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Preferred Citation

"Account of Isaac Coates, Joshua Sharpless & John Pierce's Visits to the Indian Reservation in Western New York" (MC.975.07.130), Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.
Biographical note

Joshua Sharpless (1746-1826) was born 12/28/1746, the son of Benjamin and Martha (Mendenhall) Sharpless. Sharpless married Edith Yarnall at Middletown Meeting, Pa. on December 15, 1768. Sharpless had five sons and three daughters. Sharpless later removed to New Garden, Pa., where he worked towards the abolition of slave holding among Friends. In 1784, the family bought a farm in East Bradford and Westtown townships. Sharpless's first wife died in 1787, and he married Anne Trimble on May 20, 1789. The couple had a son and daughter. In 1798 Sharpless traveled to Cornplanter's village to visit younger Friends who were living there. In 1800, Sharpless and his wife became the first superintendents at Westtown School. Joshua Sharpless died on September 21, 1826.

Isaac Coates (1774-) was born in Philadelphia, Pa. on February 8, 1774 to Jonathon Coates and Jane Longstreth.

Scope and Content note

This collection is comprised of the single bound volume. The original account was written in 1798 & 1799. This copy, in an unknown hand, was likely written in the latter half of the 19th century. The volume describes Isaac Coates, Joshua Sharpless, and John Pierce's travel to Native American reservations on behalf of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Indian Committee, and the work they did while there.

Administrative Information

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Related Materials

- MC 950.101 Halliday Jackson papers
- MC 975.01.069 Joshua Sharpless diaries
- MC 975.07.083 "Some Account of Joshua Sharpless"
- MC 975.07.132 "Account of a visit paid to the Indians in New York State"

Controlled Access Headings

Personal Name(s)

- Sharpless, Joshua, 1747-1826

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