Morris family papers, 1869-1947  
MC.950.131  
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Biographical note

Elliston Perot Morris (1831-1914) was born May 22, 1831 in Philadelphia, Pa., the son of Samuel B. Morris and Hannah Perot Morris. Morris married Martha Canby March 21, 1861, and the couple had four children: Marriott Canby Morris (b. 1863), Elizabeth Canby Morris (b. 1866), Samuel Buckley Morris (b. 1868), and E. Perot Morris (b. 1872). Morris died on December 3, 1914.

Martha Canby Morris (1836-) was born on May 12, 1836 in Wilmington, De., the daughter of Eliza T. Sipple and Merrit Canby. She married Elliston P. Morris in March of 1861 in Philadelphia, Pa, and the couple had four children: Marriott Canby Morris (b. 1863), Elizabeth Canby Morris (b. 1866), Samuel Buckley Morris (b. 1868), and E. Perot Morris (b. 1872). She died on November 1, 1919.

Marriott C. Morris (1863-1948) was born September 7, 1863 in Germantown, Pennsylvania, the son of Elliston P. Morris and Martha Canby. Morris married Jane G Rhoads in June of 1897, and the couple had two children: Elliston Perot Morris (B. 1899), and Marriott Canby Morris (b. 1900). Morris died in 1948.

Scope and Content note

This collection is comprised of the correspondence and legal records of the Morris family, and includes the materials of Elliston P. Morris, Martha Morris, and Marriott C. Morris.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Use Restrictions

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

Acquisition

Unknown.
Processing Information
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Related Materials

Related materials

- MC.950.046 Cope-Collins-Morris papers
- MC.975.02.030 Morris family letterbook
- MC 1008 Morris-Sansom family papers
- MC 1191 Morris-Shinn-Maier collections
- MC.975.08.018 Morris family financial records

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

- Correspondence.
- Wills

Personal Name(s)

- Morris, Elliston P. (Elliston Perot), 1831-1914
- Morris, Marriott Canby, 1863-1948

Subject(s)

- Quakers
- Quakers – Family relationships
- Quakers--History
## Collection Inventory

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**Scope and Content note**

Personal correspondence of the Morris family. Letters are addressed to: Elliston and Martha Morris, and Marriott Morris. Letter writers include: Pliny E. Chase, Thomas Chase, Theodore W. Richards, and Isaac Sharpless.

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**Scope and Content note**

Included are letters of Marriott C. Morris to his mother while a student at Haverford in 1883-85, and including a cyanotype photograph of the tennis team; autograph letter signed by Morris Wistar to his son, Caspar, no date; a photograph of Anna Canby; typed letter signed by Herbert Hoover about missing a Boys Club dinner, 1947; seven letters of Charles Rhoads to Beulah (Rhoads?), 1869; autograph letter signed by A.W. Jones to Mr & Mrs. Marriott Morris written from Osaka, Japan, 1904; copy of letter from Thomas Wistar to his daughter (date removed); copy of plan of the zoo park in Philadelphia, 1872; autograph letter signed by Joseph Sansom to his wife, Beulah, 1796; history of a 17th century cane.

**Acquisition**

The Marriott C. Morris correspondence was donated to Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, in 1995 by Eleanor Morris Cox.
Legal records 1859-1949

Executions of wills 1859-1949

Scope and Content note

Documents recording the execution of the wills of various members of the Morris family, including the execution of the wills of Samuel B. Morris, Elliston P. Morris, and Marriott C. Morris. The documents particularly discuss the transfer of Library Company of Philadelphia assets to Elliston P. Morris and other Morris family members in the 19th century and to Lewis Benson in the 20th century.