

Henry Miller Shreve Letters. 1833-1839

Box #1

- Folder #1: "Captain Henry M. Shreve Clearing the Great Raft from Red River, 1833-38."
"The History" Published by R.W.Norton Art Gallery.
"The Artist"
- Folder #2: Copy of motion made in court by Albert T. Witbeck to have copies made of letters and sketches of Henry M. Shreve from case of U.S.vs. Jehiel Brooks. June 24, 1926.
- Folder #3: Copy of "Improved Machine for Removing Snags and Sawyers from the Beds of the Rivers." Specification forming part of Letters Patent No. 913, dated September 12, 1838, by Henry M. Shreve. United States Patent Office.
- Folder #4: "The Great Raft in Red River and Its Removal."
Eight pages - xerox copy.
- Folder #5: Letter, Henry M. Shreve, Natchez, to Brig. Gen. C. Gratiot, Chief Engineer, Washington, June 27, 1833.
- Folder #6: Letter, Henry M. Shreve, Louisville, to Brig. Gen. C. Gratiot, Chief Engineer, Washington. July 1, 1835.
One xerox original
Two typed transcripts
- Folder #7: Letter, Henry M. Shreve, Louisville, to Brig. Gen. C. Gratiot, Chief Engineer, Washington. July 6, 1836.
One xeroxed original
Two typed transcripts
- Folder #8: Letter, Henry M. Shreve, St. Louis, Mo., to Col. Jas. G. Totten, Chief Engineer, Washington City. June 12, 1839.
- Folder #9: Brief of letter in reply to request from Capt. H.M.Shreve for loan to remove Red River Raft. August 22, 1837
xerox copy
- Folder #10: Articles of Agreement between John James Abert, Col. Corps Top. Eng., and Thomas T. Williamson regarding removal of Raft in Red River, near Phelps Landing, Embracing about 3 miles.
September 6, 1841
xerox copy, 3 pages.
- Folder #11: Communication from Col. Albert to President of U.S. regarding contract made with Thomas G. Williamson Egs for removing the Red River Raft. September 13, 1841
xerox copy

- Folder #12: Letter, Joshua Archimedes to John C. Calhoun, Secretary of War regarding presents two models for removing snags and etc. with a description; gives his views in relation to the subject of the Circular requesting information. July 17, 1824.
xerox copy 3 pages
- Folder #13: Military Geography, 1813-1880. Washington: GPO, 1881. Louisiana (pp.132-133). 1803-1866
xerox copy
- Folder #14: Bids for improvement of Red River. no date
xerox copy
- Folder #15: Consolidated Inspection report of Plantations in 28th district Louisiana by Col. Martin Flood....Bossier, Caddo and DeSoto Parishes. 1866
xerox copy, 2 of 6 sheets

Henry M. Shreve Letters, 1827-1841.

War Department. Letters Received, No.2. January 1, 1826 to July 31, 1830.
Engineer Department. Entry 17.

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Date Written</u>	<u>No. of Pages</u>
March 6, 1827	196	February 20	6
April 5, 1827	209	March 22	
May 10, 1827	223	April 26	3
May 31, 1827	229	May 17	2
January 5, 1828	330	December 24	2
February 15, 1828	365	February 5	
March 26, 1828	389	March 15	2
April 9, 1828	393	March 29	2
July 10, 1828	434	July 1	
August 8, 1828	452	July 28	4
August 14, 1828	459	August 5	
August 26, 1828	464	August 16	2
September 24, 1828	478	September 13	2
November 10, 1828	500	October 20	3; S-500, S.452: Certificate of Assistant Superintendents. 2 pages, with signatures.
November 20, 1828	505	October 27	6
November 20, 1828	507	November 6	
November 24, 1828	508	November 12	
December 8, 1828	513	November 26	
December 20, 1828	530	December 9	3
February 25, 1829	578	January 26	7
May 1, 1829	629	April 20	3
May 25, 1829	646	May 14	2
June 1, 1829	652	May 20	Isaac Hill to Peter Wagner, Engr., May 1, 1829
Copy of statement as forwarded to H.M.Shreve Superintendent of Louisville ?.			
Statement of the differences arising on the settlement of Mr. H.M.Shreve account for disbursements in the 4th quarter of 1828. 3 p.			
June 11, 1829	662	May 30	6
June 16, 1829	666	June 6	3
June 20, 1829	672	June 11	
July 6, 1829	680	June 25	
July 6, 1829	682	June 25	
July 24, 1829	699	July 15	
August 1, 1829	706	July 22	6
August 3, 1829	708	July 24	
August 12, 1829	724	August 3	
August 18, 1829	730	August 8	
August 19, 1829	732	August 10	3
August 21, 1829	734	August 11	4
September 18, 1829	754	August 23	4
September 28, 1829	761	August 19	2
October 3, 1829	766	September 24	4

Statement by crew members of Heliopolis, September 10, 1829, that channel of Mississippi River was improved at Plumb Point and at Islands No. 62063, so as to be navigable.

October 8, 1829	779	September 29	
October 15, 1829	786	October 5	3
October 15, 1829	787	October 5	2
Capt. Dillingham's Rec'd for provisions.			
October 15, 1829	788	October 6	2
October 20, 1829	792	October 10	8
October 21, 1829	795	October 12	
November, 30, 1829	825	November 5	4
December 5, 1829	830	November 23	2
December 26, 1829	854	December 1	4
December 29, 1829	857	December 17	2

January 13, 1830	874	January 1	
January 13, 1830	875	January 1	
March 23, 1830	946	March 11	2
April 12, 1830	963	April 1	2
May 31, 1830	994	May 20	2
June 4, 1830	999	May 26	
June 7, 1830	1006	May 28	2

Copy letter, Albert McComb Chief Engineer to Capt. John Seward, December 10, 1826.
Letter, McComb to Capt. John Seward, November 21, 1826.

June 7, 1830	1007	May 28	
June 7, 1830	1008	May 29	2

Estimate of funds required for improving the navigation of the Mississippi River during month of June, 1830. Estimate for the improvement of navigation of the Mississippi River for the year 1830. 2p.

Estimate of funds required for improving the navigation of the Ohio River during the month of June 1830.

Estimate of removing rocks from the channel of the Ohio River at the Grand Chain for the year 1830.

June 21, 1830	1032	June 11	2
June 26, 1830	1039	June 17	
June 28, 1830	1040	June 18	
July 12, 1830	1049	July 1	
July 14, 1830	1053	July 5	
July 14, 1830	1054	July 5	
July 19, 1830	1057	July 8	5 with statements

War Department. Letters Received, No. 3. August 1, 1830 to December 31, 1834.

August 10, 1830	1074	July 26	3 with estimate of funds.
August 21, 1830	1082	August 12	3 with additional estimates.
September 3, 1830	1089	August 25	
September 13, 1830	1099	September 2	
September 13, 1830	1100	September 3	3 with estimate of funds.
October 13, 1830	1115	September 27	2
October 19, 1830	1125	October 9	2 Estimate of probable amount
		of funds.	
November 1, 1830	1130	October 15	4 - Annual report
November 13, 1830	1144	October 23	2
November 13, 1830	1145	October 23	
November 22, 1830	1148	October 27	
November 22, 1830	1149	October 28	2

November 22, 1830	1150	November 13	Statement
November 29, 1830	1153	November 18	2
December 4, 1830	1156	November 23	3 with shipping statement
December 4, 1830	1157	November 26	3 with estimate of funds
December 8, 1830	1158	November 26	
December 21, 1830	1169	December 10	3
December 28, 1830	1174	December 16	
March 14, 1831	1236	March 2	
May 21, 1831	1300	May 12	
May 30, 1831	1309	May 20	
June 2, 1831	1311	May 24	
June 6, 1831	1314	May 26	3
January 13, 1832	1476	December 28, 1831	4
October 8, 1832	1703	September 30	
Estimate of funds required for the improvement of the navigation of the Ohio River and Mississippi River up to the 24th May 1824).			
January 15, 1833	1793	January 5	3 with estimate of funds,
		January - February, 1833.	
January 15, 1833	1794	January 5 (?1832)	
February 25, 1833	1824	February 9	
February 27, 1833	1829	February 11	7 with reports of work done with Heliopolis and Archimedes.
March 6, 1833	1832	February 24	2
March 29, 1833	1851	March 18	4
April 3, 1833	1856	March 25	2
Report of work done with the U.S.Steamboat Archimedes from the 1st of February to the 1st of March, 1833.			
Report of work done with the U.S.Steamboat Archimedes from 1st of January to 1st of February, 1833.			
Report of work done with the U.S.Steamboat Archimedes from 1st of March to the 21st of said month.			
Report of work done with U.S.Steamboat Heliopolis from 1st of January to 1st of February, 1833.			
Balance Forward Report.			
Report of work done with the U.S.Steam Snag Boat Heliopolis, from 1st to 9th February, 1833.			
April 5, 1833	1859	March 27	
April 5, 1833	1860	March 27	
April 5, 1833	1862	March 26	
April 13, 1833	1874	March 28	
April 15, 1833	1876	April 1	2
April 25, 1833	1895	April 5	
May 11, 1833	1913	April 12	2
June 1, 1833	1933	May 8	3
June 12, 1833	1943	May 16	
July 15, 1833	1975	June 27	4
July 15, 1833	1976	June 27	
July 18, 1833	1984	July 11	3
July 18, 1833	1985	July 11	3
August 3, 1833	2006	July 27	
August 6, 1833	2010	July 30	
August 6, 1833	2011	July 30	5 with estimate of probable amount of funds.

August 10, 1833	2017	August 3	
Estimate of funds required for continuing the improvement of the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers for the month of August, 1833.			
Estimate of funds required for continuing the improvement of the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers for year 1833.			
Statement of accounts for 2nd quarter of 1833 showing the balance due as stated in Estimate herewith. (2p.)			
August 23, 1833	2029	August 14	2
August 23, 1833	2030	August 16	
August 23, 1833	2031	August 16	
August 23, 1833	2032	August 16	
August 30, 1833	2036	August 23	
September 7, 1833	2048	August 31	
October 16, 1833	2093	October 3	
October 16, 1833	2094	October 3	2
November 2, 1833	2118	October 23	
November 2, 1833	2119	October 23	
November 11, 1833	2124	October 20	
Annual report for work done for improving the navigation of the Ohio, Mississippi, Red and Arkansas rivers, ending the 30th of September, 1833. (9 p.)			
Estimate of funds acquired for continuing the improvement of the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi rivers during the year 1834. (2 p.)			
Statement of receipts and expenditures under the several acts of Congress for improving the navigation of the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers.			
November 11, 1833	2125	October 21	
November 11, 1833	2126	October 21	
November 11, 1833	2127	October 21	
November 11, 1833	2128	October 21	4 with statement of funds and estimate of funds.
November 11, 1833	2129	October 21	
Report of work done by the U.S. Steam Snag Boat Heliopolis from 15th August to the 1st September, 1833.			
Report of work done by the U.S. Steam Archimedes Boat from the 27th August 1833 to the 31st August, 1833.			
Report of the work done by the U.S. Steam Snag Boat Heliopolis from the 1st to 30th September, 1833 inclusive.			
Report of the work done by the U.S. Steam Snag Boat Heliopolis from the 1st to the 30th September, 1833. (2p.)			
November 20, 1833	2138	November 1	2
November 30, 1833	2143	November 22	4 with reports by Heliopolis
December 27, 1833	2168	December 18	2 with reports of work
December 30, 1833	2172	December 21	
December 30, 1833	2173	December 19	4
Estimate of funds for improving Ohio, Mississippi and Arkansas Rivers authorizing that work up to 1st of March 1834.			
December 30, 1883	2174	December 21	2
December 30, 1883	2175	December 21	
January 2, 1834	2180	December 21	
January 3, 1834	2181	December 23	3
January 10, 1834	2188	December 30	2
February 15, 1834	2233	January 9	7 with reports of work done.

February 24, 1834	2238	January 9	3
March 11, 1834	2248	February 4	4 preceded by 4p. of progress
		reports.	
March, 11, 1834	2249	February 28	3
March 19, 1834	2258	March 10	8 with reports of work and
		funds.	
April 12, 1834	2282	April 2	3
April 12, 1834	2283	April 2	
April 12, 1834	2284	April 2	
April 12, 1834	2285	April 2	
April 12, 1834	2286	April 2	
April 12, 1834	2288	April 3	2
April 28, 1834	2306	April 26	4

S2476 from DeGrange Index August 13, 1834.

2359 June 19, 1834 Sp. with estimates of expenditures

War Department, Letters Received, No. 4, January 1, 1835 to December 31, 1837.
 Engineer Department.

January 24, 1835	2683	December 20	
July 20, 1836	3306	July 13	4 with estimates of funds.
August 4, 1836	3337	July 27	2
August 13, 1836	3346	August 4	2
August 24, 1836	3365	August 12	
August 30, 1836	3371	August 17	
September 17, 1836	3398	September 10	
September 26, 1836	3408	September 16	12
September 26, 1836	3409	September 19	
November 22, 1836	3519	November 14	2
November 28, 1836	3524	November 18	2 with estimate of funds.
November 30, 1836	3530	November 21	2 with estimate of funds.

Letter, Shreve to ?, September 30, 1836. With 6 pages of Annual report ending September 30, 1836.

	3532	November 21	
December 2, 1836	3532	November 24	3 with annual report
December 10, 1836	3542	December 2	3
January 4, 1837	3557	December 27	

January 21, 1837	3576	January 13	7 with reports.
February 20, 1837	3611	February 10	5
November 11, 1837	4034	November 3	10 with reports of work
December 4, 1837	4076	November 27	
	4085	November 8	5
	4086	November 13	2
December 23, 1837	4096	December 15	

War Department. Letters Received, No. 5, January 1, 1838 to December 31, 1840.
 Engineer Department

February 8, 1839	528	February 7	
January 2, 1839	459	January 4	
January 18, 1839	472	January 7	
January 18, 1839	473	January 7	
January 18, 1839	474	January 9	
January 18, 1839	475	January 9	
January 21, 1839	481	January 10	3

January 25, 1839	496	January 16	
April 8, 1839	612	March 25	4 with estimate of funds.
April 8, 1839	615	March 26	4 with estimate of funds
May 13, 1839	661	April 2	2 with estimate of funds
April 8, 1839	613	March 26	6 with estimate of funds.
May 30, 1839	676	April 18	2
May 30, 1839	677	April 18	2
June 12, 1839	686	May 31	9 with report March-May, 1839
June 21, 1839	699	June 7	
June 26, 1839	709	June 12	
June 26, 1839	710	June 12	
June 26, 1839	712	June 15	
June 26, 1839	713	June 12	12 with estimate of funds.
June 28, 1839	716	June 17	
June 28, 1839	717	June 17	
June 28, 1839	718	June 17	
July 17, 1839	735	July 9	6 with reports
July 18, 1839	737	July 11	
July 18, 1839	738	July 11	2 with estimate of funds
July 18, 1839	739	July 11	
July 18, 1839	740	July 11	
July 20, 1839	744	July 13	5
August 10, 1839	761	July 29	
August 12, 1839	763	July 31	
September 7, 1839	778	August 27	4 with copies
September 9, 1839	781	August 30	2
September 12, 1839	786	August 31	3 with estimate of funds
September 20, 1839	793	September 7	3 with report of work
October 7, 1839	800	September 24	
October 19, 1839	818	October 7	3 with report of work
November 4, 1839	842	October 22	3 with report of work
November 19, 1839	861	November 4	
November 22, 1839	863	November 11	
November 27, 1839	865	November 14	
December 7, 1839	881	December 10	
January 4, 1840	904	December 21	
January 4, 1840	905	December 23	
January 4, 1840	906	December 23	
January 4, 1840	907	December 23	10 with estimate of funds
January 4, 1840	910	December 23	6 with estimate of funds
January 4, 1840	911	December 24	3 with statement of estimates,
		appropriations	
January 4, 1840	913	December 24	3 with state of accounts
January 4, 1840	914	December 24	3 with state of accounts
January 4, 1840	915	December 26	
January 4, 1840	916	December 26	
January 4, 1840	917	December 24	2 with estimate of funds
March 16, 1840	982	February 4	2

Records of the Office of Chief of Engineers. Record Group 77.
From DeGrange Index.

Letters Received Relating to Henry Shreve and the Red River,
July 1830-July 1863.

<u>Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Date</u>
S1073	Seawell expects to start work at----- (2 p).	July 7, 1830
S1415	Seawell reports condition-- 2 letters 1/2p; 13p ; estimate of funds.	September 14, 1831
J249	Jessup rel. impt. of navigation -- (2 p).	June 28, 1832
L264	Leavenworth rel. to impg.-- (3 p).	September 19, 1832
S1854	Shreve expedition of -- will commence March 26. (2p)	March 23, 1833
S2059	Seawell re. -- and claims unpaid. Charges U.S.with money lost when boat was blown up. 2p; July 1, 1833, 1p.	August 20, 1833
S2210	S.W.refers Resolution for inf. rel to--	January 29, 1834
G632	Ways and means com. rec. inf. rel. impt. of-- (2p)	January 12, 1835
C1386	Land Office asks for inf. rel -- land adjacent thereto.	July 24, 1835
D1579	Dutton reports rel. survey of -- (2p)	June 25, 1835
B2574	Brooks rel. land reclaimed by removing the great raft in Red River. (3p)	November 12, 1835
B2902	Bowman will report on -- in a few days. (2p)	April 16, 1837
B2956	Bowman remds. appn. \$50,000 complete removal --	June 13, 1837
B3027	Bowman sends ann. report on -- 26 p.	October 18, 1837
B3027	Report on Red River Raft. 6p.	October 9, 1837
G738	Garland sends complaining of citizens of Natchitoches against Shreve on Red River. 3p.	August 7, 1837
B11	Bowman su. inf. rel. removal great raft in --	January 10, 1838
H23	Hook sends extract let office Ft. Towson that by removing some snags from -- from Fulton to post can be rendered navigable all seas on.	May 28, 1838
P69	New Orleans Chamb. Commerce state bar at mouth of -- prevents entrance of steamboats. With drawing, 3p.	September 25, 1838
S339	Statton reqs. dredge machine at Miss. River be employed at mouth of --	October 24, 1838
P69		September 15, 1838
S471	Seiver submits let from -- rel. building snagboat for Ark. River, etc. January 17, 1839; (2p. Shreve letter, Dec. 25, 1838).	January 15, 1839
S471		December 25, 1838
V4	Vose states Red River Raft is again open and boats have passed thro.	March 18, 1839
F28	Frost states Red River at Shreveport is again closed by the raft and urges necessity of keeping a boat there. 2p., February 11, 1840	June 25, 1839
B532	Brooks rel. to impt. of -- 6p.	February 5, 1840
144	G.W.Wilson to Gen. J.G.Totten, Washington, from Ft. Towson, 3p.	May 25, 1840
P1483	Palfrey sends report of Board rel. defense of New Orleans and holding Miss. and Red Rivers. With special orders, July 27-Aug. 6, 1863. 8p.	October 27, 1863
	Proceedings of Board convened to take into consideration the best mode of defense for city of New Orleans,-- (7 p)	July 27, 1863- August 6, 1863