

# Missouri State Archives

## Finding Aid 3.14

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### OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

### ROBERT MARCELLUS STEWART, 1857-1861

*Abstract:* Records (1857-1860) of Governor Robert Marcellus Stewart (1815-1871) include appointments, correspondence, swamp land records, and petitions.

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### HISTORICAL AND BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Robert Marcellus Stewart was born to Charles and Elizabeth Severance Stewart in Truxton, New York on March 12, 1815. Upon graduation from public schools, Stewart began teaching in Truxton at the age of seventeen. After studying law, he was admitted to the New York bar in 1836. He practiced law briefly in New York and then in Louisville, Kentucky from 1837 to 1839.

Stewart moved west to St. Joseph, Missouri in 1839, where he opened a legal practice and involved himself in Missouri Democratic politics. Stewart was elected a delegate to the 1845 Missouri

Constitutional Convention and shortly thereafter, was elected to the Missouri Senate. Upon the outbreak of the Mexican War, Stewart organized a company of soldiers attached to the Oregon Battalion. Captain Stewart was forced to resign his commission for health reasons and returned to St. Joseph.

Following a brief stint as Register of the Land Office in Savannah, Missouri, Stewart explored the idea of creating a railway link from Hannibal to St. Joseph. Stewart was elected to the Missouri Senate in 1846, serving for ten years. As chairman of the Committee on Internal Improvements, he sponsored railroad legislation in the General Assembly and supported state funding for public works projects. Upon securing state financial backing for the creation of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad, Stewart then obtained a federal land grant. He became the first president of the new railroad and directed the initial construction.

Governor Trusten Polk resigned his office to fill a vacant seat in the U.S. Senate in 1857. Stewart defeated James S. Rollins in the resulting special gubernatorial election and was sworn into office as the fourteenth Governor of Missouri on October 22, 1857. As governor, he championed internal improvements but the latter part of his administration was consumed by the tensions over slavery. A moderate, he opposed both secession and abolition. Governor Stewart vetoed legislation that would have forced free blacks to either leave Missouri or be sold into slavery. In 1858 when violence erupted on the Missouri-Kansas border, Governor Stewart sent troops to the region; temporarily restoring order.

Upon the expiration of his term as governor, Stewart was elected to the 1860 Missouri State Convention, called to decide whether the state would remain in the Union or secede. Missouri stayed and Stewart chose the Union. Governor Hamilton Rowan Gamble ordered Stewart to organize a Union brigade of Missouri soldiers in 1863. His problems with alcohol, put an end to a short-lived military career when General Henry Halleck relieved him of command.

He returned to St. Joseph, practicing law. Governor Robert Marcellus Stewart died in St. Joseph on September 21, 1871 and is interred in the Mt. Mora Cemetery. A monument was erected in his memory by legislative appropriation in 1892.

## Timeline

March 12, 1815	Born in Truxton, Cortland County, New York, to Charles and Elisabeth Severance Stewart
1839	Moved to Bloomington (now DeKalb) and then to St. Joseph, Missouri, to practice law
1845	Delegate to Missouri Constitutional Convention
1846	Elected as State Senator
1847	Raised a company for the Oregon Battalion in the Mexican War

- 1848                      Appointed Register of Lands at Savannah, Missouri, but then resigned to conduct preliminary survey of the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad
- October 22, 1857        Sworn in as the fourteenth governor of the state of Missouri after the resignation of Trusten Polk
- September 21, 1871    Died in St. Joseph, Missouri

## ADDITIONAL DESCRIPTIVE INFORMATION

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## RECORDS OF GOVERNOR ROBERT MARCELLUS STEWART, 1857-1860

### Scope and Content

The records remaining from the administration of Governor Robert Marcellus Stewart include requests for appointments and commissions; letters of recommendation; swamp land certificates and patents; and requests for arms for the military as well as court martial proceedings. The records also include correspondence relating to the state survey and the University of Missouri; some personal correspondence from Governor Stewart's sister and business associates. Unless otherwise noted, all materials are arranged in chronological order.

All references to places are within the state of Missouri unless indicated, and county is specified when known. The spelling of proper names varies greatly. When correct spelling could not be determined the original spelling was retained. Officeholders are Missouri officials unless noted (U.S. Senator, U.S. Secretary of State, U.S. Attorney General, U.S. Supreme Court, etc). State Representatives are referred to as Representative. U.S. Representatives are noted with the title Congressman.

When the collection was microfilmed, it was determined that some of the collection required rehousing. As a result, some folder numbers have changed. Original folder numbers are noted within parentheses. For example, 7 (5) indicates that the item originally in folder 5 is now located in folder 7.

Appointments files contain requests for positions, commissions, supporting petitions, and letters of recommendation from Missouri citizens. Correspondents include former Governor Trusten Polk and future Governor Charles Henry Hardin. The files also include requests for appointment and letters of recommendation for the position of commissioner of deeds for Missouri in the states of California, Massachusetts, New York, Ohio, Washington Territory, and Wisconsin.

Correspondence from political officials from other states comprise the Out of State files. Arranged alphabetically by state, the files include transmittals of laws and reports by the secretaries of State from California, Florida, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas Territory (Lecompton), Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Nebraska Territory, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Tennessee, and Texas. State librarians from Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Louisiana, Maryland, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, and Vermont transmitted state documents to Governor Stewart. The files also include correspondence from the governors of Minnesota Territory, Mississippi, Washington Territory, and Wisconsin.

Correspondence received by Governor Stewart from representatives of the federal government comprise the Federal files. Correspondents include Isaac Sturgeon of St. Louis, Assistant U.S. Treasurer; Thomas Meehan, clerk of the Library of Congress; and the chief clerk of the U.S. State Department.

Criminal files contain requests for arrest warrants; requests for rewards for fugitives; pardons; and limited material on specific cases.

As a result of the Missouri-Kansas border conflict and rise of pre Civil War tensions, Governor Stewart received numerous requests for permission to establish local militia units. The requests comprise the bulk of the Military files. Correspondence also includes transcripts of court martial proceedings; transmittal of inspection reports; requests for the establishment, organization, and reorganization of specific militia units; ordnance, supplies, and munitions requisitions; distribution of arms from the state arsenal; cadet training; and promotion and resignation matters.

Miscellaneous files contain primarily business and personal correspondence. Topics include personal real estate transactions; invitations to events; personal loans and other promissory notes; bill for watch repair; and a letter from Eliza Stewart Middlebrook, the governor's sister. The files also include correspondence pertaining to state matters including commercial river transportation on the Ohio River; requests for information on the state geologic survey; swamp land certifications and land sales; and a list of commutations for prisoners.

Correspondence from State Geologist and MU professor George Swallow comprises the University of Missouri files.

Swamp land correspondence between Governor Stewart and Thomas Hendricks comprises the outgoing Correspondence files.

### Container List

Location	Box	Folder	Date	Contents
1B/1/1	1	1	No date	Appointments—petition, Missouri Tobacco Growers: requesting the removal of Major James Cochran as tobacco inspector; recommends Alexander A. Bassett as replacement
1B/1/1	1	1	No date	Appointments—petition: recommends G. Bremermann, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	1	No date	Appointments—petition: recommends Michael L. Hiller of New York as commissioner of deeds
1B/1/1	1	1	No date	Appointments—petition: recommends Charles B. Richard of New York as commissioner of deeds
1B/1/1	1	2 (1)	November 11, 1857	Appointments—L. K. Kinsey, St. Louis: request for appointment as notary public; legislation to reduce the number of notary publics in St. Louis to 25

1B/1/1	1	2 (1)	November 17, 1857	Appointments—John H. Darby, St. Louis: recommends Josiah G. McClellan as notary public; legislation to reduce the number of notary publics in St. Louis to 25
1B/1/1	1	2 (1)	November 17, 1857	Appointments—petition, St. Louis: recommends Josiah G. McClellan as notary public; legislation to reduce the number of notary publics in St. Louis to 25
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	February 20, 1858	Appointments—Calvin M. Northup, New York City: request for appointment as commissioner of deeds for Missouri residing in New York
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	March 23, 1858	Appointments—Paris Pipkin, St. Louis: recommends appointment of James Bauer as notary public; Black Republicans; President Buchanan
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	April 13, 1858	Appointments—N. Parshall, St. Louis: recommends the appointment of Norman H. Larkin, vacancy on the board of directors of the state bank; resignation of Charles L. Hunt
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	April 25, 1858	Appointments—Richard Wall, Indian Ford, Stoddard County: request for appointment as division inspector, 7 <sup>th</sup> district; Free Soilers; blacks; slavery; abolition; Frederick Douglas; Frank Blair
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	May 3, 1858	Appointments—D. A. January, St. Louis: recommends Norman H. Larkin, director of the state bank
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	May 3, 1858	Appointments—N. Parshall, St. Louis: second letter recommends Norman H. Larkin as director of the state bank; St. Joseph
1B/1/1	1	3	May 17, 1858	Appointments—John Bretz, Dekalb, Buchanan County: request for appointment as foreman of the state tobacco warehouse
1B/1/1	1	3	May 18, 1858	Appointments—James A. Shirley, Chillicothe, Livingston County: recommends Smith Turner as notary public

1B/1/1	1	3	July 19, 1858	Appointments—John Bretz, Dekalb, Buchanan County: second request for appointment as foreman of the state tobacco warehouse
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	August 16, 1858	Appointments—William W. Compton, Little Compton, Carroll County: request for appointment as Senate door keeper; War of 1812
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	1858 August 27	Appointments—Calvin M. Northrup, New York; Benton, Northup & Van Wagner attorneys and counselors at law: 2 <sup>nd</sup> request for appointment as commissioner of deeds
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	September 7, 1858	Appointments—Benjamin Pond, Boston, Massachusetts: request for appointment as commissioner of deeds
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	October 18, 1858	Appointments—S. Zevely, Linn, Osage County: request for appointment as enrolling clerk to the Senate
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	October 20, 1858	Appointments—Thomas Curd, Fulton, Callaway County: recommends James Grant, tobacco inspector; Callaway County tobacco production
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	October 20, 1858	Appointments—Charles H. Hardin, Fulton, Callaway County: recommends James Grant, tobacco inspector
1B/1/1	1	3	October 20, 1858	Appointments—Preston B. Reed, Fulton, Callaway County: recommends James Grant, tobacco inspector; Callaway County tobacco production
1B/1/1	1	3	November 1, 1858	Appointments—Charles Jones, St. Louis: recommends John F. Mense, director of the Bank of Missouri; Washington D.C.
1B/1/1	1	3	November 12, 1858	Appointments—James A. Rogers, St. Louis: appointment of his son Charles Rogers as director of the Bank of Missouri; Planter House, St. Louis; Jefferson City
1B/1/1	1	3	December 13, 1858	Appointments—William T. Christy, St. Louis; reappointment as director of the Bank of Missouri

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1B/1/1	1	3	December 16, 1858	Appointments—J. R. Barret, St. Louis: recommends William T. Christy, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	3	December 17, 1858	Appointments—J. R. Henderson, Louisiana, Pike County: recommends William T. Christy, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	3	December 23, 1858	Appointments—F. Overfotz, St. Louis: acceptance of the appointment as director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	December 27, 1858	Appointments—Thomas C. Reynolds, St. Louis: recommends John Lee Finney, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	December 29, 1858	Appointments—J. R. Barret, St. Louis: recommends Overton W. Barret as notary; Garland O. Kolb as notary; legislation to reduce the number of notary publics in St. Louis to 25
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	December 29, 1858	Appointments—W. A. Linn, St. Louis: recommends John Lee Finney, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	December 30, 1858	Appointments—C. F. Burnes, St. Louis: recommends Augustus McDowell, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	3 (1)	December 31, 1858	Appointments—R. L. McCrea, St. Louis: desires appointment as director of the Bank of Missouri; Col. Hudson
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	January 3, 1859	Appointments—petition St. Louis: recommends John Lee Finney, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	January 6, 1859	Appointments—M. R. Cullen, St. Louis: requesting appointment as notary public; legislation to reduce the number of notary publics in St. Louis to 25
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	January 8, 1859	Appointments—Charles Jones, Jefferson City: recommends John F. Mense, director of the Bank of Missouri

1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	January 11, 1859	Appointments—petition, St. Louis businessmen: supporting retention of William M. Christy, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	January 15, 1859	Appointments—A.W. Jeffries, Washington, Franklin County: recommends John F. Mense, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	January 24, 1859	Appointments—W. O. Hull, Jefferson City, Cole County: request for appointment as circuit attorney; Wayne, Stoddard, Dunklin, Ripley, and Butler counties; James S. Rollins; 15 <sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	January 24, 1859	Appointments—Isaac H. Sturgeon, Jefferson City, Cole County: recommends Henry A. Nesbit and George Husserford as notary publics; legislation to reduce the number of notary publics in St. Louis to 25
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	February 1, 1859	Appointments—James F. Milligan, Lt., U.S.R. Marine, Norfolk, Virginia: requesting the governor's appointment
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	February 4, 1859	Appointments—John Boone, St. Louis: reappointment as director of the state bank
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	March 2, 1859	Appointments—Thomas Van Swearingen, West Ely, Marion County: request for appointment as 16 <sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit attorney; resignation of David H. Mop; Know Nothing; Democratic Party
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	March 4, 1859	Appointments—J. S. Dougherty, St. Louis: recommends Capt. Reilly as director of the state bank; Governor Stewart's veto; Democratic Central Committee; listing of wards and Stewart supporters; revenue legislation
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	March 20, 1859	Appointments—James Hughes, St. Louis: resignation as the president of the state bank; St. Joseph; Hannibal
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	March 23, 1859	Appointments—Trusten Polk, St. Louis: recommends John F. Mense, director of the Bank of Missouri; Germans

1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	March 24, 1959	Appointments—R. H. Musser, Brunswick, Chariton County; recommends Henry L. Gaines, notary public
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	April 7, 1959	Appointments—Isaac A. Sturgeon, St. Louis: recommends Thomas L. Sturgeon and Fred Overtolz, directors of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	April 8, 1959	Appointments—W. A. Linn, Custom House, St. Louis: recommends J. W. Davis, director of the Bank of Missouri
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	May 25, 1959	Appointments—William Coch, Olympia, Washington Territory: appointment as register of deeds; western expansion; equal treatment
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	June 18, 1959	Appointments—telegram, A. S. Divan, New York: appointment of Allen
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	July 1, 1859	Appointments—J. R. Barret, St. Louis: recommends David Dessan, notary public
1B/1/1	1	4	August 12, 1859	Appointments—Isaac H. Sturgeon, St. Louis: Sturgeon's intention to run for governor; sheriffs; legislature; convention
1B/1/1	1	4	August 27, 1859	Appointments—Isaac H. Sturgeon, St. Louis: recommends William A. Saig to the Board of Public Works
1B/1/1	1	4	September 2, 1859	Appointments—David P. Dudley, St. Louis; Re: Request for appointment as notary public
1B/1/1	1	4	September 29, 1859	Appointments—Oscar W. Brown, Athens County, Ohio: request for appointment as commissioner of deeds; Ohio bar
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	November 9, 1859	Appointments—B. F. Jones, Millersburg: request for appointment to a political office
1B/1/1	1	4 (1)	November 23, 1859	Appointments—petition, St. Louis: recommends Frank H. Tucker, notary public
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	January 6, 1860	Appointments—N. Rannary, St. Louis: request for appointment as sheriff of St. Louis; death of sheriff; Know Nothings; Thomas Hart Benton

1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	January 6, 1860	Appointments—Isaac H. Sturgeon, St. Louis: recommends William M. Cooke, sheriff of St. Louis
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	February 1860	Appointments—Rapier E. Smith, St. Louis: request for appointment as notary public
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	April 23, 1860	Appointments—W. S. Groesbeck, Cincinnati, Ohio: recommends Harrison D. Paul, commissioner of deeds for Missouri
1B/1/1	11	5 (1)	April 23, 1860	Appointments—Harrison D. Paul, Cincinnati, Ohio: letter of recommendation
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	April 26, 1860	Appointments—C. C. Leeds, St. Louis: request for appointment as notary public
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	May 11, 1860	Appointments—Roger L. Greene, New York City: request for appointment as commissioner of deeds for Missouri
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	May 11, 1860	Appointments—Zephaniah Platt, New York City: request for appointment as commissioner of deeds for Missouri
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	May 12, 1860	Appointments—Judge Sutherland, New York Supreme Court: recommends Greene, commissioner of deeds for Missouri
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	May 19, 1860	Appointments—petition, Wisconsin: recommends Isaac A. Levy, commissioner of deeds for Missouri
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	November 3, 1860	Appointments—D. W. Voorhees, Terre Haute, California: recommends George W. Thompson, commissioner of deeds for Missouri
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	November 15, 1860	Appointments—James H. Hill, Carter County Clerk; certification of Abraham Raymore, justice of the peace
1B/1/1	1	5 (1)	November 19, 1860	Appointments—George E. Smith, St. Louis: request for appointment as notary public
1B/1/1	1	6 (2)	1857-58	Out of State—David F. Douglas, California secretary of state, Sacramento: transmittal of state laws

1B/1/1	1	6 (2)	1857-58	Out of State—Ferris Farman, California secretary of state, Sacramento: transmittal of state laws
1B/1/1	1	6 (2)	1857-58	Out of State—Charles J. Hoadly, Connecticut state librarian, Hartford: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	7 (2)	November 3, 1857	Out of State—F. L. Villipigue, Florida secretary of state, Tallahassee: transmittal of state laws
1B/1/1	1	7 (2)	1858	Out of State—C. P. Wellborn, state librarian, Milledgeville, Georgia: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	8 (2)	1858 January-May	Out of State—O. M. Hatch, Illinois secretary of state, Springfield: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	8 (2)	1857-1858	Out of State—S. D. Lyon, Indiana state librarian, Indianapolis: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	8 (2)	1858-1859	Out of State—Thomas L. Whitmore, secretary to the governor of Iowa, Des Moines: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	9 (2)	September 2, 1858	Out of State—Hugh S. Walsh, secretary of the Territory of Kansas, Lecompton: transmittal of state documents
1B/1/1	1	9 (2)	January 12, 1858	Out of State—Emilius Droz, state librarian, Louisiana, Baton Rouge: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	10 (2)	1858	Out of State—Noah Smith Jr., Maine secretary of state, Augusta: transmittal of state documents
1B/1/1	1	10 (2)	1858	Out of State—Lewellyn Bogle, Maryland state librarian, Annapolis: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	10 (2)	July 16, 1858	Out of State—Oliver Warren, secretary of the commonwealth of Massachusetts, Boston: transmittal of state documents
1B/1/1	1	11 (2)	March 16, 1858	Out of State—E. A. Thompson, Michigan Secretary of State, Lansing: transmittal of state documents
1B/1/1	1	11 (2)	1858	Out of State— Acting Governor Charles L. Chase, Territory of Minnesota, St. Paul: transmittal of state documents; receipt of Missouri reports

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1B/1/1	1	11 (2)	December 30, 1857	Out of State—S. S. Calhoun, private secretary to the governor of Mississippi, Jackson: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	11 (2)	May 26, 1858	Out of State—Governor William M'Willie, Jackson, Mississippi: transmittal of state documents
1B/1/1	1	12 (2)	January 15, 1858	Out of State—W. B. Cumming, secretary of the Territory of Nebraska, Omaha City: receipt of Missouri laws
1B/1/1	1	12 (2)	1857-1858	Out of State—Samuel N. Pattee, New Hampshire secretary of state, Concord: transmittal of state documents
1B/1/1	1	12 (2)	1858-59	Out of State—C. L. Price, New Jersey state librarian: receipt of Missouri reports
1B/1/1	1	12 (2)	June 28, 1858	Out of State—Thomas S. Allison, New Jersey secretary of state, Trenton: transmittal of state documents
1B/1/1	1	12 (2)	1857-58	Out of State—Alfred B. Street, New York state librarian: request for Missouri Supreme Court reports; transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	12 (2)	1858	Out of State—P. Compton, private secretary to governor of North Carolina: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	13 (2)	1858	Out of State—W. G. Coggeshall, Ohio state librarian, Columbus: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	13 (2)	1858	Out of State—William R. DeWitt, Pennsylvania state librarian, Harrisburg: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	13 (2)	1859	William M. Miester, secretary of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	14 (2)	1858	Out of State—James R. Bartlett, secretary of state, Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, Providence: transmittal of documents

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1B/1/1	1	14 (2)	1858	Out of State—John G. Bownan, South Carolina state librarian, Columbia: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	15 (2)	1858	Out of State—L. M. M. Burton, Tennessee secretary of state, Nashville: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	15 (2)	1857-58	Out of State—Edward Clark, Texas secretary of state, Austin: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	16 (2)	1857	Out of State—Harvey Webster, Vermont State Librarian, Montpelier: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	16 (2)	1858	Out of State—Governor Alexander W. Randall, Madison, Wisconsin: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	16 (2)	1858	Out of State—Travers Daniel, private secretary to the governor of Washington Territory, Olympia: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	17 (2)	No date	Federal—Joint Resolution: construction of a new canal on the Ohio River; Indiana
1B/1/1	1	17 (3)	1857-58	Federal—Thomas S. Meehan, Librarian, Library of Congress, Washington D.C: transmittal of documents
1B/1/1	1	17 (3)	December 11, 1858	Federal—Isaac Sturgeon, office of assistant U.S. Treasurer, St. Louis: political situation in Missouri; recommends appointments to the board of directors for the state bank; Polk; 1860 election; possibility of Stewart's resignation from office; Hancock Lee Jackson
1B/1/1	1	17 (3)	December 30, 1858	Federal—Isaac Sturgeon, Office of Assistant U.S. Treasurer, St. Louis: Commission on Bonds
1B/1/1	1	17 (3)	June 3, 1859	Federal—chief clerk, U.S State Department: copy of federal act relating to payment of bonds for railroad construction in Missouri, dated February 28, 1859
1B/1/1	1	17 (3)	August 17, 1859	Federal—Isaac Sturgeon, office of assistant U.S. Treasurer, St. Louis: Sturgeon's candidacy for governor

1B/1/1	1	18 (4)	February 22, 1859	Criminal—Thomas J. Conkling, Trenton, Grundy County: request for reward for the capture of Rue White, accused murderer of Darius Edwards; escape to Iowa, Kentucky, Canada; includes physical description of White, includes transcript of proceedings of coroner's inquest; lists names of jury members, testimony of eye witness
1B/1/1	1	18 (5)	July 21, 1859	Criminal—J. R. Baunt, St. Louis: request for pardon for John Riley
1B/1/1	1	18 (4)	April 14, 1860	Criminal—George Denison, St. Louis: requisition to capture N. B. Ells, fugitive; Springfield; Major D. A. Rawlings; C. G. Manre
1B/1/1	1	18 (4)	June 4, 1860	Criminal—Goodlett & Walker, Warrensburg, Johnson County: request for a warrant to capture Charles W. Robinson; governor of Ohio
1B/1/1	1	18 (4)	June 16, 1860	Criminal—Booker Smith, Gentryville, Gentry County: case before the justice of the peace [fire damaged]
1B/1/1	1	18 (4)	August 9, 1860	Criminal—John Ralls, New London, Ralls County: requisition for capture of Darwin Sharp; Burlington, Iowa; thief; Lick Creek Post Office, Ralls County
1B/1/1	1	19 (6)	No date	Military—W.A. Linn, aide-de-camp: confidential letter asking Governor Stewart to refuse the resignation of Lt. Col. Stickney
1B/1/1	1	19 (6)	July 18, 1857	Military—transcript of court martial proceedings: convened at St. Louis, Lt. Col. Alton R. Easton, presiding; Capt. Henry Hinkle of the Missouri Dragoons, Major Schaeffer's Battalion of Cavalry, 1 <sup>st</sup> Military District; charges; request for pardon for Hinkle and honorable discharge
1B/1/1	1	19 (6)	November 28, 1857	Military—A. L. Craig, ordinance office, Washington D.C: inability to supply Capt. John C. Smith with 64 muskets
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	January 29, 1858	Military—Col. Craig, ordinance office, Washington, D.C: military equipment request, musket order for the state

1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	March 30, 1858	Military—P. R. Denton, Mexico, Audrain County: request for governor to supply 60 muskets to the newly formed “Independent Guards” of Audrain County
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	May 21, 1858	Military—John A. Price, Republican office, St. Louis: appointment of Dr. John Shore as surgeon general; appointment of Chester B. Powell as notary public
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	June 9, 1858	Military—A. Kribben, attorney at law, St. Louis: request for arms for troops; political fighting; German companies; formation of a battalion, threats of court martial
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	June 23, 1858	Military—D. M. Frost, Lt. Col., 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion, Commander 1 <sup>st</sup> Military District, St. Louis: notification of the organization of troops to parade in celebration of Independence Day
1B/1/1	1	20 (10)	July 19, 1858	Military—Aide-De-Camp Linn, custom house, St. Louis: letter of introduction for D. C. Woods to relay confidential request
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	August 16, 1858	Military—Captain S. Sheppherd; 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant F. M. Daulton; 3 <sup>rd</sup> Lieutenant William B. Pittman; Volunteer Company, Palmyra, Monroe County: formation of company; recommends Col. Benjamin Davies as inspector [Stewart’s Artillery]
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	August 18, 1858	Military—Thomas L. Anderson and others, Palmyra, Marion County: approval of the formation of Stewarts Artillery; vouching for William H. Harrison; arms requisition
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	August 18, 1858	Military—petition, Palmyra, Marion County: organization of Stewarts Artillery; includes list of members; Artillery Company, Infantry; request for arms and equipment; First Lt. William H. Harrison; appointment of Col. B. Davis, Inspector
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	August 26, 1858	Military—William H. Harrison, Palmyra, Monroe County, to Col. Lynn: meeting with Col. Davies, Arms for [Stewart’s Artillery]; recommends Col. Davies as inspector

1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	August 28, 1858	Military—William H. Harrison, Palmyra, Marion County: request for governor to supply Stewart's Artillery; appointment of Col. B. Davies as inspector; Col. Linn
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	September 1, 1858	Military—W. A. Linn, St. Louis, to A. Peabody: distribution of arms from arsenal; recommends Col. Davis, inspector
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	September 10, 1858	Military—Elias S. Schenck, president, Military School, Kirkwood, St. Louis County: application to use state arms for drilling cadets; Military Institute; Connecticut; muskets, bayonets, military drill
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	October 23, 1858	Military—William H. Harrison, Palmyra, Marion County: fifth request for the governor to supply arms to the volunteer company of Stewarts Artillery; Governor Stewart's conversation with Col. B. Davis
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	December 1, 1858	Military—A. Peabody, Governor Stewart's private secretary, to Col. Kribben; inquiry into the availability of muskets for the Military Institute at Kirkwood, arms
1B/1/1	1	20 (6)	December 11, 1858	Military—John S. Deaderick and Francis J. Smith, Jefferson County: request to organize a company of minute men; political unrest; request for arms; emergency
1B/1/1	1	21 (6)	January 20, 1859	Military—William B. Crungle, Cassville, Barry County: request to raise company in defense of the state; recommends James W. Hughes
1B/1/1	1	21 (6)	October 11, 1859	Military—Brigadier General D. M. Frost, Commander, 1 <sup>st</sup> Military District, St. Louis: laws governing the Volunteer Militia; comparison to Massachusetts & New York; includes petition from military leaders
1B/1/1	1	21 (6)	February 23, 1860	Military—William Wade, St. Louis: request for the governor to supply arms to the Emmet Guards, Company in the 1 <sup>st</sup> Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Militia; letter of introduction for Lt. Phillip Cayne

1B/1/1	1	21 (6)	October 29, 1860	Military—A. R. Easton, Col. 1 <sup>st</sup> Regiment, Missouri Volunteer Militia, St. Louis: Governor's request to detach Company G from the 1 <sup>st</sup> regiment and attach it to the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Regiment; Section 11 of Article 2, regulation of volunteer militia, December 31, 1859
1B/1/1	1	21 (6)	November 5, 1860	Military—D. M. Frost, Brigadier General, 1 <sup>st</sup> District, St. Louis: Governor's request to detach Company G from the 1 <sup>st</sup> regiment and attach it to the 2 <sup>nd</sup> regiment
1B/1/1	1	21 (6)	November 5, 1860	Military—D. M. Frost, Brigadier General, 1 <sup>st</sup> District, St. Louis: transmittal of his letter dated November 5 and Easton's letter dated October. 29, 1860
1B/1/1	1	21 (6)	November 29, 1860	Military—F. W. Smith, Commander, 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4 <sup>th</sup> District, Missouri Militia, St. Joseph, Buchanan County: transmittal of proceedings and election of officers for the Jackson Guards, Company A, 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion
1B/1/1	1	21 (6)	November 29, 1860	Military—Major F. W. Smith, 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion, 4 <sup>th</sup> Military District, St. Joseph, Buchanan County: transmittal of Division Inspector's report; election of officers for the German Rifle Company, Company C of the 1 <sup>st</sup> Battalion; Lt. Schmitz; Lt. Baumer
1B/1/1	1	22 (11)	August 13, 1858	Miscellaneous—Kirk Anderson, St. Joseph, Buchanan County: Governor Stewart reimbursing John A. Dolman for a loan to Anderson; Salt Lake City, Utah; Mormons
1B/1/1	1	22 (12)	August 14, 1858	Miscellaneous—William S. Mosely, General Land Office, to Dr. A. Peabody, Jefferson City; political appointments, clerk of the House
1B/1/1	1	22 (13)	August 23, 1858	Miscellaneous—J. W. Hewitt, Boston, Massachusetts: completion of 40 miles of the St. Joseph Hannibal Railroad
1B/1/1	1	22 (14)	August 25, 1858	Miscellaneous—invitation from Charles D. Eitzen, George Klinge, Peter Muller, Fair Committee of Herman, Gasconade County for governor to attend the Agricultural Society Fair

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1B/1/1	1	22 (15)	September 1, 1858	Miscellaneous—William G. Blackwood, St. Louis: Frank Blair's accusation against Governor Stewart; pardon of prisoners to gain votes; Governor Polk; indictment issued by Blair; Missouri-Kansas border wars; abolition
1B/1/1	1	22 (16)	September 21, 1858	Miscellaneous—A. Peabody, Governor Stewart's private secretary, to Governor Stewart: urgent request for governor to return to Jefferson City and take care of business; murder, escape, court cases; Steamer Ben Lewis; Peabody's request for payment of \$100
1B/1/1	1	22 (17)	October 1858	Miscellaneous—Clancey, Crawford County: collection of John Corley's note; interest due, loan extension
1B/1/1	1	22 (17)	October 16, 1858	Miscellaneous—John Simmons, John M. Taylor, office of Simmons & Taylor, St. Louis: note and money due from Governor Stewart; personal loan, loan maturity
1B/1/1	1	22 (19)	December 1, 1858	Miscellaneous—Leland Wright, register, Boonville land office, Cooper County: certification of military bounty land warrant, Palmyra district; John B. Helm; John Young
1B/1/1	1	23 (8)	1859	Miscellaneous—free pass for the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad; free pass for the Michigan Central Railroad
1B/1/1	1	23 (21)	January 7, 1859	Miscellaneous—John S. G. Burt, Cincinnati, Ohio: Congressional legislation to improve the falls of the Ohio River; steamers ability to use the river; commercial trade; Louisville, Kentucky; includes 1856 <u>Review of the Report of the Board of Engineers on the Improvement of the Falls of the Ohio</u>
1B/1/1	1	23 (18)	January 19, 1859	Miscellaneous—C. D. Sullivan & Co., St. Louis: bill due for watch repair

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1B/1/1	1	23 (22)	February 11, 1859	Miscellaneous—Gilbert S. Wiele, librarian of the American Geographical and Statistical Society, New York: request for statistical information relating to the natural resources and condition of the state of Missouri, includes list of documents requested
1B/1/1	1	23	April 6, 1859	Miscellaneous—J. M. Pindell, St. Joseph, Buchanan County: request to rent a house owned by Governor Stewart in St. Joseph
1B/1/1	1	23 (24)	May 2, 1859	Miscellaneous—Eliza (Stewart)Middlebrook, governor's sister, Linley, New York: family, request to hear from Governor Stewart
1B/1/1	1	23 (25)	May 17, 1859	Miscellaneous—Horace Eastman, Niles, Michigan: offer to purchase lots owned by Governor Stewart in Niles
1B/1/1	1	23 (26)	June 3, 1859	Miscellaneous—Hamilton G. Fant, Banking House of Sweeney Rittenhouse and Fant, Washington, D.C: report of land sales; appointment as adjuster
1B/1/1	1	23 (27)	June 4, 1859	Miscellaneous—resignation of Josiah Hunt , Superintendent, Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad Company
1B/1/1	1	23 (28)	July 21, 1859	Miscellaneous—Thomas E. Tutt, St. Louis: request for appointment Commissioner to settle the 2% fund
1B/1/1	1	23 (29)	July 31, 1859	Miscellaneous—Mary Ann Richardson, Falls City, Richardson County, Nebraska: deeds and land patents belonging to Mrs. Richardson's father; inquiry whether Governor Stewart is the same Robert M. Stewart entrusted to hold the deeds for her father
1B/1/1	1	23 (30)	August 18, 1859	Miscellaneous—John W. Reid, Independence, Jackson County: appointment of agents for 2% Fund

1B/1/1	1	23 (31)	August 21, 1859	Miscellaneous—Isaac Sturgeon, St. Louis; private: request for governor Stewart to arrange a loan of \$10,000 for Sturgeon; Monroe County; Adair, Audrain, Schuyler, Sullivan counties; Boston, Massachusetts
1B/1/1	1	23 (32)	October 10, 1859	Miscellaneous—E. M. Price, St. Louis: forwarding of commissions; New Orleans, Louisiana; New York
1B/1/1	1	24 (7)	May 4, 1860	Miscellaneous—B. B. Harrison, swamp land agent, Lebanon, Laclede County: request for certified list of swamp land in Crawford County before the formation of Phelps County.
1B/1/1	1	24 (33)	October 1, 1860	Miscellaneous—J. B. Brant, St. Louis: resignation from the Committee for Procuring a Bronze Statue of the late Thomas Hart Benton
1B/1/1	1	24 (34)	October 13, 1860	Miscellaneous—Wayman Crow, chairman, Committee for Procuring a Bronze Statue of the late Thomas Hart Benton, St. Louis: recommends Hudson E. Bridge to join the committee
1B/1/1	1	24 (7)	November 16, 1860	Miscellaneous—R. S. Nelson, General Land Office: transmittal of release of claim, Milan District
1B/1/1	1	24 (35)	December 14, 1860	Miscellaneous—Samuel Clough, Tingley, Union County, Iowa: hardship encountered for an out of state resident paying land taxes in Missouri; Barton, Bates, Vernon counties
1B/1/1	1	24 (36)	December 31, 1860	Miscellaneous—By Governor Stewart statement of the charter of the Platte County Railroad and an act to prevent illegal banking and the circulation of depreciated paper currency within this state approved by the Legislature on December. 8, 1855
1B/1/1	1	24 (37)	1860	Miscellaneous—according to previous finding aid: list of commutation of prisoners 1860
1B/1/1	1	25 (9)	No date	Miscellaneous—signatures for unknown petition

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1B/1/1	1	26 (40)	January 1, 1858	University of Missouri—George C. Swallow, state geologist, Columbia, Boone County: request for commission of G. C. Broadhead as assistant geologist (back of document shows Governor Stewart complied with Swallow's request)
1B/1/1	1	26 (40)	Apr 27, 1858	University of Missouri—Caleb S. Stowe, secretary of the board of curators, Columbia, Boone County: failure of members of the board to attend meetings; MU
1B/1/1	1	26 (40)	May 1, 1858	University of Missouri—B. S. Head: resignation of John D. S. Dryden from the board of curators; MU
1B/1/1	1	26 (40)	June 8, 1858	University of Missouri—George C. Swallow, state geologist, Jefferson City: request for commission of Dr. G. S. Norwood as assistant geologist; back of document shows Governor Stewart complied with George C. Swallow's request
1B/1/1	1	26 (20)	January 1859	List of Curators to be elected for University of Missouri: by district and county
1B/1/1	1	26 (40)	January 25, 1859	University of Missouri—George C. Swallow, state geologist, Columbia, Boone County: request for commission for Mr. Price as assistant geologist and draftsman; back of document shows Governor Stewart complied with Swallow's request
1B/1/1	1	26 (40)	June 30, 1860	University of Missouri—George C. Swallow, State Geologist, Columbia, Boone County: request for appointment of another surveyor; recommends Major F. Hawns; request for salary raise for G.C. Broadhead; request for additional expense money; coal; Grundy County (back of document shows Governor Stewart complied with Swallow's request)
1B/1/1	1	26 (40)	September 3, 1860	University of Missouri—George C. Swallow, state geologist, Columbia, Boone County: request for commissions for Mr. Herman A. Ulffers as draftsman & John Locke, assistant geologist (back of document shows Governor Stewart complied with Swallow's request)

1B/1/1	1	26 (40)	September 4, 1860	University of Missouri—George C. Swallow, state geologist, Columbia, Boone County: salary adjustment for John Locke, assistant geologist; , salary adjustment for P.C. Swallow (George’s nephew); back of document shows Governor Stewart complied with Swallow’s request)
1B/1/1	1	27 (39)	October 25, 1858	Out-Going—To Thomas Hendricks, general land office: land patent in Milan District
1B/1/1	1	27 (39)	October 30, 1858	Out-Going—To Thomas Hendricks, general land office: Congressional legislation