



Kate Brown letters

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Extent (size): 1.0 box (0.21 linear feet)

Biography:

Kate Brown, born in 1888 in Worcester, Massachusetts, was hired by the Valentine E. Macy family as a tutor to two of their children and as a social secretary for Mrs. Macy. During the year of 1917, Kate traveled with the Macy family to the Jekyll Island Club, where Mr. Macy was a club member, and recorded her experiences in letters written to her family. Kate's letters are a first-hand account of the Jekyll Island Club from the perspective of an onlooker unaccustomed to the lavish lifestyle of America's wealthiest. Kate not only details her life with the Macys but a variety of people and subjects at the Jekyll Island Club, as well as her appreciation of the nature and setting of Jekyll Island itself.

Scope and Content:

This collection includes materials relevant to Kate Brown's time as a tutor and social secretary for the Macy family at Jekyll Island. These materials include copies of Kate's letters and other paper documents significant to the collection.

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