Eliza Adams

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Summary Information

Repository | History Colorado. Stephen H. Hart Research Center
Creator | Adams, Hannah Eliza, 1832-1911
Title | Eliza Adams
Date | 1870-1882
Extent | 0.25 Linear feet
Language | English
Abstract | The collection contains fourteen letters between good friends Eliza Adams (1832-1911) and Mary Mcnitt Barnes (1826-1892). Subjects of the letters consist of topics of marriage, health, occupation, travel, and daily activities of family and friends from 1870-1882.

Preferred Citation note

Cite as: Eliza Adams Collection, Mss.02305 (accession 76.286) History Colorado.
Biographical Note

Eliza Adams (Jan. 12, 1832-Apr. 8, 1911) from Truxton, Cortland, New York is the wife of John Asahel Adams (1819-1911) of Black Earth, Dane Country, Wisconsin leaving seven children after her death. She is the mother of Senator Alva Adams (1875-1941) of Colorado from Pueblo County and mother of Governor William H. Adams (1861-1954) of Colorado from Alamosa County. During her life Eliza resides in several Colorado residences, New York, and Wisconsin. She also travels extensively throughout the United States. The Adams family moves to Colorado in 1871 when their son George begins to have lung issues, later diagnosed as tuberculosis. The letters in this collection primarily are written from her home in Black Earth, Wisconsin to Mary McNitt Barnes (1826-1892) of Ohio Erie while she holds residence in Whitten, Iowa. Married to Grant Barnes the couple leaves behind six children.

Scope and Contents note

This collection consists of fourteen letters between Eliza Adams and Mary McNitt Barnes. Subjects addressed in the letters include daily activities of family and friends through marriages, birth announcements, death, occupations, and travel.

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access note

Open to researches without restrictions.

Provenance

Donated by Joy Barnes Cross, October 26, 1976. Joy Barnes was the granddaughter of Mary Elizabeth McNitt.

Processing Information note

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Related Materials

Related Archival Materials note

See also: Alva Adams Collection Mss.00002; Alva Adams Collection Mss.01863.

Indexing Terms
Subjects - Family Names
- Blanchard

Genres and Forms of Materials
- Correspondence.

Subjects - Places
- Alamosa County (Colo.)
- Black Earth (Wis.)
- Durango (Colo.)
- Eldora (Iowa)
- Illinois
- Iowa.
- Madison (Wis.)
- Minnesota.
- New York.
- Pueblo (Colo.)
- Rosita (Colo.)

Occupation(s)
- Merchants

Subjects - People
- Adams, Alva, 1850-1922
- Adams, Elizabeth, (Libbi)
- Adams, Frank, d. 1927
- Adams, George, d. 1872
- Adams, John, 1819-1908
- Adams, John
- Adams, William, (Billy), 1861-1954
- Alason, Mary
- Guell, Katie
- Johnson, Abbie, Mrs.
- McNitt, Mary, 1826-1892
- Miller, Wash, Mrs.
- Phelps, Josephine
- Ward, James
- Ward, John
- Whitmans, Joel
- Woodbey, Sarah, Mrs.

Subjects - Topics
- Teachers.
- Tuberculosis.
Accession number

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### Collection Inventory

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