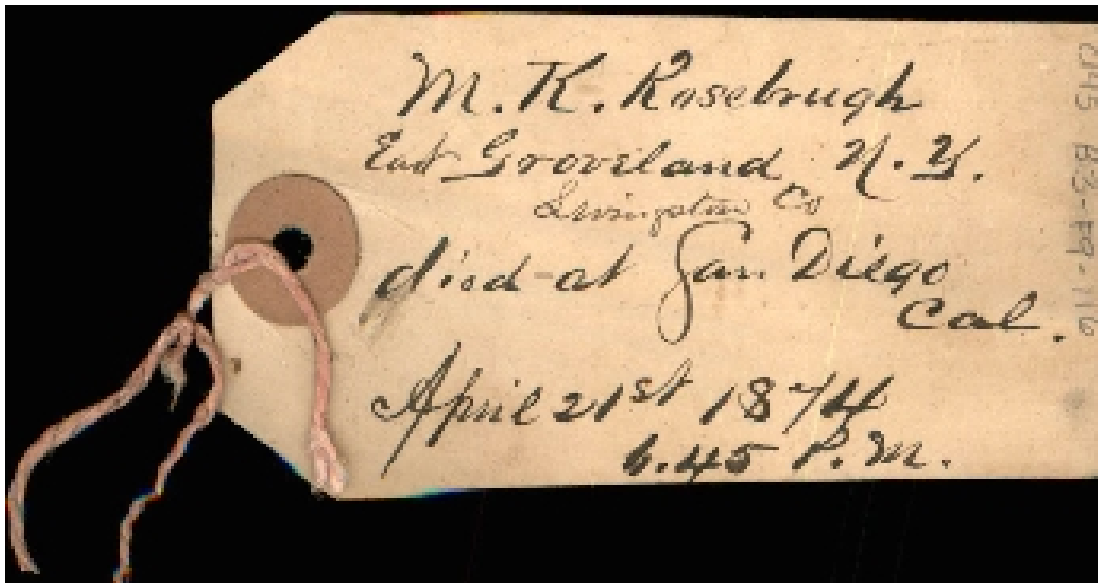


Alberta Z. Rosebrugh Collection

A Finding Aid



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I. Collection Summary

Title	Alberta Z. Rosebrugh Collection
Collection No.	C145
Extent	1.1 linear feet
Date Range	c. 1821-1981 (bulk 1964-1980)
Abstract	<p>This collection was created by Alberta Z. Rosebrugh (1902-1980), wife of James Ralston Rosebrugh (1893-1967), in the course of her family research from the 1940s to 1980. It comprises mainly genealogical notes and books, though there are a few letters and other original ephemera relating to Moses K. Rosebrugh (1833-1874) and family and others. Information on Rev. John Rosebrugh, Revolutionary War chaplain, is also featured. Main surnames included in the genealogical material are Rosebrugh / Rosebrook, Kelly, Gardner, Dickerson, Neufang, Harrison, Reynolds, Warriner, Webb, and others.</p>
Languages	English, German
Access and Restrictions	<p>Use of the documents in the collection is for serious research and by request and permission of the Livingston County Historian's Office. Any use of the material in publications must be cited as follows, "Courtesy of Livingston County Historian's Office, New York". Additionally, all documents should be handled with care.</p> <p>To arrange to conduct research with the documents in the collection, contact Amie Alden, Livingston County Historian by mail at: 5 Murray Hill Drive, Mount Morris, NY, by phone at (585) 243-7955 or (585) 335-1730 or by e-mail at Historian@co.livingston.ny.us.</p>
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II. Biographical and Background Information

The collection was compiled by Alberta Zenet (Neufang) Rosebrugh (1902-1980), wife of James R. Rosebrugh (1893- 1967), of Atlanta, Steuben County, New York. A family historian and researcher, Alberta was working on writing a genealogy of the Rosebrugh family, and collected information both through research and by contacting relatives and others. The materials appear to have been compiled between about 1962 and 1980, when Alberta passed away suddenly.

Alberta's husband, James Ralston Rosebrugh, was a 6th generation descendent of Rev. John Rosebrugh, according to a letter. Their children were John H. Rosebrugh (1931-1942), Elinor Rosebrugh Klein, Jane Rosebrugh Sage, and Donald Rosebrugh. Alberta was daughter of Henry J. Neufang and Zena May Reynolds of Atlanta, New York, and though she was nearly a life-long resident of Steuben County, she did teach in one-room schoolhouses around the area, including in Websters Crossing (Springwater) and Groveland, Livingston County, New York. She apparently moved to Cape Coral, Florida, near the end of her life.

Some materials in the collection relate directly to the Kellys and Rosebrughs. A brief outline of the family tree provides some context:

1. **James Ralston Rosebrugh** (1803-1864) m. 1831 to Christiana Kelly (d. 1881), dau. of Maj. Daniel and Mary Roup Kelly
 - i. **Moses Kelly Rosebrugh** (1833-1874) m. Caroline Dickerson (1846-1923)
 - I. Nellie Julia Rosebrugh (1868-1874)
 - II. **Ralston H. Rosebrugh** (1871-1938) m. to Marietta M. Harrison (1871-1941)
 1. **James Ralston Rosebrugh** (1893-1967) m. to **Alberta Z. Neufang**
 2. Several other children
 - Mrs. Caroline Dickerson Rosebrough m. second to Winfield Scott Gardner (1851-1918)
 - III. Several other Gardner children
 - ii. Several other children

This collection was discovered in a garage on Dartmouth St., Rochester, New York by Cheryl Gerstner's daughter when the house's new owner was renovating the property. A possible connection is that Alberta's daughter, Elinor Rosebrugh Klein, lived on Dartmouth St. until at least 1980.

After it was discovered, Cheryl Gerstner donated the collection to the LDS Family History Library in Pittsford, Monroe County, New York. During a reassessment of holdings, the library transferred the collection to the County Historian's Office in 2017.

III. Contents List

- Box 1** Published genealogies, Rosebrugh / Rosbrugh / Rosebrook / Rosborough (5 items)
Box 1 Genealogy notes, correspondence, vital records, and other items, c. 1857-1980 (5 folders)
Box 1 Rosebrugh, Kelly and Dickerson letters and original archival items, 1857-1874 (19 items)
- Box 2** Published genealogy, The Rosebrugh Family Story (1 item)
Box 2 James Rosebrugh (possibly 1803-1864) scrapbook, c. 1836-1861
- Box 3-4** Rosebrugh and Warriner family trees (5 items)

IV. Related Materials