Ladd family correspondence, 1809-1841
MC.950.113
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# Summary Information

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Biographical note

Benjamin Whitehead Ladd (1782-1851) was born April 21, 1782, the son of James and Isabella Ladd, members of Henrico Monthly Meeting, Virginia. In 1813, Ladd accompanied Daniel Quinby on a religious visit to southern western states. He married Elizabeth Wood in 1814 at Plymouth Meeting, Ohio, and the couple had eight children. Benjamin and Elizabeth Ladd lived in Jefferson County, Ohio. Elizabeth died in 1832, after the birth of their last child. From 1820-24 and 1832-37, Ladd acted as the clerk of Ohio Yearly Meeting. In 1834, Ladd married Hannah S. Wood in Birmingham Monthly Meeting and the couple had three children. Benjamin Ladd died on May 31, 1851 in Smithfield Ohio.

Scope and Content note

This collection is comprised of the correspondence of the Ladd family. Letters describe Quaker meetings and, in particular, traveling to other meetings such as in Philadelphia, New York, Indiana, Missouri and Rhode Island, health, family and numerous Friends, as well as some discussion of business. In addition to Benjamin Ladd and Elizabeth Ladd, the primary letter writers writing mostly to each other, other writers include their daughter, Isabella, Richard Wood and Sarah Farquhar. Benjamin mentions traveling with Stephen Grellet (1817 6/19); "Quakerism is certainly at a low ebb..." (1819 1/11); mentions Elisha Bates in several letters; the issue of the Separation is discussed.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Acquisition
The Ladd family correspondence was donated to Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, in 1989 by Elaine Carte.

Processing Information
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Related Materials
- MC.975.02.012 Benjamin Ladd letterbook
- MC 1233 Taylor family papers

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)
- Correspondence.
- Letters

Subject(s)
- Quakers
- Quakers – Family relationships
- Quakers--History
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