Overview

Repository

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>Title:

Records

Dates:

1861-1904, undated

1861-1863

Abstract:

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Quantity:

2.36 cubic ft.

Language: English.

Restrictions on Access

None.

Restrictions on Use

Letterpress copybooks are extremely fragile and may not be photocopied. The scrapbook containing orders and clippings is fragile, copies must be made from existing photocopy.

Technical Requirements

None.

Biographical Sketch

Francis Richard Lubbock was governor of Texas from November 7, 1861 to November 5, 1863. Lubbock was born in South Carolina on October 16, 1815; he clerked in a hardware store and managed a cotton warehouse before he became a druggist in New Orleans in 1834. He followed his brother Tom to Texas in 1836, after the Battle of San Jacinto. He claimed to have sold the first barrel of flour and the first sack of coffee in the village of Houston. After clerking in the House of Representatives in the Second Congress of Texas, he was appointed comptroller of the Republic. He became the district clerk of Harris County in 1841, and bought a ranch near Harrisburg in 1846.

Lubbock was elected lieutenant governor in 1857, and governor in 1861. Among his actions were the mobilizing of a frontier regiment of cavalry against hostile Indians, the modest expansion of industrial resources, and the sale of U.S. bonds acquired in 1850 to help replenish an exhausted treasury. His interpretation of conscription laws made every able-bodied man between 16 and 60 years of age liable for military service. He did not run for re-election, preferring to join the Confederate Army as a lieutenant colonel in November 1863. In 1864 he joined Jefferson Davis' staff, and was captured with him in
May 1865. Upon his release he returned to business in Houston and Galveston. He was tax collector in Galveston for three years, and state treasurer (1879-1891). As state treasurer, he was an active member of the Capitol Building Commission. He served under Governor James Hogg on the Board of Pardons before retiring at age 80. Lubbock wrote his autobiography <emph render="italic">Six Decades in Texas</emph> in 1900. He died in Austin on June 22, 1905.  

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  <head>Scope and Contents of the Records</head>
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  <head>Arrangement of the Records</head>
  <p>Arrangement is chronological; letters having no specific day date have been placed at the end of the month. Undated letters are located at the end of the loose correspondence. Volumes are arranged by type, then chronologically.  
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  <p>The terms listed here were used to catalog the records. The terms can be used to find similar or related records.  

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The following materials are offered as possible sources of further information on the agencies and subjects covered by the records. The listing is not exhaustive.

- **Repository:** Texas State Archives
- **Note:** There are several holdings indexed under Francis R. Lubbock in the Manuscripts Card File in the Archives search room.

- **Archival Reference:**
  - Texas Secretary of State, Executive record books, 1835-1917, 14 reels of microfilm.
  - Texas Adjutant General's Department, Civil War records, Texas State Troops records, Correspondence concerning conscription, 1862-1864, 0.3 cubic ft.
  - Texas State Military Board, Records, [ca. 1861]-1865, 1955, 4.23 cubic ft. and 14 volumes.
  - Francis Richard Lubbock Correspondence, 1869, 1879-1881, 1895, 1904, undated (bulk 1880-1881), fractional.

- **Repository:** Center for American History, University of Texas at Austin
- **Note:** There are numerous holdings indexed under F. R. Lubbock in Chester V. Kielman's The University of Texas Archives.
Francis Richard Lubbock Papers, 1857-1884, 1 volume [typescript, photocopy]

**Publications**

Lubbock, Francis Richard.

*Six decades in Texas; or, Memoirs of Francis Richard Lubbock, governor of Texas in war time, 1861-63. A personal experience in business, war, and politics.*

Austin, B. C. Jones &amp; Co., printers, 1900.

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Most of these records have no accession information. Three letterpress copybooks and a scrapbook were donated to the Texas Department of Insurance, Statistics and History by Francis R. Lubbock on March 22, 1904.