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DARRAGH, JOHN L.

PAPERS, 1839-1893; 1 ft., 8 inches, MS, pictorial, graphic.

Darragh, a native of Ireland who worked for some years as a clerk in Philadelphia before establishing his own grocery business there, again went into the retail trade when he relocated in Galveston in 1839. The major investments of Darragh were in real estate, and success in this field allowed him to attain important offices in the affairs of Galveston. He became one of the first alderman of the new city, and was in 1840 elected Justice of the Peace, by reason of which he came to be known as "Judge" Darragh. Purchasing a controlling interest in the Galveston City Company, he was made President of this company in 1865. He was also President of the National Bank of Texas and of the Galveston Wharf Company.

Although his business capabilities remained sharp, Darragh suffered a physical and mental decline in the years after the Civil War. His personal life did not meet with the success he enjoyed in business. Darragh was divorced in 1878 and declared insane in 1888. He died in Massachusetts on Oct. 10, 1892.

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<u>Box</u>	<u>FF</u>	<u>Generals Series</u>	<u>No. of Items</u>	<u>Dates</u>
1	1	General Correspondence (most of this correspondence concerns land purchases and building leases)		
		Andrews, W. S.	3	1881-85
		Attorney, A. M.		1869
		Austin, William S.		1870
		Aycock, B. L.		1870
		Baker (H.) & Co.		1874
		Ballinger, William Pitt	5	1869-87
		Battle & Goodrich		1869
		Bean, H. H. (re: Bean's Wharf)		1882
		Bell, D. W.		1870
2		Bennett, Ezra B.	7	1869-70
		Bennett, M. A.		1877
		Berry, J. D.	6	1871-74
		Boody, William	2	1877-78
3		Brower, J. H.	10	1869-78
		Brown & Fisher	2	1885
		Burks, B. M.		1882
		Burwell, J. W.		1877
		Butler, George		1877
4		Carter, George		1868
		Claiborne, John M.		1868
		Clayton, Nicholas J., see subject series, "Buildings"		
		Cooke, George A. <i>See 2-13 LSC 8-23-90</i>		1884
		Coryell, J. R. <i>3-1</i>	3	1877-80
		Cunningham, James <i>3-3</i>		1874
		Curtis, Edwin A.		1852
		Curtis, C. N.	2	1877
5		De Cordova Land Collecting Agency		1870
		Dobson, George B.		1886
		Elm Ranch Co.		1886
		Foster & Harra		1884
		Galveston, Houston & Henderson Railroad	2	1869
		Galveston. Mayor		1870
		Giraud, F.		1870
		Gresser, H.		1882
		Hamblen, E. P.	2	1880
		Henckel, Charles		1882
		Hencken, G.		1876
		Hendley, J. J.	3	1882-69
		Hendley, W.		1870
6		Hopkins, Dwight & Trowbridge	2	1868-69
		Hornell, William		1874
		Huff, Donaldson	10	1876-78
		Hutcheson, Carrington & Sears		1888
		Importers' and Traders' National Bank	2	1876
		Keeler, Ward		1869
		Laurence, J. W.		1877
		Levi, John	2	1869-72

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		General Correspondence (cont.)		
1	7	Liverpool & London & Globe Insurance Co.		1875
		Lufkin, A. P.		1869
		McLemore & Hume	7	1869-87
		McNeille, John R.	6	1882-86
	8	Maitland, John A.	2	1881
		Malcolm, William H.		1864
		Martin, John A.	11	1876-77
		Martin, John H.	2	1885
	9	Meneeley & Kimberly		1877
		Mills, Albert N.	2	1881
		Morgado, Leopoldo		1885
		Morgan Steamship Line		1876
		Morris, J. M.		1878
		Murphy, Rose A.	9	1874-86
	10	Nash, James P. (re: Union occupation of Galveston)		1862
		Ochiltree, Tom		1872
		O'Neill, Charles P.		1870
		Ortlieb & Branch		1886
		Peultier, E.		1865
		Post, J. M.		1870
	11	Renick & Caseday	13	1874-78
	12	Rice, William Marsh	7	1875-85
		Rogers, Robert H.	2	1880-81
		Ruhl, Louisa	9	1876-82
	13	St. Cyr. Hyacinth de	5	1869
		Scott, J. L.		1869
		Sharp, William		1869
		Shropshire, E. L.		1885
		Sleeper, Jones & Kendall		1881
		Smith, J. M.		
		Smith, Robert K. (re: city charter)		1867
		Taylor, W. A.	5	1869-70
		Texas. Comptroller		1870
		Thompson & Donnan		1885
		Tobias, Joseph F.		1883
	14	Trueheart (H. M.) & Co.	5	1881-85
		Tucker, William J.		1887
		Watts, Cora		1881
		White, <i>N. A.</i>		1869
		Williams, John H.	6	1869-70
		Woodward, J. H. H.		1855
		Wright, H. B.		1876
	15	Miscellaneous		1855-82
	16-25	Contracts & Agreements		
		Deeds & Leases		1841-93
2	1	Insurance Policies		1880-88
	2	Miscellaneous		1874
	3-5	Financial Records		
		Account Books and Notes		
	6-8	Bills, Invoices, Receipts		1855-94
3	1-16			
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14		Subject Series		
		Buildings and Residences		
		Construction Specifications and Receipts		
		Block 435 (Darragh Residence, 15th & Church; includes correspondence of N. J. Clayton with contractor Treacher & Young; re: quality of work)		1886-88
15		Block 438(?) (Postoffice, btwn, 18th & 19th)		1886
		Block 501 (21st & Market; includes bill from N. J. Clayton)		1884
		Block 563, lot 10 (23rd & Market)		1874
		Block 681 (24th & Market)		1870
16		Rental Income		
		Galveston Properties		1885-88
		Chenango Plantation		1876-78
17-19		Ware (Nathan A.) Estate (includes correspondence with Catherine A. Warfield and other heirs)		1853-81
20		Miscellany (includes Darragh family geneological items, lists of lots for sale, white wash recipe, etc.)		1876-93
		<u>Subgroups</u>		
21		Galveston Wharf Co.		
		General Correspondence		
		Argue (W. L.) & Co.		1877
		Galveston, Harrisburg & San Antonio Railway Co.		1881
		Howard, Thomas Wade		1882
		Phunley, B. Rush (re: Ead's jetty plan)		1884
		Miscellaneous		1877-88
22		Annual Reports		1880-82
23		Financial Records		1873-89
24		Proxy Statements		1874-86
25		Houston & Galveston Cotton Press Co. (includes annual report)		1868

