Charles Sumner

A Register of His Correspondence in the Library of Congress

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Collection Summary

Title: Charles Sumner Correspondence

Span Dates: 1841-1874 **ID No.:** MSS41962

Creator: Sumner, Charles, 1811-1874 **Extent:** 142 items; 1 container; 0.2 linear feet **Language:** Collection material in English

Repository: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Abstract: United States Senator and lawyer. Correspondence with attached and related material chiefly concerning government publications, appointments to office, the Republican Party, Sumner's law practice, and his political speeches and

writings.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Personal Names

Anthony, Susan B. (Susan Brownell), 1820-1906.

Chandler, Zachariah, 1813-1879.

Force, Peter, 1790-1868.

Hale, Edward Everett, 1822-1909.

Hillard, George Stillman, 1808-1879.

Nast, Thomas, 1840-1902.

Story, Sarah.

Sumner, Charles, 1811-1874.

Welles, Gideon, 1802-1878.

Organizations

Republican Party (U.S.: 1854-)

Subjects

Government publications. Practice of law--Massachusetts.

Locations

United States--Politics and government--19th century.

Occupations

Senators, U.S. Congress--Massachusetts.

Administrative Information

Provenance:

The correspondence of Charles Sumner, lawyer and United States Senator from Massachusetts, was received in the Library of Congress between 1900 and 1994 as transfers and purchases from various sources and as gifts of Alexander William Armour, Elisabeth B. Bliss, Ida Husted Harper, and others.

Processing History:

The correspondence of Charles Sumner was arranged and described in 1971 and 1985. The collection was revised in 1995 and additional revisions were made to the finding aid in 2008.

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Scope and Content Note

The correspondence of Charles Sumner (1811-1874) spans the years 1841-1874 and consists mainly of correspondence with attached and related material, including printed matter. The papers are organized chronologically and chiefly concern government publications, appointments to office, the Republican party, Sumner's law practice, and his political speeches and writings. Correspondents include Susan B. Anthony, Zachariah P. Chandler, Peter Force, Edward Everett Hale, George Hillard, Thomas Nast, Sarah Story, and Gideon Welles.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged chronologically.

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