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**Taylor (Miles and Family) Papers** (Mss. 1378, 1448, 1636) Inventory

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#### TAYLOR (MILES AND FAMILY) PAPERS

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#### **Summary**

**Size.** 200 items and 2 manuscript volumes

Geographic locations.

Assumption Parish, La.; Bayou Lafourche, La.; Montgomery, Ala.; Manassas, Va.; Saratoga Springs, New York; Sharpsburg, Md.; Fauquier

County, Va.; New Orleans, La.; Natchez, Miss.; Jackson, Miss.;

Baltimore, Md.; Washington D.C.

Inclusive dates. 1821-1954

**Bulk dates.** 1821-1890

**Language.** English

**Summary.** Letters, photographs and manuscript items of the Taylor family, primarily

concerning the Civil War, family and social affairs, and sugar planting.

Photographs are mainly of family members.

**Organization.** Arranged chronologically

**Restrictions on** 

access.

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Artifacts restricted access.

Related

collections.

N/A

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Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.

Stack location(s). U:236; 99:T; Vault: 38; OS:T

**Also available on:** Microfilm 5735, Series B, Reels 18-19

Omission: Folders 10-13, writings, printed items, newspapers

#### **Biographical/Historical Note**

A native of Sarasota Springs, New York, Miles Taylor was a Congressional representative, lawyer, judge, and sugar planter of Assumption Parish, Louisiana. He married Elizabeth A. Breeden, and they had two sons, Thomas (b. 1842?) and Searing (b. 1845?). He owned Scattery Plantation on Bayou Lafourche.

Thomas served as a sergeant in the 8th Louisiana Volunteers during the Civil War, fighting in Virginia and wounded at Sharpsburg, Maryland. He was also a planter, inventor, and writer. Thomas settled in Fauquier County, Virginia, after the war and married Annie E. Lawrason of Baltimore.

#### **Scope and Content Note**

The collection consists of family letters, photographs, manuscript writings, and artifacts that include Civil War mementos. Additionally, papers contain genealogical and biographical material of the Taylor family of Assumption Parish, Louisiana.

Included is the correspondence of Eliza Breeden Taylor with her mother and sister in Thibodaux and Carrollton, Louisiana. Letters from Eliza prior to her marriage relate to social life and events in Natchez. Later letters relate local events, social activities, family matters, sickness, including yellow fever outbreaks in New Orleans and Natchez, and Miles' political career, business dealings, and farming success.

The personal papers of Miles Taylor include a copy of his will, reprints of speeches he made in Congress (1856-1857) regarding Preston Brooks' caning of Charles Sumner, the Kansas question, and tariffs, and letters to his son Thomas concerning his own financial situation and family matters.

The Civil War letters of Thomas Taylor relate his unit's withdrawal from winter quarters at Manassas, his participation at the Battle of Gaines's Mill and Cold Harbor, the election of officers in his unit, and casualties. He also reports his convalescence as a prisoner of war at Saratoga Springs, New York (1863).

Additional letters from Thomas describe the rescue of passengers from the collision of the two steamers "Dixie" and "Folly," his trip from New Orleans, via Cuba, to Baltimore prior to his marriage, and social life at Sarasota Springs during his wedding trip (1866).

Letters to Thomas from his uncle, Julius Taylor, relate financial problems with his Virginia farm and additional family news. Thomas's manuscript writings of "A Canticle of the Canes" and "The Trial of Greenhow, A Memory of Alexandria," are also present.

An autobiographical sketch of General Thomas Thomson Taylor, nephew of Miles Taylor and a member of the 47th Ohio Volunteers during the Civil War, is also present, as are numerous photographs and family portraits.

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## **Collection Description**

Stack Location	<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Date</u>	Contents
U:236	1	1a	1821-1834	8 items: Louisa Breeden, Natchez and Port Gibson (Claiborne County), to her sister, Margaret M. Fox, New Orleans (1821)
				2 family letters: 1821, Aug. 14; and 1824, Sept. 18 mentioning greater prevalence of fever among newcomers in New Orleans and Natchez.
				Letters from Mary Millard to her sister Louisa Millard (1832-1833); letters from Eliza Breeden to her mother Louisa Millard (1833-1834)
	1	1b	1835-1836	6 items: Letters from Eliza Breeden to her mother Louisa Millard (1835-1836)
	1	2a	1841-1843	11 items: Mary Millard to her sister Eliza Taylor, Assumption Parish. Family letter: 1841, Jan. 29;
				Eliza Breeden Taylor (Mrs. Miles Taylor), near Donaldsonville, Assumption Parish, comments on social events and family matters, March 12, 1843;
				Stating that Miles Taylor is away from home frequently on business trips and has finished making sugar earlier than usual, Dec. 15, 1842;
				That Miles Taylor leaves for Terrebonne Court and that she is cutting clothes for slaves, Apr. 19, 1843;
				Miles Taylor, Assumption Parish, to Louisa Mallard in Thibodaux: announcing birth of his son, Sept. 4, 1842;
				Miles Taylor to Mary Millard extending invitation to visit them, ca. 1842;
	1	2b	1843-1849	11 items Eliza Taylor to Mary Millard, describing charivari given

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to a Mr. Pugh in Donaldsonville, March 13, 1844;

Eliza Taylor to Louisa Millard, states Miles Taylor promises to help support Methodist preacher but refuses to subscribe to building fund, and mentions local happenings, Apr. 10, 1844;

Eliza Taylor to Louisa Millard, visits home of Martha May, June 7, 1844;

Eliza Taylor to Louisa Millard, comments on probability of Miles Taylor winning in election and rainy weather, June 23, 1844;

Eliza Taylor to Louisa Millard, states Miles Taylor won election and plans to attend convention in Jackson, East Feliciana parish, July 7, 1844;

Eliza Taylor to Louisa Millard, mentions sickness in region and states Robert Barrow's comments on sickness along Bayou Terrebonne Sept. 7, 1844;

Mary Millard Whitaker of Scattery Plantation, Assumption Parish reports birth of son, [Searing], to Miles and Eliza Taylor and states Miles Taylor produced 204 or 205 hogsheads of sugar this year, Dec. 14, 1844;

Mary Millard Whitaker comments on family of Miles Taylor Jan. 1, 1845;

Mary Millard Whitaker comments favorably on Whitaker family, illness of husband from cholera contracted on Lake Erie (Henrietta, [New York]) July 30, 1849;

1 34 1030, 3 101115	1	3a	1856,	5 items
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1857, 2 copies: U. S. Congress. House. The assault of Mr.
 1860 Brooks on Mr. Sumner, Speech of Hon. Miles Taylor, reprint, 1856;

U.S. Congress, House. Bill to Reduce the Duties on Imports; Speech of Hon. Miles Taylor, reprint 1857;

U. S. Congress, Senate. Slavery in the states and territories, by Milton S. Latham, reprint, 1860;

1 3b 1861-1864 11 items:

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Letter from Thomas Taylor (sergeant, 8<sup>th</sup> Louisiana Volunteers, Virginia) to his father Miles Taylor, stating refusal to electioneer for company office at Camp Esperance, and mentioning that he will support Bruyere of Ascension Parish for office, Apr. 12, 1862;

Letter from Thomas Taylor to his father stating that he is under Stonewall Jackson and mentioning casualties inflicted by Stafford Guards, May 4, 1862;

Letter from Thomas Taylor to his father stating that McClellan's army has been driven back, that Captain Nicholls was killed at Cold Harbor, and that he was in the battle of Cold Harbor and Gaines Milles, July 7, 1862;

To his sister, [in] Donaldsonville, urging her to write often and enclosing a lock of hair from a cherished friend, July 7, 1862;

Thomas Taylor (prisoner of war, Saratoga Springs, New York) to Mrs. W. W. Lawrason, Baltimore Maryland, describing how he passes time since wounded, and mentioning that he hopes to report for exchange when he learns of Miles Taylor's whereabouts, Jan. 25, 1863;

Thomas Taylor (Wetumpka, Alabama) to Ann Steel, Donaldsonville, stating that he is studying law under Governor Fitzpatrick, that he limps badly, and that he did not think it advisable to write Mrs. Lawrason by "flag of truce" without her permission, Aug. 10, 1863;

Mahlon H. Janney (Alexandria, Virginia) to Thomas Taylor, Scattery Plantation, Ascension Parish, enclosing United States Postage Stamps and furnishing information concerning fellow classmates, July 16 and Sept. 13, 1863;

Note about parole of Thomas Taylor, wounded at Antietam, by General John E. Wool, from Annie to Henry, ca. 1863;

Thomas Taylor (Montgomery, Alabama) to his cousin, mentioning that he is working in Confederate States War Tax Office, that he is using his last Federal stamp to write her, and that he expects to spend the holidays with Governor and Mrs. Fitzpatrick, Oct. 18, 1863;

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Thomas Taylor (Montgomery, Alabama) to Miles Taylor, mentioning his recovery, departure of Frank Nicholls and Bob Pugh for Texas, and stating that a hogshead of sugar sells for \$6,000 and a gallon of molasses for \$30, Aug. 29, 1864;

Thomas Taylor to his cousin Sarah Steel, stating that he will assist Governor Fitzpatrick in sugar making, and describing search for deserters at the Fitzpatrick's. Letter sent by "flag of truce," Aug. 30, 1864;

Thomas Taylor to Ann Steel (cousin), listing men in his unit and describing work being done on winter quarters at Camp Carondelet, Jan. 6, 1861;

To cousin, sketching evacuation of Manassas, Mar. 21, 1862;

1 4 1863 1 item:

Civil War pass from the Office of the Provost Marshal General of Louisiana, granting permission to Miles Taylor to travel between New Orleans and Bayou Lafourche;

1 5a 1865-1866 10 items:

Thomas Taylor, Louisiana, Amnesty oath, July 1, 1865;

Thomas Taylor (Montgomery, Alabama) to Miles Taylor, informing father of his engagement to Annie E. Lawrason, Baltimore, describing collision of the "Dixie" and "Folly" and the rescues of its passengers, and mentioning his baptismal in the Episcopal Church, March 27, 1865;

marriage certificate, 1866, Thomas Taylor to Annie E. Lawrason, Baltimore;

Mahlon H. Janney (Alexandria, Virginia) to Thomas Taylor (New Orleans) 3 letters: inviting Taylor to visit him, mentioning that he is altering store, and requesting that Taylor send for his books, Aug. 4 and 6, and Sept. 7, 1866;

Rose Griffin to Thomas Taylor, Sept. 6, 1866

1 5b 1866-1869 13 items:

Thomas Taylor, Saratoga Springs, New York, to father-inlaw W. W. Lawrason, Baltimore, describes social life on

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wedding trip, Sept. 13, 1866

Letters to Annie Taylor from her cousin, Sept. 4, 1866, April 6, ca.1867; from Searing, March 10, 1867;

Miles Taylor to Thomas Taylor, 2 letters and telegram, announcing death of Ike Erwin, mentioning shipment of furniture to Virginia, and advising on the hiring of servants, Sept. 20, 1867 and \_\_\_\_;

Miles Taylor to Thomas Taylor discussing naming of daughter, mentioning that his is out of debt and has prospects for good crop at Scattery, July 24, 1869;

Letters from S. Steel to Annie Taylor (July 1869)

U:236 2 6 1870-1879

10 items:

Miles Taylor to Sarah \_\_\_\_\_, niece, stating that he expects to leave for the plantation and giving directions for use of enclosed checks, stating that sold weather forces him to leave for the plantation to take care of crop, Oct. 15, 1870;

Miles Taylor to Sarah, Nov. 15, 1872;

Miles Taylor to Thomas urging him to remain at "Spring Hill," and expressing confidence in him, ca. 1873;

Thomas Taylor, Baltimore, to "Aunt Mary," discussing attitude of Mary and Tom May, and commenting on death of Miles Taylor, Oct. 3, 1873;

Miles Taylor, New Orleans, Will, dated Oct. 6, 1873;

Mortgage of Thomas Taylor on "Spring Hill", Fauquier County, Virginia, Sept. 5, 1874;

Letter to Thomas Taylor from his brother mentioning suit against "Scattery" by Tom and Mary May, March 13, 1874

Letter to Thomas Taylor from his grandmother mentioning 2 new routes to Lake Ponchartrain, New Orleans, July 30, 1876;

Letter to Thomas Taylor from his uncle Julius Taylor (brother of Miles), Aug. 5, 1879;

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Letter to Thomas Taylor from his daughter Eliza, Dec. 13, 1879

#### 2 7a 1880-1884

7 items:

Letter from Julius Taylor to Thomas Taylor, Jan. 8, 1880;

John St. C. Brooks, Washington, D. C., to Thomas E. Taylor and Annie Taylor, Fauquier County, Virginia, 3 letters stating interest of Annie Taylor in French Spoliation Claim Bill, offering to represent her legally, thanking her for power of attorney, 1882

L. A. Jackson, teacher, Hurleyville School, to Thomas Taylor, inviting him to attend closing exercises of school, March 5, 1883, and April 8, 1884;

Searing Taylor to Thomas Taylor, brother, Fauquier County, Virginia, stating gloomy outlook for sugar planting, June 9, 1884;

#### 2 7b 1884-1888

7 items:

Thomas Taylor to Searing Taylor, Donaldsonville, 3 letters, 1 list of debts explaining financial difficulties, discussing family matters, and death of son, 1884-1885;

Letter from Brooks, Washington D.C., to Thomas Taylor, Jan. 25, 1886;

Letters from Julius Taylor to Thomas Taylor, March 8, 1888, June 17, 1888;

2 8 1890,

10 items:

1899, 1924-1934 Sarah B. Whitaker, New Orleans, to Thomas Taylor, Fauquier County, Virginia, 2 letters discussing death of Grandmother Millard, and requesting renunciation of his rights to grandmother's estate according to will of Miss Taylor, June 16 and July 1, 1890

Thomas T. Taylor (general counsel for Kansas City, Watkins and Gulf Railway, Lake Charles, Calcasieu Parish) to his cousin, Thomas Taylor, expressing regrets for inability to attend wedding of Eliza Taylor, 1899;

Margaret C. Corry, New Orleans, to Mary Taylor, Pennsylvania, New York, and Virginia, largely letters

				discussing family genealogy and family matters, 1924-1934;
				Mary Taylor, Brewster, New York, seeks biographical information concerning Miles Taylor from United States Superintendent of Documents, Aug. 9, 1932;
	2	9a	Undated	1 item: "My Family and I: Being a Genealogical and Biographical Sketch of Thomas Thomson Taylor"
	2	9b	Undated	15 items: 1 copy of verse, "The Indian Philosopher," bearing name of Louisa Breeden.
				A drawing on a small card titled, "The Orphan Sisters" by Miles Taylor's wife;
				Notes concerning Miles Taylor family;
				2 broadsides from W. O. Taylor, Orange, Massachusetts, requesting data concerning Taylor family and sketch of Thomas Thomson Taylor;
	2	10	1888	1 item: Manuscript volume Thomas Taylor's "A Canticle of the Canes," 32 pages
	2	11	Undated	1 item: Manuscript volume Thomas Taylor's "The Trial of Greenhow, a Memory of Alexandria," 102 pages
	2	12	1858	2 items: U. S. Congress. Congressional Globe, 1858. Feb. 11 and 12;
U:236	3	13	1865	3 items: <b>Newspaper clippings</b> Account of steamboat disaster of the "Dixie" and "Folly," 1865;
				Invention of Thomas Taylor, 1893;
				"Dr. Brewer's Will Probated", ca. 1911;
OS:T		1		Montgomery Daily Advertiser. March 28, 1865
				Sunday Herald. "To Beat the Bicycle," 1893

				The Times-Democrat Sunday. Feb. 5, 1893
				Lake Charles American. Feb. 21, 1908
99:T		1	1865-1908	Newspaper clippings
U:236	3	14	1954	Photographs Andrew's Butch and Kiki's Jupe
		15	Undated	Caleb Hollowell's School, presently hotel "Scott House," Alexandria, Virginia
		16	Undated	6 items: Tintypes of Mrs. Tench C. Coxe
		17	Undated	2 items: Margaret May Dashiell
		18	Undated	Jack and Sadie
		19	Undated	Lyceum, now United States Hospital
		20	Undated	John Fox May (son of Mary Taylor May and grandson of Miles Taylor)
		21	1871, Undated	6 items: Mary Taylor May (daughter of Miles Taylor and sister of Thomas Taylor)
		22	Undated	Mary Taylor May (daguerreotype)
		23	1919, Undated	2 items: John May and Thomas M. May (grandchildren of Miles Taylor)
		24	Undated	Anna Steele
		25	1872, Undated	5 items: Miles Steele
		26	Undated	Molly Steele
		27	Undated	3 items: Sarah Honeywoode Steele
		28	1867, Undated	2 items: Thomas and Annie L. Taylor
		29	Undated	Taylor Family Shield

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30	Undated	3 items: Julius Taylor and Family
31	Undated	Meg Taylor
32	Undated	3 items: Miles Taylor
33	Undated	Sarah Searing Taylor
34	Undated	Searing Taylor
35	Undated	9 items: Thomas Taylor
36a-b	Undated	2 items: Thomas Taylor (daguerreotypes)
37	Undated	Thomas Taylor and Friends (daguerreotype)
38	Undated	Thomas Taylor sketch
39	Undated	Tom and Friend
40	Undated	John Whitaker
	Undated	Negative of Thomas Taylor as a Confederate soldier
	1863-1864 1942, undated	Artifacts 29 items: Wooden puzzle reportedly made by Taylor while a Civil War prisoner of war; 2 watercolor drawings of a Civil War soldier and the Confederate flag

### **Cross References**

<b>Subject</b> AlabamaHistoryCivil War, 1861-1865.	<b>Date</b> 1863-1864	<b>Description of relevant documents</b> See: Fitzpatrick, Benjamin and steamboat disasters.
Authors, AmericanVirginia.	1863, 1866- 1867, undated, 1888, undated	Pictures showing Caleb Hallowell's School and Lyceum at Alexandria, Virginia, and Thomas Taylor and his wife, Annie L. Taylor. 1863, 1866-1867, undated; Manuscript writings titled "A Canticle of the Canes," and "The Trial of Greenhow, A Memory of Alexandria." 1888, undated
Barrow, Robert Ruffin.	1844	Visits home of Miles Taylor and comments on sickness along Bayou Terrebonne. Eliza B. Taylor letter: Sept. 7.
Breeden, Eliza A.		See: Taylor, Eliza B.
Coastwise shipping United States.	1866	Describes sea voyage from New Orleans to Baltimore via "Cuba." Thomas Taylor, Aug. 20.
Confederate States of America. ArmyOfficersCorrespondence.	1862	See: Confederate States of America. Army.
Confederate States of America. Army. Louisiana Infantry Regiment, 8th.	1862	Describes winter quarters at Manassas, sketches evacuation of Manassas, Thomas Taylor: 7 letters.
Contested elections KansasSpeeches in Congress.	1856	Reprint of Congressional speech by Taylor on the resolution of the Committee of Elections in the Contested Election case from the Territory of Kansas.
Erwin, IkeDeath and burial.	1867	Death from yellow fever. Miles Taylor, Sept. 20.
FiresMississippi Natchez.	1836	Gamblers ousted from community for inciting African Americans to riot are blamed for series of fires by Eliza Breeden, Jan. 13.
Fitzpatrick, Benjamin, 1802-1869.	1863-1864	Studying law under, Thomas Taylor: Aug. 10, 1863; Search for deserters in cornfield of,

Fox, E.

Jackson, Stonewall, 1824-

Ascension Parish.

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	Thomas Taylor, Aug. 30, 1864.
834	Sister of Louisa Millard, Recommends Mr. Street's school in New Orleans for Eliza, and relates local news, Nov. 20.

See: Confederate States of America. Army.

GamblersMississippi	1836	Eliza Breeden blames series of fires on gamblers
Natchez.		ousted from community for inciting African
		Americana Ion 12

Americans, Jan. 13.

1863.

Jigsaw puzzles. Wooden puzzle made in Civil War prisoner of war camp by Thomas Taylor.

Lafourche, Bayou (La.)

1844

Bayou is "so low that even the Olive can scarcely run." Eliza Taylor, Oct. 19.

Lawyers--Louisiana-- 1863-1874

Legislators--Louisiana-- 1863-1874 Ascension Parish.

Millard, Louisa B.

1832-1836, Personal letters received from New Orleans,
1843-1849 Natchez, and Assumption Parish concerning
social life and events, family matters and local

news.

Millard, Mary.

1832-1833 Suggest her sister-in-law, Louisa B. Millard be confined in New Orleans (Sept. 9, 1832); comments on failure of Dr. Scanlon and Miles Taylor to keep dinner engagement and states Jefferson replaced Tichenor as cashier of State

Bank (Apr. 22, 1833).

Natchez (Miss.)--Social 1834-1836 Personal letters to Louisa Millard comment on social happenings, local news, sickness from measles and yellow fever, and fire hazard.

New York (State)-History--Civil War, 18611865--Prisoners and prisons.

Describes leisure time at relatives' since wounded, and states that he expects to report for exchange. Thomas Taylor, Jan. 25.

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PersonsAlabama Correspondence.	1864	See: Fitzpatrick, Benjamin, 1802-1869.
PersonsVirginia Correspondence.	1863	Information concerning friends M. H. Janney, 2 letters, 1863: July 16 and Sept. 13 (Virginia).
Plantation owners LouisianaAscension Parish.	1863-1874	
Plantation owners LouisianaAssumption Parish.	1843-1845	Personal letters to Louisa Millard from her daughters comment on election won by Miles Taylor, weather conditions, and local happenings.
Pugh, W. W. (William Whitmell), 1811-1906.	1844	Describes charivari for W. W. Pugh and Josephine W. Nicholls. Eliza Taylor, March 13.
Race riotsMississippi Natchez.	1836	Gamblers ousted from community for inciting riot are blamed for series of fires by Eliza Breeden; curfew requires all African Americans without passes to be off streets by 6 o'clock. Jan. 13.
RoadsLouisianaNew Orleans.	1876	2 new roads to Lake Ponchartrain, July 30.
Saratoga Springs (N.Y.) Social life and customs 19th century.	1866	Describes social life at, on wedding trip. Thomas Taylor, Sept. 13.
Scattery Plantation (La.)	1863-1864	Sugar plantation of Miles Taylor, 1863-1873. Suit against, 1874, March 13; Weather forces Miles Taylor to care for crop, Nov. 15, 1872.
ShivareeLouisiana Donaldsonville.	1844	Describes charivari for W. W. Pugh and Josephine Nicholls, Eliza Taylor, March 13.
Speeches, addresses, etc., American.	1856, 1857	Reprints of 2 Congressional speeches on the Kansas Question, 1856, and on the Tariff, 1857.
Steamboat disasters AlabamaMontgomery.	1865	Describes collision of "Dixie" and "Folly", and rescue of passengers, Thomas Taylor, letter, March 27. Newspaper Clipping.
TariffLouisiana.	1884	Gloomy outlook for sugar planting. Searing

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Taylor, June 9.

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TariffUnited States Speeches in Congress.	1857	Reprint of Congressional speech by Taylor on the bill to reduce the duties on imports.
Taylor, Eliza B.	1833-1836, 1843-1844	Daughter of Louisa Millard, wife of Miles Taylor; Comments on severity of yellow fever in New Orleans, social life and events, local happenings, and family matters; Mentions social events, family matters, and local happenings including success of husband in election and his plans to attend state convention in Jackson. 6 personal letters to Louisa Millard.
Taylor, Mary.	1932	Seeks biographical information from United States Superintendent of Documents concerning her grandfather, Miles Taylor. Aug. 9.
Taylor, Miles, 1805-1873.	1842-1873	Personal papers, including congressional speech (1856) and will (1873); Personal letters to Louisa Millard from her daughters comment on election won by Miles Taylor, weather conditions, and local happenings (1843-1845).
Taylor, Thomas Thomson, 1836-1908.	1863-1867, 1888, 1908, undated	Miscellaneous pictures of Thomas Taylor, son of Miles Taylor. 1863-1867, undated; Manuscript writings titled "A Canticle of the Canes," and "The Trial of Greenhow, A Memory of Alexandria." 1888, undated; Death of, Newspaper clipping, 1908; Biographical sketch of, Genealogy folder, undated.
Taylor family Photographs.	Ca. 1863- 1867, 1919, 1854, undated	Pictures of members of the Taylor family including Mary Taylor May, Thomas M. May, Annie L. Taylor, Julius Taylor, Miles Taylor, Thomas Taylor, Ann Steele, Miles Steele, and Sarah Steele; and pictures of Caleb Hallowell's School and Lyceum, Alexandria, Virginia.
United StatesHistory Civil War, 1861-1865 Postal service.	1864	Letter, Aug. 30, sent by "flag of truce" from Alabama to Ascension Parish.
Whitaker, Mary Millard.	1844-1845, 1849	Sister of Eliza B. Taylor, Announces birth of [Searing] Taylor at Scattery Plantation, and

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	states Miles Taylor produced 204 or 205 hogsheads of sugar (Dec. 14, 1844); Comments favorably on Whitaker family, and states husband contracted cholera on Lake Erie. New York, July 30, 1849
1833	Eliza Breeden discusses severity of epidemic and comments on death of her teacher from disease, Sept. 3.
1824	Greater prevalence of yellow fever among newcomers. Louisa Breedon. Sept. 18.

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U:236	1	1-5b	Letters and Manuscript writings: 1821-1866
	2	6-12	Letters and Manuscript writings: 1870-1899, 1924-1934, undated
	3	13-30	Printed items, 1858 Newspaper clippings, 1865-1911 Pictures, 1861-1919, 1954, undated
Vault:38			Wooden puzzle reportedly made by Taylor while a Civil War prisoner of war; 2 watercolor drawings of a Civil War soldier and the Confederate flag
99:T		1	1857-1858, 2 items: newspaper clippings
OS:T		1	Newspapers 1865-1908
MF: 5735, Series B		Reels 18-19	Omission: Folders 10-13, writings, printed items, newspapers