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SCOPE AND CONTENT: This collection contains a variety of items concerning Winchester-Frederick County, VA African-American History, Women's History, and the 2012 Quaker Exile Tour. The local African-American History was collected and used by Ms. Ebert while working on her master's thesis at the University of Maryland. The thesis, "A Window on the Valley" is also in the collection.

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL: Rebecca Ebert is a native of Winchester. She is a graduate of Handley High School, Radford College, and University of Maryland. She is the archivist of the Stewart Bell Jr. Archives of the Handley Regional Library and the Winchester Frederick County Historical Society.

IMMEDIATE SOURCE OF ACQUISITION: Gift of Becky Ebert.

CONTAINER LIST:

BOX 1: Black History

1820 Census – Free African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, 33 leaves, printed and manuscript

1850 Census, Part 1 – Free African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, 68 leaves, printed (photocopy)

1850 Census, Part 2 – Free African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, 59 leaves, printed (photocopy)

1850 Census – Recapitulation, Winchester-Fredrick County, VA, unnumbered leaves

1850 Census – Slave Census, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, 25 leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

1860 Census – Free African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, 55 leaves, printed and manuscript

Back Creek – African-American residents, unnumbered leaves, printed and typescript (photocopies)

Black Civil War Soldiers, 13 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Black History, Frederick County, VA – *A Window on the Valley* by Rebecca Ebert, Master's Thesis, University of Maryland, 1986, 66 leaves, typescript DO NOT PUBLISH IN THEIR ENTIREITY WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF REBECCA EBERT.

Certificates of Freedom – 8 leaves, printed (photocopy)

Certificates of Freedom – Frederick County, VA, 36 leaves, typescript

Fairfax, VA – 1835 register of Free Blacks

Land Records – Free African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, unnumbered leaves

Order Book Records – African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, 6 leaves, typescript and manuscript

Wills – Free African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA

Wills – Index to Free African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, 6 leaves, printed (photocopy)

BOX TWO: Black History - Quaker Exile Tour 2012

Black History

Legislative Petitions – Frederick County, VA, unnumbered leaves, manuscript (photocopy)

News Articles – People -- African-American Community, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, unnumbered leaves, printed (photocopy)

News Articles – Topics A-J -- African-American Community, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, unnumbered leaves, printed (photocopy)

News Articles – Topics K-Z – African-American Community, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, unnumbered leaves, printed (photocopy)

Property Tax Records – African-Americans, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, unnumbered leaves

Staunton, VA – Register of Free Blacks with Index, 63 leaves, typescript

Thesis Sources – Published Materials, unnumbered leaves

Quaker Exile Tour, 2012

Quaker Exile Tour – June 4, 2012, 3 leaves, typescript and printed

Quaker Exile Tour – Supporting Evidence, Letter to Elizabeth Drinker, 1777, 26 letters, 68 leaves, typescript (photocopy)

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Quaker Exile Tour – Supporting Evidence – Miscellaneous items, unnumbered leaves

BOX 3: Women's History

Divorce Case, 1825

News Articles – Women's History, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, Part I

News Articles – Women's History, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, Part II

Notes – Women's History, Winchester-Frederick County, VA

Organizations – Women's, Winchester-Frederick County, VA, 8 leaves, typescript

Winchester Women During the Civil War

BOX 4: Ebert Family

Diplomas:

Ebert, Mary Anna. – Diploma from Winchester High School, June 13, 1919

Holler, Ann Ebert – Diploma from John Handley High School, June 8, 1954

Physical Location: Oversize, Box 2

Ebert, Frances—Transcript of Speech; speech done at Elm's Restaurant in Winchester, VA—June 2, 1971; 4 leaves, printed

Ebert, John, Lena, and Linda – cards to John and Lena on the birth of their daughter, Linda; 1952, unnumbered leaves

Marriage Certificate: John E. Ebert and Mary E. Parlett, March 9, 1892 (photocopy)

Physical Location: Oversize, Box 18

Ebert, Rebecca - Ben Belchic Award - Preservation of Historic Winchester, Inc., 2000

Ebert, Rebecca – Biographical material

Ebert, Rebecca. Certificates from Handley Library – 2

Ebert, Rebecca – Name badges (3) and library card (1)

Ebert, Rebecca. National Women's History Month, March 14, 2005, In Appreciation award - keynote speaker (freestanding, acrylic, 20.5cm x 22cm)

Ebert, Rebecca. Thank you notes from public 1

Ebert, Rebecca. Thank you notes from public 2

Ebert, Rebecca. Thank you notes from school children 1

Ebert, Rebecca. Thank you notes from school children 2

Ebert, Rebecca. Tourism Board - Mayor and City Council Award - Faithful and Loyal Service — 2010-2016, 6/30/2016

Ebert, Rebecca—Transcript of talk presented at the anniversary of the library, "Library Directors," August 17, 2011; 12 leaves, typescript

Ebert, Rebecca – Various Awards

Ebert, Rebecca. WFCHS Presidential Award of Appreciation – 3/28/2015

Ebert, Rebecca. Woman of the Year – American Association of University Women, March 28, 2017, presentation speech, 3 items, 13 leaves – manuscript and typescript and plaque

Farm and Fireside – National Farm Paper, April 27, 1912, print, scanned copy, color, 23 pages **Physical Location: Oversize, Box 18**

"Apple Tree in Bloom", print of watercolor by Murrell Bolliger, Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival Program Booklet, 1971, 1 leaf, color printed, filed with photos oversized – Events/Objects

Physical Location: Art Rack

PHOTOGRAPHS