Morris family commonplace book, undated
MC.975.03.065
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# Summary Information

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## Preferred Citation

Morris family commonplace book (MC.975.03.065), Quaker & Special Collections, Haverford College, Haverford, PA.
Biographical note

Margaret Hill Morris (1737-1816) was born in 1737 at South River, near Annapolis, Maryland. Her parents, Richard and Deborah (Moore) Hill moved to the island of Madeira when she was young, and Morris was raised by her aunt and uncle in Philadelphia. Margaret Hill Morris married William Morris, a Quaker merchant, and early contributor to the Pennsylvania Hospital, in 1758. The couple had four children, three were born before William’s death in 1766, and one born after. In 1770, the family moved to the vicinity of Burlington, N.J. and established a home called “Green Bank” there. Morris was recognized as a skillful doctor and she regularly treated the ill and injured during the American Revolutionary War. Morris died on October 10, 1816 of a stroke at the age of 79.

Scope and Content note

This collection is comprised of a single volume commonplace book of the Morris family. It includes copied extracts from the journals of Margaret Morris, which include a description of Yellow Fever in Philadelphia in 1793, as well as copied poems, letters written by Mary Morris and Richard Hill Morris, and a clipped illustration depicting early settlers.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Haverford College Quaker & Special Collections March 2016

Use Restrictions

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

Acquisition

Unknown.

Processing Information
Related Materials

- MC.975.01.049 Margaret Hill Morris diary
- MC 1148 Gummere-Mott family papers
- MC 1000 Gulielma M. Howland papers
- MC 975.11.024 Margaret Hill Morris recipe book
- MC 955 Edward Wanton Smith papers

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

- Commonplace books
- Correspondence.
- Diaries.

Subject(s)

- Society of Friends -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia -- History -- Sources
- Philadelphia history
- Quaker women
- Quakers--History
- Yellow fever
Collection Inventory

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