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Finding Aid for the MATLACK FAMILY PAPERS, 1685-1900

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No restrictions

RELATED MATERIALS

Collections 1106 and 1106A of T. Chalkley Matlack (1858-1945) of photographs and descriptions of Meetinghouses along the east coast of the U.S. from New York to Virginia.

ABSTRACT

The collection includes miscellaneous historical and genealogical documents of the Matlack and other Quaker families focused on the 18th and 19th centuries and notable for its variety of formats, including commonplace books, diaries, account books, correspondence and poetry.

SUBJECT HEADINGS

Benezet, Anthony, 1713-1784
Hicks, Elias, 1748-1830
Keith, George, 1639-1716
Pemberton, Phineas.
Tuke, Esther.
Woolman, John, 1720-1772
Matlack family
Roberts family
Stackhouse family

Quakers – Diaries

Quakers - Genealogy

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

These papers include journals, diaries, account books, commonplace books and poetry of the Matlack family, as well as some other families (Roberts and Stackhouse among others) plus 3 boxes of letters, genealogical materials, and other papers. Included among the papers is "Notes Taken from Samuel Spavold's Testimony," signed by Anthony Benezet (n.d.); a copy of George Keith's Journal of Travels...on the Continent of North America, printed in London, 1706; an announcement of a visit he will pay to Pennsylvania by Elias Hicks (n.d.); an account of the manner in which he met his wife, by Phineas Pemberton (n.d.); and a letter to Samuel Emlen, describing the death of John Woolman by Esther Tuke written in York, 10mo. 14, 1772. There is also a map of the Meetings within the Limits of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, 1897

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

PAPERS

Box 1:

Anonymous. 2 items.

Miscellaneous letters, A-B (Attlee, Barber, Barton) 1824-95. 3 items.

Miscellaneous letters, C-D. 6 items

Chester Preparative Meeting. 14 items, 1776-1884.

Chester Monthly Meeting. 56 items, 1807-1867.

Cooper, Elizabeth Roberts, 1843- Letters to "Will." 13 items, 1895-1897.

Friends, Society of. [2 accounts of first settlement of Gwynedd Meeting and Miscellaneous, 5 items, ca. 1827-1848.

Gillingham, Tacie (later Lippincott, etc.) Letters to Robert and Ann Roberts (Matlack) Stackhouse, 1863-1880. 135 items.

Box 2:

Miscellaneous (H):

Hanover Twp., description, especially of the village of Pemberton. [n.d.]

Haddonfield Quarterly Mtg.: Report of joint committee on attendance, 3mo. 11, 1868.

Hartshorn, Richard: Advice to his Children [copy, Feb. 25, 1775]

Heritage, Mary: An account of what she desires to have of the goods in John Heritage's custody. 6mo. 29, 1709.

Hicks, Elias: Announcement of visit he will pay to Penna. [n.d.]

Invitations to Weddings, At Homes, Etc. 20 items, 1830-1861.

Miscellaneous (L), [2 items.]

Miscellaneous (M), [5 items.]

Matlack, Ann Roberts (later Stackhouse), 1810-1893:

4 items, 1829-1834 and [n.d.]

Matlack, Asa, 1783-1851:

Miscellaneous papers, 1818-1851. 14 items.

Pieces copied by him, notably 5 items of John Hunt. 14 items.

Matlack, Reuben, 1757-1808, and 1793-1854:

Two undated items, one signed Anthony Benezet, entitled, "Notes Taken from Samuel Spavold's Testimony," and one unsigned, concerning Joshua Evans's beard.

Account to Meeting House, for work, 1801-1804.

Account to Meeting House, for work, [n.d.]

Draft on Asa Matlack, 5mo. 28, 1817.

Matlack, Tamar (Roberts), 1783 – 1850:

2 letters, one to her from T. Roberts, beginning, "Dear Sister," and one from her to her daughter, Ann Roberts Matlack.

Miscellaneous (P):

Padby, Benjamin: A Warning to the People called Quakers.

Pemberton, Phineas: Account of the manner in which he met his wife, plus other genealogical data.

Pennypacker, James L. : Letter to Asa Matlack Stackhouse, Haddonfield, N.J., Jan. 17, 1900.

Pricket, Zachariah: Case of a slave named Peter.

Miscellaneous (R):

Rice, Amanda: 3 keepsakes.

Radnor Meeting: Concerning the conduct of Jacob Maule.

Poetry, [18 items.]

Roberts family:

Letters, invitations, etc.: Ann, Beulah, Emmor, John (1685), John (1827), and William. 7 items.

Roberts, Tacy (later Pancoast) and Tacie:

Letters. 5 items.

Stackhouse Family:

Correspondence and other papers, largely undated [mostly second half of 19th. Century] 44 items: Ann Roberts (Matlack) Stackhouse, Asa Matlack Stackhouse, Ella Jane (Romig) Stackhouse, Mary P. Stackhouse, Robert Stackhouse, S

Stackhouse, William Romig Stackhouse.

Miscellaneous (T-W):

Tuke, Esther. Letter to Samuel Emlen, describing death of John Woolman. York, 10mo. 14, 1772.

Correspondence and other papers, largely undated (1788-1897) of S.E.W., Westfield Preparative Meeting, Westfield School, John Whiting, John Wilkins, Sarah Wilkins, Thomas Wilkinson, Daniel Wills, A. Wilson, Samuel Wallis, and Joseph Wright. 12 items.

Box 3:

Genealogical Materials:

Miscellaneous: Bryan, Matlack, Wilkins. 3 items.

Romig Genealogy. 19 items.

Genealogical Notes and Related Papers. [Compiled by Asa Matlack?] 6 folders, possibly collected for use in a book?

MATERIALS REMOVED

To 975A - Genealogical Notes of the Matlack Family

With Special Reference to the Descendants of Reuben and Elizabeth Matlack, by One of Them. [Typed, bound book, giving descendants of William and Mary (Hancock) Matlack, who came to America in 1677.] Compiled by [Wm. R. Stackhouse?] Camden, 1895.

To 975A - Ms. books, written or copied by Asa Matlack (1783-1851)

Account book of Asa Matlack, 1816-1838.

4 bound ms. vols., entitled, "Asa Matlack Collection," containing fifteen of his small, paper-covered pocket notebooks.

To 975A - Bound ms. vols. concerned with Meeting affairs:

Lists of Friends from abroad visiting America and vice versa; early records of Chester and Evesham Monthly Meetings.

Rules of Discipline, 1806, copied by Asa Matlack.

Book marked, "Newton Book, Marriage Certificates."

Book marked, "Some account of the Settlement of Byberry and also in reference to the Keithian Controversy in this book." Done by Asa Matlack, 1823.

Book containing copies of letters of Elias Hicks.

Book containing copies of letters and extracts from articles, largely about Elias Hicks.

Book containing copies of two printed works: Satan's Harbinger Encountered..., by C. P., printed in Phil., 1700; and George Keith's Journal of Travels...on the Continent of North America, printed in London, 1706.

Two books containing copies of miscellaneous elevating letters.

**E. Book containing genealogical records of the Lippincott, Heritage, Stokes, Warrington, Ellis, Hollinshead, Thorn, Coate, Burr, Atkinson, Spicer, Rudderow, and Burrough families, plus birth, death, and marriage records.

Book containing copies of land records, deeds, diagrams, etc., 1818-1823.

To 975A - Matlack, Tamar (Roberts), 1783-1850. [Wife of Asa]:

Commonplace book, 1807-1823.

To 975A - Matlack, Mordecai, 1808-1896:

Receipt and account book, 1830-1880.

Diaries (3), 1845, 1843-45, 1838-1887.

To 975A - Stackhouse, Ann Roberts (Matlack), 1810-1893:

Commonplace book, 1837-1845.

Bound vol. containing 4 small account books, 1834-1876.

To 975A - Stackhouse, Asa Matlack, 1845- Mss.:

Genealogical study of the Heulings Family.

Maladies, Remedies and Physicians of Colonial Days in Burlington County...

Col. Timothy Matlack.

Incidents Connected with the British invasion of Burlington Co. in December, 1776.

Scraps of Local History.

Memoranda of Pamphlets. (List of pamphlets in his library)

Ms. book: Miscellaneous genealogical and related information.

Thomas Lippincott's Travels, 1807 [to the West] [At back: a short testimony concerning...Sarah Wilkins..., 1812]

Anon.: Inscriptions on Tomb Stones, Colestown, N.J.

To 995 - Map: Meetings within the Limits of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. cop., 1897, by Friends Book Assoc., Phil. Engr. by J.L. Smith. Printed, 3 colors, 88 x 77cm.

To QC – 10 printed items