Abstract

Included in this collection from the Quaker Evans family spanning two centuries (mid-18th-mid-20th), are the journals and diaries of Charles Evans (1870-1958), as well as genealogical and other information on the Bacon, Barton, Carter, Cope, Harlan, Jackson, Rhoads, Shoemaker and Warrington families.

Scope and content

Papers include letters, legal and financial papers, deeds, journals and diaries, genealogical material, photographs, other. Noteworthy among the letters are the correspondence of John Carter and John L. Kite, concerning Gurneyite tendencies in Philadelphia Monthly Meeting, 1860; letters, 1895-1899, to Charles Evans; a letter from William Evans, Antigua, June 4, 1780, to his brother Jonathan, telling of life as a ship's carpenter; correspondence of William Evans (1835-1919) with his family. Legal and financial papers include wills, receipted bills, and account books of various Evanses and relatives, 1778-1916. Deeds include one from William Heulings, of Burlington, N.J., To Charles Read, Dec. 11, 1752, and one from Joseph Rhoads and his wife to William Evans, 10mo. 29, 1851. Journals and diaries, 1876-1939, are those of Charles Evans. Genealogical material includes data on the Carter, Shoemaker, Cope, Harlan, Barton, Rhoads, Bacon, Jackson, and Evans families, plus notes on Joseph Warrington, M.D.
### Notes

Material in this collection is closely related to the William Bacon Evans papers and the Charles Evans Collection.

### Other descriptive information

**Additions:**

30 items, 1745-1882. Correspondence, 1816 - ca. 1833, between Anne Evans Stokes and her children. Also, letter from J.G. Whittier, Imo. 18, 1882; other.

### Collection inventory

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<td>I</td>
<td>Genealogical material, concerning the Carter, Shoemaker, Cope, Harlan, Barton, Rhoads, Bacon, Jackson, and other related families. (See also X, XI, XII, and XIV)</td>
<td>ca. 22 items</td>
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<td>II</td>
<td>Wills (copies): John Carter. Proved, Alice Harlan.</td>
<td>3mo. 10, 1866.</td>
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<td>Read, also of Burlington. Witnessed by Nathaniel Thomas and Joseph Scattergood.</td>
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<td>Witnessed by Joseph [Blame?] and Thomas W. Ewing. (See also XIII-F)</td>
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<td>IV</td>
<td>Receipted bills, 1812-1834.</td>
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<td>[1812, list of household articles bought from Hannah Elliott by Alice Harlan]</td>
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<td>drugstore order, 1834.</td>
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<td>V</td>
<td>Record and account book, inscribed, &quot;Rebecca Carter, presented to her by her affectionate father, Philadelphia, 1844.&quot;</td>
<td>1834.</td>
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<td><strong>Note:</strong> Wrapping states that cash accounts in this book, 1853-59, are those of John Carter.</td>
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<td>VI</td>
<td>Notebook containing an account of the Carter family and of Alice Harlan (1778-1860), copies of addresses and letters by Charles Evans, and copies of various poems.</td>
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<td>Carter, John.</td>
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<td>Letter from him (copy) to John L. Kite, Philadelphia, 12mo. 26, 1860,</td>
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<td>[urging John Kite to be reconciled to Phila. Monthly Meeting]</td>
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<td>[deploring Gurneyite tendencies in Meeting and saying he cannot go along with them]</td>
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IX. Invitation from Sarah Shoemaker and John Carter to Alice Harlan for dinner. Phila., 6mo. 25, 1834.
X. Evans, Charles, 1870-1958. Miscellaneous papers, 1868-1958. ca. 14 items, including one on Evans family genealogy.
   Photographs, ca.1903-1917. 6 items.
   Journals, diaries, account books, etc., 1876-1939. 9 items.
   Separated material: STORED IN BOX 4.

B. Letters to Charles Evans. Letters congratulating him on his engagement, Also an unsigned poem, "My Queen."
   Miscellaneous social and business communication, 1895-

XI. Evans, Jonathan, 1714-1795. Box 2
   A. An account of Cadwalader Evans and others, the First Settlers of Gwynedd.
   B. Receipt books, 1767-1770, and 1794-1815.
   Separated material: STORED IN BOX 4.
   C. Account book, 1773-1782. Oversized
   [Has newspaper clippings pasted over first seven pages.]
   Separated material: STORED IN 975-A

XII. Evans, Jonathan, Jr., 1759-1839.
   A. Photograph of Jonathan Evans (1759-1839), taken from an oil painting, now in possession of Harold Evans.
   C. Letter from William Evans to his brother Jonathan. Antigua, June 4, 1780. (Original and 2 typed copies)
   [Tells of life as ship's carpenter, both in and out of the British Navy]
   D. Account of First Day Meeting, in which Elias Hicks provoked a rebuke from Jonathan Evans and Isaac Lloyd, for his unorthodox testimony.
   E. Extract from Isaac Sharpless' address at 4th. and Arch Street Meeting, on the Condition of the Yearly Meeting in 1804.
   [Concerns writing of early Friends' history by Robert Proud]
   Notes
   (Written out by William Bacon Evans)

   F. "A Celebrated Creed, 1825" (carbon copy)
   [Parody of the Apostles' Creed, beginning, "I believe in Jonathan Evans"]
G. Notes (pencil) and anecdotes on Jonathan Evans, (1714-95) and his son Jonathan, and the latter's home at 322 Union St.

H. Summons to debtors to appear in Chester Co court, 1792. 1812 and 1817.

(one owed to John Evans and wife Rachel) Also, 2 bills for legal work,

I. Copy book of Jonathan Evans (1759-1839), containing, "The Visions of Isaac Child..."

J. Receipt book of Jonathan Evans (1759-1839), and record of settlement of estate of brother, Benjamin Evans,

Separated material: STORED IN BOX 4.


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XIII. Evans, William, 1787-1867.

A. Photocopies of silhouettes of Elizabeth Evans (1793-1861) and William Evans. 1l.

B. Photocopies of drug labels used in his drug business. 5l.

C. Ms. book, containing list of 541 Friends' families in Philadelphia who were visited in ministry by Robert Willis of Rahway, N.J.,

Separated material: STORED IN BOX 3.

D. Receipt and account book, containing records of his executorship of the estates of Mary Hough, 1820-1821, and Rebecca Bacon, Laid in:


(See also III)

G. Letters testamentary and will of Rebecca Bacon, with 1814-17, letter of instructions, plus inventories (2) of estate and record of bequests as paid. Also indenture, Mary Taylor to David and Rebecca Bacon, March 15, 1806.

H. Letters testamentary and will (copy) Of Mary Hough, 1820, 10mo. plus inventory of estate and record of bequests as paid. 12, 1818; Also request to William Evans for money, from David Denn, accounting of settlement of Thomas Hough's estate by Jonathan Willis, receipts to Mary Hough, bond 14, 1815. from James Oldden, Jr., to Mary Hough,

XIV. Evans, William, 1835-1919.


B. Letters to William Evans:

From mother, Elizabeth Evans. Phila., ca.6mo. 4, 14 items.

1847-6mo. 6, 1858.
From father, William Evans. Phila., 7mo. 23, 1845 6 items.
- 8mo. 14, 1855.

From sister Abby. Home, ca.1mo. 7 items.
21,1847 - 9mo. 3, 1847.

From sister Hannah (1827-ca.1902) Home, Phila., ca.1847-7mo. 13 items.
20, 1850.

From sister Elizabeth. Westtown, Phila., and Marple, ca. 1846-9mo. 11 items.
8, 1848.

From aunt Mary 9mo.[Barton] Phila., 9mo. 2, 1847. 1 item.


From cousins. Springfield, Haverford, Westtown, Muncy, Salem, 2mo. 14, 1845 13 items.
- 1mo. 9, 1855.

From five friends. Phila., Phila., and Boston, 8mo. 9, 1847 - 5 items.
9mo. 22, 1851.
11mo. 6, 1868,
May 5, 1862.

C. Letter to Joshua L. Bailey, Phila., from George Vaux, 6 mo. 12, Bryn Mawr, Pa., 1913,
enclosing tracing of survey of graveyard at 4th. and Arch Street Meeting, Phila., showing location of graves of William and Elizabeth Evans.

D. Arithmetic and scrapbook of Abigail Evans [n.d.]
Separated material: STORED IN BOX 3.

E. An Examen of parts relating to the Society of Friends 1878.
in a recent work by Robert Barclay... by Charles Evans, M D. Phila.,
Separated material: (Printed: to the Pamphlet collection)

F. A Testimony of Norwich Monthly Meeting
concerning William Forster, deceased.
Separated material: (Printed: to the Pamphlet Collection)

G. Extracts from Minutes of Yearly Meetings, recording 1873 and appointment of Yearly Meeting Committee, 1882.
Separated material: (Printed: to Pamphlet Collection)

H. Pictures: Photographs of Rebecca (Carter) Evans and William Evans, Jr.
Photograph of family group, including Hannah Evans and William Bacon Evans.
Pencil sketch of house on Union St., drawn by George B. Wood, 1855.

I. Business papers, Phila. [Monthly?] Meeting: tax bills for Meeting property, bills for legal work done, etc., 1813-1855. 54 items.

J. Legal papers:
Deed: Joseph Rhoads and wife, Hannah, to William Evans, for ground in Southwark District, Phila., 10mo. 29, 1851.
Separated material: STORED IN 990-B.
Trust agreement, between William Evans et al and Camden Safe Deposit and Trust Co., under the last will and testament of Elizabeth R. Evans, deceased.

Inventory of household goods...of Wm. Evans, deceased.

Copies of wills and codicils of William and Rebecca Evans, made proved. Plus petition by Charles Evans for probate of Rebecca's will, (copy of will attached)

Papers connected with the Morris estate, of which Wm. Evans, Sr., was a trustee. 3 items,


L. Genealogical items:

Notes on Barton family. 4 items.

Account of death of Joshua Lippincott, fiancé of Mary Barton, and details of her life.

Short sketch of life and character of Hannah Evans of Moorestown, N.J.

Letter to unknown addressee from Anne Balderston, Feb. 10, 1924, enclosing two items written down from memory by Thornton Brown, concerning the death of Elizabeth Evans

(one, the sermon at her grave, by Thomas Evans; the other, an account of her death and funeral)

M. Letters to Rebecca Evans from her aunt Beulah [n.p., n.d.]

N. Poem, "The Sacrifice," by William Evans, plus copies of other people's poems, riddles, letters, etc.

XV. Warrington, Hannah, Jr., (daughter of Benjamin W. andfl. 1819-1833 ca.1786-1856?)

Hannah,


Separated material: (To Main Library)

B. Letters:

From Joseph Thomson to Kezia Warrington. Phila., 9mo. 30, 1829. 1 item.

To Granville Haines from various people, 1835-1842. 3 items.


Letters to Hannah Warrington from family and friends, 57 items, chronologically arranged. ca.1825-1833.

C. Copybooks, 1819, 1826, 3 items, 1829.

D. Riddle book, 182[?]

E. Notebook containing list of all scholars at John Mott Boarding School from its beginning to 4mo. 15, 1829.

F. Autograph album, ca.1828.

XVI. Warrington, Joseph, N.D., 1805-1888.

Notes concerning him. 8 items, including letter from Joseph Stokes, M.D. Moorestown, 11mo. 19, 1935.