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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Arkansas State Archives
<b>Title</b>	Rogers-Bridges family papers
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1802-1822
<b>Extent</b>	0.02 Cubic feet 1 reel microfilm
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<b>Language of Materials</b>	Materials mainly in English with documents in French, Spanish, and Latin.
<b>Microform [Reel]</b>	MG.00197

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## Biographical/Historical Note

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John H. Rogers was born about 1773 in Newton, Massachusetts, the son of John Rogers, Jr., and Mary Hall. He married the daughter of Robert Montgomery(?), the United States consul in Alicante, Spain, about 1809. Her name is not known. They had several children, names unknown. John H. seems to have a business relationship with John Belknap, a noted Boston merchant. Rogers died sometime after 1822.

John Rogers, Jr., father of John H. Rogers, was born February 2, 1747/1750 in Newton. He was the son of John Rogers (born 1724) and Hannah Williams. The younger John married Mary Hall in December of 1772 in Newton. They were the parents of a number of children: John H., Sally (born about 1774), Mary (born about 1776), Asa (born November 2, 1783), and Josiah (born September 26, 1790). There may be additional children. John Rogers, Jr., appears on the 1830 United States Census of Newton, Middlesex County, Massachusetts.

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## Scope and Contents

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The collection contains correspondence, legal documents, clippings, and genealogy material associated with the Rogers and Bridges families. Much of it relates to the business activities of John H. Rogers of Newton, Massachusetts, founder of a shipping company in Alicante, Spain, beginning about 1802. Most of the letters are from Rogers to his father John Rogers, Jr., of Newton, Massachusetts. Also included are letters from John H. Rogers' brother, Josiah Rogers, who also worked for the family firm, and other family members. Locations include Spain, Italy, England, Ireland, France, and the United States, especially Newton and Boston, Massachusetts.

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## Administrative Information

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### **Immediate Source of Acquisition**

Joseph King Ginn II, Alexander, Arkansas, 2007.

## Collection Inventory

### **Family history material, originally the property of Mrs. Sam Bridges, Pines Hotel, Pine Bluff, Jefferson County, Arkansas**

1. Undated: Unpublished manuscript, "Family History of the Bridges Family 'The Most High and Puissant Prince Henry Brydges, Duke of Chandos' 1060–1765"

2. Undated: Genealogical material

### **Correspondence and miscellaneous material**

1. 1802 March 25 1802: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

2. 1803 January 14: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

3. 1803 March 30: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

4. 1803 August 3: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

5. 1803 September 1: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

6. 1803 October 29: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

7. 1804 January 24: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

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8. 1804 March 12: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

9. 1805 February 10: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts, 4 pages

10. 1805 May 1: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

12. 1806 January 30: Josiah Rogers, Nantes, France, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

11. 1806 November 1: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

13. 1806 February 26: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

14. 1806 June 20: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

15. 1806 June 22: John B. Morand, "Byfield, Drummer Academy near Newbury Port," to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

16. 1806 September 13: Josiah Rogers, Nantes, France, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

17. 1806 December 23: Antonio Mingilloll, Alicante, Spain, to Anto Menguillie, Boston, Massachusetts

18. 1808 January 20: John Rogers, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, near Boston, Massachusetts

19. 1808 January 20: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

20. 1808 January 30: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts



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21. 1808 March 1: Royle Gurley Eden, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

22. 1808 March 21: Thomas B. Harris, Master of the Brig Sally of Boston, to John H. Rogers. Acknowledged 4 May 1809 by Robert Montgomery, Consul of the United States in Alicante, Spain. Also signed by John H. Rogers.

23. [1808] April 27: Josiah Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

24. 1808 May 15: John H. Rogers, to "My dear father"

25. 1808 October 2: [John H.] Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

26. 1809 June 29: John H. Rogers, Cadiz, Alicante, Spain, to "Wm (?) of McRoberts and Company," with 1809 July 17: "Wm (?) of McRoberts and Co." to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

27. 1809 July 17: "Wm (?) of McRoberts and Co.," Cadiz, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

28. 1809 December 8: Josiah Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

29. 1810 April 12: John H. Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

30. 1811 August 26: John H. Rogers, Dublin, Ireland, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

31. 1811 September 7: "Rogers," Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

32. 1811 November 20: Josiah Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

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33. 1812 July 6: John H. Rogers, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

34. 1813 April 20: Rogers, Brothers and Company, Palermo, Italy, to John Belknap, Boston, Massachusetts, includes 1813 September 21 letter: John Belknap, Boston, Massachusetts, to John Rogers, Jr.

35. 1813 September 21: John Belknap, Boston, Massachusetts, to John H. Rogers

36. 1814 March 2: John H. Rogers, Palermo, Italy, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

37. 1814 August 17: Asa Rogers, Fort Warren, Massachusetts, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

38. 1815 September 2: John H. Rogers, Naples, Italy, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

39. 1816 October 20: John H. Rogers, Naples, Italy, to John Belknap for J. Rogers, Boston, Massachusetts

40. 1816 November 15: John H. Rogers, Naples, Italy, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

41. 1817 January 19: John H. Rogers, Naples, Italy, to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

42. 1817 September 23: Josiah Rogers, Alicante, Spain, to John Belknap, Boston, Massachusetts, for John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

43. 1822 January 18: John H. Rogers, Marreia, Italy (?), to John Rogers, Jr., Newton, Massachusetts

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44. 18[?], July 5: Susannah Balcand (?), Mexico, Oswego County, New York, to John Roggers (sic), Newton, Massachusetts

45. Undated: Spanish document related to John H. Rogers and Company

46. Undated: Account of loss of ships and cargo belonging to John H. Rogers to the French Navy

47. Undated: "Cure for the Dysentery" and "For tempering steel for adze, tools or springs"