

COLLECTIONS OF CORRESPONDENCE AND MANUSCRIPT DOCUMENTS

NAME OF COLLECTION: Georg F.C. STAAL Papers

SOURCE: Gift of Olga Gorchakova ~~to~~ Russian Institute, 1948; transferred to Archive, 1952

SUBJECT: Diplomacy

DATES COVERED: ca. 1860-1895 NUMBER OF ITEMS: ca. 1,000

STATUS: (check appropriate description)  
Cataloged: X Listed: X Arranged: X Not organized:       

CONDITION: (give number of vols., boxes, or shelves)  
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LOCATION: (Library) BAR CALL-NUMBER Ms Coll/Staal

RESTRICTIONS ON USE None

DESCRIPTION:

Correspondence, manuscripts and documents of Georg F.C. Staal (i.e., Egor Egorovich Staal, 1822-1907), Russian diplomat. Cataloged correspondence consists of a few items by Aleksandr Gorchakov and Philippe, Comte de Paris. There are many letters to Staal from Marie, Duchess of Wurtemberg, and Olga, Queen of Wurtemberg. There is a long series of drafts of letters by Staal to N.K. Giers, another high ranking Russian diplomat. Manuscripts consist of diplomatic reports, chiefly on Greece, Bulgaria, Turkey, Egypt and Russia in the 1870's. Documents include items signed by Tsar Alexander II and King George I of Greece, and Staal's personal financial records.

For a biographical note and box list, see verso and following page.

GEORG F.C. STAAL: BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Born in Estland in 1822, Staal was educated by his mother, his tutor Monsieur Hippius, and swiss governesses up until the age of 15, whereupon he entered a school for nobility of Estland in Reval. At 18, Staal enrolled in the Moscow University where he studied law, while preparing to enter government service. After serving a period of time in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in St. Petersburg, Staal served in the Russian embassies in Greece, Turkey, and Roumania. In 1867 Staal married princess Sophie Gorchakov, who bore him one daughter (Agathoclée). From 1871 to 1883, Staal represented Russia in Stuttgart, after which he was transferred to Munich, and in 1884 became ambassador to London. Staal died in 1907 in Paris.

Source: Russia, Ministerstvo Inostrannykh Del, Correspondence Diplomatique de M. de Staal, vol. 1.

BOX LIST

Box 1. Cataloged Materials; Arranged Correspondence

Cataloged Correspondence:

Gorchakov, Aleksandr Mikhailovich  
Philippe, Comte de Paris

Cataloged Documents:

Alexander II, Tsar' of Russia  
George I, King of the Hellenes

Arranged Correspondence (Letters to Staal):

A-Z (in three folders)  
Camara, Pierre M.  
Giers, Nikolai K.  
Kapniste, P. & D.  
Marie, Duchess of Wurtemberg  
Massenbach, Eveline

Box 2. Arranged Correspondence

Arranged Correspondence (Letters to Staal):

Olga, Queen of Wurtemberg  
Shishkin (Tovarishch Ministra Inostrannykh Del)  
Letters from unidentified people

Arranged Correspondence (Drafts of letters by Staal to):

Giers, N.K. (1880-1887)  
Giers, N.K. (1888-1894)  
Various people (1869-1892)

Box 3. Arranged Manuscripts and Documents

Manuscripts: reports on various diplomatic issues concerning:

Greece and Bulgaria

Turkey and Egypt

Russia

Documents:

Financial records

Decoration patents: Russian and Turkish

Miscellaneous