

Town and Country Public Library
Historical Collection
Elsie Lucile Meredith Capes Collection
#2010-10

Scope and Content Note: Elsie Lucile Meredith Capes (1913 – 1996) married Charles Sterling Capes (1908 – 1982) in 1933 in Elburn. This collection contains personal correspondence, scholastic, business, and governmental material pertaining to Blackberry (later Elburn) and its surrounding area from 1833 to 1963. Items of special note include the memory book of Elsie Ann Burr, dated 1833, a hymnal from 1892, hand knitted garments from 1884, a cook book c. 1890, and personal mementos of Mrs. Capes's mother, Gertrude Mathewson Meredith. This collection is arranged chronologically. This collection is complete.

Quantity: 1 Letter Sized Box, 5 x 12 ¼ x 10 ¼
5 Linear Inches .42 Linear Feet

Box 1

- 1-1 Autograph (Memory) Book of Elsie Ann Burr 1833 (transcribed by Mary Gustafson in 2020)
- 1-2 Correspondence to Elsie Ann Burr from Elvira E Dean 1843
- 1-3 Warranty Deed for purchase of land for school in Elburn 1863
- 1-4 Knitted baby sweater, shirt and socks, made for G.R. Meredith 1884
- 1-5 Keepsake Book, Julia Warne, Christmas 1889
- 1-6 Hymnal 1892 Episcopal Church
- 1-7 Cook Book c 1890
- 1-8 Invitation to 50th wedding anniversary party of Mr. & Mrs. John Warne 1897 (addressed to E. E. Gray)
- 1-9 Envelope only addressed to Miss Gertrude Mathewson from Monrovia, CA May 17, 1898 arrived at Elburn May 21, 1898
- 1-10 Invitation to 'Hard Times Soshel' to Mr. & Mrs. John Warne; play program
- 1-11 Course of Study, Regulations & History of the Elburn Public Schools 1901
- 1-12 Gertrude Mathewson Meredith 11th grade Report Card 1902-1903; Ella Pattee Teacher
- 1-13 Elburn High School 18th Annual Commencement Program 1903
- 1-14 Photographs – Elburn High School Stage c. 1900; Gertrude and Rick Morris's home n.d.; unidentified group at Lowe Mountain January 1905, a pic of Old Elburn School House, n.d.
- 1-15 Valentine post card to Gertrude Mathewson, 1911
- 1-16 Receipt for eyeglass repair at Marshall Field's Store, A.T. Mathewson March 19, 1925
- 1-17 Lucile Meredith Elburn High School Year Book 1930
- 1-18 Wedding Announcement 1933
- 1-19 Acknowledgement/Resolution from Elburn High School Alumni Association to Mrs. Sterling Capes (Lucille Meredith) on the death of her mother Gertrude Mathewson Meredith 1963