

Locust Grove Archives

Finding Aid

Series: **Young Collection**
Subseries: **Anne B. Hasbrouck Innis**

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Volume: 5 cubic feet in 10 manuscript boxes

Acquisition: Bequest of Annette Innis Young.

Access: Monday thru Friday, by appointment with the Curator.

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Biographical Sketch

Anne Bevier Hasbrouck Innis (1827-1906) was the second daughter of Levi and Hylah Bevier Hasbrouck of New Paltz, NY. She grew up at Locust Lawn, her father's house in Gardiner, New York. In 1855, Anne married George Innis (1822-1903) of Poughkeepsie, New York in the drawing room of Locust Lawn. They had two children, Martha Innis (1856-1946) and Hasbrouck Innis (1859-1932). The Innis's were staunch Republicans and attended the Dutch Reformed Church in Poughkeepsie. Mrs. Innis's husband, George Innis, was a prominent businessman and politician in Poughkeepsie, and Mrs. Innis had an active social life. The Innis's large home at 40 Main Street, Poughkeepsie (demolished in the 1960's) was called Rosewood and included extensive grounds, outbuildings, and gardens overlooking the Hudson River. Like many homes built in the early 19th century, it was located near the family business (the Innis & Company dye works) across Main Street from the present Poughkeepsie train station.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Anne Bevier Hasbrouck Innis are section of the larger Young Family Archives, which are in turn a component of the primary museum collection at Locust Grove. The Young Family Collection was created by Anne Innis' grand-daughter, Annette Young, who grew up at the Locust Grove estate, and, upon her death in 1975 transferred all her personal property to found the museum. Her family papers were scattered throughout the mansion and outbuildings, and in the late 1970's an attempt was made by staff and volunteers to organize part of the Young Collection. This attempt was not systematic and, in fact, overlooked several hundred boxes of archival material which remained inaccessible until the late 1990's. Between 1998 and 2010, with partial funding from the New York State Archives through the Documentary Heritage Program, the Young Family Archives were removed from boxes, drawers and closets throughout the historic mansion and organized in a new storage facility in the Visitor Center to ensure their preservation and promote increased public access.

Anne Bevier Hasbrouck Innis' papers include correspondence, diaries, bills and receipts, cancelled checks, legal documents, insurance papers, tax records, and ephemera. Miss Young was convinced that her family's history was important and worth preserving, and she saved papers of every variety to document both her own life, and those of her relatives and ancestors.

In general, artificial series and arrangement groupings have been created, since no discernable order from the creator was evident.

Series Description

Series 1: Correspondence (1861-1906)

7 Boxes

Spanning the years from 1861 to 1906, Anne Innis's correspondence consists of letters written to and from her family and friends. These letters concerned her social and family obligations. Her correspondence is filed in chronological order, followed by greeting cards and undated material. The bulk of the correspondence consists of letters written to Mrs. Innis since she made few copies of her outgoing correspondence. The letters were preserved by Anne Innis and later by her granddaughter Annette Young at the family home, Locust Grove. In 1975, Annette Young bequeathed the contents of Locust Grove, including these papers, to a private trust that operates the estate as a museum. Between 1980 and 2000 Mrs. Innis's papers were removed from drawers, trunks, and boxes throughout the house to facilitate their continued preservation and to improve public access.

Series 2: Personal Papers

3 Boxes

Anne Innis's personal papers, like her correspondence, were part of Annette Innis Young's 1975 bequest to found the museum at Locust Grove. They consist of a wide variety of materials arranged alphabetically by subject. In general, because these papers were dispersed throughout the Locust Grove mansion and were not arranged by their creator, unless otherwise noted subject categories have been artificially created to improve access.

Box and Folder Lists

Box 1

Series 1: Correspondence 1858-1873

- *Correspondence-1858
- *Correspondence-1860
- *Correspondence-1861
- *Correspondence-1862
- *Correspondence-1865
- *Correspondence-1866
- *Correspondence-1867
- *Correspondence-1868
- *Correspondence-1869
- *Correspondence-1870
- *Correspondence-1871
- *Correspondence-1872
- *Correspondence-1873

Box 2

Series 1: Correspondence 1874-1882

- *Correspondence-1874
- *Correspondence-1875
- *Correspondence-1876
- *Correspondence-1877
- *Correspondence-1878
- *Correspondence-1879
- *Correspondence-1880
- *Correspondence-1881
- *Correspondence-1882

Box 3

Series 1: Correspondence 1883-1889

- *Correspondence-1883
- *Correspondence-1884
- *Correspondence-1885
- *Correspondence-1886
- *Correspondence-1887
- *Correspondence-1888
- *Correspondence-1889

Box 4

Series 1: Correspondence 1890-1897

- *Correspondence-1890
- *Correspondence-1891
- *Correspondence-1892
- *Correspondence-1893
- *Correspondence from Anne B. H. Innis-1893
- *Correspondence-1894
- *Correspondence-1895
- *Correspondence-1896
- *Correspondence-1897

Box 5

Series 1: Correspondence 1898-1906

- *Correspondence-1898
- *Correspondence-1899
- *Correspondence-1900
- *Correspondence-1901
- *Correspondence-1903
- *Correspondence-1904
- *Correspondence-1905
- *Correspondence-1906

Box 6

Series 1: Correspondence Undated

- *Correspondence-Undated
- *Correspondence-Undated
- *Correspondence-Undated

Box 7

Series 1: Correspondence Undated

- *Correspondence from Anne B. H. Innis-Undated
- *Correspondence-Birthday Cards-Undated
- *Correspondence-Christmas Cards-Undated
- *Correspondence-Easter Cards-Undated
- *Correspondence- Empty Envelopes

Box 8

Series 2: Personal Papers "A-C"

- *Account Books
- *Address Book (unused)
- *Advertisements
- *Advertisements
- *Bank Books: Poughkeepsie Savings Bank
Farmers' and Manufacturers' Bank
- *Bible Society Record
- *Bills – unsorted
- *Birthday Book
- *Calling Cards
- *Catalogs
- *Centennial Book Club
- *Common Place Book

Box 9

Series 2: Personal Papers "F-P"

- *Fabric Samples
- *Knitting Instructions
- *Lists
- *Maps
- *Needle Book
- *Newspaper Clippings
- *Notebook
- *Pamphlets
- *Photo Album
- *Promissory Note

Box 10

Series 2:

Personal Papers "R-W"

- *Real Property: including deeds and leases
- *Real Property: information on Poughkeepsie Railroad
Improvements at Rosewood 1905-1906
- *Recipes
- *Remedies - Medical
- *Religious Materials
- *Religious Materials
- *Unused Address Book
- *Will and death certificate: including drafts and title search