Guide to the Letter from Caroline to Her Cousin
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### Summary Information

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#### Preferred Citation note

Letter from Caroline to Her Cousin, W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama.
Biographical/Historical note

Caroline is apparently a single woman living in Henrico, Virginia.

Scope and Contents note

This collection contains one handwritten letter from Caroline to her cousin whose name is illegible. Written from Henrico, presumably in Virginia, the letter is written in a very flowery, poetic style and quotes various poets. She discusses various friends and family members and mentions staying in Richmond during Christmas. She specifically mentions a cousin who is ill and had her tongue burned with caustic by her doctor.

Of particular interest is her discussion of the political climate and her hopes for the president-elect Abraham Lincoln. She criticizes the actions of the South and laments the problems in the Union.

Administrative Information

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## Collection Inventory

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