

and cashiers of branch banks and offices of discount and deposit in cities from Boston to New Orleans. The files also hold rental property negotiations between the Washington branch bank and A.D. Bladen, B. Clements, George Dashiell, John Dix, and Joseph De La Plane, who was renting a mill, a factory and a house. There is one personal letter in the collection, written to Richard Smith by W.H. Jenifer and concerning a problem with a servant.

Noted correspondents include many congressmen, as well as three territorial governors: William P. Duvall (1784-1854) and Richard Keith Call (1791-1862) of Florida, and John Pope (1770 -1845) of Arkansas. The series has a set of non-finance-related letters written by nine congressmen to Washington bank cashier Richard Smith in February 1829, answering his survey questions about the judicial systems in their states. The respondents are Edward Bates (1793-1869) of Missouri, Henry Connor (1793-1866) of North Carolina, Samuel Foot (1780-1846) of Connecticut, Jacob Isacks (1767-1835) of Tennessee, George Owen (1796-1837) of Alabama, Dutee Pearce (1789-1849) of Rhode Island, Ambrose Sevier (1801-1848) of Arkansas, Richard Wilde (1789-1847) of Georgia, and John Wright (1783-1861) of Ohio; what appears to be a copy of Smith's original inquiry is filed with Isacks's reply.

A few letters in this series predate the second Bank, but because they were written to Richard Smith, they were filed in this section.

Series V, Second Bank, Branches: Documents (1816-1838) is divided in three subseries: Agreements; Notes and Drafts; and Stock Certificates. The Agreements section holds several power of attorney letters, including one from Ana Maria Huarte de Iturbide (1786-1861), former Empress of Mexico who was then living in Philadelphia. A folder of bank drafts from the Bank of the United States, Washington, holds two made out to noted orator Edward Everett (1794-1865), and one each to Commodore Stephen Decatur (1779-1820), the Marquis de Lafayette (1757-1834), James K. Polk (1795-1849), and William Wirt (1772-1834). Three folders hold subscription receipts from bank investors in Baltimore, Boston, New York, Providence, Richmond, and Wilmington, and stock certificates issued in Charleston and New York.

Series VI, Commissioners of Loans Records (1790-1834) holds letters and documents relating to the duties of those officers whose responsibilities were folded into the Bank of the United States by an act of Congress in 1817. Loan Offices were first established in each state by the Continental Congress in order to receive loans to the Continental Treasury for financing the Revolutionary War. In 1787, the Continental Loan Offices were renamed United States Loan Office, and in 1802, Congress added disbursement of veterans' pensions to the loan officers' responsibilities.

The series is arranged in five subseries: Georgia; Massachusetts; New York; Pennsylvania; and Miscellaneous. Correspondence was sent to loan officers John Pooler, James Alger, and Robert Habersham (Georgia), Gardiner Green and Blair McClenachan (Massachusetts), John Cochran, Matthew Clarkson, James Nicholson, and William Few (New York State), and Stephen Moylan