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CLAYTON, NICHOLAS JOSEPH

PAPERS, 1874-1915; 5 inches, MS, printed.

Texas first professional architect, Clayton, (1840-1916), was associated with the high Victorian era in American architecture. Born in County Cork, Ireland, he came to the United States as a small child. Clayton studied architecture, construction engineering and sculpture while apprenticed to the firm of Jones and Baldwin of Nashville. In 1872 this firm sent him to Galveston as supervising architect on construction of the Tremont Hotel and the First Presbyterian Church.

Upon completion of these commissions, Clayton established his own architectural firm, N. J. Clayton and Company, which grew to become one of the more important in the South.

Clayton is known especially for his impressive churches and large, elegant homes and business buildings. His work, however, was quite varied including some very modest rural frame churches.

Papers include correspondence, a diary, a cash book, a letterpress book, and related papers.

The Rosenberg Library also holds architectural drawings of Nicholas Clayton. A separate guide to these is available.

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