

# Guide to the John Moore Papers

MS 355



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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 355

**CREATOR:** Moore, John

**TITLE:** John Moore papers

**DATES:** 1837-1866

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Physician and merchant. The papers consist of sixty-six letters from John Moore in Alabama and Texas to members of his family.

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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of W.J. Cummingham, 1965.

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## Biographical / Historical

John Moore was born in Massachusetts and moved to Talladega, Alabama. Although he was educated as a doctor, he entered the mercantile business in Alabama. He lost all his property in 1855 and moved to Texas.

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## Scope and Contents

The John Moore Papers consist of sixty-six letters written by John Moore, mostly to his mother and sister, Eveline (Moore) Burleigh in Massachusetts, from 1837 to 1866. Moore, who was born in Massachusetts, moved to Talladega, Alabama. Although he was educated as a doctor, he there entered the mercantile business. By 1855 he had lost all his property and moved to Texas as a result, finally settling in Manchaca. His letters provided a fairly detailed description of the climate, soil, economic potential and the people of the various places in which he lived. Accompanying the correspondence is a microfilm containing typed manuscripts of the letters.

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## Collection Contents

### Correspondence

b. 1, f. 1	1837, 1840-1842
b. 1, f. 2	1845, 1847-1850
b. 1, f. 3	1851-1852
b. 1, f. 4	1853-1854
b. 1, f. 5	1855-1856
b. 1, f. 6	1857-1858, 1865-1866
b. 1, f. 7	Typed transcripts of correspondence (microfilm)

## **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.

### **Geographic Names**

Alabama -- Social life and customs  
Southern States  
Texas -- Social life and customs

### **Subjects**

Merchants  
Physicians

### **Names**

Moore, John