Hoskins family letterbook, 1729-1864
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Biographical note

John Hoskins (ca. 1728-1814) was an elder in his Quaker Meeting. He attended 60 sessions of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. He was married and had children, including two daughters, one of whom married Thomas Scattergood and another married John Griscom. A third daughter, Lydia, died in 1841 in the 81st year of her age. She was an approved minister in the Society of Friends for over 60 years.

(Information from internal evidence, the Dictionary of Quaker Biography and The Friend, Philadelphia 14 (1841): 120 and 63 (1890): 275)

Scope and Content note

This collection is comprised of the single volume letterbook of the Hoskin family. The primary correspondents in the volume are members of the Hoskins family, though quite a number of the letters are directed to Benjamin H. Warder. Most of the letters were written in the 18th century, but some in the 19th century. A number of them are religious in nature, others deal with service in the ministry or visiting Friends and some deal with states of health and mortality. The letters cover a broad range of topics, including, but not limited to: Quakers and trade in Barbados, outbreaks of small pox, the opening of Native American schools, and the Orthodox-Hicksite separation.

Some prominent letter writers include: Martha Allinson, George Dillwyn, Thomas Evans, Rebecca Jones, James Mott, Elizabeth Robson, Charity Rotch, John Warder, Nicholas Waln, and Daniel Wheeler.

Administrative Information

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Genre(s)

- Correspondence.

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- Quakers
- Quakers--History
- Society of Friends -- Hicksite Separation
- Society of Friends--Barbados
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