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Summary Information

Repository	Arkansas State Archives
Title	Powell Clayton letters
Date [inclusive]	1859-1902
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Biographical Note

Powell Clayton was a Union general who settled in Arkansas after the Civil War. He became the state's first governor after its readmission to the Union. He was born in Bethel Township, Pennsylvania, on August 7, 1833, to John Clayton and Ann Clark Clayton. He studied civil engineering in Wilmington, Delaware and then moved to Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1855 to work as a surveyor. He first entered politics when he successfully for city engineer in 1860 in Leavenworth. In May 1861, Clayton joined the Union army. He mustered out of service in 1865. On December 14, 1865, he married Adaline McGraw of Helena. Clayton was inaugurated as governor on July 2, 1868. He died in Washington D.C. on August 25, 1914, and is buried in Arlington Cemetery.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains six items including the autograph of John McClure and letters written by Powell Clayton.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Mrs. Lois Keith, Little Rock, Arkansas, 1989.

Collection Inventory

1. Autograph of [Judge] John McClure 1859 November 20

2. Letter from Powell Clayton to Hon. John McClure, Mexico City, MX. Contains some political information. 4pp. 1899 November 30

3. Letter from Powell Clayton to Hon. John McClure, Mexico. Contains some political information. 1p. 1899 December 30

4. Letter from Powell Clayton to Mrs. John (Betsy) McClure, Mexico. 1p. 1899 December 30

5. Letter from Powell Clayton to "Dear Betsy," Mexico. 1p. 1900 January 25

6. Letter from Powell Clayton to Hon. John McClure, Mexico. 2pp. 1902 March 13