

**Mary L. Welch (Mrs. J. Ezra Hicks) Collection**  
**1891-1921**

## Mary L. Welch Collection

**Provenance:** The Mary L. Welch Collection was donated to Spelman College in 2012 by Joan Handy, granddaughter of Mary L. Welch a/k/a Mrs. J. Ezra Hicks, a teacher at Spelman Seminary from 1891-1895. Ms. Handy and Professor Jerry Wever, Spelman College faculty in the Anthropology & Sociology Department, partnered together with former Spelman Archivist, Taronda Spencer, to ensure this collection would be housed within the Spelman College Archives and made available to researchers. Date range of this collection is believed to be 1891-1895.

**Quantity:** Less than 1 linear foot.

**Restrictions:** Open to researchers. Appointments are necessary for use with the permission of a Spelman College Archives staff member.

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### **Scope and Content:**

Mary L. Welch, aka, Mrs. J. Ezra Hicks, was employed as a teacher at Spelman Seminary 1891-1895. The Collection contains two series: Correspondence and Photographs. Box 1 consists of business correspondence from Spelman's second, third and fourth Presidents: Harriet E. Giles, Lucy H. Upton and Lucy H. Tapley; Personal correspondence from former students, an invitation and publications. Box 2 contains photographs of Mary L. Welch, aka, Mrs. J. Ezra Hicks, 1894 Spelman Seminary graduates, Spelman Seminary students/teachers, students from Locust Institute, various colleagues and friends who corresponded with Mary Welch during and after her tenure at Spelman Seminary. There are also photographs of the Campus during 1891-1895.

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**Collection of Mary L. Welch [Mrs. J. Ezra Hicks] Spelman Seminary Teacher 1891-1895    Box 1**  
**Business, Personal, Publication Correspondence**

Folder 1	Business Correspondence: Harriet E. Giles and/or Lucy H. Upton, 1894-1901
Folder 2	Business Correspondence: Lucy Upton & Lucy H. Tapley re death of Harriet Giles, 2 <sup>nd</sup> President of Spelman Seminary, November 19, 1909
Folder 3	Business Correspondence: Lucy H. Upton advertisement re death of Harriet Giles, August 13, 1910
Folder 4	Business & Personal Correspondence: Lucy H. Tapley, 1910-1921
Folder 5	Personal Correspondence: Florida, November 29, 1896
Folder 6	Personal Correspondence: Hannah Adlena Howell, 1895-1897
Folder 7	Personal Correspondence: Little Lottie, 1896-1897
Folder 8	Personal Correspondence: Elizabeth Palm, April, 1898
Folder 9	Personal Correspondence: Jimmie Whitney Towle, December 29, 1909
Folder 10	Personal Correspondence: Unknown
Folder 11	Personal Correspondence: E. O. Werden, December 26, 1910
Folder 12	Personal Correspondence: ? Whitehurst, December 10, 1898
Folder 13	Personal Correspondence: Evelyn M. Williams, 1897
Folder 14	Personal Correspondence: Mary Williams, April 7, 1898
Folder 15	Personal Correspondence: Abbie E. Woodbury, November 13, 1909
Folder 16	Invitation to Attend Thirtieth Anniv of Founding of Spelman Seminary w/ Spelman Busy Bees Offering envelope, March 1911
Folder 17	Publication: Spelman in Africa, Africa in Spelman, Brochure, ND
Folder 18	Publication: Spelman Messenger, Vol. 29, No. 1, October, 1912
Folder 19	Publication: Spelman Messenger, Vol. 30, No. 2, November, 1913
Folder 20	Publication: Spelman Seminary, Catalogue, 1893-1894
Folder 21	Publication: Spelman Seminary, Catalogue, 1894-1895
Folder 22	Publication: Spelman Seminary Decennial Anniversary Booklet, April 11, 1891
Folder 23	Envelops from Correspondence

## Collection of Mary L. Welch [Mrs. J. Ezra Hicks]

Box 2

## Spelman Seminary Teacher 1891-1895

## Photographs

Folder 1	(1) 7x9 $\frac{3}{4}$ Mary Welch Hicks (center) with two sisters, ND, b/w and two pages of photocopied pictures of Mary Welch
Folder 2	(1) 5x5 Birth home of Mary Welch in 1866. North Hebron, NY, Liebig Rd., b/w
Folder 3	(2) 4x6 of Martin ___ ? ___ (man in tuxedo) Photographer Atlanta Photo Co. & 4x6 of Harriet E. Giles, 2 <sup>nd</sup> President of Spelman Seminary, b/w, ND
Folder 4	(2) 4x6 of Mary L. Williams & 4x6 of Lucy H. Upton, Acting President of Spelman Seminary 1909, b/w
Folder 5	(2) 4x6 of Mrs. Chas H. Towle & 4x6 Julia Alice Wiseman, b/w, ND
Folder 6	(2) 4x6 of Miss Garland & 4x6 of Alice Sargent, b/w, ND
Folder 7	(2) 4x6 of Dora S. Keys & 4x6 of Mamie Johnson, b/w, ND
Folder 8	(2) 4x6 of Mary Burgess & 4x6 of Carrie, b/w, ND
Folder 9	(2) 4x6 of Addie & 4x6 of Victoria J. L. Goodwin, b/w, ND
Folder 10	(2) 4x6 of Lizzie Gordon, b/w, ND
Folder 11	(2) 4x6 of Hattie Burns & 4x6 of Ida Burton, b/w, ND
Folder 12	(2) 4x6 of Evelyn Williams, b/w, ND
Folder 13	(2) 4x6 of Hattie White? & 4x6 of Fanny Showers, b/w, ND
Folder 14	(2) 4x6 of Fanny Wingfield & 4x6 of Miss Fleming, b/w, ND
Folder 15	(2) 4x6 of Pennie A. Hankerson & 4x6 of Claudia White, b/w, ND
Folder 16	(2) 4x6 of Lena Clark/Maggie Ratty (Hkabana) & 4x6 of H.H. & her sister Lollie, b/w, ND
Folder 17	(1) 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ of H.L. Rumdel ? 1896, b/w, ND
Folder 18	(1) 5x7 of Rev. Geo P. McKinney, wife and G.P., Jr. , b/w, ND
Folder 19	(1) 4x6 of Martha & Mary pictured with two men, b/w, ND
Folder 20	(2) 4x6, 1 of Lucy and 1 of Hannah Howell, ND
Folder 21	(3) 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 of Eva Whitney other 2 unknown women, b/w, ND
Folder 22	(2) 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 of Leila Paylen, Carrie Bernus; 1, 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ of Charity Collins, b/w, ND
Folder 23	(3) 2 x 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ of Ella Smith, Clara Jones, Mattie Neal, b/w, ND
Folder 24	(2) 4x6 of Alice Turner and Josephine Johnson?, b/w, ND
Folder 25	(1), 8x10 of Evelyn Williams with children, b/w, ND
Folder 26	(2) 4x6 of unknown lady & 4 x 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ unknown lady, b/w, ND
Folder 27	(1) 10x12 Spelman Seminary Graduates seated on Rockefeller Hall steps (exterior), b/w, 1894
Folder 28	(2) 4x6, unknown ladies, ND
Folder 29	(2) 4x6, unknown ladies, ND
Folder 30	(2) 4x6, unknown ladies, ND
Folder 31	(2) 4x6, unknown ladies, ND
Folder 32	(2) 4x6, 1 of unknown lady and 1 of unknown children, ND
Folder 33	(2) 4x6, 1 of unknown men and 1 of unknown ladies, ND
Folder 34	(3) 1, 3x5 of unknown lady, 1, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ unknown lady; 1, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 unknown lady , ND
Folder 35	(1) 8x10 Classroom Scene, ND
Folder 36	(1) 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Native Indians pictured with Mary L. Welch(?), ND
Folder 37	(1) 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Students and Teachers (possibly) in front of Florida Institute, b/w, ND
Folder 38	(1) 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Younger) Students and Teachers (possibly) in front of Florida Institute, b/w, ND
Folder 39	(1) 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Older) Students and Teachers (possibly) in front of Florida Institute, b/w ND

Folder 40	(1) 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ (Older Males) Students and Teachers (possibly) in front of Florida Institute, b/w, ND
Folder 41	(2) 4x5, 1 of Rockefeller Hall and 1 of Giles Hall, ND
Folder 42	(2) 4x5, Barracks/Dormitories of Spelman Seminary in summer and winter 1893(?)
Folder 43	(1) 4x5, Grant Park, Atlanta, ND