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### Summary Information

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**Preferred Citation**

Henry Drinker papers (MC.950.061), Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.
Biographical note

Henry Drinker (1734-1809) was a member of the Society of Friends and served as clerk of Philadelphia Monthly Meeting. He was a partner in the Philadelphia shipping firm of James and Drinker. In Sept. 1777 he refused to formally declare his loyalty to the United States government and as a result was taken prisoner (along with other prominent Philadelphia Quakers) and subsequently exiled to Winchester, Va. where he remained until April 1778.

Scope and Content note

The correspondence, 1785-1840, primarily concerns lands belonging to Henry Drinker (1734-1809) near Southport, PA and with financial matters, though there is also a letter from John Pemberton to Drinker in 1792 inviting him to dine with Indians. Letter writers include George Churchman, Rebecca Jones, John Pemberton, David Sands, Samuel Fisher, George Dillwyn, William Dillwyn, Henry Drinker and others. One letter is from William Alexander to Nathan Kite in 1840.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Haverford College Quaker & Special Collections January 2016

Use Restrictions

Standard Federal Copyright Law Applies (U.S. Title 17).

Acquisition

The Henry Drinker papers were donated to Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, in 2008 by the Arch Street Meeting House.

The correspondence was found in the vault of the Arch Street Meetinghouse (Monthly Meeting of Friends of Philadelphia) in 1978 and was delivered to Haverford College in 2008. A note laid in with the letters when found (not present) stated they were found with Joseph Elkinton's papers.
Processing Information

Processed by Kara Flynn; completed January 2016.

Related Materials

Related Materials

• MC.854 Henry and Elizabeth Drinker letters
• MC.975.01.018 Elizabeth Drinker diaries

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

• Correspondence.
• Financial records
• Letters

Subject(s)

• Quakers
• Quakers--History
Collection Inventory

Correspondence 1785-1808

Financial records 1738-1792

Scope and Content note

Handwritten invoice, and account.