## PERSONAL PAPERS OF LOUIS MCHENRY HOWE

## 1847-1958

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**PROVENANCE NOTE:** The Personal Papers of Louis McHenry Howe were deposited at the Library in July 1958 as a loan from Mrs. Mary Howe Baker and Mr. Hartley Howe, the children of Louis and Grace Howe. At the time the materials were deposited at the Library, they were placed under restriction, with access by researchers subject to the approval of the Howe Family. In 2005, following a review by National Archives and Records Administration general counsel and after repeated attempts at contact with the Howe Family, it was determined that physical and intellectual ownership in these papers was now vested in the government. They are now open and available for researcher use without restriction.

CONTENT NOTE: This collection contains materials primarily related to the personal life of Louis McHenry Howe. In addition, this collection contains correspondence and other materials related to Howe's father, E.P. Howe; the life and political career of Howe's wife, Grace Hartley Howe, and her family; and the two Howe children, Mary and Hartley. There is a minimal amount of material related to Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt. Many of the older materials show clear signs of water damage, mildew staining and dirt. It was determined during processing and review that parts of the collection suffered damage during the great northeastern hurricane of 1938 that affected the Howe family residence in Massachusetts. Additional materials related to Howe's official involvement in government activities and interactions with Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt are located in a separate collection of Louis McHenry Howe Official Papers.

ARRANGEMENT NOTE: The materials in this collection were organized prior to their deposit at the Library by the Howe family and by historian Alfred B. Rollins, Jr., who was given special access to the papers for his book *Roosevelt and Howe*. Because of the unusual provenance and ownership circumstances of this collection, these folder titles and basic arrangement have been retained. Researchers are encouraged to browse the entire finding aid as materials related to each other can be found throughout the collection rather than grouped together.

**QUANTITY:** 12 linear feet

RESTRICTIONS: None.

**RELATED COLLECTION:** Numerous collections including:

President's Official, Personal and Secretary's Files
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FDR Family, Business and Personal Papers
FDR Papers as Governor of New York
Louis McHenry Howe Official Papers
Eleanor Roosevelt Papers

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5	"First Editions Autographs and Manuscripts," 1934 Schairer, John, "The Minerals of Connecticut" Saratoga Commission: European Trip, 1910 Saratoga Commission: European Trip, 1910 Navy Department Period: Odds and Ends Navy Department Period: Odds and Ends
6	Assistant Secretary of the Navy, 1913-1920 Assistant Secretary of the Navy, 1914-1918 Taft, Robert: Printed Materials Roosevelt, Franklin D.: "Our First Frigates" Four fragile letters, 1847, 1849, 1867, 1909 Howe, Louis: Transcripts of Articles, 1932-1933 Howe, Louis: Article Howe, Louis: Drafts of Speeches and Releases: Navy Department Formal Invitations: Navy Department Framed Prayer for Recovery of Louis M. Howe
7	Howe, Grace: Patronage Howe, Grace: Patronage Campaign, 1934 Campaign-Massachusetts, 1934 Roosevelt Secretaries to Grace Howe Durand, Margaret Durand, Margaret Howe, Louis: Funeral Howe, Louis: Membership and Identification Cards Daniels, Josephus, 1938 Miscellany, 1933 Howe Residence, Saratoga Springs, June 1958 Howe, Louis: Governorship, 1929-1933 Howe, Grace: Memberships and Identification Cards Howe, Grace: Trip to Europe, 1933-1934 Campaign, 1928 Howe, Louis: Pre-1928 Politics in 1937-1950 Howe, Grace and Massachusetts Democratic Campaign, 1934

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