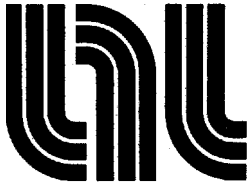


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Andrew Shuman Collection

The Andrew Shuman Collection consists of material from a family scrapbook. It contains some documents and memorabilia, but the major portion of the collection is correspondence to Andrew Shuman (1830 - 1890) or his son-in-law, Frank M. Elliot (1853 - 1919) who married Anna D. Shuman (1856 - 1936) in 1878.

Andrew Shuman joined the editorial staff of the *Chicago Evening Journal* in 1856, later serving as editor-in-chief and president of the Journal Company. He served as Commissioner of the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet from 1865 - 1870 and was elected Lieutenant-Governor of Illinois on the Republican ticket in 1876. He lived in Evanston in his later years, retired from journalism in 1888 due to ill health, and died in 1890. Besides writing many articles and speeches, he was the author of a romance, *Loves of a Lawyer*.

Frank Macajah Elliot attended Northwestern University (1877) and lived in Evanston where he served as trustee of the village in 1886 and the president of the Evanston Hospital Association after 1896. He operated a real estate business in Chicago and was a member of the Chicago Literary Club. He published *History of Omega* in 1885 and a sketch of W.H. Bissell, former governor of Illinois.

The collection includes correspondence from such contemporaries of Shuman as Schuyler Colfax, James A. Garfield, John M. Hamilton, Benjamin Harrison, John A. Logan, John M. Palmer, and Frances Willard. Elliot's correspondents include George Ade.

The letters and documents have been removed from the scrapbook and placed in alphabetical order in folders, but the scrapbook has been retained so that the original index and a few newspaper clippings remain intact. A listing of the contents has been compiled and cards have been added to the manuscript catalog.

-Sigrid P. Perry
September, 1987