Josiah Y. Powell Papers
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Collection Number: C4558

Collection Title: Josiah Y. Powell Papers

Dates: 1803-1927

Creator: Powell, Josiah Y., 1834-1929

Abstract: Papers of Josiah Y. Powell, a carpenter-farmer-surveyor from Chillicothe, Missouri. Included are correspondence, speeches, poems, clippings, and an obituary for Powell.

Collection Size: 0.1 cubic feet
(8 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Biographical Note:

Josiah Y. Powell was born on September 29, 1834, to Benjamin and Sarah Powell. He was married to Phoebe E. (Weaver) Powell. Josiah was a carpenter, farmer, and surveyor from
Chillicothe, Missouri. He was an Odd Fellow and co-publisher of the Gallatin North Missourian from 1873-1876. He died in 1929.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been arranged into the following four series:

- Correspondence
- Speeches and Poems
- Clippings
- Obituary

**Scope and Content Note:**

**Correspondence**

This series contains four letters to and from Josiah and his family, 1909-1926. Letters contain information on family and local news. The series is arranged chronologically.

**Speeches and Poems**

This series contains speeches and poems written by Powell, n.d., 1803-1927. The speeches were given before the various organizations and discuss county matters, labor, taxes, and other miscellaneous topics. The bulk of the poems were written on special occasions, such as birthdays, wedding anniversaries, and holidays. Two poems were written by Benjamin Powell, the father of Josiah, in 1803, and transcribed. The series is arranged by material type and then chronologically.

**Clippings**

This series contains clippings of articles and poems written by Powell from newspapers and other publications, n.d., 1903, 1921. This series has been arranged chronologically.

**Obituary**

This series contains a typed copy of the obituary for Josiah Y. Powell, n.d.

**Container List:**

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**Speeches and Poems**

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