

James Parks McCombs Papers

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Biography

Born in 1836 in the Crab Orchard Township of Mecklenburg County, James Parks McCombs was the son of Joseph and Martha Park McCombs. His family claimed some prominence with connections to both the Parks and Morrison families of Mecklenburg County. Parks McCombs attended a private school along the Rocky River in Cabarrus County. He spent two years at Davidson College before entering and graduating from the New York Medical College. Upon his return to North Carolina, McCombs opened a practice in Taylorsville in Alexander County.

Shortly after starting his practice in Taylorsville, the Civil War began and McCombs enlisted. He received his appointment on September 26, 1862 and served as an Assistant Surgeon with the 11th Infantry, Companies "F" and "S." On July 4, 1863, the final day of the battle of Gettysburg, McCombs was taken prisoner along with the Confederate wounded who were left behind. According to his papers, he received a pass in late July at the Susquehanna Camp at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. Apparently McCombs received some special treatment with the most likely reason being his profession. Confined at various localities, he eventually arrived at Fort McHenry, Maryland on August 10, 1863. McCombs remained there until November 21, 1863 when he was exchanged for other prisoners. Returning to his company, McCombs remained in service until he was paroled with his regiment at Appomattox Court House on April 9, 1865.

With the end of the war, McCombs returned to Mecklenburg County and established a practice in Crab Orchard Township. Later he formed partnership with Dr. Robert Gibbons and moved to Charlotte and the two remained partners until 1883. McCombs would form another partnership with Gibbons' son in 1897. Known primarily as an obstetrician, McCombs was well respected for his work with the poor. One can indicate from his obituary that people remembered McCombs for his gentleness and generosity.

Besides practicing medicine, McCombs became deeply involved in the gold mining industry in Mecklenburg and Cabarrus County as well as some mines in South Carolina. Over the course of thirty-six years, he leased or owned seven different mines. Most of them yielded barely enough gold to cover his expenses. Based on the papers, McCombs endeavored to attract New York and British investors. The latter were quite prevalent in the North Carolina mining industry during the late nineteenth century.

A bachelor for most of his life, McCombs married Ferebe or Feribe Guion shortly before his death in 1901. His wife gave birth to a daughter, Annie Parks, shortly after his death. Interesting enough, Annie Parks McCombs became a physician like her father. By 1930, she and her aunt, Constance Guion practiced medicine together in Manhattan, New York.

Upon his death, his mining ventures were sold.

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Series Description

Series 1 Reed Gold Mine Papers. 1876-1890. 3 inches. 102 folders in one box, 123 items arranged chronologically.

This series contains correspondence, payrolls, deeds and other related papers that describe McCombs's involvement in the Reed Gold Mine, near Stanfield, North Carolina during the latter half of the nineteenth century. The bulk of the correspondence is from the supervisor at the mine, Robert Gadd. Descriptions of work at the mine, the personal problems of the workers and McCombs's involvement at the mine are the main subjects of each letter. A few letters concern William Gadd, brother of Robert, who was jailed for murder. This was the result of an ongoing feud between the two brothers. Payroll sheets identify workers, their occupations and the salaries they received. The receipts to local merchants give some indication as to the type of mining that took place, the expense involved and the number of merchants in the area that sold mining supplies.

Series 2 Miscellaneous Correspondence. Eight folders arranged chronologically.

Small sets of letters from various individuals concerning business investments.

Series 2A Miscellaneous Mine Receipts 1881-1900. Sixteen folders. Arranged chronologically.

A number of receipts that provide ample evidence of the number of businesses that sold mining supplies and the impact the mining industry had in the Charlotte community during this time. Items are listed as well as their cost which are indicative of the expenses and activities occurring at the mine.

Series 2B Correspondence from Thomas Kinnan, 1877. Six folders arranged chronologically.

Thomas Kinnan of Boston wrote six letters about various mining investments and speculation into the Willard process.

Series 2C Medical papers, 1877-1883. Nine folders arranged chronologically.

According to this obituary, McCombs kept few medical records. The papers consist of letters from various agencies requesting information and services. Receipts from the Mecklenburg County Tax Office for his license to practice medicine. A case history of a splenectomy he performed; a list of pensioners McCombs examined and other correspondence, including with Jane Wilkes, founder of Good Samaritan Hospital, the first medical facility, reportedly in the United States, for African Americans.

Series 2D Miscellaneous correspondence. Four folders, eleven items arranged chronologically.

Various letters from individuals regarding business activities. Letters from Robert Johnston. Dr. Alfred C. Post, and S. K. Kane. Also includes a letter from J.L. Rodman to Bruce Craven with a map of President Andrew Jackson's birthplace.

Series 2E Various financial papers (1882-1901) Eleven folders arranged chronologically.

Various receipts for items purchased by McCombs provide details concerning his personal tastes and habits.

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Series 2F **Checks. One folder, eight items arranged chronologically.**
Payments by check to various businesses where McCombs shopped.

Series 2G **Bank book, 1885. One item.**
Account with Merchants and Farmers National Bank in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Series 2H **Mortgage Agreement, 1877. One item.**
Mortgage agreement between W. V. Dunn and William Todd.

Series 2I **Joseph McCombs Estate. Two folders, ten items arranged chronologically.**
Papers granting James Parks McCombs power of attorney to handle his father's affairs. Also includes receipts for his father's debts that were paid by James Parks McCombs.

Series 2J **Mary Wallis Estate. Four folders arranged chronologically.**
Mary Wallis wife of E. Wallis, was a patient of Dr. McCombs. The papers indicate he served as the executor of her estate.

Series 2K **Civil War personal papers, 1861-1865. Four folders arranged chronologically.**
Contains an interesting mix of civilian and military papers, including a petition from local citizens, a military pass and two lists for the 11th Regiment.

Series 2L **Lawsuit, 1897. One item.**
Final opinion in the case of J.P. Alexander and D. A. Johnston vs. James Parks McCombs.

Series 2M **Correspondence of Mrs. Ferebe McCombs, Eight folders arranged chronologically.**
Contains the correspondence of prospective buyers for some of the real estate left by Dr. James Parks McCombs following his death in 1901.

Series 3 **Brewer Mine, 1881-1886. Three inches, thirty-eight folders arranged chronologically.**
Primarily a day-to-day accounts of activities at the Brewer Mine in Chesterfield, South Carolina. Supervisor E. Motz wrote about the work at the mine and the hopes of striking it rich. Provides good details of the mechanics of mining in this part of the state.

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MC1.1.1	no date	Correspondence from R. Gadd to McCombs regarding selling of his interest in the Reed Gold Mine
MC1.1.2	no date	Partial correspondence, parties unknown regarding availability of two properties.
MC1.1.3	c 1887	Correspondence from R. Gadd to McCombs informing the doctor that his son has meningitis (partial letter).
MC1.1.4	no date	Correspondence from C.P. Murray to McCombs regarding a letter sent to Gadd.
MC1.1.5	no date	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs re: mine news.
MC1.1.6	no date	Partial letter from Gadd to McCombs re: mine news.
MC1.1.7	no date	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs requesting more equipment.
MC1.1.8	no date	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs re: receipt of supplies and news that K. Hagler's wife died.
MC1.1.9	4 Sept?	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs re Greeley's request to annul lease.
MC1.1.10	9 Sept. 1876	Correspondence from J. Cooke Longstreet to McCombs re: a death and the sale or lease of the mine.
MC1.1.11	11 Sept 1876	Partial letter about a bond on the Reed Mine.
MC1.1.12	12 Dec 1881	Correspondence from J. P. Morris to McCombs re: financial news.
MC1.1.13	13 Mar 1882	Correspondence from C.P. Murray to McCombs regarding the purchase of land
MC1.1.14	22 Mar 1882	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs re: a visitor
MC1.1.15	21 Aug 1885	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs re: mine news.
MC1.1.16	09 Sept 1885	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs re: need for supplies and machinery
MC1.1.17	01 Dec 1885	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs re: mine news and need for supplies.
MC1.1.18	06 Dec 1885	Correspondence from Gadd to McCombs re: mine news.
MC1.1.19	12 Dec 1885	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs requesting clothing.
MC1.1.20	17 Dec 1885	Correspondence from J.W. Wilson to Robert Gadd re: information on boilers and pumps.
MC1.1.21	21 Dec 1885	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs re: mine and family news.
MC1.1.22	29 Jan 1886	Partial letter from James Parks Morris to McCombs re: financial news.

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MC1.1.23	11 Mar 1886	Correspondence from James Parks Morris to McCombs requesting supplies.
MC1.1.24	31 Mar 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs re: C. Plummer.
MC1.1.25	30 Apr 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs re: a conflict with James Parks Morris
MC1.1.26	10 May 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs about the lack of supplies.
MC1.1.27	21 May 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs about the mine
MC1.1.28	02 June 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs with mining and financial news.
MC1.1.29	16 Aug 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs with requesting supplies.
MC1.1.30	19 Aug 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs with mining news.
MC1.1.31	23 Sept 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs about the mine workers
MC1.1.32	27 Sept 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs about trouble with miners.
MC1.1.33	23 Nov 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs regarding the latter's visit to the mine.
MC1.1.34	27 Nov 1886	Correspondence from Paul B. Means to McCombs \ requesting wages for workers. He identifies the workers and the wages each man received.
MC1.1.35	23 Dec 1886	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs regarding financial records.
MC1.1.36	08 Jan 1887	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs regarding the sale of the Reed Mine.
MC1.1.37	10 Jan 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs over a discrepancy in the ledger and the mistake was made by Gadd.
MC1.1.38	31 Jan 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs concerning a gold sample.
MC1.1.39	18 Feb 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs requesting supplies. He also provides information about British investors in the area.
MC1.1.40	05 Mar 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs, in which he provides details of the mining process and the type of equipment used in gold mines.

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MC1.1.41	21 Mar 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs with an offer for McCombs to come and view the situation and offer to buy McCombs share in the mine. Gadd desired some authority and mentions problems with Bost and Cannon. Gadd also implies that illegal occur at the mine over supplies.
MC1.1.42	3 April 1887	C.M. McDonald to McCombs concerning deeds and machinery.
MC1.1.43	29 April 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs, in which the former requests McCombs come and see the new vein of gold uncovered at the Reed Mine. Gadd claims the ore is better than that found at the Garmon Mine.
MC1.1.44	10 June 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs, requesting McCombs come to mine and examine the ore. He describes the amount of gold being retrieved and claims it would be profitable to do a full scale excavation.
MC1.1.45	13 July 1887	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs offers his opinions of various shafts and the prospects of retrieving ore at profit. Mentions survey by USGS.
MC1.1.46	20 Aug 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs requesting McCombs come with McDonald to see the mine. Gadd also states his son is sick and not expected to live.
MC1.1.47	20 Aug 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs regarding McCombs and McDonald visit to the mine.
MC1.1.48	21 Aug 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd imploring McComb to come and see the mine. Complains McDonald not paying sufficient wages for Gadd to provide food for his family. He specifically mentions the needs of his ailing son, Tommie.
MC1.1.49	21 Aug 1887	From McDonald to McComb. The former is confused as to what Gadd is upset over and requests that he and McCombs visit the mine.

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MC1.1.50	26 Aug 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs in which he expresses appreciation for money and the doctor's kindness following the death of Tommie Gadd from meningitis. Describes the needs of the mine and informs McCombs that since McDonald did not come, he, Gadd, discontinued operations at the mine.
MC1.1.51	06 Sept 1887	Correspondence from C. McDonalds to McCombs informing him that the work at the mine is going well.
MC1.1.52	13 Sept 1887	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs regarding British forming a company out of the mine.
MC1.1.53	16 Sept 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs informing him that McDonalds failure to pay the workers is destroying morale and hindering the operation.
MC1.1.53	19 Sept 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs saying he can't work and is out of food.
MC1.1.54	30 Sept 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs regarding the need to meet with him and the geologist.
MC1.1.55	08 Oct 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs and informs him of a new strike (gold). Confused as to why McCombs doesn't come to the mine and attend to business. Describes flooding in the mine.
MC1.1.57	16 Oct 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs. Provides a detailed account of how he wants to extract the ore. Sends a drawing and details of activities at the various mineshafts. Complains about McDonald not paying wages and expresses concern about what might happen if he does not.
MC1.1.58	08 Nov 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs regarding financial news and the mill house needs repairs.
MC1.1.59	26 Nov 1887	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs regarding financial news.
MC1.1.60	02 Dec 1887	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs about mining news.

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MC1.1.61	25 Jan 1888	Correspondence from Widenhouse/Shinns to McCombs concerning payment arrangements for supplies.
MC1.1.62	05 Feb 1888	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs to inform him of the necessity of obtaining wood to continue operations at the mine. Gadd willing to resign and offers to go North to sell the mine.
MC1.1.63	03 Mar 1888	Correspondence from S.E. Greely to McCombs indicates the latter was willing to sell interest in mine lease.
MC1.1.64	20 Mar 1888	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs concerning a mortgage Gadd took out to pay supplies with Bost and Cannon, local merchants. Gadd planned to pay with gold ore that was never extracted. Mentions other debts.
MC1.1.65	18 May 1888	Correspondence from E. T. Bost to McCombs regarding financial issues.
MC1.1.66	06 June 1888	Correspondence from J.W. Cannon to McCombs regarding financial issues and problems with his account.
MC1.1.67	21 June 1888	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs. He was bitter about McCombs' decision to sell the his interest in the mine. Greely was bringing in experts to examine the mine. Gadd claimed that if McCombs had invest money in the mine both men would have seen a profit.
MC1.1.68	17 July 1888	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs about problems with Greely. The latter was looking for machinery and waiting for news from Boston.
MC1.1.69	17 July 1888	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs about Greely's offer on the mine in Philadelphia.
MC1.1.70	10 Oct. 1888	Correspondence from S.E. Greeley [sic] to McCombs re: money he raised for the mine. Asked him to warn Gadd not to be so frank concerning Greeley's option on the mine expired.
MC1.1.71	13 Dec 1888	William Gadd to McCombs' regarding a murder that took place in the mine and now he was in jail. Robert Gadd requested McCombs help in getting William released.
MC1.1.72	23 Nov 1888	William Gadd to McCombs still in prison and requesting assistance.

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MC1.1.73	13 Dec 1888	William Gadd to McCombs requesting the doctor send a certificate informing him that it would be injurious to Gadd's health if he remained in prison.
MC1.1.74	20 June 1889	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs regarding mine business.
MC1.1.75	1 July 1889	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs regarding the latter's visit to the mine.
MC1.1.76	9 July 1889	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs regarding news from the mine.
MC1.1.77	20 Oct 1889	Correspondence from R.A. Thompson to Robert Gadd regarding sale of property.
MC1.1.78	21 Oct 1889	Correspondence from C.M. McDonald to McCombs about financial issues. McDonald claims Gadd indicates McComb can recoup his investment of \$4000.00 from the sale of the mine option.
MC1.1.79	28 Oct 1889	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs about his request that plots be sent to Thompson.
MC1.1.80	31 Oct 1889	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs with another request that land plots be sent. Regrets McCombs has little confidence in his [Gadd's] abilities.
MC1.1.81	19 Nov 1889	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs about someone wanting to buy an interest in mine.
MC1.1.82	27 Nov 1889	Gadd to McComb. The former is upset because McDonald failed to pay the men again. Fears that the previous business problems will hinder operations.
MC1.1.83	23 & 29 Nov 1889	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs, informing him that an Englishman wants to buy mine.
MC1.1.84	1 Dec 1889	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs about financial news.
MC1.1.85	2 Dec 1889	McDonald to McComb concerning intrigue over operations of mine involving British investors and Greeley.
MC1.1.86	11 Dec 1889	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs with news of mine.
MC1.1.87	17 Dec 1889	Correspondence from C. McDonald about a deed.

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MC1.1.88	31 Dec 1889	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs concerning mine business.
MC1.1.89	8 Feb 1890	Correspondence from Victor Hollingsworth of the Burmah Syndicate Limited to Dr. McCombs concerning investing in mining for tin at the Reed Gold Mine.
MC1.1.90	25 Feb 1890	Correspondence from C. McDonald to McCombs about business at the mine.
MC1.1.91	16 May 1890	Correspondence from Robert Gadd to McCombs concerning financial news.

Series 1A – Payrolls for Reed Gold Mine (1885 – 1889) Box 1

MC1.1A.92	Dec 1885	Payroll with names of workers, occupation and wages.
MC1.1A.93	Feb 1886	Payroll with names of workers, occupation and wages.
MC1.1A.94	Apr. 1886	Payroll with names of workers, occupation and wages.
MC1.1A.95	July 1886	Payroll with names of workers, occupation and wages.
MC1.1A.96	31 Dec 1886	Payroll with names of workers, occupation and wages.
MC1.1A.97	Jan 1887	Payroll with names of workers, occupation and wages.
MC1.1A.98	16 Nov 1889	Payroll with names of workers, occupation and wages.

Series 1B – Lease Agreement for Garmon Tract Adjoining Reed Gold Mine Box 1

MC1.1B.99	5 Sept 1885	Lease agreement for the Garmon Tract for two years between Martin Widenhouse, Frederic Furr and Joel Reed to Robert Gadd. The latter leased half of his interest in the mine to Dr. James Parks McCombs on 26 November 1885.
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Series 1C – Reed Gold Mine Miscellaneous Papers Box 1

MC1.1C.100- MC1.1C.105	1885-88	Sheets from ledger books documenting expenditures for mining operations at the Reed Gold Mine and the Garmon Tract. (five items)
MC1.1C.106- MIC.1C.121	186- 1888	Various receipts for equipment used specifically at the Reed/Garmon site (fourteen items)
MC1.1C.122	18 Jan 1886	On behalf of Robert and William Gadd, McCombs' agreement to sell interest in the Reed Gold Mine and the Garmon Tract to A.F. Lucas of Charlotte.
MC1.1C.123	188?	Correspondence from McCombs attorney, M.H. Caldwell to McCombs regarding concerns of William Smith and

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MC1.1C.123	188?	Correspondence from McCombs attorney, M.H. Caldwell to McCombs regarding concerns of William Smith and Keesler Hagler over the mine, as well as the money owed them and Robert Gadd.

Series 2 – Miscellaneous Correspondence (1882-1898) Box 2

MC2.2.1	no date	Power of attorney – names involved are illegible.
MC2.2.2	19 April 1882	Correspondence from T.E.D. Templeton of Mooresville to McCombs concerning investments.
MC2.2.3	23 July 1882	Correspondence from G.C. Johnston of Hammonton, New Jersey to McCombs regarding selling of a house.
MC2.2.4	18 Sept 1897	Correspondence from James L. Carlise regarding letters at the post office.
MC2.2.5	10 June 1893	Note for loan and payments with no names listed.
MC2.2.6	5 Jan 1898	Correspondence from NSH to Blake _____, regarding real estate deal.
MC2.2.7	various dates	four envelops
MC2.2.8	no date	piece of paper with an address.

Series 2A – Miscellaneous Receipts for Expenditures Encountered for Mine Operations (1881-1900) Box 2

MC2.2A.1	22 June 1881	Settlement of accounts between Mary E. Duckworth and McCombs for food supplies purchased between 1868-1869.
MC2.2A.2	1 Feb 1882	Receipt for food supplies from J.S. Spencer by McCombs
MC2.2A.3	2 March 1882	Receipt paid by McCombs to Mecklenburg Iron Works
MC2.2A.4	1886	Receipt paid by McCombs to E. W. McGinnis for food.
MC2.2A.5	1890	Receipt paid by McCombs to A.C. Hutchinson for board and care of horse.
MC2.2A.6	31 May 1894	Receipt paid by McCombs to Charlotte Hardware Company for equipment.
MC2.2A.7	6 July 1894	Receipt paid by McCombs to Mecklenburg Iron Works.
MC2.2A.8	30 June 1894	Receipt paid by McCombs to Charlotte Hardware Company for equipment.
MC2.2A.9	4 Aug 1894	Receipt paid by McCombs to Charlotte Hardware Company for equipment.
MC2.2A.10	4 Aug 1894	Receipt paid by McCombs to Charlotte Hardware Company for equipment.

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Folder	Date	Description
MC2.2A.11	4 Aug 1894	Receipt paid by McCombs to Charlotte Hardware Company for equipment.
MC2.2A.12	3 Dec 1894	Receipt paid by McCombs to Charlotte Hardware Company for equipment.
MC2.2A.13	13 Dec 1894	Receipt paid by McCombs to Charlotte Hardware Company for equipment.
MC2.2A.14	28 Feb 1895	Receipt paid by McCombs to Charlotte Hardware Company for equipment.
MC2.2A.15	17 June 1897	Receipt paid by R.A. Chapman to Mecklenburg Iron Works
MC2.2A.16	Aug 1900	Receipt paid by McCombs to J.W. Lewis and Company for lumber.

Series 2B – Thomas Kinnan Correspondence (1877) – Box 2

Letters from Thomas Kinnan who worked for *The Herald* in Boston. Most of the correspondence focuses on the Willard mining process that Kinnan was developing. He was looking for investors.

Folder	Date	Description
MC2.2B.1	18 April 1877	From Kinnan to McCombs concerning business venture.
MC2.2B.2	26 May 1877	Kinnan to McCombs providing a detailed description of the mine and ore content.
MC2.2B.3	11 June 1877	Kinnan to McCombs describing the mine work in an unknown area. Assures McCombs that they will become rich. Mentions Willard Process.
MC2.2B.4	21 June 1877	Kinnan to McCombs – short note.
MC2.2B.5	23 July 1877	Kinnan to McCombs
MC2.2B.6	8 Oct 1877	Kinnan to McCombs

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Series 2C – Medical Papers (1877-1883) Box 2

Few extant records exist concerning Dr. McCombs medical practice. Consists of one case history, a pension list, letters, a medical certificate and other personal papers.

Folder	Date	Description
MC2.2C.1	2 January 1877	Request from University of New York Alumni Association of the Medical Department for information about McCombs for inclusion in the Alumni Catalogue.
MC2.2C.2 MC2.2C.3	7 October 1877	McCombs case history of an operation involving the removal of a patient's spleen (splenectomy). Two copies one in pencil and one in ink.
MC2.2C.4	25 January 1877	Correspondence between Dr. William Forewood to McCombs regarding the splenectomy.
MC2.2C.5	1879	Jane Wilkes to McCombs requesting McCombs join the St. Peter's Hospital staff and financial assistance for hospital supplies. (Rare documentation of Wilkes' efforts to raise local support for the hospitals.
MC2.2C.6	11 October 1884	John B. Pirtle to McCombs concerning a patient requesting benefits from the Travelers Insurance Company.
MC2.2C.7	16 June 1885	Correspondence from [illegible] with the Department of the Interior Pension Office regarding the possibility of McCombs serving as an examining surgeon for pensioners seeking assistance.
MC2.2C.8	16 June 1889	McCombs' Mecklenburg County Physicians Certificate
MC2.2C.9	18 June 1891	McCombs' Mecklenburg County Medical License
MC2.2C.10	22 June 1899	List of pensioners examined by McCombs
MC2.2C.11	10 April 1883	Drs. Robert Gibbons and McCombs agreement to dissolve their partnership in a medical practice.
MC2.2C.12	20 may 1899	McCombs' receipt for payment of Mecklenburg County Medical License Tax.

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Series 2D – Miscellaneous Correspondence (1873-1903) Box 2

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MC2.2D.1	18 March 1873	Robert Johnston to William Lockhart concerning the delivery of leather belt to the Old North State Nursing Company.
MC2.2D.2	15 June 1883	Dr. Alfred C. Post, former New York surgeon, to McCombs regarding his (Posts') plans to be in Charlotte to handle business affairs for the St. Catherine's Gold Mine. Asked if McCombs had any surgical cases for Post to let him know and would bring the necessary instruments.
MC2.2D.3	17 Jan 1884	S.K. Kane of Arizona to McCombs inquiring about life and friends in Charlotte.
MC2.2D.4	22 March 1897	Illegible note.
MC2.2D.5	31 August 1903	J.L. Rodman to Bruce Craven regarding the location of President Andrew Jackson's birthplace. Includes a hand drawn color map.

Series 2 E – Miscellaneous Financial Papers (1882-1901) Box 2

Folder	Date	Description
MC2.2E.1	19 March 1876	Receipt to Crevelish [sic] from McCombs for \$50.00
MC2.2E.2	1877	Secured Note for Supplies
MC2.2E.3	29 October 1880	Promissory note from McCombs to Almay [sic]
MC2.2E.4	2 June 1882	McCombs' account with John W. Wadsworth – Livery Stable
MC2.2E.5	10 December 1888	Receipt paid by McCombs to E.L. Keelser a dry goods owner.
MC2.2E.6	12 January 1897	Check from George King to McCombs for \$90.00
MC2.2E.7	19 March 1897	Promissory note from George King to McCombs for \$250.00
MC2.2E.8	2 December 1899	Receipt paid by McCombs to J.A. Russell for legal fees.
MC2.2E.9	1900	Receipt paid by McCombs to S.S. McNinch for buggy.
MC2.2E.10	26 October 1900	Receipt paid by McCombs to Garibaldi and Bruns.
MC2.2E.11	1901	Receipt paid by McCombs to L.W. Osborne, maker of leather goods.
MC2.2E.12	Various	Small, matchbook-size ledger book with apparent loans made to John Ferris and G. Motz.

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Series 2F – Miscellaneous Checks – Box 2

Folder	Date	Description
MC2.2F.1	various	Check belonging to James P. McCombs.
MC2.2F.2	various	Check belonging to James P. McCombs.
MC2.2F.3	various	Check belonging to James P. McCombs.
MC2.2F.4	various	Check belonging to James P. McCombs.
MC2.2F.5	various	Check belonging to James P. McCombs.
MC2.2F.6	various	Check belonging to James P. McCombs.
MC2.2F.7	various	Check belonging to James P. McCombs.
MC2.2F.8	various	Check belonging to James P. McCombs.

Series 2G – Miscellaneous – Financial Records – Box 2

MC2.2G.1	1885	Bank book for McCombs accounts with the Merchants and Farmers National Bank – Charlotte, North Carolina
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Series 2H – Mortgage Agreement – Box 2

MC2.2H.1	5 December 1874	Mortgage agreement between W.V. Dunn and William Todd
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Series 2I – Joseph McCombs Estate – Box 2

MC2.2I.1	17 & 20 Jan 1870	One page document between Joseph W. McCombs and James Parks McCombs. The latter agreed to act as his father's attorney and administrator of his financial and legal affairs.
MC2.2I.2	1873-1883	Receipts and notes that were paid by and to James McCombs in the handling of his father, Joseph W. McCombs', estate. (8 items.)

Series 2J – Mary Wallis Estate – Box 2

Mary Wallis was the wife of E. Wallis, a patient of Dr. McCombs. He was the executor of her estate and settled her affairs.

MC2.2J.1	6 February 1878	McCombs was the guardian of J.E. Wilson and the latter received money from the Wallis estate.
MC2.2J.2	1878-1879	Itemized list of expenditures for the care of Mary Wallis during her illness and her funeral arrangements.
MC2.2J.3	14 December 1878	McCombs paid \$4.00 to Barringer & Trotter – Staple and Dry Goods on behalf of Mary Wallis' estate.

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Series 2J – Mary Wallis Estate – Box 2

Folder	Date	Description
MC2.2J.4	12 December 1879	McCombs paid W.G. Berryhill for a tombstone for Mary Wallis. (William G. Berryhill was partners with James A. Johnston, and they operated a marbleworks.)

Series 2K – James Parks McCombs Civil War Papers – Box 2

MC2.2K.1	no date	Petition of the people of Charlotte to the Congress the Confederate States of America to close post office.
MC2.2K.2	28 July 1863	A printed pass for McCombs to travel after his after his capture at Gettysburg.
MC2.2K.3	c 1865	List of soldiers in the 11 th Regiment North Carolina Confederate Troops
MC2.2K.4	10 April 1865	Troop roster of the 11 th Regiment, who were present at Appomattox Courthouse. Includes handwritten copy of Lee's Farewell Address.

Series 2L – Lawsuit – Box 2

MC2.2L.1	March 1897	Case filed in the Superior Court of Mecklenburg County: J.P. Alexander and D.A. Johnston vs. James Parks McCombs for failure to pay for machinery. Decision favored the plaintiffs for \$50.00 plus interest. (Julius P. Alexander and Daniel A. Johnston were also farmers who lived in Villa Heights.)
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Series 2M – Ferebe [sic] McCombs Papers (1903-1909) – Box 2

Correspondence

MC2.2M.1	10 January 1903	R.S. Harris to Ferebe McCombs regarding mineral properties.
MC2.2M.2	02 February 1903	R.S. Harris to Ferebe McCombs concerning the Reed Mine.
MC2.2M.3	06 May 1903	Ed Rames to Ferebe McCombs with mine inquiry.
MC2.2M.4	08 June 1903	J.N. Johnston to Ferebe McCombs with a mine inquiry.
MC2.2M.5	14 July 1903	J.C. Bates to Ferebe McCombs concerning Brewer Mine stocks.
MC2.2M.6	19 January 1906	R.S. Harris to Ferebe McCombs

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Series 2M – Ferebe [sic] McCombs Papers (1903-1909) – Box 2

Folder	Date	Description
Business Papers		
MC2.2N.8-9	1900	Two receipts paid by Ferebe McCombs to Wadsworth and Sons.

Series 3 Brewer Mine – Chesterfield County, South Carolina – (1880-1897) – Box 3

MC3.3.1	no date	Correspondence from E. Motz to McCombs re: mine news.
MC3.3.2	no date	Correspondence from E. Motz to McCombs about an employee
MC3.3.3	16 September 1880	Correspondence from F.E. Chatard to McCombs about a partnership
MC3.3.4	15 January 1881	Correspondence from E. Motz to McCombs with news of the mine
MC3.3.5	24 January 1881	Correspondence from E. Motz to McCombs with news of the mine
MC3.3.6	13 April 1881	Correspondence from E. Motz to McCombs, in from London describes his activities with the viewpoint of an American businessman abroad.
MC3.3.7	25 April 1882	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs in London about attempt to sell Brewer Mine depended on an examination of the ore.
MC3.3.8	12 May 1882	Correspondence from Motz still in London to McCombs with news from his attempts to get a buyer.
MC3.3.9	23 May 1882	same
MC3.3.10	23 July 1882	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs.
MC3.3.11	18 August 1882	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs regarding the formers travel plans.
MC3.3.12	18 February 1883	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs about mine.
MC3.3.13	02 March 1883	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs about sale of mine.
MC3.3.14	April 1883	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs regarding financial news.
MC3.3.15	27 December 1883	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs requesting money

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South Carolina –
(1880-1897) – Box 3**

Folder	Date	Description
MC3.3.16	19 February 1884	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs with mine news.
MC3.3.17	26 February 1884	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs with mine news.
MC3.3.18	26 April 1884	Correspondence from E.W. Lyon to McCombs about partial sale of mine.
MC3.3.19	13 December 1884	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs with mine news.
MC3.3.20	25 March 1885	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs with a monetary request.
MC3.3.21	04 May 1885	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs about mine business.
MC3.3.22	31 October 1885	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs regarding a bank check.
MC3.3.23	16 August 1886	Signature illegible to McCombs about photographs at the Brewer Mine.
MC3.3.24	19 December 1885	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs with financial news.
MC3.3.25	18 June 1885	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs with mine news.
MC3.3.26	01 October 1886	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs regarding Western Union cable.
MC3.3.27	15 January 1887	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs with financial news.
MC3.3.28	19 May 1887	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs concerning a sick infant.
MC3.3.29	30 June 1887	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs about an illness in his family and Motz is sick too.
MC3.3.30	13 January 1887	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs regarding an inquiry about the mine.
MC3.3.31	12 October 1888	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs concerning stock shares.
MC3.3.32	20 August 1889	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs requesting his signature.
MC3.3.33	17 April 1893	Correspondence from JK Owen to McCombs concerning a monkey.

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**Series 3 Brewer Mine – Chesterfield County, South Carolina –
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Folder	Date	Description
MC3.3.34	8 November 1897	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs describing his injuries.
MC3.3.35	30 November 1897	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs requesting a skin graft.
MC3.3.36	12 January 1898	Correspondence from Motz to McCombs regarding an experimental procedure with examining ore and makes remarks about his (Motz's) injury.
MC3.3.37	2 November 1885	Receipt from Motz to McCombs for \$100.00 from Brewer Mine, but not related to mine activities.
MC3.3.38	5 December 1884	Correspondence from Motz to Brewer. Apparently Mollie, possibly Motz's wife was an alcoholic and the letter describes her behavior.

Series 4 – Ferris Mine in Mallard Creek, North Carolina (1877-1901)
– Box 3 Correspondence from Earle Thomas Dunlap, McCombs partner in Philadelphia. Letters describe methods to obtain working capital for the mine.

MC3.4.1	4 November 1877	Dunlap to McCombs inquiring if McCombs wanted to sell his interests in the Ferris Mine and how the mine was progressing. References to two men, Body and Thomas, supervisors at the mine. Dunlap stresses importance of making it a working mine. Believed attitudes improving in North Carolina toward mining. Mentions the arrival of Mr. Crumlish. Mentioned to McCombs that he, Dunlap, had New York buyers for any mine property that McCombs wanted to sell.
MC3.4.2	16 November 1877	Dunlap to McCombs in which he mentions problems with Misters Body, Crumlish and Robert Gadd. Currently working to sell Rudisell Mine.

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Series 4 – Ferris Mine in Mallard Creek, North Carolina (1877-1901) – Box 3

Folder	Date	Description
MC3.4.3	19 November 1877	Dunlap to McCombs where describes the new arrangements for payments of Ferris Mine.
MC3.4.4	22 November 1877	Dunlap to McCombs where he advises McCombs on how to improve ventilation in the mine.
MC3.4.5	23 November 1877	Dunlap to McCombs and he informs the latter the New York investors want to buy the Ferris Mine and Dr. McCombs could recoup his money.
MC3.4.6	23 November 1877	Dunlap to McCombs to request McCombs send records on Ferris Mine to Griffith and Dumont.
MC3.4.7	28 November 1877	Dunlap to McCombs in which he mentions that the investors' aid in buying new equipment to improve the mine's efficiency. Urged McCombs to talk to Mrs. Ferris.
MC3.4.8	3 December 1877	Dunlap to McCombs about problems with the mine and the machinery.
MC3.4.9	5 December 1877	Dunlap to McCombs thanking him for something. The former wanted to know who was in charge since Body, left and that he needed papers for a report to Professor Hanna. Also requesting samples of supharate [sic].
MC3.4.10	12 December 1877	Dunlap to McCombs informs him that the small of gold is not worth the money spent to mine it.
MC3.4.11	13 December 1877	Dunlap to McCombs thanking him for the report but needs additional information. Dunlap wants a mining engineer to evaluate the mine.
MC3.4.12	20 December 1877	Dunlap to McCombs in which he begs McCombs for information and assures McCombs that he, Dunlap, is on his way with money to pay the bills and secure the New York investor.
MC3.4.13	24 December 1877	Dunlap to McCombs about the Wall Street investors. Body had been paid. Writes about developing stock capital at \$600,00 and working capital of \$250,000.
MC3.4.14	2 January 1878	Dunlap to McCombs.
MC3.4.15	5 January 1878	Dunlap to McCombs
MC3.4.16	10 January 1878	Dunlap to McCombs about mine stock and New York investors.

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Folder	Date	Description
MC3.4.17	11 January 1878	Dunlap to McCombs
MC3.4.18	30 January 1878	Dunlap to McCombs
MC3.4.19	31 January 1878	Dunlap to McCombs
MC3.4.20	1 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs concerning stock options for mine and dealings with Mrs. Ferris.
MC3.4.21	3 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs reassures McCombs that there is available capital for the mine. Requests McCombs be patient.
MC3.4.22	6 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs requesting help in convincing Mrs. Ferris to take \$4000.00 in cash for her interest in the mine.
MC3.4.23	6 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs to offer him \$30,000.00 for stock interest in mine which McCombs paid \$9000.00. Mrs. Ferris was offered cash. Seems McCombs was wary of offer.
MC3.4.24	11 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs with questions about stock news concerning Gaston County property.
MC3.4.25	11 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs – telegrams with a \$2000 offer for Gaston property.
MC3.4.26	12 February 1878	J.A. Babcock to McCombs expressing interest in the Ferris Mine.
MC3.4.27	13 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs in which he outlines the sell of the Ferris Mine plus awarding stock options.
MC3.4.28	15 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs with a continuation of the deal.
MC3.4.29	15 February 1878	Dunlap to McCombs assuring the latter the would receive \$2000.00.
MC3.4.30	18 February 1878	J.A. Babcock to McCombs with stock news.
MC3.4.31	29 March 1878	S.K. Kane to McCombs with information about the Stewart and Ferris Mine.
MC3.4.32	3 May 1880	McCombs leased to J. Howard Livingston of New York and Samuel J. Warren tracts of the Ferris Mine with machinery for the sum of \$15,000 and \$5,000 in stock.
MC3.4.33	8 August 1881	Quit Claim between W.E. Alexander and McCombs in which the former relinquishes interest in the Ferris Mine.

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Series 4 – Ferris Mine in Mallard Creek, North Carolina (1877-1901) – Box 3

Folder	Date	Description
MC3.4.34	8 August 1881	Quit Claim between J. Spencer and McCombs in which the former relinquished all interest in Ferris Mine.
MC3.4.35	15 January 1889	Loan agreement between John A. Ferris and James Parks McCombs.
MC3.4.36	01 July 1900	Mine lease from C.S. Pritchett and McCombs concerning Ferris Mine tracts.
MC3.4.37	16 July	C.S. Pritchett for Grace Ferris relinquishing mineral rights to McCombs.
MC3.4.38	1 October 1900	Mine lease between John A. Ferris and McCombs for Ferris Mine that was never signed. Two copies.
MC3.4.39	01 March 1901	Lease agreements between W.L. Ferris, M.W. Ferris and Dr. McCombs regarding mining rights to Ferris Mine.
MC3.4.40-56	no dates	Payrolls of the Ferris Mine listing the names and wages of each worker. (sixteen items)
MC3.4.57	no date	List of supplies for Ferris Mine.
MC3.4.58	8 February 1898	Correspondence from J. A. Babcock to Dunlap concerning Ferris Mine and may refer to McCombs.

Deeds Ferris Mine

MC3.4.59	21 July 1877	James P. McCombs sold Ferris Mine to H.H. Crevelish [sic]. The deal probably did not go through because McCombs still the mine owner in the 1880s.
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Series 5 Garris Mine Box 3

MC3.5.1	11 April 1894	McCombs sold 1/3 interest of the Garris Mine to John A. Ferris.
MC3.5.2	12 April 1894	Deed between Samuel E. Garris and John A. Ferris for a land and mining tract to the Garris Mine for 1/10 of gold mined.
MC3.5.3	17 April 1894	John Henderson and others sold fifteen acres of land to John A. Ferris.
MC3.5.4	no date	Deal between C.S. Pritchett, etal to John for fifty-four acres of land.

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Series 6	Black Gold Mine – Mecklenburg County North Carolina 1877-1898	
Folder	Date	Description
MC3.6.1	10 May 1877	Deed between William McCombs and James Parks McCombs and C. Turner for the Black Mine.
MC3.6.2	1881	same
MC3.6.3	9 December 1881	Deed between McCombs and C. Turner for the Black Mine.
MC3.6.4	1 February 1882	Letter from Burwell and Walters to McCombs confirming the latter's ownership of the Black Mine.
MC3.6.5	13 April 1882	Survey of Black Mine done by M.D.L. Biggers for William McCombs.
MC3.6.6	20 April 1882	James McCombs receives power of attorney for William McCombs.
MC3.6.7	20 April 1882	same
MC3.6.8	22 August 1882	S.W. Valentine to McCombs providing information on Brewer Mine.
MC3.6.9	2 January 1886	V.W. Pilsifer to McCombs with questions concerning Black Mine
MC3.6.10	11 November 1887	W.G. Davis to McCombs inquiring about mining locations.
MC3.6.11	1 January 1898	Deed between William McCombs and James McCombs for the Black Mine.
Series 7	Stewart and Henderson Mines Box 3	
MC3.7.1	no date	History of the Stewart Mine.
MC3.7.2	January 1878	Deed between Nathaniel Henderson and James McCombs for the Henderson Mine.
MC3.7.3	23 February 1878	Letter from S.K. Kane to McCombs concerning attempts to get clear titles to the Henderson-Stewart Mines.
Series 8	North State Mining Company Box 3	
MC3.8.1	4 March 1876	Deed between Frederick W. Rupell and McCombs for the company, land and machinery belonging to North State Mining Company.
Series 9	Jackson Mine Moore County, NC Box 3	
MC3.9.1	11 December 1896	Mining agreement between George King of NY and McCombs for the Jackson Mine in Moore County North Carolina

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Series 10	Miscellaneous Mining Letters	Box 3
Folder	Date	Description
MC3.10.1	22 May 1881	Correspondence from Thomas Chatard [sic] to McCombs.
MC3.10.2	25 April 1882	
MC3.10.3	4 July 1882	Letter between L.C. McLelland and McCombs requesting information about gold mine.
MC3.10.4	30 April 1884	E.W. Lyon to McCombs concerning the Brewer, Ferris and Reed Mines.
MC3.10.5	06 July 1885	Correspondence from W.G. Douglas to McCombs concerning mine business and stamp mill.
MC3.10.6	8 December 1897	Correspondence from W.G. Douglas to McCombs regarding the sale of a mine.
MC3.10.7	13 December 1897	Letter from C.E. Farley [sic] to McCombs.
MC3.10.8	21 December 1897	Letter from W.G. Davis regarding problems at mine in Ophir in Montgomery, NC.
MC3.10.9	13 January 1898	Correspondence from William Young Westervelt of Case & Westervelt (Mining Engineers) describing their operation to McCombs.
MC3.10.10	14 May 1898	Letter from W.G. Davis to McCombs about work at the mine in Ophir in North Carolina.
MC3.10.11	17 May 1898	Correspondence from W.G. Davis to McCombs concerning transporting machinery to Ophir.
MC3.10.12	20 December 1898	Letter from J.W. Gilchrist to McCombs regarding shipment of ore.
MC3.10.13	20 March 1901	S.J. Warren to McCombs about activities of a mine.
Series 11-14	Deeds & other Papers	Box 3
MC3.11.1	11 June 1897	Letter form A.J. Overton to McCombs about payment for Garrison Mine.
MC3.12.1	18 October 1871	Deed for McGinn Mine in Mecklenburg County.
MC3.13.1	7 July 1894	Payroll for Surface Hill Mine
MC3.13.2	4 July 1894	same
MC3.13.3	28 July 1894	same
MC3.13.4	11 August 1894	same
MC3.13.5	no date	same
MC3.14.1	1894	Survey of plot in Mecklenburg County by C. A. Spratt for McCombs

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Series 15	High Shoals Property	Gaston County NC	Box 3
Folder	Date	Description	
MC3.15.1	16 July 1881	From S.Y. Wright to McCombs regarding sale of property at High Shoals.	
MC3.15.2	8 October 1881	From Thomas J. Grier to McCombs advising the latter to extend his option on High Shoals property.	
MC3.15.3	11 November 1881	From S.Y. Wright to McCombs about the failure of the property to sale, but will try another sale with the New York investors.	
Series 16	Assay Reports	Mecklenburg County	Box 3
MC3.16.1	21 July 1876	Report by G.C. Thompson for 22 ounces valued at \$288.00.	
MC3.16.2	27 August 1880	Report by George B. Hanna, the Charlotte Assay Office for \$32.15.	
MC3.16.3	8 August 1881	Ore from Black Mine valued at \$62.00 a ton by the Branch Mint.	
MC3.16.4	12 July 1894	Ore from unknown mine valued at \$45.05 per ton by D.A. Tompkins Company. Stuart Cramer, assayer.	
MC3.16.5	14 August 1894	Report by W. E. Ardrey, Assayer at Charlotte Branch of US Assay Office at \$59.00 per ton.	
MC3.16.6	20 August 1894	Report by J.P. Ardrey, Charlotte Assay Office, one bar was valued at \$37.39.	
MC3.16.7	30 August 1894	Report by W.E. Ardrey, Charlotte Assay Office for \$164.10.	
MC3.16.8	4 September 1894	Report by W.E. Ardrey, Charlotte Assay Office for gold valued at \$102.80.	
MC3.16.9	10 September 1894	Report by W.E. Ardrey, Charlotte Assay Office for \$49.75.	
MC3.16.10	18 December 1894	Ore from unknown mine valued at \$15.40 per ton by Stuart Cramer, assayer.	
MC3.16.11	13 May 1895	Report by F. W. Carnahan at Miner's Assay Office for \$108.00.	
MC3.16.12	16 May 1895	Report by W.E. Ardrey, Charlotte Assay Office for \$115.55.	
MC3.16.13	27 May 1895	Report by W. E. Ardrey, Charlotte Assay Office for \$152.25.	

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Series 16	Assay Reports	Mecklenburg County	Box 3
Folder	Date	Description	
MC3.16.14	5 July 1895	Report by W. E. Ardrey, Charlotte Assay Office for \$59.45.	
MC3.16.15	5 July 1895	Report by W. E. Ardrey, Charlotte Assay Office for \$54.25.	
MC3.16.16	29 November 1897	Report by Curtis Alexander at the Assay Office of Consolidated Kansas City Smelting and Refining.	
MC3.16.17	3 January 1901	Letter from George B. Hanna, Assayer of US Office at Charlotte to McCombs regarding samples of Garris and the Ferris Mine.	

Series 17 – 19	More Miscellaneous	Box 3
MC.3.17.1	18 December 1832	Deed between J. Humphrey Bissell and the Mecklenburg Gold Mining Company for the Capps Mine and the St. Catherine Gold Mine.
MC3.18.1-3	no date	Blank mine lease agreements – three items.
MC3.19.1-5	various	Various land deals – five items.

Series 20	Ephemera	Box 2
MC2.20.1	no date	Cabinet card of Dr. James Parks McCombs with a lock of his hair.
MC2.20.2-11	c 1886	Ten tintypes featuring mining process at the Brewer Mine.
MC2.20.12-15	c. 1886	Three cabinet cards of Brewer Mine.