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**William B. Newcomb Papers, 1865-1983**

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Huntington, West Virginia  
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## William B. Newcomb Papers, 1865-1983

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### Summary:

Title: William B. Newcomb Papers

Span Dates: 1865-1983

Creator: Newcomb Family

Repository: Marshall University Special Collections, Morrow Library (Huntington, WV)

Processed by: Elizabeth James, 2019

Accession Number: 1981/03.0327

Date Completed: October, 2019

Access to Collection: Open

Extent: 0.5 feet

Donor: William B. Newcomb

### Search Terms:

Newcomb family

Valentine, Newcomb, and Carder (store)

Anderson-Newcomb Department Store

General stores

William Barkla

Margaret Emily Cox (also known as Emma)

William H. Newcomb

William B. Newcomb

C & O Railroad

Huntington, WV

Diaries

### Biographical Notes:

The Newcomb family resided in Cabell County during the end of the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Notable individuals mentioned in this collection include:

William Barkla (Dec. 21, 1835-Sep. 27, 1902) was the father of Margaret (Barkla) Newcomb (1870-1953).

Margaret Emily (Cox) Newcomb (Jul. 31, 1843-Dec. 30, 1930) was a resident of Guyandotte, West Virginia.

William Holderby Newcomb (Oct. 17, 1870-Jan. 17, 1956) was the original Newcomb who owned part of what would become the Anderson-Newcomb Department Store in Huntington, West Virginia. Margaret Newcomb and her husband William Hill Newcomb (1838-1915) were his parents.

William Barkla Newcomb (May 6, 1904-Sep. 5, 2002) worked in the store founded by his father and later wrote and researched his family history.

## Scope and Content:

This collection consists of materials compiled by William B. Newcomb for family and local history research. All of the materials are copies of original materials or manuscripts written by or about Newcomb regarding family and local history. Notable items in this collection include a microfilm copy of an 1865 diary kept by Margaret Emily Cox, a copy of an autograph album kept by Cox, publications by William B. Newcomb about his family, research about Newcomb's grandfather William Barkla, copies of photographs, ephemera, and research about the C & O Railroad (including a copy of the periodical "Headlight"), Margaret Neuhaus, and the history of the Anderson-Newcomb Department Store, and a copy of a scrapbook kept by W. H. Newcomb's wife of obituaries, local history materials, and miscellaneous articles.

## Processing Notes:

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## Container

## Contents

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### Box 1

Microfilm Reel	William B. Newcomb Pocket Diary (1865), Pamphlet (1862), Scrapbook
Folder	Autograph album of Margaret Emily "Emma" Cox (b. 1843), paternal grandmother of William Newcomb, 1861-1863 (COPY, includes transcript)
Folder	Autograph album of Emma Cox Newcomb (COPY, same as above)
Folder	William B. Newcomb Publications (articles, oral history, and "Grandma Had a Horse: The Story of Margaret Emily Cox (1843-1931) Missing Chapters II West Virginia Women in History)
Folder	William Barkla (grandfather of William Newcomb, information and photographs) (COPY)
Folder	William H. Newcomb (train timetables, photographs of the Newcomb store,

Margaret Neuhaus flute program and Flutist/Flautist information) (COPY)

Folder

Scrapbook, 1890-1936, Mrs. W. H. Newcomb (COPY, mostly obituary clippings but some photographs)

Folder

William Newcomb Papers, "Headlight" (COPY of the periodical "The Headlight" published in Huntington, WV, October 1897 issue)