

Emma Millard to Charles Robinson

Emma Millard [the annotation of "Willard" on the document is in error] of Troy, Kansas Territory, is updating her "American histories down to the present time," and wants the governor's take on some "historical" issues. She seems to have been especially concerned with some criticism Robinson had received recently regarding some of his own congressional testimony.

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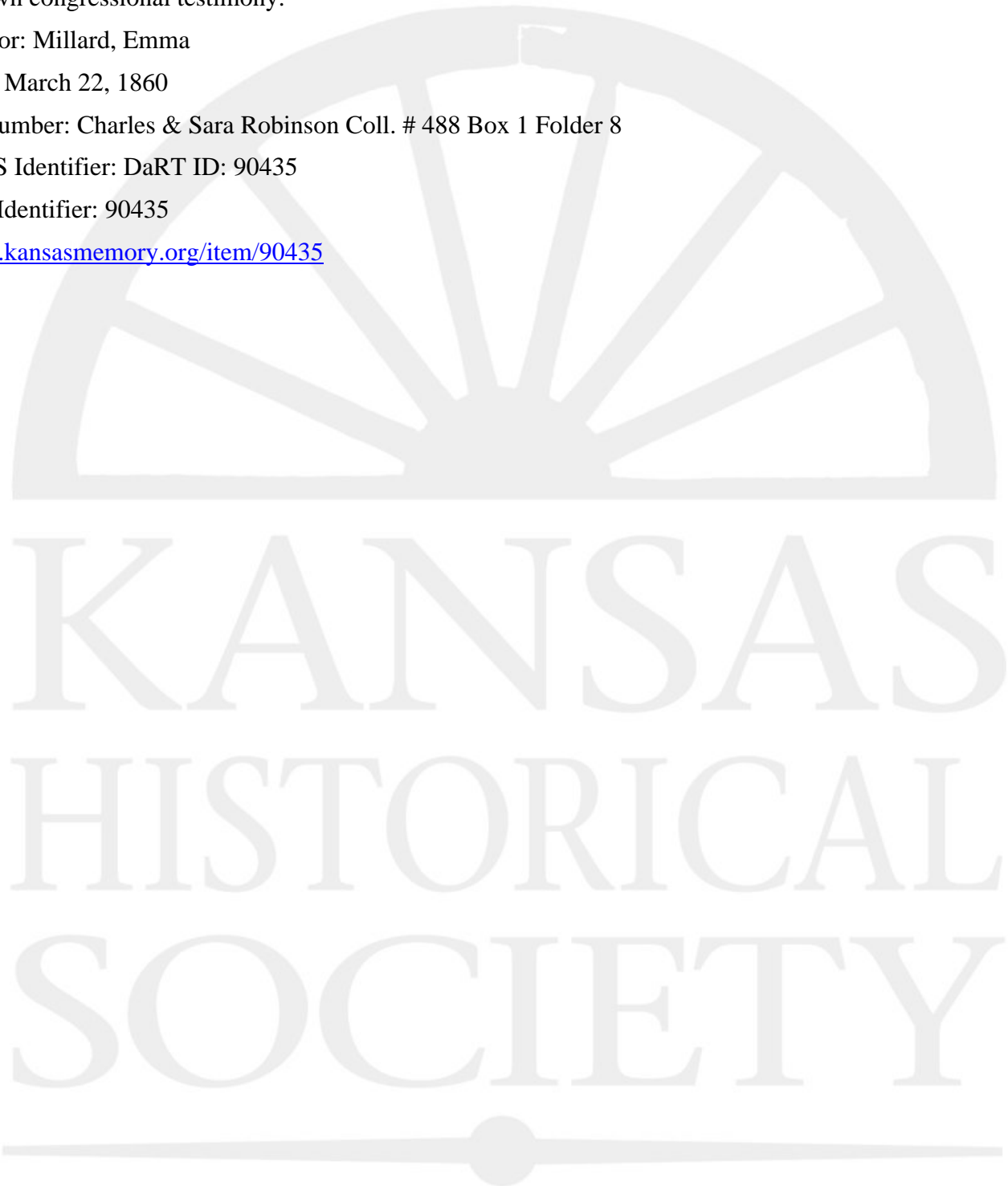
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Willard, Emma

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Gov. Robinson

Dear Sir,

Excuse me if I am too much the
tone of familiarity, for I have been for the year
past I may say - living with you, unseen
to yourself - studying your character with the
history of Kansas - as I am compiling my American
historical down to the present time. Something
has just been sent me - a strip cut from a
newspaper. I know not what - but suppose
it to be the Tribune which involuntarily
raises a feeling in my mind as if a brother
had been murdered. I have seen no account
of your testimony before the committee but
I have just written to a friend in Congress
to send it to me if it is to be had - and
with this feeling - ^{that you have been wrong} having a pen in my
hand, and alone while the evening is
slipping ^{on my desk} away, I write from the impulse
of my feelings, to say that from your past
character I judge there must be great mis-
takes in the statements I have read. I do
not credit them nor believe but that if the
part you have taken is fully understood, that
you will stand justified.

Please present my kind respects to Mrs. Rob-
inson, and tell her, I thank her for the
pleasant and popular I have derived from her
work on Kansas. With respect and regard

Your friend & Servant,

Emma Willard