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Collection Summary

Repository: Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries

Creator: Lossing, Benson J. (Benson John), 1813-1891

Title: Benson J. Lossing Papers

Dates: 1861-1956

Quantity: 1.3 cubic feet (4 boxes)

Correspondence concerning Vassar College activities, speeches, and engagements with Lyman Abbott, Nathan Bishop, Stephan M. Buckingham, Charles S. Farrar, Milo P. Jewett, Maria

Abstract: Mitchell, John H. Raymond, Lucy M. Salmon, James Monroe Taylor, Matthew Vassar, and Henry Van Ingen, with some family correspondence. Other items include his notes from a trip to Washington, D.C. in 1861, and miscellaneous programs.

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Biographical Note

Benson John Lossing, LL.D. (1813-1891) was born and raised in Dutchess County, New York. A prominent engraver, illustrator, and historian, Lossing became one of the original trustees of Vassar College in 1861. He was an active member of the Board of Trustees until his death in 1891, taking stands on such issues as the incorporation of the word "Female" in Vassar Female College. His historical works include The Pictorial Field Book of the Revolution, The American Centenary, and Vassar College and Its Founder. Lossing made most of the engravings in his various works himself, although in later years he was assisted by his daughter, Helen Lossing. Lossing was married twice, first to Alice Barritt, niece of his former employer and partner; and then to Helen Sweet, who died in 1912.

Source: Paine, Nathaniel. A Biographical Notice of Benson John Lossing, LL.D. Worcester, MA: Worcester Society of Antiquity, 1892.

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Scope and Content Note

The Lossing Papers consist mainly of correspondence, sketches by Lossing, and memorabilia. The correspondence is divided into three sections, including correspondence regarding Vassar College and correspondence to others and from others. The bulk of the collection was purchased by Vassar College in 1948 from H. Armour Smith of the Hudson River Museum of Yonkers. Additional items from Lossing's estate were donated by Richard Chamberlain in 1976.

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Access and Use

Access

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Restrictions on Use

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Related Material

Related Materials

- [Vassar College Biographical Files](#)
- [James Monroe Taylor Papers](#)

Separated Materials

- Letters from the Benson J. Lossing Papers were removed from the collection during the in the 1980s. Four letters from Benson Lossing to John Howard Raymond and one letter to his wife, Cornelia E. Raymond were moved to the John Howard Raymond Papers (Box 4). One letter to Cornelia Morse Raymond were moved to the Cornelia Morse Raymond Papers (Box 1). Two letters to James Monroe Taylor were moved to the James Monroe Taylor Papers (Box 7). Two letters to Cyrus Swan may have been moved as well but the collection is unprocessed and the letters are not easily identified.

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Subject Headings

Names:

- Abbott, Lyman, 1835-1922
- Bishop, Nathan, 1808-1880
- Buckingham, Stephen M.
- Farrar, Charles S. (Charles Samuel), 1826-1903
- Jewett, Milo P.
- Lossing family
- Mitchell, Maria, 1818-1889
- Raymond, John H. (John Howard), 1814-1878
- Salmon, Lucy Maynard, 1853-1927
- Taylor, James Monroe, 1848-1916
- Van Ingen, Henry
- Vassar, Matthew, 1792-1868

Organizations:

- Vassar College

Subjects:

- Authors
- Editors
- Family--New York (State)
- Women's colleges--New York (State)--Poughkeepsie
- Women--Education
- Wood-engraving

Places:

- Washington (D.C.)--Description

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Encoded by Elizabeth Clarke, May 2007. Updated by Emma Gronbeck, August 2025.

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Processing Information

Original processing date unknown. Guide created February 1997. Updated by Elizabeth Clarke, April 2007. Updated by Laura Streett, October 2014. Updated by Emma Gronbeck, August 2025.

Acquisition Information

Purchased from H. Armour Smith in 1948. Other materials donated by Richard Chamberlain in 1976.

Runge note donated in 2001(M2014-014).

Greenleaf correspondence purchased in 2009 (M2009-007).

Sketches in Folder 7.11 were the gift of Jonathan L. Clark, in honor of Leslie Joan Friedman '69, 2025. (M2025-010)

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- Folder 4.25 Address to Committee on Faculty and Studies of VC re: introducing study of history into curriculum, 1872 (MS/TS, 11 p., 2 copies)
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- Folder 5.3 Vassar College and Its Founder list of Lossing cuts in the library, Published 1867 undated (TS, 3 p.)
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- Folder 5.5 Biographical Sketch of Matthew Vassar, 1890 (TS, 22 p., 1 draft)
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- Folder 5.7 Remarks concerning some of the portraits at Vassar College, undated (MS, 13 p., 1 draft)
- Folder 5.8 Secret History of the Founding of Vassar College..., undated (MS, 22 p., 1 draft)

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- Folder 6.33 The Gossip Tells Some Unpublished Authentic Anecdotes of Abraham Lincoln [interview with Lossing in Philadelphia Daily News], 1890 (4 items)
- Folder 6.34 Lossing, Benson John [in Guide to American Historical Manuscripts in the Huntington Library], 1979 (1 item)
- Folder 6.35 John Guy Vassar's Estate [source unknown], undated (1 item)
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- Folder 7.1 Vassar College: Its Foundation, Aims, Resources, and Course of Study, 1873 (78 p.)
- Folder 7.2 A Memorial Paper on the Life of Nathan Bishop, LL.D. by S.S. Constant, 1880 (24 p.)
- Folder 7.3 Last Will and Testament of Matthew Vassar Jr., Signed, 1881 (10 p.)
- Folder 7.4 Americana: the Library of the late Benson Lossing, American Historian; Part II: Books and Letters, A-K, Anderson Auction Company, 1912 (127 p.)
- Folder 7.5 Americana: the Library of the late Benson Lossing, American Historian; Part II: Books and Letters, L-Z, Anderson Auction Company, 1912 (262 p.)
- Folder 7.6 Americana: the Library of the late Benson Lossing, American Historian; Part III: Autographs, Prints, Broad sides, Anderson Auction Company, 1912 (60 p.)

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