

George D. Boyd Envelope and Stamp Collection

- Repository:** Rockingham Co. Historical Collections
Gerald B. James Library
Rockingham Community College
P. O. Box 38
Wentworth, NC 27375
- Title:** George D. Boyd Envelope and Stamp Collection
- Accession No.:** 18-021
- Extent:** 1 box kept in a secure location
- Provenance:** Donated by Mary Glen Boyd Taylor, great-great granddaughter of George D. Boyd, in 1997
- Inclusive Dates:** 1853-1864
- Subject Headings:** Business – Rockingham County (N. C.) – 19th century
Boyd, George Dillard, 1797-1886
Boyd, Samuel Hill, 1831-1864
Covers (Philately)
Hermitage plantation – Rockingham County, (N. C.)
Postage stamps – Confederate States of America
Postage stamps – Flag of Truce
Postage stamps – 19th century
- Related Collections:** 13-137 Boyd-Settle Collection
13-141 George D. Boyd Store Ledger, 1841-1843
- Preferred Citation:** *George D. Boyd Envelope and Stamp Collection. 18-021. Rockingham Co. Historical Collections, Gerald B. James Library, Rockingham Community College.*
- Descriptive Note:** George D. Boyd (1797-1886), was the owner of the Hermitage, a plantation of about 838 acres along the waters of Piney Creek in south central Rockingham County, where he resided with his wife Minerva and their four sons John, Samuel, Andrew and George. These envelopes consist of business correspondence concerning the farm and the store that was

located there, as well as correspondence from Sam to his father while he was serving in the Confederate Army. While these are envelopes only, they do shed light on operations at the Hermitage before and during the Civil War through handwritten notes added by George and Sam to the envelopes. The letters themselves are located at the Greensboro History Museum and have been transcribed in the *Journal of Rockingham county History and Genealogy*, vol. 22, nos. 1-2, 1997

Contents:

Collection of approximately 50 envelopes, most addressed to George D. Boyd, owner of The Hermitage plantation or Samuel H. Boyd, his son. Many are business related, with handwritten notes on date received, date replied and content of the letters. Others are correspondence from Sam home to his father while serving in the Confederate army and while being held prisoner during the war. Postage stamps on the envelopes include U.S., Confederate States of America and Flag of Truce.