations of Howard's Brigade" [March 9 - April 25, 1862]
- general pass for Col. Spencer W. Cone from Brig. Gen. William Hall [6-24-1863]
- **Conveyance of One Half Interest in *New York Courier***, from Douglas Taylor to Spencer W. Cone [5-1-1869]

Not in Folders

- 1) 5"x8" record book; title page reads "Estate of Spencer H. Cone, March 1923" (son of Spencer W. Cone)
- 2) 8.5"x7" record book (green cover); accounts maintained by or for Mrs. S. W. Cone [1877-1884]
- 3) 8"x12" scrapbook (what looks like "Matthew" and "Mark" written on cover, partially removed); text of the Gospels of Matthew and Mark (from *The Commonly Received Version of the New Testament of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ with Several Hundred Emendations*, edited by Spencer H. Cone and William H. Wyckoff, New York: E. H. Tripp, 1851) pasted on scrapbook pages, with handwritten notes
- 4) 11"x8" record book; "List of Members added to and dismissed from Oliver Street Baptist Church Aug. 1825" written on title page
- 5) 11"x8" record book ("S. H. Cone" impressed on cover); "List of Marriages Solemnized by S. H. Cone" [1828-1835] written at top of pages on first 11 leaves, several blank leaves occur before various financial account records appear, organized by names of individuals, then several more blank leaves before heading "Texts of Scripture Preached from by S. H. Cone, N. York" appears, listing passages of scripture and dates
- 6) 8"x9" record book; records of Oliver St. Baptist Foreign Mission Society [1823-1829]
- 7) individual photographs of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Wallace Cone
- 8) two photographs (man and woman) encased in black leather

9) 4"x6" record book; contains pieces of scripture, title page headed "S. H. Cone 1822"

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Box 2

This box contains the manuscript works of Spencer Wallace Cone. In most cases, I do not know if these were published or not. Under each heading, I will put the title of the work, the date it was written (if known), and any pertinent information about the manuscript.

Dated Manuscripts

The Adventurer

- *The Adventurer: A Play* [1839]

Palomba

- *Palomba: or the Carbonari* [February 1852]

- title page from printed edition - *Palomba: or, the Carbonari: A Play in Five Acts*, New York: Baptist & Taylor, Steam Printers [1858]

- *Palomba: a tragic play in 5 Acts* [1878]

The Boston Merchant

- *The Boston Merchant, or Fashion, Crime and Folly: A Drama in Five Acts* [1854]

Lioni

- *Lioni, or The Camp and The Convent* [1859]

Suzanne

- *Suzanne: A play in 5 Acts* [1876]

Jean (1)

- *Jean: Play in 5 Acts* [1876] (This file contains draft copies of the final version which appears in **Jean (2)**.)

Jean (2)

Undated Manuscripts

The Bequest

- *The Bequest* (poem)

Bittles

- *Bittles* (story)

Camiola

- *Camiola: Act 3^d*
- *Camiola: Act 5th*

Count Caspar

- *Count Caspar* (poem)

The Haunted Convent

- *The Haunted Convent* (story)

In the Coils

- *In the Coils: A Play*

Louise in the Snow Flower

- *Louise in the Snow Flower* (cover); *Louise in Pauvrette* (first page)

Michael Sharp

- *Michael Sharp: a story of New York*

Mix & Co. (1)

- *Mix & Co.: or A Spring Campaign in the Old Dominion* (story) (**Note:** This file contains the manuscript version of the story.)

Mix & Co. (2)

- *Mix & Co.: or A Spring Campaign in the Old Dominion* (story) (**Note:** This file contains a printed version of the story with manuscript edits and additions.)

One Thing I Know

- *One Thing I Know* (poem)

The Seven Kisses of Buckingham

- *The Seven Kisses of Buckingham: A Play in 3 Acts*

Woman's Wit

- *Woman's Wit: A Comedy in 3 Acts*

*Fragments***Acts 3 & 5**

- This file contains sections labeled "Act 3" and "Act 5," with no title given.

Chapters 9, 14, 28, 29

- This file contains sections of 4"x12" paper with chapter headings at the top of most of them. The pages are numbered, and parts are missing.

Miscellaneous

- This file contains miscellaneous pieces found in a leather file case.

Not in Folders

These are three bound notebooks containing manuscript works by Spencer Wallace Cone.

1) *Poetry*

2) *The Political Writings of Spencer W. Cone*

3) *Poems and Miscellaneous Writings. S. Wallace Cone* (This is a scrapbook containing published materials as well as manuscript writings. The published materials have been scanned to insure their readability, and the scanned images can be found in a folder with the scrapbook.)

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Box 3

Published Works

This box contains scrapbooks kept by Cone with his published works from newspapers and magazines pasted in them. The originals are here, with scanned readers' copies in folders next to them.

Austrian Spy

- This folder contains chapter 1 of a story by Cone, *The Austrian Spy*. It was the only item not already in a binding of some sort.

Not in Folders

The words in italics appear on the cover of the scrapbook.

1) *Chow-Chow. NY Sunday Times. S. W. Cone 1858*

2) *Sunday Times. Dramatic & Musical. Spencer W. Cone. 1859* (Note: These are clippings of a column titled "Musical & Theatrical," with brief pieces about what was going on at theaters and museums around New York City.)

3) *Sunday Times. 1859. Editorial papers. No. 1. Jan. Feb. Spencer W. Cone*

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Box 4

Published Works

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- 1) *The Growler and Romance of the Drama. Spencer W. Cone. 1859*
- 2) *Mason Manor by A Virginian*
- 3) *Stories by Spencer W. Cone*

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Box 5

- 1) Two 12"x16" engravings of Spencer H. Cone
- 2) wooden item with metal roll (blue leather on roll) labeled "Angell's Patent File Press," with "S. W. Cone" written at top; in box from Royal Typewriter Co., labeled "Roytype Register Roll"
- 3) belt, spurs, patch, miscellaneous paraphernalia from Cone's service in the Union Army

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Not in Boxes

wooden cylindrical box originally containing the military paraphernalia in Box 5