

Alaska State Library
Historical Collections

Guide to Collection

Vanderbilt, John McGinn

Letters from the Vanderbilt Family Album, 1873-1898

MS 4-6-5

Processed By: Staff
Revised: 5/26/11 jas

Background Note

Copies of material in the Historical Museum, Sitka Centennial Building. File assembled by Oliver Jul Vanderbilt of La Jolla, California.

Scope and Contents Note

Primarily letters of John M. Vanderbilt and Edward DeGroff.

Inventory

- 1 Notes from THE ALASKAN, (Sitka) 1886-1897 re: Capt. John M. Vanderbilt.
- 2 Family record.
- 3 Photo of 5 family members.
- 4 Letter, 21 May 1873 from J. M. Vanderbilt in Portland to his mother.
- 5 Letter, 1 Jan. 1874 from J. M. Vanderbilt in " Bella Bella to his mother.

- 6 Letter, 19 July 1874 from J. M. Vanderbilt in Columbia River, B.C to his mother.
- 7 Letter, 18 Nov. 1874 " from J. M. Vanderbilt near San Francisco
- 8 Letter, 28 Apr. 1875 " from J. M. Vanderbilt in Portland to his mother.
- 9 Letter, 23 Jan. 1880 " from J. M. Vanderbilt Sitka to his mother.
- 10 Letter, 11 Dec. 1881 from J. M. Vanderbilt Sitka to his mother.
- 11 Letter, 9 Jan. 1882 from Lena Vanderbilt, Sitka,. to her mother-in-law.
- 12 Letter, 14 Oct. 1884 from Lena Vanderbilt, at Killisnoo to Mamie Van Duzer, his sister.
- 13 .Letter, 4 Feb. 1885 from Lena Vanderbilt, at Killisnoo to Mamie Van Duzer.
- 14 Letter, 1 Mar. 1885, " from Lena Vanderbilt, to Isaac Van Duzer.
- 15 Letter, 25 Mar. 1885, [H]Cowken, Alaska from Edward DeGroff to Isaac Van Duzer.
- 16 Letter, 7 Apr. 1885, Killisnoo, J. M. Vanderbilt to Isaac O. Van Duzer. (financial problems for Northwest Trading Co.)
- 17 Letter, 14 June, 1885, Killisnoo, from Edward DeGroff to Isaac Van Duzer. (gold mining developments in Juneau.)
- 18 Letter, 13 Aug. 1885, Killisnoo from Edward DeGroff to Van Duzer (purchase of photographic equipment.)
- 19 Letter, 16 Sept. 1885, Killisnoo from Edward DeGroff to Van Duzer.
- 20 Letter, 16 Sept. 1885, Killisnoo from J. M. Vanderbilt to Van Duzer. (Vanderbilt's family returns to Alaska.)
- 21 Letter, 12 Oct. 1885, Killisnoo, from J. M. Vanderbilt to Van Duzer.
- 22 Letter, 18 Nov. 1885, Sitka, from J. M. Vanderbilt to Van Duzer. (Vanderbilt has applied for Collector Of Customs)
- 23 Letter, 20 Nov. 1885, Killisnoo, from Edward DeGroff to Van Duzer.

- 24 Letter, 11 Dec. 1885, Killisnoo, from Edward DeGroff to Van Duzer.
- 25 Letter, 19 Feb. 1886, Sitka, J.M. Vanderbilt to Van Duzer.
- 26 Letter, 24 Mar. 1886, Sitka, Edward DeGroff to Van Duzer. (DeGroff has a new business at old site of Northwest Trading Co. store - has agency for Lake Mountain Mining Co.)
- 27 Letter, 8 June 1886, Sitka, Vanderbilt to Van Duzer.
- 28 Letter, 18 Jan. 1898, Bonanza Creek, Y.T., John Wheeler Vanderbilt to Edward DeGroff. (describes gold mining, labor, pay, staking claims, JWV is working for Voss and may work for O'Brien as purser on steamer.)
- 29 Letter, 14 Mar. 1898, Sitka, Edward DeGroff to his father (tells of having Alaska Commercial Co. operate the copper mine in which he has an -interest and his other mining claims.)
- 30 Xerox copy of photo of Jack Vanderbilt, obituary of John W. Vanderbilt (died in 1956, age 80, lived in Juneau, mother was part owner of Chichagof Mine; newspaper clipping on the Oliver Vanderbilts' visit to Juneau, 1964 and family history, local place names for Vanderbilt and. other memorabilia.