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MANUSCRIPT COLLECTION

<p><i>Name of collection:</i></p> <p>Newton, Rejoice Correspondence 1817-1852</p>	<p><i>Accession #:</i> 2011.FIA.02</p> <p><i>Location:</i></p>
<p><i>Collection size:</i></p> <p>1 manuscript Box</p>	<p><i>NUCMC #:</i></p>
<p><i>Finding Aids:</i></p> <p>Finding aid not available at the repository.</p>	
<p><i>Provenance:</i></p> <p>Unknown; found in archives 2011</p>	
<p><i>Description:</i></p> <p>Rejoice Newton was a prominent Worcester attorney, eventual state representative and state senator. He was born of father Isaac Newton on October 11, 1782 in Greenfield, MA and died on February 4, 1868 in Worcester, MA. He graduated from Dartmouth College in 1807 and completed his legal studies in Northampton shortly after. Newton opened a successful practice in the city of Worcester and was appointed county attorney in 1818, a post which he held for six years. A law partnership with his brother-in-law William Lincoln was forged in 1826, which lasted until Newton's final years of practice. From 1829 to 1831 Newton occupied a state representative position, and in 1834 he was elected to the state senate. This brief period was the conclusion of his political career, while his legal practice subsequently continued. Newton owned a great deal of property throughout New England and had amassed a significant estate by the time of his death in 1868.</p> <p>The Correspondence of Rejoice Newton includes</p>	

The collection consists of two bounded volumes, dated 1902-1919, containing records and membership lists of the Oread Institute Association. The collection also contains an autograph book, belonging to an unknown Oread student, with signatures of students attending the school in 1875 as well as scrap book of the Oread school from 1849-1888. Lastly, there is a folder containing various manuscripts related to the Oread. This folder contains letters to the Association, poems about the College, as well as lectures about experiences while at the school, dated 1861 to 1919.