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Summary:

Title: Autograph Book Span Dates: 1851-1855

Creator: Various

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

Processed by: Elizabeth James, 2019 Accession Number: 1993/12.0574 Date Completed: December, 2019

Access to Collection: Open

Extent: 0.25 feet

Donor: Mrs. Charles Dodrill

Search terms:

Autograph books
United States Government
Signatures
Senate
House of Representatives
President

Biographical Notes:

The owner/collector for the album is not explicitly identified, but was highly likely James Butler Bowlin (1804-1874), Minister Resident to New Granada (Colombia), 1854-1857 and congressman for the state of Missouri from 1843-1851.

Scope and Content:

This collection contains one autograph book that has been divided in sections titled, "President and Cabinet", "Senate", and "House of Representatives" and contains dates between 1851 and 1855. Notably, the book contains the signatures of the following persons: Millard Fillmore, William A. King, Daniel Webster, Henry Clay, and others falling into the previously mentioned groups. Also included in the book is handwritten and illustrated sheet music for the following songs: Canción patriótica (the Argentina national anthem, notes on the page dedicate it to "Jaime B. Bowlin") and a song "For Miss Virginia Bowlin" (James Bowlin's wife's middle name). A small amount of contemporary ephemera including 20th century newspaper clippings and a note about the books repair have been removed and added into a separate folder.

Processing Notes:

This collection was already processed at the time the finding aid was created. Minimal changes to folder titles, order, or content were made.

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