

Archival Box #129 – The McAllister Collection

Descriptive Summary

Title: The McAllister Collection

Accession Number: 4117

Donor: Dr. Catherine McAllister

Date of Acquisition: August 19, 2024

Extent: 1 linear foot

Language: English

Location: 205 Second Storage Room, Archival Box #129

Biographical/Historical Note

The Brotherhood of New Life was a utopian, co-operative community in Brocton, NY led by Thomas Lake Harris. Harris began as a universalist minister, before evolving into a spiritualistic prophet, poet, and vintner. Followers of Harris engaged in farming and industrial occupations, most notably winemaking. Harris and his followers left their Brocton, NY property in 1875 and relocated to Fountaingrove in Santa Rosa, CA.

Scope and Content

This collection is comprised of Dr. Catherine McCallister's meticulously compiled notes, bibliographies, and copies of sources used in her research.

Arrangement

The original order of the collection has been maintained.

Access Points

Thomas Lake Harris, Brotherhood of the New Life, Brocton, NY, Spiritualism

Administrative Information

This collection is open to researchers. Please contact the Darwin R. Barker Historical Museum's Archivist with your request or to schedule a visit. No further accruals are expected.

Collection Overview

Series 1: Notes

Folder 4117.1: Notes - Chronology, Census, Community Members, Maps, Land Purchase and Sales, Tax Records

Series 2: Bibliography

Folder 4117.2: Bibliography – focusing on the period of the Brocton Community

Series 3: Articles

Folder 4117.3: Articles – from area newspapers

Series 4: Publications

Folder 4117.4.1: *Clark & Co., Chautauqua Greenhouses*. [Price List] Salem-on-Erie, 1871.

Folder 4117.4.2: County Histories

Folder 4117.4.3: Cuthbert, Arthur A. *The Life and World-Work of Thomas Lake Harris.*

Glasgow: C.W. Pearce & Co., 1908.

Folder 4117.4.4: Emerson, Mary S. *Among the Chosen.* NY: Henry Holt and Company, 1884.

Folder 4117.4.5: Harris, Thomas Lake. *Hymns of the Two-in-One for Bridal Worship in the Kingdom of the New Life.* Salem-on-Erie: Brotherhood of the New Life, 1876.

Folder 4117.4.6: Jones, Terry. "The Story of Kanaye Nagasawa." *Annual Research Report of the Kagoshima Prefectural College Regional Research Institute*, 8 (1979): 41-76

Folder 4117.4.7: Kadota, Paul Akira, and Terry Earl Jones. *Kanaye Nagasawa: A Biography of a Satsuma Student.* Kagoshima: Kagoshima Prefectural Junior College, 1990.

Folder 4117.4.8: M'Cully, Richard. *The Brotherhood of the New Life and Thomas Lake Harris.* Glasgow: John Thomson, 1893.

Folder 4117.4.9: Nagasawa, Kanaye. "Diaries of Kanaye Nagasawa," edited by Gaye LeBaron. *Annual Research Report of the Kagoshima Prefectural College Regional Research Institute.* (1980): 78-100.

Folder 4117.4.10: Swainson, William P. *Thomas Lake Harris: Mad or Inspired?* Brotherhood Publishing Company, 1895.

Folder 4117.4.11: Swainson, W.P. *Thomas Lake Harris and His Occult Teaching.* London: William Rider & Son, 1922.