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A collection relating to the work of anti-slavery advocate and worker, Nathaniel Peabody Rogers, and the circle of others involved, including John Greenleaf Whittier, William Lloyd Garrison and Susan B. Anthony. There are a number of issues of the Herald of Freedom of which Rogers was the editor.
Preferred Citation note

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Biographical/Historical note

Nathaniel Peabody Rogers (1794-1846) was educated at Dartmouth College and studied and practiced law in New Hampshire. In approximately 1833, Rogers became interested in the antislavery movement. He gave up his law practice and became editor of the Herald of Freedom, an antislavery paper which had been started some three or four years prior. He was an editor of the National Antislavery Standard from June 1840-May 13,1841 and author of "Southern slavery and northern religion: two addresses," delivered in Concord, New Hampshire, February 11,1844, as reported in Concord, N. H. Herald of Freedom, February 16, 1844; the addresses were published in Narrative of the life of Frederick Douglass, an American slave: with related documents / written by himself;edited with an introduction by David W. Blight. Publisher Boston : Bedford/St. Martin's,c 2003.Information from:Old portraits and modern sketches/ by John G. Whittier and OPAC

Scope and Contents note

Letters of Nathaniel Peabody Rogers (1794-1846), American abolitionist, to his wife, Mary Porter Farrand Rogers, and members of his family; also, to friends interested in the anti-slavery movement. Writers of letters to Nathaniel P. Rogers include: Mary Clark, William Lloyd Garrison, Isaac Tatem Hopper, Elizabeth Pease, George Thompson, Richard Davis Webb, John Greenleaf Whittier, and others. There are two letters from Sen. Charles Sumner to Sen. McPhail, three letters from Parker Pillsbury to Mary Rogers, a letter from Susan B. Anthony to Mary Rogers and a copy of a Frederick Douglass letter (1892 2/18) to Marshall Pierce. The collection also includes deeds, receipts, and other legal documents, as well as drafts of editorials, letters to newspapers,articles by N.P. Rogers and a signed photograph of John G. Whittier. There is the original constitution of the Plymouth Anti-Slavery Society. In addition, there are letters about Nathaniel P. Rogers and a proposed memorial to be erected by his grandchildren in Concord, N.H. As well, there are over 100 issues of the Herald of Freedom.

Arrangement note

List of materials in boxes available in box 1.
Administrative Information

Publication Information
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Gift of Joshua L. Baily Jr., 1949, except Whittier letters and Quaker materials purchased by Haverford College, all through purchase from Hillcrest Book Shop

Related Materials

Related Archival Materials note

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Personal Name(s)

• Baily, Joshua L. (Joshua Longstreth), 1926-1916
Subject(s)

- Abolitionists -- United States -- 19th century
- Antislavery movements -- United States