

MG-198 STOKES L. ROBERTS PAPERS, 1827-1883

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(3.5 cu. ft.)

Stokes L. Roberts (d. 1882) was educated at Princeton and entered the Office of George M. Dallas of Philadelphia. He was admitted to the bar and subsequently opened an office at Newtown. He took an active part in politics and was elected to the lower house of the state legislature in 1838 and 1839 but was defeated in 1840. Then he practiced law in Doylestown. In 1844 he was made deputy attorney-general. In 1858 he was a candidate for congress but was defeated. Soon after the Civil War broke out he went to Europe where he remained two years. In 1872 he was elected to the bench of the Bucks County courts and served one term.

The papers contain mainly letters to Stokes Roberts. They discuss legal, political, and family matters. Included are letters of William Bigler, Sept. 29, 1852 and July 28, 1860; Simon Cameron, Nov. 27, 1852. A few letters are addressed to others including Eliza and Albina Roberts; Mrs. Stokes Roberts; Susan, Margaret, Catherine Spangler.

<u>General Correspondence, 1827-1883</u>	<u>Folders</u>	<u>Box</u>
1828-1840, April	10	1
1840, May-1843	11	2
1844-1847	13	3
1848-1851	14	4
1852-1854	10	5
1855-1863	12	6
1864-1881, n.d.	6	7 (end)
Roberts, Eliza and Albina, 1827-40	1	
Roberts, Mrs. Stokes (Margaret), 1846-1883	1	
Spangler, Susan, Margaret, Catherine, 1838-52, *1863, n.d.	1	
Misc., 1836-1876 (Inc. Envelope)	2	

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\* 1863 letter mentions situation in York and Harrisburg