

Collection #
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PORTER AND PANGBORN FAMILY MATERIALS, 1773-1965

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	5 manuscript boxes, 1 box photographs, 1 box OVA photographs, 3 bound volumes, 3 photo albums, 3 tintypes
COLLECTION DATES:	1773-1965
PROVENANCE:	Ruth Pangborn Bequest, c/o Law Offices of Steven H. Oram, Chevy Chase, MD
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RELATED HOLDINGS:	Albert G. Porter Papers, M 0396; Varney-Porter Family Papers, M 0639
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NOTES:	

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

The Porter family was established in Indiana by Captain Thomas Porter in 1816. Captain Porter's son, Albert G. Porter was a graduate of Asbury University (DePauw University), and was a law partner of President Benjamin Harrison in Indianapolis. In addition, Porter served as the 19th Governor of the State of Indiana (1881-85), a U.S. Representative (1859-63) and U.S. Minister to Italy (1889-92). Porter had five children with his wife, Minerva Brown Porter, Omer, George, Edward, Anne, and Albert B. Porter's son Edward, who worked in banking, married Carrie Ray, and they had three children, Katherine (Kate), Eleanor, and Anne. Anne Porter married Mark Pangborn, an insurance agent who was born in New York on September 6, 1911, and they had two children, Mark Jr. and Eleanor. Mark Pangborn Jr., who worked as a librarian and geologist, married Ruth McLaughlin, a teacher.

Sources:

Ancestry.com

HeritageQuest

Materials in the collection

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains items belonging to members of the Porter and Pangborn families, who were related to each other by marriage. The collection contains a great amount of visual materials (Series 2 and 3), most of which are related to the Edward B. and Carrie Ray Porter and the Mark and Anne Porter Pangborn families. Visual materials include four family albums, portraits, snapshots, and tintypes, which document family homes, travels, and gatherings. Other items found in the collection are books dealing with law, government, and literature, which belonged to Governor Albert G. Porter. In Series 1, there is also correspondence, commemorative books about Benjamin Harrison and the State of Indiana, a scrapbook of Anne Porter Mason's time accompanying her father in Italy, and an account book belonging to Governor Porter's second wife Cornelia. Unrelated to the Porter and Pangborn families, there is a daybook that kept record of Governor Jonathan Jennings' finances.

SERIES CONTENTS

Series 1: Papers and Books

CONTENTS

Souvenir Booklet, Harrison Home, n.d.

The Beauties of Shakespeare, n.d.

The Spirit of Laws, translated by Thomas Nugent,
1773

The First Part of the Institutes of the Laws of England
by Francis Hargrave and Charles Butler, 1812

Daybook of Jonathan Jennings, 1823-34

A Treatise on Political Economy by Jean-Baptiste Say,
1830

The Works of Lord Byron In Verse and Prose, 1835

The Practical Spelling Book with Reading Lessons by
T.H. Gallaudet and Horace Hooker, 1840

Works of Horace, with English Notes by Charles
Anthon, 1841

Commentaries on the Laws of England by Sir William
Blackstone, 1843

McGuffey's Rhetorical Guide compiled by A.W.
McGuffey, 1844

The Illuminated Bible, 1846

Flyer, Hiram Brown, 1852

Index of Subjects, Intended as a Manual to Aid the
Student and the Professional Man by John Todd, 1856

Cousin Grace by Sophie May, 1865

Account Book, Estate of Cornelia L. Porter, 1885-87

CONTAINER

Box 1, Folder 1

Box 2, Folder 6

Box 2, Folder 7

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Box 3, Folder 3

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Box 4, Folder 2

Box 5, Folder 1

Box 5, Folder 2

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Box 1, Folder 2

Box 1, Folder 3

Box 1, Folder 4

Box 1, Folder 5

Loose Contents Removed from Account Book, 1885-1906

Box 1, Folder 6

Scrapbook, Annie D. Porter Mason, European Travels, 1889

Box 1, Folder 7

Correspondence, Helen Martinson, 1906-10

Box 2, Folder 1

Travel Notes, Edward B. Porter, 1907

Box 2, Folder 2

Commemorative Biographical Record of Prominent and Representative Men of Indianapolis and Vicinity, 1908

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Correspondence, Helen Martinson, 1911-18

Box 2, Folder 3

State of Indiana Informational Booklet, 1930

Box 2, Folder 4

The Memoirs of John W. Ray, 1965

Box 2, Folder 5

Series 2: Photographs

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Funeral Arrangement, n.d.

OVA Photographs

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Portraits, George T. Porter, n.d.

OVA Photographs

Box 1, Folder 2

Portrait, Mrs. George T. Porter, n.d.

OVA Photographs

Box 1, Folder 3

Snapshots of unidentified children, n.d.

Photographs

Box 1, Folder 1

Snapshots, Unidentified Man in Hot Springs, Arkansas, n.d.

Photographs

Box 1, Folder 2

Unidentified Snapshots, n.d.

Photographs

Box 1, Folder 3

Unidentified Tintypes, n.d.

Tintypes

Portraits, Albert G. Porter, ca. 1860-90s

Photographs

Box 1, Folder 4

Portrait, Annie Porter Mason, ca. 1870s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 5
Portraits, Porter Family, ca. 1870-1900s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 6
Interior & Exterior, Governor Porter's Capitol Avenue Home, ca. 1880s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 7
Portraits, Kate Porter Varney, ca. 1880-90s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 8
Portraits, Eleanor Porter, ca. 1881-1910s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 9
Anne Porter Mason, Palazzo Autic, Rome, 1890	Photographs Box 1, Folder 10
Album Pages, Edward B. Porter Family, ca. 1890s (1 of 2)	OVA Photographs Box 1, Folder 4
Album Pages, Edward B. Porter Family, ca. 1890s (2 of 2)	OVA Photographs Box 1, Folder 5
Portraits, Anne Porter Pangborn, ca. 1890s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 11
Portraits, Edward B. Porter, ca. 1890s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 12
Portrait, President Benjamin Harrison, ca. 1890s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 13
Portraits, Carrie Ray Porter, ca. 1900s	OVA Photographs Box 1, Folder 6
Postcard Images, ca. 1900s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 14
Edward B. Porter Home, 1908	Photographs Box 1, Folder 15
Group Portrait, Anne Porter Pangborn, ca. 1910s	Photographs Box 1, Folder 16
Anne Porter Pangborn and Mark W. Pangborn Jr., 1913	OVA Photographs Box 1, Folder 7

Portraits, Mr. and Mrs. George T. Porter, ca. 1920s

Photographs

Box 1, Folder 17

Top Hatted Man Outside of Paxton, Illinois City Hall,
ca. 1950s

Photographs

Box 1, Folder 18

Series 3: Photo Albums

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Edward B. Porter Family, Lakehouse, Travels, and
Family Gatherings, ca. 1890s

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Album Storage

Pangborn Family, Travels and Recreation, 1926-30

Album Storage