

# James Currell Papers

(Mrs. H.H. Cruzat Collection)

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Louisiana State Museum Historical Center

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## Descriptive Summary

<b>Provenance:</b>	Gift of H. H. Cruzat
<b>Title:</b>	James Currell Papers (Mrs. H.H. Cruzat Collection)
<b>Dates:</b>	1864-1865
<b>Abstract:</b>	This collection holds letters and records from prisoner exchange during the Civil War.
<b>Extent:</b>	14 folders
<b>Accession:</b>	Acc. # 9288.1-14

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## Biographical / Historical Note

James Currell was a Confederate Major during the Civil War. He worked as an Assistant to the Agent of Exchange in Mobile, Alabama. Correspondence between Major Currell and other officials of the C.S.A. and U.S.A. gives information about prisoner exchanges during the Civil War.

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## Scope and Content

This collection pertains to the exchange of prisoners of war in the Mobile area during the Civil War. It includes document permitting passage through Federal lines as well as Currell's letterbook regarding the exchange of prisoners.

## Subjects

Civil War  
James Currell  
Charles C. Dwight  
P. J. Osterhaus  
C. F. Christensen  
Mobile, Alabama  
Passport through Federal lines  
Prisoner exchange

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## Access of Use Restrictions

### Access

Collection is **open** for research.

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## Related or Separated Materials N/A

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## Administrative Information

### Preferred Citation

James Currell Papers (Mrs. H. H. Cruzat Collection), Louisiana State Museum Historical Center.

### Acquisition Information

This collection was a gift from Heloise Hulse Cruzat in July, 1927.

### Notes

The unbound letter book in Folder 14 is in poor condition and must be handled with care.

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## Contents List

**Folder 1:** November 5, 1864. Letter from Col. C. C. Dwight to Major James Currell.

**Folder 2:** November 10, 1864. Letter from Col. C. C. Dwight to Major James Currell.

**Folder 3:** January 30, 1865. Passport through Federal lines, by order of Maj. Gen. E. R. S. Canby, signed Lt. Col. C. G. Christensen.

**Folder 4:** January 30, 1865. Letter from Col. C. C. Dwight to Major James Currell.

- Folder 5:** January 31, 1865. Letter from Col. C. C. Dwight to Major James Currell.
- Folder 6:** April 23, 1865. Telegraph from Maj. Gen. P. J. Osterhaus to Major James Currell.
- Folder 7:** April 23, 1865. Letter from Maj. Gen. P. J. Osterhaus to Major James Currell.
- Folder 8:** April 24, 1865. Telegraphs: Lt. Gen. Richard Taylor to Lt. Col. Spence and Lt. Gen. Richard Taylor to Major James Currell.
- Folder 9:** April 25, 1865. Letter from Lt. Col. C. F. Christensen to Major James Currell.
- Folder 10:** April 26, 1865. Letter from Lt. Col. C. F. Christensen to Major James Currell.
- Folder 11:** April 27, 1865. Letter from Lt. Col. C. F. Christensen to Major James Currell.
- Folder 12:** April 27, 1865. Letter from Lt. Col. C. F. Christensen to Major James Currell.
- Folder 13:** June 5, 1865. Letter from Lt. Col. C. F. Christensen to Major James Currell.
- Folder 14:** May 21, 1864 – April 27, 1865. A letter book of Major James Currell regarding prisoner exchange. 72 pages.