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Collection Summary

Repository: Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries

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

Title: Susan B. Anthony Papers

Dates: 1854-1905

Quantity: 0.4 cubic feet (1 box with 99 items)

Abstract: Copies and some originals of correspondence to and from Susan B. Anthony, as well as a few autographed statements.

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Biographical Note

Susan Brownell Anthony was born in Adams, Massachusetts on 15 February 1820. Her parents, Daniel Anthony and Lucy Read, raised her and her seven siblings as Quakers. After a series of financial setbacks and relocations, the Anthony family settled in Rochester, New York, where Susan B. Anthony became acquainted with many abolitionists and women's rights reformers of her day, including William Lloyd Garrison, Frederick Douglass, Amelia Bloomer, and Samuel May. In the early 1850s, she formed an alliance with Elizabeth Cady Stanton that was critical to the fight for woman suffrage.

In the late 1860s, Anthony published a radical periodical, *The Revolution*, and became executive director of the National Woman Suffrage Association. In 1892, two years after this organization had merged with the American Woman Suffrage Association, she became president of the combined organization, the National American Woman Suffrage Association. By the time Anthony died on 13 March 1906 in Rochester, New York, at the age of eighty-six, four states had granted women equal suffrage.

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Scope and Content Note

The main concern of Anthony's letters from 1854-1866 was the antislavery movement. After the Civil War, she directed all her energy to the struggle for equal rights for women. Major Correspondents include Francis Jackson Garrison, William Lloyd Garrison, Samuel May, Eliza R. Whiting, and Elizabeth Cady Stanton. (Letters from Anthony to Stanton are located in Vassar's Stanton collection). Most letters are hand-written and have an accompanying transcript.

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Access and Use

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- [The Papers of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony. Microfilm. Wilmington, Del.: Scholarly Resources, c1991. 45 microfilm reels. VC microfilm no. 947.](#)

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Subject Headings

Names:

- Garrison, Francis Jackson, 1848-1916
- Garrison, William Lloyd, 1805-1879
- May, Samuel, 1810-1899
- Stanton, Elizabeth Cady, 1815-1902
- Whiting, Eliza Rose Gray

Organizations:

- National American Woman Suffrage Association
- National Woman Suffrage Association (U.S.)

Subjects:

- Abolitionists
- Slavery--Anti-slavery movements
- Women social reformers
- Women's rights
- Women--Social conditions

- Women--Suffrage

Places:

- United States--Politics and government
- United States--Social conditions

VCL Categories:

- Slavery and Antislavery
- Women's History

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