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Finding Aid for the PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETINGS, EXTRACTS  
FROM THEIR MINUTES,  
1732-99

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**INFORMATION FOR USERS**

Some of the minutes appear to be originals, others are copies.

**RESTRICTIONS**

No restrictions

**ABSTRACT**

Copies of extracts of minutes of meetings within Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, 1732-1799, on such topics as church unity and discipline and the growth of Quakerism, raising such issues as slavery, Native Americans, temperance, education and religious doctrines.

**SUBJECT HEADINGS**

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends. Extracts of minutes, 1732-1799.

**SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION**

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## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION**

A collection of contemporary copies of extracts of the minutes of various meetings within Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, devoted to the promotion of church unity and discipline, and presenting a picture of the growth and progress of Quakerism. These papers contain the names of the prominent Quaker leaders of the time, and incidentally reflect the political and social issues of the American colonies, such as the slavery question, Indians, temperance, education, religious doctrines and other subjects. Of interest are the minutes of 1778, which throw light on Quaker attitude against complying with the law of declaration of allegiance and abjuration and the paying of taxes for war purposes.