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SUMMARY

Size.	152 items, 4 manuscript volumes, and 11 printed volumes
Geographic locations.	New Orleans, La.; Ruston, La.; Ouachita Parish, La.
Inclusive dates.	1864-1973
Bulk dates.	1864-1917
Language.	English
Summary.	Monroe lawyer, Louisiana Appeals Court judge (1881-1892), orator, poet, author, educator, and politician. Gunby founded the Louisiana Chautauqua and was active in the 1892 anti-lottery campaign. Collection includes Gunby's manuscript poetry, prose, speeches, papers, and photographs. Published writings deal with the education of African Americans and racial conflicts in the South.
Organization.	Arranged categorically, then chronologically.
Restrictions on access.	If microfilm is available, photocopies must be made from microfilm.
Related collections.	N/A
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BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE

Andrew Augustus Gunby (1849-1917) was a lawyer, Louisiana appeals court judge (1881-1892), an orator, poet, educator, and politician of Monroe, Louisiana. In 1871, he graduated from Louisiana State University. He founded the Louisiana Chautauqua near Ruston, was active in the anti-lottery campaign of 1892, and authored *Colonel John Gunby of the Maryland Line* and *From A. A. Gunby's Scribendus Book*.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection contains Gunby's manuscript poetry (1871-1917), prose (1870-1886), speeches (1895-1911), miscellaneous papers (1871-1912), and two photographs of Gunby. One prose work (Dec. 31, 1886) reflects on events of the past year and relates the capture and lynching of a young African American man by about 300 white men near Monroe, Louisiana.

Manuscript volumes include a Greek exercise book (1870-1873), the history notebook of Thomas B. Gunby (1914), a notebook on Greek literature and art (1913-1914), and a scrapbook containing newspaper clippings pertaining to Gunby's career (1877-1969).

Printed items include newspaper clippings, ephemera, and pamphlets, many concerning Louisiana education, politics, and law (see container list for printed volumes). An issue of *The New Delta* contains biographical sketches of Louisiana Democratic leaders (1892). Published writings by Gunby include articles concerning education of African Americans, racial conflicts in the South, and his book of poems, *From A. A. Gunby's Scribendus Book*. Other items relate to the centennial of the Louisiana Purchase, the anti-lottery cause of the 1890s, Confederate veterans, and literary and historical matters.

CROSS REFERENCES

Subject	Date	Description of relevant documents
Chautauquas--Louisiana.	1893, 1895, undated	Proceedings of a Round Table on "Louisiana Authors," held at the Louisiana State Chautauqua, July 19, 1893, presided over by Judge A. A. Gunby; "The unwritten History of Louisiana," by A. A. Gunby, Round Table at Chautauqua, July 30, 1895; "Effect of Higher Education on the Condition of Woman," Round Table at Chautauqua, undated; address by A. A. Gunby to the Press Convention at Chautauqua, undated
Poems.	ca. 1870- 1917	Titled and untitled rhymed poetry on a wide range of topics, in manuscript form, some transcribed by typewriter, by Judge A. A. Gunby of Monroe; a selection of 188 of these poems in book form, published by Gunby's daughter Edith, entitled <i>From A. A. Gunby's Scribendus Book</i> (Gretna, La., Pelican Publishing Co., Inc., 1973)
Book clubs (Discussion groups)--Louisiana--Monroe.	1912-1914, undated	Three Monroe Book Club lectures: 1. Dickens Centennial celebration, Feb. 7, 1912, featuring a paper read by Judge Gunby on the life and works of Dickens; 2. "Literature and Art of Greece," manuscript volume written by A. A. Gunby, with the topic falling under the general theme for the 1913-1914 season, "Literature and Religions of the East;" 3. "Legendary History of Louisiana," essay read by A. A. Gunby to the Monroe Book Club, undated
Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College--Students.	1871	Handwritten statement, dated Apr. 22, 1871, signed by A. A. Gunby for members of the senior class of Louisiana State University, protesting the dismissal of their classmate F. M. Kerr on Apr. 8, by "Cols. Cunningham and Boyd"
Louisiana Historical Society.	1903, 1912	Program for the 1803-1903 centennial of the Louisiana Purchase, 1903; invitation to events scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 19, and Sunday, Dec. 20, 1903, in commemoration of the Centennial; program, banquet menu, two invitations to the Louisiana Centennial Celebration at the Hotel Grunewald, Apr. 30, 1912.

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Louisiana Purchase.	1903, 1904	Official proclamation of Louisiana Day by Governor Blanchard at the World's Fair in St. Louis, Louisiana Purchase Exposition, Aug. 20, 1904; side-by-side proclamation by Governor W. C. C. Claiborne, 1803, and Governor Newton C. Blanchard, 1904; printed on cloth; Printed invitation by Governor of Louisiana to Judge A. A. Gunby to the "Celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Transfer of Louisiana by France to the United States," Dec. 18-20, 1903
Louisiana--Politics and government.	1886	Judge A. A. Gunby's "Address to the Democratic Voters of the 5 th Congressional District" in his bid for election to the 50 th Congress of the United States, outlining his position on major issues of the South, e.g. flood control, land policies, industrialization; biographical sketches of 64 Democratic leaders in Louisiana, in <i>The New Delta</i> , New Orleans, May 12, 1892
Newspapers.	1864, 1883, 1892	<i>Caddo Gazette</i> , July 29, 1864 (Shreveport) <i>Ouachita Telegraph</i> , Sept. 22, 1883 (Monroe) <i>The New Delta</i> , May 12, 1892 (New Orleans)
Flags--Confederate States of America.	undated	Colored print of Confederate flags, undated; booklet on "Flags of the Confederate States of America, 1861-65," undated
Lotteries--Louisiana.	1890, 1891, 1892	Statement of policy by Louisiana Democratic delegates to the State Anti-Lottery Convention, 1890; address by Judge Gunby to the Anti-Lottery Club of Monroe, Sept. 24, 1891; statements by Louisiana Democratic leaders concerning the State Lottery issue, in <i>The New Delta</i> , New Orleans, May 12, 1892.
African Americans--Education--Louisiana.	1892	"The Problem of Negro Education," article by Judge A. A. Gunby in <i>The American Journal of Politics</i> , v. 1, no. 3, Sept., 1892; Newspaper critiques.
African Americans--Civil rights--Louisiana.	1888, 1890	"Solution of the Southern Question," by A. A. Gunby, July 29, 1888, printed essay; "Question of the Races," by A. A. Gunby, July 12, 1890, clipping from <i>The Saint Paul Pioneer Press</i>
Lynching--Louisiana.	1886	Detailed account of events leading to lynching of a young African American man in February, 1886, by about 300

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		white men; handwritten by A. A. Gunby on Dec. 31, in his diary for 1886.
United Confederate Veterans.	1898	Official printed memorial, Jan. 8, 1898, by order of J. B. Gordon, General Commanding, Headquarters, United Confederate Veterans, to three deaths of 1898: James Henry Martin of Tennessee; Col. T. C. Standifer of Ruston, Louisiana; General and ex-Governor L. S. Ross of Texas.
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Desertions.	1864	Special field orders from Headquarters Army Tennessee, Aug. 18, 1864 to Lieutenant Colonel T. C. Standifer to proceed to Alexandria, Louisiana, for the arrest of absentees from their commands.

CONTAINER LIST

<u>Stack</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Contents (with dates)</u>
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	UU:216	2	7-14	Prose, Speeches, and Printed Items (1870-1911, undated)
	UU:216	3	15-16	Photographs and Empty Envelopes (1890, undated)
			17-19	Manuscript Volumes (1870-1914, undated) Vol. 1 Greek Exercise Book, 1870-1873, undated Vol. 2 Thomas B. Gunby History Notebook, 1914 Vol. 3 Literature and Art in Greece Notebook, 1913-1914 Vol. 4 Scrapbook (1877-1969, undated)
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	UU:216		20	Printed Volumes (1867-1909, undated) Louisiana State Seminary. <i>Official Register</i> . 1867-1868 Session. Wesleyan Female Institute. <i>Alma Mater</i> , Vol.IV, No.5. June, 1883. <i>American Journal of Politics</i> , Vol.I, No.3. Sept., 1892. <i>The Louisiana Educator</i> , Vol.II, No.8. Sept., 1892. <i>Louisiana Authors; Round Table at Louisiana Chautauqua</i> , July 1893. <i>American Lawyer</i> , Vol.XII, No.3, Mar., 1904. Louisiana State University. <i>The Alumnus</i> , Vol.III, No.5, April 1908. Louisiana State University. <i>The Alumnus</i> , Vol.V, No.1, Oct., 1909. Supreme Court of Louisiana. Brief for <i>R.D. Davien et al v. Monroe Water Works and Light Company et al.</i> , undated Supreme Court of Louisiana. Brief for <i>Sligo Iron Store Company et al v. R.B. Blanks et al.</i> , undated
	O:17	--	--	<i>From A.A. Gunby's Scribendus Book</i> , 1973.
	98:	--	1	Newspapers (Monroe, Louisiana) <i>Ouachita Telegraph</i> , Sept. 22, 1883. (New Orleans, Louisiana) <i>New Delta</i> , May 12, 1892. (Shreveport, Louisiana) <i>Caddo Gazette</i> , July 29, 1864.
	OS:G	--	1	Oversize items: Printed Items Louisiana Historical Society program for the 1803-1903 centennial of the Louisiana Purchase, 1903. United Daughters of the Confederacy print of Confederate flags, undated.