Guide to the Chittenden-Lusk Family Papers

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SUMMARY: Correspondence among members of the family of Simeon Baldwin Chittenden, his son-in-law, William Thompson Lusk, and correspondence of the Lusk family. Among the Lusk papers are letters and memoirs by Elizabeth Freeman Lusk, mother of William Thompson Lusk, on the deaths of her two daughters in 1864 and 1870 respectively. The family letters also include a series of European travel accounts by Mary H. and William T. Lusk, 1864-1865. Letters by Simeon Baldwin Chittenden to his granddaughter, Anna H. Lusk, in 1885-1889, miscellaneous correspondence among family members and newspaper clippings on William T. Lusk and Simeon B. Chittenden.

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Biographical / Historical
Simeon Baldwin Chittenden (1814-1889): merchant in New Haven, 1835-1842; dry-goods merchant in New York City, 1842-; elected to Congress from New York, 1874. William Thompson Lusk (1838-1897): obstetrician; educated in Germany, New York, Scotland, and Austria; member of the New York Infantry Highlanders, 1860-1863; practiced medicine and taught at Long Island College Hospital, 1866-1871; professor of obstetrics and gynecology at Bellevue Hospital Medical College, 1871-1897.

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Death
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Chittenden, S. B. (Simeon Baldwin), 1814-1889
Lusk, Elizabeth Freeman
Lusk, Mary Hartwell Chittenden, d. 1871
Lusk, William Thompson, 1838-1897

Families
Chittenden family
Lusk family