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**ASHLEY / VAN ALSTYNE / FITCH / HULL  
FAMILY PAPERS**

1799-1981

9.25 lin. ft., 13 boxes

- Series I. Correspondence, 1799-1981
- Series II. Personal Papers, 1816-1965
- Series III. Financial Papers, 1801-1854
- Series IV. Photographs, ca. 1845-1960
- Series V. Scrapbooks, 1877-ca. 1898

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### Biographical Note

The Ashley/Van Alstyne/Fitch/Hull Family Papers contain the records of more than twenty-seven members of seven families connected by marriage over six generations whose lives were centered in Schodack Landing, a village along the Hudson River in Rensselaer County, New York. Albertine Hull Miller, a fifth-generation family member, compiled in the 1920s an extensive genealogical notebook which can be found in Box 5, folder 107. A brief family chart, which includes and places most of the correspondents in this collection, can be found on page 5 of this finding aid.

### Scope and Content Note

The Ashley/Van Alstyne/Fitch/Hull Family Papers span the period from 1799-1981 and contain correspondence, documents and photographs relating to the lives of members of the Ashley, Baldwin, Fitch, Hull, Miller, Spencer and Van Alstyne families. The collection is divided into five series: I. CORRESPONDENCE; II. PERSONAL PAPERS; III. FINANCIAL PAPERS; IV. PHOTOGRAPHS; V. SCRAPBOOKS. Kept for many years by Albertine Hull Miller, the papers were given to the McKinney Library in 1997 by her granddaughter, Hildreth Houston Spencer, in memory of Ms. Spencer's mother, Cornelia Hull Miller Spencer, and her great-great aunt, Elizabeth Frances Hull. Ms. Spencer's gift to the Albany Institute, which is part gift and part promised bequest, also includes furniture, decorative arts, textiles, and other objects that were owned, made, and used by the families. In addition to the papers, the McKinney Library received a collection of the families' books which have been catalogued separately and housed in the Library's Special Collections room; a book list can be found as Appendix I of this finding aid.

Readers should also be aware of the Schemerhorn, Van Alstyne and Fitch Business Papers held by the New York State Library's Manuscripts and Special Collections division. This archive (collection number HB 12039) was acquired in 1948 and contains some family correspondence (primarily of Albertine and Frederick Fitch's family) and personal material in addition to ledgers, day books, memo books, receipt books, inventories, and land and legal papers dating ca. 1800-1870; a finding aid for this collection is available from the New York State Library.

Series I. CORRESPONDENCE, (three boxes) contains letters written to family members, primarily from other family members, during the period 1799 through 1981. It is arranged alphabetically by the recipient. The largest portion of the letters were written to Mary Ashley Van Alstyne by four of her seven children, her half-sister Lauriette Ashley, and various other relatives. Widowed in 1834, she remained in Schodack Landing, eventually leaving her property to her second daughter, Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch, the only Van Alstyne child who remained in the area. Four of the Van Alstyne children moved to Texas and Arkansas, married, and raised their families there; many of their letters to their mother describe their travels, experiences and news of their families.

Sarah, the eldest daughter, left Schodack Landing in 1838 to visit her maternal uncle, Chester Ashley, a United States Senator from Arkansas. Her letters to her mother tell of her trip south; on the way she toured Washington, D.C., met New York State Governor Fulton, and, with him, visited

President Van Buren at the White House. Once in Little Rock, she married Judge Davis Baldwin, and settled there for the rest of her life. William, the eldest son, moved from New York City to Galveston, having secured a job there as a bookkeeper. He married Maria Wright of Houston and remained in Texas until his death in Houston in 1867. Becoming an advisor to his mother upon the death of his father, William wrote letters filled with opinions on managing the estate and other monetary affairs. A third daughter, Lauriette, died when she had not yet reached twenty years. There is little information on John Alexander Van Alstyne except for a single letter written to his mother from Anderson, Texas, announcing the birth of his son in 1851. No letters exist from the seventh child, Mary, but family records and references in other letters confirm that she too settled in Texas after marrying Paul Bremond of Houston. The Van Alstyne's sixth child, John, died at less than one year.

The business correspondence in Series III and comments in her children's letters seem to indicate that Mary Van Alstyne was not a shrewd businesswoman. The affairs of her husband's estate were on-going over a period of years and seem to have remained unsettled even at her death in 1852. At one point Chester Ashley lent financial support to his sister, and the Van Alstyne children continued to give advice and support in their letters. Correspondence also reveals that Mary Van Alstyne travelled to Texas and Arkansas to visit her children and brother.

There are a few letters written by and to Lauriette Ashley. A half-sister of Mary Van Alstyne, she never married and kept house for their father, William, until his death in 1847. As an adult she suffered emotional problems from which her family felt she could not recover. One manifestation of her illness was the exhibition of such intense religious feelings that she annotated books with eucharistic symbols and wrote out spiritual ramblings in letters and on scraps of paper (as well as several business ledger books at the New York State Library which are overwritten with her zealous thoughts). Lauriette Ashley spent a month at the Utica Hospital for the Restoration of the Insane; after her return to Schodack Landing she lived out her life in the home of her niece Albertine Fitch.

Mary Van Alstyne's father, William Ashley, was a sea captain and an early settler of Hudson, NY; the series holds letters and bills of lading that show his dealings with his son-in-law's retail business.

An important group of letters in the correspondence series is that of nearly 150 pieces written by William Seward Hull (1839-1898) during his service in the Civil War. Hull joined the 128th Regiment of New York Volunteers on September 5, 1862, and was mustered out on July 12, 1865. His letters are written primarily to his mother, Cornelia Lasher Hull, though some are also addressed to his father Hiram. He also wrote to his three young sisters Mary, Elizabeth and Iantha. Hull's letters are highly personal, giving his views of fellow soldiers, politics, generals and racial matters, as well as news of troop movements, engagements and expeditions. A chronology of Hull's travels and engagements, most of which were in Louisiana and the South, was drawn up from his letters and appears as Appendix II of this finding aid. Hull appears to have been a model soldier and was offered a promotion to serve with a black regiment, an offer that he declined. Series II holds Hull's military appointment papers and two commemorative broadsides relating to his regiment, as well as ephemera (such as a Confederate muster roll printed on necessity paper) from the time of his service. Photographs of Hull taken during his military career can be found in Series IV, including one tintype portrait with his dog, Dandy, whom Hull adopted in Louisiana and kept with him until they were mustered out.

A second group of wartime letters can be found in Box 3, folders 53-55, written by Seaman

2nd Class Warren Seward Miller to his mother Albertine Hull Miller during World War I. Miller was stationed in Illinois, Philadelphia and England, but never saw battle.

Series II. PERSONAL PAPERS (three boxes) holds documents, albums, invitations, diaries and clippings kept by the family members. Two friendship albums from the 1830s given to sisters Lauriette Van Alstyne and Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch by their father can be found here, as well as an autograph album kept by Sarah Fitch Hull while a student at the Pittsfield Female Collegiate Institute. Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch's prenuptial agreement for her 1834 marriage to Frederick Fitch is filed in this series (and a piece of her wedding cake, along with her wedding shawl and stockings, can be found in the Curatorial Collections). The series contains family material gathered in the 1920s by Albertine Hull Miller, such as her hand-written genealogy, documentation on family furniture and artifacts, and the notes that she had tied to bundles of letters in this archive. Also found here are three folders of essays and poetry by Mrs. Miller, some of which was published in religious journals including *The Christian Register*, *Christendom*, and *Spirit*. Miscellaneous ephemera folder holds trade cards from Albany and New York firms, and a copy of a Louis Prang children's booklet, *Red Riding Hood* (Boston: 1863).

Series III. FINANCIAL PAPERS (two boxes) contains bills, receipts and other financial papers of John I. Van Alstyne, his wife Mary Ashley Van Alstyne, and six of their children. John Van Alstyne was a farmer and merchant in two different partnerships at different times. He was involved in the commerce of his small community of Schodack Landing, lending money, taking mortgages, dealing in property exchanges and running a general store. His devotion to his children's education is evident in the numbers of receipts for books, periodicals, music lessons and tuition. The files also hold invoices and receipts for the family's food, clothing and amenities. There is a small collection of expense records for the firm of Schemerhorn and Van Alstyne, as well as a group of documents and correspondence relating to the estate of John Van Alstyne.

Series IV. PHOTOGRAPHS (four boxes) holds images of the family members in a variety of formats, including daguerreotypes, ambrotypes, tintypes, albumen prints and snapshots. Most are identified and came to the Library already labelled by Albertine Hull Miller. A series of nine real photo postcards records the village and area around Schodack Landing in the early twentieth century.

Series V. SCRAPBOOKS (one box) holds three albums put together by Albertine Hull Miller during the period 1877-1898. The dates of the scrapbooks were established by inscriptions in or on the books, or dates appearing on tradecards pasted within.

**ASHLEY / VAN ALSTYNE / FITCH / HULL FAMILY CHART**

Principal correspondents in the collection are underlined.

William ASHLEY (1763-1847) m. 1787 Nancy Pomeroy (1761- ca. 1795)

Mary [Polly] (1788-1852) m. 1811 John Isaac VAN ALSTYNE (1778-1834)

Sarah Ann (1812- ?) m. Davis BALDWIN - 1 child

Albertine Mariah (1814-1886) m. 1834 Frederick FITCH (1803-1890)

John, Mary, Chester, Chester, Chester [all died in infancy]

Sarah [Sate] Baldwin (1850-1932) m. 1872 William Seward HULL (1839-1898)

Albertine Cornelia (1872-1955) m. 1893 F. Benton **MILLER** (1868-1954)

Cornelia Hull (1895-1990) m. 1921 James H. **SPENCER** (1895-1967)

Hildreth Houston (1927- )

Warren Seward (1897-1976) m. 1932 Dorothy Jackes (1898-1983)

William Ashley (1816-1867) m. Maria Wright [Houston, TX] - 3 children

Lauriette (1818-1838)

John (1820-1821)

John Alexander (ca. 1822- ?) m. Sarah White [Texas] - 1 child

Mary Elizabeth (1824-1865) m. Paul BREMOND [Houston, TX] - 5 children

William, Jr. (1789-1811) [drowned, Nova Scotia]

Chester (1791-1848) [US Senator, Arkansas] m. 1821 Mary Elliot (1798-1865) - 6 children

Elisha Pomeroy (1792-1848) m. 1817 Catherine Osterhoudt - 3 children

Clarissa (1794)

m. Jerusha Leonard (1769-1814)

Pliny (1801)

Lauriette (1803-1870)

m. Sarah Osterhoudt (1777-1847)

Box Folder

**Series I. FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE**

1.5 lin. ft. (3 boxes)

Dates: 1799-1981

The series is arranged alphabetically by the recipient's name. Life span dates are provided to aid in identification of family members and their generation (see also family chart preceding this section).

## ASHLEY, LAURIETTE (1803-1870)

1	1	Letters from Rev. Isaac Tuttle [removed from her copy of Edwards, <i>Candid Reasons for Renouncing...</i> 1804]	1857, 1869
	2	Letters from George Watkins	1835, 1837

## ASHLEY, WILLIAM (1763-1847)

	3	Letters from William Ashley, Jr., with testimony of Stephen Batson, Eastport	1811
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## BREMOND, MARY VAN ALSTYNE (1824-1865)

	4	Letter from Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch	1850 May 22
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## BALDWIN, SARAH VAN ALSTYNE (1812- ? )

	5	Letters from Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch	1836-37
	6	Letters from John Van Alstyne	1827-29

## FITCH, ALBERTINE VAN ALSTYNE (1814-1886)

	7	Letter from Lauriette Ashley	1855 Sep 11
	8	Letter from Sarah Van Alstyne Baldwin	n.d.
	9	Letters from Frederick Fitch	1853-55
	10	Letter from John Van Alstyne	1831 Sep 24
	11	Letters from Mary Ashley Van Alstyne	1829, ca. 1849
	12	Letter from William Ashley Van Alstyne	1861 May 21
	13	Empty envelopes	1880s

Box Folder

**Series I. FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE**, continued

## FITCH, FREDERICK (1803-1890)

[1]	14	Letter from Davis Baldwin	1852 May 7
	15	Letters from Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch	1867
	16	Letters from Sarah Fitch Hull	1887
	17	Empty envelopes	1880s

## HULL, CORNELIA LASHER (1817-1912)

	18	Letter from Simeon Bryant	1864 Oct 24
	19	Letter from Asa Hull	1857 Apr 20
	20	Letter from Mary (May) Hull	1865 May 19
	21-30	Letters from William Seward Hull	1862-65, n.d.
	31	Letters from George Wilbur	1863-64

## HULL, IANTHA (1847-1934)

2	32	Letters from William Seward Hull	1862-65
	33	Letter from Warren Seward Miller	1918 Nov 24

## HULL, MARY (May) (1854-1872) and ELIZABETH (1858-1945)

	34	Letter from Sarah Fitch Hull	1896 May 28
	35	Letters from William Seward Hull	1863-64
	36	Letter to a friend	1870 Jan 28

## HULL, SARAH (Sate) FITCH (1850-1932)

	37	Letters from Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch	1886, 1913
	38	Letters from Frederick Fitch	1886-90
	39	Letters from William Seward Hull	ca. 1871

Box Folder

**Series I. FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE**, continued

## HULL, SARAH (Sate) FITCH (1850-1932), continued

[2]	40	Letters from Julia S. Johnson	1917-18
	41	Letters from Warren Seward Miller	1918
	42	Letter from Fanny Rosemond	1888 Dec 22
	43	Letters from Cornelia Miller Spencer	1907-18
	44	Letters from Emma and Sarah (cousin, otherwise unidentified)	1906 Apr
	45	Empty envelopes	1880s-1910s
	46	Valentines	ca. 1865

## HULL, WILLIAM SEWARD (1839-1898)

	47	Letter from George W. Herrick	1864 Nov 21
	48	Telegram from Sarah Fitch Hull	1886 Aug 25
	49	Letters from Albertine Hull Miller	1878, n.d.

## MILLER, ALBERTINE HULL (1872-1955)

	50	Christmas, New Year and Easter cards	1880s
	51	Letter from Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch	1886 Jan 1
3	52	Letter from Frederick Fitch	1889 Dec 7
	53-55	Letters from Warren Seward Miller	1918-19

## SPENCER, CORNELIA MILLER (1895-1990)

	56	Letters from museums in New York State and St. Louis	1974-81
	56a	Notes from aunts	1927

## VAN ALSTYNE, JOHN ISAAC (1778-1834)

	57	Letters from William Ashley	1811-12
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Box Folder

**Series I. FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE**, continued

## VAN ALSTYNE, JOHN ISAAC (1778-1834), continued

[3]	58	Letters from Sarah Van Alstyne Baldwin	1827
	59	Letter from Elli Dorland	1799 Aug 22

## VAN ALSTYNE, LAURIETTE (1818-1838)

	60	Letter from Edwin Doolittle	1836 Nov 5
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## VAN ALSTYNE, MARY ASHLEY (1788-1852)

	61	Letter from Chester Ashley	1819 Jun 19
	62	Letters from Lauriette Ashley	1826-50
	63	Letter from William Ashley	1839 Mar 28
	64	Letter from William Ashley, Jr.	1807 Oct 9
	65	Letters from Davis Baldwin	1845, 1851
	66	Letters from Sarah Van Alstyne Baldwin	1838-40
	67	Letter from John Bloodgood	1839 Jul 19
	68	Letter from Isaac G. Cutler	1809 Nov 4
	69	Letter from Maria Elliot	1848 May 1
	70	Letters from Albertine Van Alstyne Fitch	1839, n.d.
	71	Letters from Frederick Fitch	1839
	72	Letter from Sally Fitch	1809 Aug 22
	73	Letter from John Koon	1839 Jul 26
	74	Letter from John Alexander Van Alstyne	1851 Jun 18
	75	Letter from John Isaac Van Alstyne	1821 Mar 8
	76-77	Letters from William Ashley Van Alstyne	1837-52

Box Folder

**Series I. FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE**, continued

VAN ALSTYNE, WILLIAM ASHLEY (1816-1847)

[3]	78	Letter from John Koon	1844 Jul 23
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Box Folder

**Series II. PERSONAL PAPERS**

2.5 lin. ft. (3 boxes)

Dates: 1816-1965

The series is arranged alphabetically by family members, followed by two folders of Miscellaneous Ephemera and Miscellaneous Newspapers.

## ASHLEY, LAURIETTE

4	79	Invitations and Davis Baldwin memento	1828-64, n.d.
	80	Valentines (cut and woven paper) and pierced paper wreath [removed from her copy of Watts, <i>Psalms Carefully Suited to the Christian Worship</i> , 1805]	n.d.

## ASHLEY, WILLIAM

	81	Invitation and admission ticket to Bowen's Phenix Museum, Boston	1816
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## BALDWIN, SARAH VAN ALSTYNE

	82	Poem by Captain Norman	n.d.
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## FITCH, ALBERTINE VAN ALSTYNE

	83	Friendship album	1831-34
	84	Prenuptial agreement	1834

## FITCH, FREDERICK

	85	Cemetery documents	1866, 1875
	86	Miscellaneous receipts	1850-80
	87	Pew rent slips	1885-90
	88	Real estate documents	1854-76

## HULL, ELIZABETH

	89	Vermont Society of Colonial Dames membership ticket	n.d.
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Box Folder

**Series II. PERSONAL PAPERS, continued**

## HULL, SARAH FITCH

[4]	90	Autograph album from Pittsfield Female Collegiate Institute	1867
	91	Diary: trip to Italy and England (volume 2 of 2 only)	1914
	92	Fractional currency	ca. 1864
	93	Invitations to commencement and wedding	1869, 1872

## HULL, WILLIAM SEWARD

	94	Confederate Army muster roll	1864
	95	Military appointment papers	1862-63
	96	Newspaper clippings related to Civil War	1861, n.d.
	97	Obituary	1898
	98	128th Regiment memorial keepsake, Georgia dollar and Savannah-New Orleans rail ticket	1863, n.d.
		128th Regiment Company G, New York Volunteer Infantry Soldiers' Memorial, broadside See: Box 11	1863
		128th Regiment Company G, New York Volunteer Infantry Military Register, broadside See: Box 11	1864
	99	Sons of Temperance papers	1869-70

## MILLER, ALBERTINE HULL

	100	Autograph album	1884-89
	100a	Cemetery document	1946 Nov 20
	101	Clippings re: Isaac Hull, James Spencer, Warren Miller	1930-65, n.d.
	102	Clippings and ephemera related to Schodack Landing and Rensselaer County	1927-50, n.d.

Box Folder

**Series II. PERSONAL PAPERS, continued**

## MILLER, ALBERTINE HULL, continued

[4]	103	Clippings and ephemera related to World War I	1915, n.d.
5	104	Daughters of the American Revolution membership papers	1921
	105	Diary: account of New Orleans Exposition	1884
	106	F. Benton Miller mementos	1954, n.d.
	107	Family genealogy and record sheets, with section on family heirlooms and collections	1850s, 1920s
		Invitations	
	108	Graduation and wedding, with clipping	1892-93
	109	Wedding of Cornelia Miller Spencer	1921
	109a	Lock of hair	1879
	110	Notes formerly tied on bundles of family letters	1920s
	111	Notes on furniture and antiques See also: Box 4, Folder 107	1933, n.d.
		Writings	
	112	Essays	n.d.
	113	Poems	1939, n.d.
	114	Poems accepted for publication, with correspondence	1921-39, n.d.
		VAN ALSTYNE, LAURIETTE	
	115	Friendship album	1832-34
		VAN ALSTYNE, MARY ASHLEY	
	116	Copy of <i>The Arkansas State Democrat</i> with coverage of the death of Chester Ashley	1848 May 12

Box Folder

**Series II. PERSONAL PAPERS, continued**

## VAN ALSTYNE, MARY ASHLEY, continued

[5]	117	Funeral announcement for William A. Van Alstyne	1867 Apr
	118	Pew rent slip	1841 Nov 27
	119	MISCELLANEOUS EPHEMERA	1850-84, n.d.
		MISCELLANEOUS NEWSPAPERS	
		Full issues	
	120	<i>Albany Journal</i>	1853 Jul 19
	121	<i>Brother Jonathan</i>	1841 Aug 28
	122	<i>Buffalo Commercial Advertiser</i> , Millard Fillmore memorial edition	1874 Mar 8
	123	<i>Harper's Weekly</i>	1874 May 9
	124	<i>New York Herald</i> , Abraham Lincoln memorial edition [reprint]	n.d.
	125	<i>St. Louis Republic</i> , George Washington inauguration centennial edition	1889 Apr 29

Box Folder

**Series III. FINANCIAL PAPERS**

1 lin. ft. (2 boxes)

Dates: 1801-1854

The series is arranged in four subseries: Bills and Receipts (further subdivided by Farm Expenses, Household Expenses, Legal Fees, Store Expenses, and Miscellaneous Expenses); Real Estate Transactions; Estate of John Van Alstyne; and Miscellaneous Documents.

**BILLS AND RECEIPTS**

## Farm expenses

6	126	Supplies, seeds, etc.	1821-31, n.d.
	127	Taxes, surveys and insurance	1828-33
	128	Upkeep of properties and equipment	1819-32
	129	Wool and leather	1826-30

## Household expenses

	130	Accounts with Jacob A. Ten Eyck, Albany (general merchandise)	1823-28
	131	Accounts with Agur Wells, Albany (shoes and leather repair)	1816-30
	132	General accounts	1819-38
	133	Medical and funeral accounts	1807-38
	134	Subscriptions for newspapers	1819-31
	135	Tuition, books, paper, and boarding	1818-32
	136	Upkeep of properties (repairs, paint, etc.)	1818-32
	137	Legal fees	1819-34

## Store expenses, Schemerhorn and Van Alstyne

	138	Receipt book	1801-07
	139	Receipt book	1807-19

Box Folder

**Series III. FINANCIAL PAPERS, continued**

## BILLS AND RECEIPTS, continued

## Store expenses, Schemerhorn and Van Alstyne

7	140	Receipts for barrels of cider and rent	1819-20, n.d.
	141	Miscellaneous receipts and notes	1807-33

## REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

## Buying and selling

	142	With Edmonds family	1817-21
	143	With Gardenier family	1810-15
	144	With James Quilhot	1817-33
	145	Rental properties	1811-31
	146	Miscellaneous	1812-34

## ESTATE OF JOHN ISAAC VAN ALSTYNE

	147	Edmund Fitch receipts	1834-35
	148	Memorandum re: derelictions	n.d.
	149	Miscellaneous accounts, deeds, etc.	1834-52
	150	Mary Van Alstyne's notes	n.d.
	151	Real estate transactions with Van Alstyne children	1835-54
	152	MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS	1804-15, n.d.

Box Folder

## Series IV. PHOTOGRAPHS

3.5 lin. ft. (4 boxes)

Dates: ca. 1845-1960

The series is arranged alphabetically by family member, followed by folders of Unidentified Men; Unidentified Women; Schodack Landing; and Stereocards.

8	153	FITCH, ALBERTINE VAN ALSTYNE: 1/9 plate ambrotype (inscribed in pencil inside case: My Mother, Pokeepsie [sic] Oct 10 1866); two cabinet card portraits by A. Rino	1866, ca. 1880
	154	FITCH, FREDERICK: cabinet card portrait by McDonnald and Sterry, Albany	ca. 1880
	155	FITCH, SIMEON (1774-1857): 1/4 plate ambrotype	ca. 1855
	156	FRENCH, DAVID (son of Margaret Lasher French): oval ivorytype	ca. 1857
		HULL, CORNELIA LASHER	
		Group portrait with her two sisters in oval frame See: Box 12	ca. 1860
		Group portrait with Sarah Hull, Albertine Miller, and Cornelia Spencer; with modern copy print See: Box 12	1896 Aug
	157	Cabinet card portrait by Forshew, Hudson	ca. 1890
	158	HULL, ELIZABETH FRANCES: 1/6 plate tinted ambrotype; albumen portrait; snapshot	ca. 1863-1941
	159	HULL, FRANCES HILDRETH: 1/6 plate daguerreotype	ca. 1845
	160	HULL, IANTHA with her cat: two 1/6 plate daguerreotypes (one inscribed in pencil inside case: Iantha Hull taken by Mr. Nickols Ambrotyper Stuyvesant NY)	ca. 1849
9	161	HULL, MARY: two carte de visite portraits by T. S. Estabrook, New York	ca. 1870
	162	HULL, S. B. (sister of Albertine Hull Miller?): carte de visite portrait by J. L. Abbott, Albany	1875 Oct

Box Folder

## Series IV. PHOTOGRAPHS, continued

[9]	163	HULL, SARAH FITCH: cabinet card portrait by McDonnald and Sterry, Albany	ca. 1879
		HULL, WILLIAM SEWARD	
	164	1/4 plate tintype portrait with his dog "Dandy" and a fellow soldier; cabinet card portrait by G. Cramer, St. Louis; albumen portrait	ca. 1865-80
		Albumen portrait with knapsack, in oval walnut frame See: Box 13	ca. 1863
	165	HULL, WILLIAM SEWARD AND SARAH FITCH: carte de visite portrait taken in Pochahontas and Blue Beard costumes, by Forshew, Hudson	ca. 1871
	166	MILLER, ALBERTINE HULL: four portraits: carte de visite by Forshew, Hudson; cabinet card by Forshew, cabinet card by McDonnald and Sterry; and carte de visite by Cramer	ca. 1872-78
	167	MILLER, WARREN SEWARD: snapshot with friend	ca. 1918
	168	SPENCER, CORNELIA MILLER: portrait by Starke, St. Louis	ca. 1901
	169	UNIDENTIFIED MEN: carte de visite portraits: two of Civil War soldier by Brady, Washington; portrait by T. D. Tooker, Newark, NY; portrait by E. S. Dunshee, Rochester	ca. 1864, n.d.
	170	UNIDENTIFIED WOMEN: oval tintype; two carte de visite portraits by Powelson and E. S. Dunshee, Rochester and one unlabelled	n.d.
	171	SCHODACK LANDING, NY: nine real photo postcards of the village; one snapshot of the Fitch house; two snapshots of the Fitch family tombstone	ca. 1910-60s
	172	STEREOCARDS: seventeen stereocards, some inscribed on their verso to Iantha and Cornelia Hull from David. Views include commercial card scenes of Havana Glen, NY, views on the New York and New Haven Railroad, and unidentified churches and houses with people. Four of the cards were made by photographers in Norwalk and	

Box Folder

**Series IV. PHOTOGRAPHS, continued**

[9]	[172]	Meriden, CT [possibly Fitch family members?]. One card is inscribed "City of Albany" and appears to be a paddle boat on the Hudson River.	ca. 1865
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Box    Folder

**Series IV. SCRAPBOOKS**

.75 lin. ft. (1 box)

Dates: 1877-ca. 1898

Three scrapbooks assembled by Albertine Hull Miller; arranged in chronological order.

10	Scrapbook with inscription	1877 Jan 13
	Scrapbook with dated and decorated binding	1879 Dec 7
	Scrapbook with fabric pages and felted cover	ca. 1898

Box Folder

From **Series II. PERSONAL PAPERS**

HULL, WILLIAM SEWARD

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| 11 | 128th Regiment Company G, New York Volunteer<br>Infantry Soldiers' Memorial, broadside | 1863 |
|    | 128th Regiment Company G, New York Volunteer<br>Infantry Military Register, broadside  | 1864 |

From **Series IV. PHOTOGRAPHS**

HULL, CORNELIA LASHER

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| 12 | Group portrait with her two sisters in oval frame   | ca. 1860 |
|    | Group portrait with Sarah Hull, Albertine Miller, and<br>Cornelia Spencer; with modern copy print | 1896 Aug |

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| 13 | Albumen portrait with knapsack, in oval walnut frame | ca. 1863 |
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**Appendix I: Ashley / Van Alstyne / Fitch / Hull Family Books**  
(Incorporated into AIHA Library – see catalogue)

Adams, John. *Discourses on Davila. A Series of Papers on Political History*. Boston: Russell and Cutler, 1805. Inscribed by Chester Ashley.

Alcott, Louisa M. *Little Women*. Boston: Roberts Brothers, 1870-71. 2 vol. Inscribed: Mate J. Hull, Feb. 71.

Baxter, Richard. *The Saints' Everlasting Rest*. New York: American Tract Society, [n.d.]

Bible. Dutch. *Biblia, dat is, De Gantsche H. Schrifture, vervattende alle de canonycke boecken des Ouden en des Nieuwen Testaments*. Dordrecht: Pieter en J. Keur, 1736. With note on paper cover in two different hands: An old Holland Dutch printed in Dordrecht in 1736 containing Mrs. Hulls family record on her mothers side from that time until 1797. This is incorrect. The lineage herein recorded is that of Sarah Osterhaut the third wife of William Ashley.

*Book of Common Prayer, and Administration of the Sacraments...together with the Psalter, or Psalms of David*. New York: Hugh Gainé, 1793. Inscribed by A. E. Lasher.

Brown, John. *A Concordance to the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments*. Concord, NH: Luther Roby, 1836. Inscribed by Bertie Hull.

*Burnett's Floral Hand-Book and Ladies' Calendar...* Boston: Joseph Burnett, 1867.

Colburn, Warren. *Intellectual Arithmetic*. New York: R. Lockwood, 1828. Inscribed by John Alexander Van Alstyne, Schodack Landing, March 1832.

Cowper, William. *Table Talk, and Other Poems*. London: John Sharpe, 1817. Inscribed to Lauriette Van Alstyne by B. Delamater.

Edwards, Peter. *Candid Reasons for Renouncing the Principles of Antipaedobaptism...* Whitehall [PA]: printed by William Young for W.W. Woodward, Philadelphia, 1804. Inscribed by A.N.Kittle, Red Hook, Dutchess County.

Fenelon, Francois de Salignac de La Mothe. *Les Aventures de Telemaque Fils d'Ulysse*. Philadelphia: Haswell, Barrington & Haswell, 1839. Inscribed Miss Mary Van Alstyne, Schodack Landing, Dec. 7th/41.

*Forget Me Not: A Christmas, New Years and Birth-day Present for 1830*. Edited by Frederic Shoberl. London: Published by R. Ackermann; and Carey, Lea, and Carey, Philadelphia., [1829]. Inscribed to Lauriette Ashley from [?], 1829.

Goldsmith, Oliver. *Goldsmith's Roman History*. Philadelphia: Ambrose Walker, 1818. Inscribed by Mary Greene and W.A. Van Alstyne.

Goodrich, Samuel G. *A Gift for My Young Friends. By Peter Parley.* [pseud.] New York: Leavitt & Allen [1854?] Bookseller's blind stamp: J.S. Taft, Houston, Texas.

*Graham's American Monthly Magazine of Literature and Art*, vol. 29, 1846. Stamped on front cover of binding: E.E. Clapp [Edward E. Clapp, brother of William S. Hull's first wife Sarah Helen Clapp].

*Harper's New Monthly Magazine*, vol. 29, 1864.

*Harry's Escape; or More Haste, Worse Speed.* London: T. Nelson and Sons, 1872.

Hemans, Felicia Dorothea Browne. *The Poetical Works of Mrs. Hemans*, vol. 2. Philadelphia: Thomas T. Ash, 1832. Inscribed to Lauriette Ashley from her affectionate sister.

*Holy Bible, containing the Old and New Testaments...* London: T. Rutt for the Bible Society at Philadelphia, 1812. Inscribed by Lauriette Ashley, 1823, and containing her annotations throughout.

Homer. *The Iliad of Homer translated from the Greek by Alexander Pope.* 2 vol. Boston: Edward Cotton, 1806. Inscribed to Lauriette Ashley from C[hester]. Ashley.

*Hymns of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.* New York: Protestant Episcopal Press, 1829. Inscribed to Albertine & Lauriette Van Alstyne, 1831.

Inchbald, Mrs. *A Simple Story.* London: Charles Daly, 1840.

*Ladies Almanac for 1872.* Boston: George Coolidge, 1871.

*The Language of Flowers Poetically Expressed...* New York: Leavitt & Allen, 1847.

*Maria Cheeseman; or, The Candy-Girl.* Philadelphia: American Sunday-School Union, 1855.

Marryat, Frederick. *Peter Simple; or, the Adventures of a Midshipman.* Sandbornton, NH: Charles Lane, 1837-40. 2 vol. Inscribed: C. Beeckman, Schodack.

*Martha's Home, and How the Sunshine Came Into It*, by F.M.S. Boston: Massachusetts Sabbath School Society [n.d.]

*Matty's Hungry Missionary-Box and The Message it Brought.* Boston: Massachusetts Sabbath School Society [n.d.] Inscribed: To Lizzie From her Mother C.C. Hull.

Mitchell, S. Augustus. *A System of Modern Geography...* Philadelphia: Thomas, Cowperthwait & Co., 1841.

*The Murdered Mother.* Philadelphia: American Sunday-School Union, 1835. Inscribed on back board: Schodack Landing Sunday School No. 127.

*The New Scholar.* Philadelphia: American Sunday-School Union, 1850. Inscribed: Charles Henry Cornwell Book, Albany Feb 28, 18[?].

Pomey, Francois. *The Pantheon: Representing the Fabulous Histories of the Heathen Gods and Most Illustrious Heroes ...* by Andrew Tooke. New York : Everett Duyckinck, 1810. With bookplate for Chester Ashley.

Reformed Protestant Dutch Church (U.S.). *The Psalms and Hymns, with the Catechism, Confession of Faith, and Canons, of the Synod of Dort, and Liturgy of the Reformed Dutch Church in North America*. Philadelphia: Mentz and Rovoudt, 1848. Inscribed: Albertine M. Fitch, Schodack, New York.

Sanders, Charles W. *The School Reader*. New York: Ivison, Blakeman, Taylor & Co., 1860. Inscribed: [?] Fitch.

Thomson, James. *The Seasons, to Which Is Prefixed a Life of the Author, by Samuel Johnson*. New York: C. S. Van Winkle, 1813. Inscribed by both Jerusha Leonard and Lauriette Ashley.

Unlanski, Carl Theodor von, Baron. *The Woeful History of the Unfortunate Eudoxia, First Consort of the Czar, Peter the Great, Emperor of Russia / Faithfully Translated from the German of U--B von G., Which Was Published at Berlin, in Prussia, in September 1810, by John Kortz*. Hudson [N.Y.]: Published for the author by W.E. Norman, 1816.

Washington, George. *Washington's Farewell Address to the People of the United States*. 2nd ed. New York: J. Seymour, 1809. Two copies: one with William Ashley's membership certificate for the Columbia County "Washington Benevolent Society"; a second with William Ashley, Jr's certificate.

Warner, Susan. *Queechy, by Elizabeth Wetherell* [pseud.] .... New York: George Putnam & Co., 1854. 2 vol. Inscribed: Mrs. Van Alstyne, Houston.

Watts, Isaac. *Psalms Carefully Suited to the Christian Worship in the United States of America...* Whitehall: printed for W.W. Woodward, Philadelphia, 1805. Inscribed by Jerusha Leonard Ashley and Lauriette Ashley.

**Appendix II: William Seward Hull's Record of Travel and Engagements**  
128th Regiment, New York Volunteer Infantry, Company G

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|------|---------|--|
| 1862 | Sep 5   | Mustered out of Hudson, NY and ordered to Washington                           |
|      | Sep 7   | Halted in Baltimore and went into camp   |
|      | Oct 11  | Moved to Gettysburg  |
|      | Oct 16  | Moved back to Baltimore  |
|      | Nov 5   | Embarked on steamer Arago and sailed for Hampton Roads, VA                     |
|      | Nov 30  | Disembarked and went into camp near Hampton VA                                 |
|      | Dec 2   | Reboard Arago and sailed under seal  |
|      | Dec 13  | Arrived in Ship Island (off Mississippi)                                       |
|      | Dec 14  | Sailed for New Orleans; held at Quarantine Station, 72 miles below New Orleans |
|      | Dec 31  | Left Quarantine Station  |
| 1863 | Jan 6   | Arrived at Chalmette, 3 miles below New Orleans                                |
|      | Feb 3   | Moved to Camp Parapet, above Carrollton, 8 miles north of New Orleans          |
|      | Apr 18  | Left Camp Parapet for Gainesville, MS  |
|      | Apr 2-  | Returned to Camp Parapet   |
|      | May 12  | Marched to Ponchatrain, LA   |
|      | May 20  | Embarked for Port Hudson Plains  |
|      | May 27  | In battle under Brigadier General Dow  |
|      | Jun 14  | Still at Port Hudson   |
|      | Jul 8   | Port Hudson surrendered  |
|      | Jul 11  | Ordered to escort five batteries of artillery to Baton Rouge                   |
|      | Jul 15  | Left Baton Rouge for Donaldsonville, LA  |
|      | Aug 12  | Embarked to Siqui Plantation   |
|      | Aug 14  | Embarked for Plaquemine  |
|      | Aug 29  | Embarked for Baton Rouge   |
| 1864 | Jan 20  | Still in Baton Rouge   |
|      | Apr 23  | Engagement at Cane River, LA   |
|      | May 5   | Engagement at Alexandria, LA   |
|      | May 16  | Engagement at Mansura Plains, LA   |
|      | Aug 22  | At Bolivar, WVA (near Harper's Ferry)  |
|      | Sep 19  | Engagement at Winchester, VA   |
|      | Sep 22  | Engagement at Fisher's Hill, VA  |
|      | Oct 19  | Engagement at Cedar Creek, VA  |
|      | Dec     | At Winchester, VA  |
| 1865 | Jan     | Near Winchester, VA  |
|      | Jan     | At Camp Carroll, near Baltimore, MD  |
|      | Jan end | In Savannah, GA  |
|      | Jul 8   | In Savannah, papers signed for discharge                                       |