RESTRICTIONS

No restrictions

RELATED MATERIALS

Papers of Sharpless Family, ms. coll. 1111. Also, Walton-Kite Family papers, ms. coll. 1178

ABSTRACT

Members of the Kite family and others discuss 19th-century Quaker issues, family and attending Meeting

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Rebecca Walton (1814-1859) was the daughter of Joseph and Abi Kite Walton. A teacher and long-time member of Philadelphia Monthly Meeting, she transferred her membership and was buried in Friends Western Burial Ground.

(Information from Byberry Waltons and obituary notice)

SUBJECT HEADINGS

Walton, Rebecca, 1814-1859
Kite family
Walton family

Quakers -- History -- 19th century
Society of Friends -- Wilburite controversy

Diaries
SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

Primarily consisting of the letters of Kite, Sharpless and Walton family members who discuss 19th-century Quaker issues such as the Wilburite Separation, attending meeting, slavery and business. Of particular interest may be the diary of Rebecca Walton, 1842-44.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Letters:

Boyce, Eliza.
[Tells of visit of Western Friend, Wm. Thornbury, to Quarterly Meeting at Weare (Ware?)]

Boyce, Samuel.
Letters to Brother-in-law James Kite, of Phil. Newport, Lynn, Baltimore, and Providence, 1837-1850. 27 items.
[Gives accounts of New England Yearly Meeting each year; discusses Wilburite Separation, repeal of Mass. law exempting C.O.s from Militia (letters of 3mo. 11, 1839, and 2mo. 28, 1841) etc. See Henry Cadbury's notes filed with letters.]

Congdon, Gilbert, ca. 1811-1870.
Letters to James Kite in Philadelphia. Providence, 10mo. 27. 1836-8mo. 4, 1837. 3 items. [Discusses subscriptions to the Friends Library, Negro slavery, etc.]

Hussey, Mercy.
Letter to Lydia B. Rodman, Lynn, Mass. Berwick [Me.] 6mo. 5, 1836. [Discusses competition in the bonnet-making business]

Jones, E C
Letter to "Cousin Jacob." Cincinnati, 3mo. 1 [n.d.]

Kite, Benjamin. 1754-1838.
Letter to Micajah Collins, Lynn, Mass. Phil., 11mo. 16, 1820. [Refers to "spiritual wickedness in high places." in New England]

Kite, Edith (Sharpless) 1772-1861.
Letters to Lydia (Bassett) Kite. Cincinnati, 1852-1856. 6 items. [Back page of one letter, by Lydia's son, Thomas Kite]
Kite, Hannah, ca. 1818-1880.  
Letter to her sister. Philadelphia, 8mo. 11, 1867. [Describes the new Canada Yearly Meeting, as pictured to her by Kate Shipley, representative from Philadelphia.]

Kite, James.  
Letters, 1840-49.

Letters to brother James in Philadelphia. Strawberry Hill, 1828-1832.  
6 items.

Letter from Thomas Kite, 1785-1845, to Lydia B. Kite. [Philadelphia?] 2mo. 9, 1843. (cf. Memoir of Thomas Kite, 1883, p. 362)

Kite, William, 1810-1900.  
Letter to Aunt Lydia. Birmingham, 10mo. 31, 1861. [Tells of visit to Meetings in New Jersey and of weak state of Quakerism in them]

Sharpless, Edith.  
Letter to cousin, Ruth Kite in Philadelphia. East Bradford, 4mo. 16 [n.d.] [Tells of Isaac Sharpless, playing library, as a child]

Manuscript volumes

Cook book, once the property of Lydia Kite.

Diary of Rebecca Walton, 1842-1844. 139 p.