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Abstract

Josiah White, the 19th-century engineer and inventor of a method to bring coal down the Lehigh River, a tributary of the Delaware River in Pennsylvania, was also heavily involved in the education of many among America's less privileged, establishing a number of manual labor schools in the mid-west. The collection includes White's business and personal papers, but also the papers of his daughters, Hannah White Richardson and Rebecca White whose interests extended to religious and community affairs.

Background note

Josiah White, 1781-1850, was the builder of the first major economically sound canal in North America used to bring coal to Philadelphia by way of the Lehigh River, inventor of the world's first wire drilling method in the world, the world's first wire suspension bridge (at Falls on Schuylkill River in Philadelphia), and designer of schools based on spiritual and manual labor education for deprived children in Iowa and Indiana. These are but a few of the innovations attributed to Josiah White.

White was born a Quaker in Mt. Holly, New Jersey. He apprenticed in the hardware business and at 21 entered the trade. At 28, he married Elizabeth White, daughter of Solomon White. Josiah then purchased property at Falls on the Schuylkill River near Philadelphia with waterpower rights to the river. He built a dam, canal and lock on the Schuylkill.

In 1812, White patented a machine to make nails and roll wire. Under the name "Schuylkill Navigation Company," White and others requested permission of the Pennsylvania legislature to operate the Schuylkill River for boat traffic by means of dams and locks using waterpower to raise the water.

White and his business partner, Erskine Hazard, worked on the idea of the transportation of coal by river waterpower. In 1818, Hazard and White turned their attention to the improvement of navigation on the

Lehigh River by means of a system of beartrap locks. This stimulated the advent of the Industrial Revolution in Philadelphia. At this time, George Hauto joined their enterprise, the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. Thus, in forming the Lehigh Navigation and Coal Mine Company in 1820, Josiah White's primary business agreement was with Erskine Hazard and George Hauto. Soon after, Josiah and Elizabeth White and their children moved to Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania.

In 1832, Josiah White was the engineer for the Delaware Canal project, without salary, so as to get the portion of navigation from Easton to Philadelphia working better, i.e., allowing passage of larger boats and abolishing the problem of low water levels of the canal. In 1839, White received a patent for the design of balance locks to weigh canal boats in order to set tolls. Also in 1842, White proposed a system of canals and railway travel to open commerce between Pennsylvania and the interior states.

From 1839 to 1844, White was a member of the Board of Managers of Haverford College. Edwin Douglas, an engineer whom Josiah White had employed earlier began assuming many of White's former duties by 1841.

In 1850, White recorded his ideas for the education of ex-slaves, American Indians, and poor children through the establishment of manual labor schools in Iowa and Indiana under the care of the Indiana Yearly Meeting "in the same manner as is Westtown School under the care of PYM." White's Institute in Wabash, Indiana and Quakerdale, in New Providence, Iowa continues today to offer schooling to children.

Scope and content

In Josiah White's correspondence, (boxes I & II) many of his letters, especially to his wife, Elizabeth, make reference to his work, instructions on running the household and health issues. Some letters are co-written with his children, as for example, some from Mauch Chunk, Pennsylvania to Elizabeth White from Josiah White include letters from their son Solomon. Letters from Elizabeth White to her husband form part of his correspondence and are domestic in nature, conveying the state of various people's health, medications used, bills to be paid, visitors received at home, attendance at Meeting, etc. Elizabeth White's other correspondence is filled under her own name.

Principal correspondents of Josiah White include: Elizabeth White (his wife) and Mahlon Day; other correspondents include: Sarah Mapps Douglass, Edith Griffith, Eli Jones, Sybil Jones, Philadelphia Society for Organizing Charity, Ann Preston, Elizabeth Stern, William Still.

There are 11 journals or memoirs in box III. The 1832 memoir, "Josiah White's History Given by Himself" is written in two hands: White's and his business partner's Erskine Hazard's. On pp. 47-48 is a printed text re the Delaware River Canal; on p. 55 is "A History of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Co." inscribed "This pamphlet (History) I have appended to mine as giving as far as it runs, my history, wrote out Ruff (first) by myself & finished by E. Hazard. J. White" The text ends on p. 57 and is signed J. White.

Josiah White's letterbook, 1832-33, (wrapped and standing) contains copies of his letters in chronological order, both fair copies and manuscript copies in two other hands. The finding aid includes examples of noteworthy events described in this letterbook providing the gist of White's work for his Lehigh Navigation and Coal Mine Company on the Delaware Canal in 1832, but the letterbook contains far more detail than can be accorded it in the finding aid. The Lehigh Company was started in 1818 with a lease and later purchase of coal lands and with a grant of authority from the legislature of Pennsylvania

to improve the navigation of the Lehigh River to enable White and partners to send their coal to Philadelphia. A test of the market suggested it would be profitable to build a canal from Mauch Chunk to Philadelphia by the Delaware Canal and to New York by the Morris Canal. Much of the scope and creativity of this endeavor is expressed in the letterbook.

Josiah White's business papers (box IV) deal with capital investment, such as purchase of land and a hardware business, business agreements, inventions, White's will and other papers related to his death and printed materials annotated by Josiah White; White's Quaker Meeting papers relate especially to the New England Yearly Meeting Wilburite-Gurneyite controversy, 1832-47.

The papers of the Manual Labor Schools (box V) relate to legal, financial and property matters pertaining to the proposed Manual Labor Schools in Iowa and Indiana and acceptance by Indiana Yearly Meeting of the trust for the Manual Labor School in Indiana.

Letters to the White family (box VI) are arranged in alphabetical order. Several printed flyers, indicating interests of White family members in Black education and employment of the poor, e.g., are retained here.

In box VII, papers include documents, financial accounts, journals and letters of people not directly named White; also unattributed, fragmentary and miscellaneous material.

In box VIII, papers include correspondence and journals of direct and extended White family members. Amongst the papers of Elizabeth White, her letters to daughter, Hannah at Westtown Boarding School in the 1820's mostly describe trips, daily life and mention acquaintances; some include messages also by Josiah White. All Elizabeth's letters from the 1830's are to her husband, Josiah White, and are filed with his correspondence. In the 1840's and 1850's, Elizabeth White's topics fairly parallel those in the 1820's. Solomon White's (son) letters to his parents in the period 1822-31, but primarily in 1829, are written from Philadelphia to them in Mauch Chunk on news of family, acquaintances and local events. Some of Solomon's letters include messages from Hannah White Richardson and Charles Roberts, the latter in June 1829 discussing costs connected with the Falls Bridge and other business matters.

Hannah White Richardson's daughters papers in box IX include notes for her sermons; her diaries; her work for Woman's Hospital in collection of donations.

In box X, some letters of Hannah White Richardson are written jointly with other family members. Richardson became an author of spiritual works and founder and benefactor of the Medical College of Pennsylvania. The letters of Richard Richardson, also in Box X, are primarily on topics of travel and business.

In box XI, Rebecca White's (daughter) correspondence often indicates her philanthropic interests. White was a Quaker member of the Board of Managers of the Woman's Hospital and Corporation member of the Medical College of Pennsylvania.

Rebecca White's papers in box XII include financial accounts, certificates and invitations and miscellaneous materials.

Additional information

Separated material

Materials Cataloged Separately

Removed from the collection to Quaker Collection or duplicate books or historic newspapers were 14 printed texts, including John Gummere's 1826 edition of *Solutions to the miscellaneous questions in Gummere's surveying*.

Some books about Josiah White

1. TITLE Josiah White: Quaker entrepreneur / [edited by] Norris Hansell.
2. AUTHOR White, Josiah. 1781-1880. PUBLISHER Easton, PA: Canal History and Technology Press. c1992. DESCRIPT 172 o.: ill. map. port. 24 cm.
3. TITLE Josiah White. prince of pioneers / by Eleanor Morton [pseud] AUTHOR Stern, Elisabeth G. (Elisabeth Gertrude), 1890-1954. PUBLISHER New York: Stephan Dave press [1946] DESCRIPT 300 p.: 24 cm.
4. TITLE Memoir of Josiah White: Showing his connection with the introduction and use of anthracite coal and iron, and the construction of some of the canals and railroads of Pennsylvania. etc. / By Richard Richardson.
5. AUTHOR Richardson, Richard PUBLISHER Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & co., 1973. DESCRIPT 135 p. front, port., illus. (incl. plan), 2 pl. 20 cm.
6. TITLE Memoir of Josiah White: written as a chapter in the History of the Lehigh valley. AUTHOR Roberts, Solomon W. A., 1795-1857. PUBLISHER Easton, Pa., 1860. DESCRIPT 7 p.: front. (port.)
7. TITLE Josiah White's Institute: the interpretation and implementation of his vision / John W. Parker and Ruth Ann Parker. AUTHOR Parker, John W. (John Williams). 1939. PUBLISHER Dublin, Ind.: Print Press. c1983. DESCRIPT 304 p.: ill.; 22 cm..

Notes

Explanatory notes and notes on content:

While all letters are not individually listed in the finding aid, certain letters are highlighted for content or significant author and overall item counts are indicated.

Information about items wrapped and standing may be found in the appropriate author/chronology/series locations, although physically standing separately.

Some books researchers may find helpful by or about Josiah White are to be found in the in the section "SOME BOOKS ABOUT JOSIAH WHITE. "

Collection overview

Box Summary:

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| Josiah White correspondence, | 1796-1831 | Box I |
| Josiah White correspondence, | 1832-1850 | Box II |
| Josiah White and Josiah White Sr. journals and memoirs, | 1802-1841 and n.d. | Box III |
| Josiah White business papers, Quaker Meeting papers and miscellaneous papers, | 1801-1851 | Box IV |

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| Josiah White papers: Manual Labor Schools, and Josiah White property, | 1850-1879 1832-54 | Box V |
| Letters to White family, A-Z | | Box VI |
| Papers: Margaret Ellis; Solomon White Roberts; Thomas Say unattributed, fragments and miscellaneous | | Box VII |
| Papers: Barclay White; Daniel S. White; Elizabeth White; John J. White; Solomon White | | Box VIII |
| Hannah White Richardson papers, | 1834-1878 | Box IX |
| Hannah White Richardson correspondence, Richard Richardson papers | 1822-1882; | Box X |
| Rebecca White correspondence, | 1833-1904 | Box XI |
| Rebecca White journals and papers, | 1833-1900 | Box XII |
| Package summary: | | |
| Josiah White letterbook, | 2 mo 25th 1832 - 2 mo 15th 1833 | |
| Josiah White financial account books: two packages containing 6 books, | 1832-1854 | |
| Elizabeth White financial account book, | 1851-1855 | |
| Elizabeth White: Account book: Settlement of the estate of Elizabeth White, | 1855 | |
| Rebecca White inventory of estate included in financial account book, | 1863-82 | |
| Rebecca White Sewing School Library catalog | | |

Collection inventory

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| Josiah White. Correspondence, (158 items in correspondence boxes I & II) | 1796-1831 | BOX I |
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Note:**Notes**

Selected correspondence and other papers described here are chosen for content or author. Letters are by Josiah White unless otherwise noted. JW = Josiah White. EW = Elizabeth White. Many letters by JW to EW make reference to his work and give and give instructions for running their household and refer to health issues.

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| | 1796 | |
| Harding, Charles to J.W. Mt Holly, [cautions White to keep on a straight and narrow path attending Meeting, not deviating from plainness of truth.] | May 30, 1796 | |
| | 1801 | |
| to? Phila. | 9 mo 23 [1801?]. | |
| [Despite brother's caution, wants to go into business and hopes for letter recipient's help]. | | |
| | 1819 | |

- to E.W. (Letters from Mauch Chunk, PA and elsewhere, begin 3 mo 13 1819)
- 5 mo 4 1819
[about Schuylkill Navigation Co.'s problems with dams and while they have "a great no. of coal mines", White can get his coal from one mine more cheaply to Phila.]
- + to James Duncan. Phila., 9 mo 25 1819
[George Hauto, Erskine Hazard and J.W. have acquired Lehigh Coal Mine Co. on 20-year lease on condition of paying the taxes and introducing the coal to market; cost of shares]
- 1820
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk. 1820 Feb. 28
[description of their dams and locks which were damaged or destroyed and effect on transport of coal]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1820 Nov. 28
[J.W. hopes his jaundice is improving]
- 1821
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1821 Sept. 4
[have 370 workers; want to put 15 boats on the "fresh" which is 3 feet high]
- to E.W. Slates, 1821 Sept. 25
[perhaps people's natures require them to be dissatisfied with their lives, and describing his own states at various times in his life]
- to E.W. Slates, 1821 Oct. 2
[J.W.'s notion of religion is that people should see the Deity in all things; the "fresh" took away 81 feet of the slate dam]
- to E.W. Slates, 1821 Oct
[tracts of land which he and Erskine Hazard purchased on or near Lehigh River now being conveyed to Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co.]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1821 Oct. 30
[describes working of lock of the slate dam]
- 1822-29
[When E.W. joins her husband in Mauch Chunk, letters are often from both of them]
- 1830
[Some letters from Mauch Chunk are co-written by J.W. and son, Solomon]
- White, Solomon to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1830 Nov. 14
[asks for the "number of our house" which is when the White's Philadelphia address became 158 Arch Street]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1830 Nov. 17
[Is finding Solomon (their son) useful to him]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1830 Dec. 16
[Those who lack the educational opportunity (of learning to write) can never maintain as close ties of affection as they (White family) can]
- [Letters from E.W. to J.W., 1830-
1831
- E.W. to J.W. [n.p.], 1831 3 mo 16.
[Does not blame him for deciding to retire from business]
- E.W. to J.W. [n.p.], 1831 3 mo 20
[Erskine Hazard reports coal orders]
- +E.W. to J.W. 1831 4 mo 1st.
[Some women are trying to raise money to purchase a house for 'Colour'd' Orphans]
- +E.W. to J.W. 1831 4 mo 6th

[Erskine "was unsuccessful the Beaver Meadow foulds have carried the bill, but E is of opinion the amendment and restriction such he thinks it will not operate much against you"; Susan (White?) has opened her school]

+E.W. to J.W. 1831 4 mo
12th

[Hicksites break two locks off the gates at every interment]

E.W. to J.W. 1831 Oct 1

[conveys news from Charles (Roberts?) about the cost of coal from the "Schuylkill foulds" and that Hugh Scott is purchasing their Falls property]

to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1831 11 mo?
18

[hopes water which was let into the Canal will get through to New Hope in the following week; news of the break in the Morris Canal]

to E.W. Bristol, 1831 Nov. 20

[has come to examine the Bristol (N.J.) end of the canal preparatory to reporting to the Canal Commission]

Josiah White Correspondence:

1832-50

BOX II

Letterbook:

1832 Feb. 25 -

1833 - Feb.

15.

to Abiel [Abbott]. Phila., 1832 2 mo
25th

[on collecting tolls on the Delaware Canal; declining appointment as Canal Commissioner]

to Nathan Beach. Phila., 1832 2 mo
25th.

[Re a business dispute with Beach]

to Simpson Torbert. 1832 2 mo 28
[On draining of their land and transportation along the Canal]

to John Cary. Phila., 1832 2 mo 28
[Giving orders for work along the Durham Creek]

to James Porter. Phila., 1832 2 mo 28
[Loss of son; White's reasons why he might have served as Canal Commissioner]

to Abiel [Abbott] (and others on this date) Phila., 2 mo 29 1832
[Concerning the operation of their hotel (or tavern) in Mauch Chunk and that they would supply water from Mauch Chunk Creek]

to Sam[ue]l Lip[pincot]t. P[hiladelphi]a 1832 3 mo 2
[Wants water brought into canal as soon as possible]

to P.L. Tyler. Phila., 1832 3 mo 3
[Rental of his two mills at narrow falls]

to William Barry (Postmaster Gen'l, Washington) 1832 3 mo 5
Phila.,

[Resigns his position as postmaster at Mauch Chunk]

to James Clark (Pres. of the Bd. of Canal 1832 3 mo 12
Commissioners). Phila.,

[About Torbert's and Cary's portions of the canal; hopes to have water along the whole of the line shortly; water power and navigation on the Delaware and dam at Wells Falls and costs of work]

to Sam[ue]l Holland. Phila., 1832 3 mo 14
[Contracts of coal; mentions rivals in the business and their company's expenses]

to Simpson Torbert. Phila., 1832 3 mo 23
[On design of the Delaware Canal for good transport]

- to J. Cary. Phila., 1832 3 mo 26.
[Repairs of the Delaware Canal]
- to Sam[ue]l Lippincott. Phila., 1832, 4 mo 18.
[Purchase of lumber "fit for our boats"]
- to Abiel Abbott. Phila., 1832 5 mo 7
[Expects to have Delaware Canal navigable within the week]
- to Simpson Torbert. Phila., 1832 5 mo 23
[Is sending drafts of the water and raising wheel for New Hope water works; Coffor Dam project should begin]
- to James Clark and J. Mitchell (Canal Commissioners). Phila., 1832 5 mo 29.
[Wants to know amount of tolls they can charge]
- to Simpson Torbert. Phila., 1832 6 mo 8.
[Work that must be done on the canal with a roller, so horses may walk on the towpath. A drawing of the proposed project is on p. 3 of the letter]
- to J. Mitchell. Phila., 1832 7 mo 16.
[Needs to raise water level in the canal to accommodate 40 or 50 ton boats with accompanying draft of plans to accomplish this]
- to Holloway & Co et al. Phila., 1832 7 mo 25.
[Wants to know cost of steam engine to be used by Phila., & Columbia Railroad, with description of such an engine]
- To Abiel [Abbott]. Phila., 1832 7 mo 19.
[Presents draft of improved lock; inspection and report on the state of all dams needed]
- to William Zane. Phila., 1832 7 mo 19.
[Provides drawing for bolting poles in front of the dam]
- to Collector of tolls on the Delaware Division of the Penna. Canal. Phila., 1832 7 mo 19.
[On payment of tolls by all navigation on the Canal]
- to Abiel [Abbott]. Phila., 1832 7 mo 21.
[In total, want to have 100 boats built for use on the Delaware Canal; repairs to Allentown Dam; rates by which boatmen paid]
- to J. Clark and J. Mitchell. Phila., 1832 9 mo 3.
[Wants information on 60-horse engine]
- to J. Clark and J. Mitchell. Phila., 1832 9 mo 21.
[Necessity of raising dam at Easton so water will flow into canal]
- to R. Gilchrist. Phila., 1832 9 mo 22.
[Pays for shares in the Morris Canal & Banks Co. and suggests method of improving transportation business]
- to John Mitchell. Phila., 1832 10 mo 6.
[Problems of Delaware Canal; need to raise money to maintain use of Canal]
- to Abiel [Abbott]. Phila., 1832 11 mo 1
[Instructs Abbott to produce 350 railroad cars; amount of coal they hope to get]

Note: -----End of letterbook entries-----

- to E.W. Mauch, 1832 Apr or
May 2
[refers to the study of botany as a "rational amusement."]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1832 Apr. 27

- [Statements about the capabilities of women after meeting a woman who knew as much about the canal as a [male] engineer]
- to E.W. Dan Raubs, 1832 Sept. 28
[water drawn off 2nd long level below Easton to remove a sand bar that boats stuck on above Durham Creek]
- to E.W. Harrisburd [sic] 1832 Nov. 25
[on the sale of stock; if an "unbroken run of coal "will get a 50% advance]
- 1833
- Ralston, A & G. to J.W. [n.p.], 1833 Feb. 14
[knowing of J.W.'s interest in the price of railway iron, Ralston relays a rise in British iron]
- to E.W. Phila., 1833 Mar. 29
[In the House of Representatives, a congressman has brought up a resolution to impose a toll on their coal on the Delaware River as it is on the Lehigh. Their canal and locks are twice the size of those on the Delaware River and their inducement to make a canal was the right to charge a toll on coal]
- to E.W. Harrisburg, 1833 Apr. 10
[went to look at their property which may have iron ore on it. "If thee will want thy Boy George next week better take him this week. Can get him bound when I return."]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1833 May 16
[still thinks can get coal to Phila. more cheaply than anyone else]
- +E.W. to J.W. Phila., 1833? Oct. 26
[great excitement on account of pack ship Susquehanna being captured by pirates; Mahlon Day visited; heard a powerful sermon from J. Bowne in Monthly Meeting]
- +to E.W. Warren, Ohio, 1833 Nov. 15
[at a convention to discuss a connection between Ohio & Penna. canals "for good reason, for this country is so far from market a canal either rout [sic] will add 50% to the value of land generally allong [sic] the canal." The decision has been referred to delegates from Phila. & Pittsburgh. Route of delegates along Ohio Canal from Akron to New Lisbon, then up Ohio River to Pittsburgh, then up to Johnstown, and to Hollidaysburg.]
- 1834
- to E.W. 1834 Oct. 30
[mentions a loss "my bright prospects have been cut off by an infinite wisdom"]
- +to E.W. Harrisburg, 1835 Feb. 25
[about an important Senate bill which may help or hinder them and their own which will also be introduced]
- to E.W. Canada, Niagara Falls, 1835 Aug. 4
[convinced Penna's coal does not get to those parts of N.Y. which they have visited]
- 1836
- Roberts, S[olomon] W[hite] to J.W. Cardiff, Wales, 1836 March 29
[Detailed description of Dowlais Iron Works]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1836 Nov. 13.
[Description of operation of White Haven lock, with which he is very pleased]
- 1838
- Nicholson, Sarah to E.W. Haddonfield, [N.J.] 1838 Apr. 19
[has met and been impressed by Joseph John Gurney; route Gurney will take in visiting Meetings and information re Elizabeth Gurney Fry's visit to Paris]
- 1839
- to E. Carey. Phila., 1839 6 mo 15
[on the navigational aspects of Black's Eddy near Easton]
- 1840
- +Day, Mahlon to J.W. New York, 1840 June 4

- [Joseph John Gurney at Flushing against whom charges have been brought. Noone should spread injurious reports about a minister or other members of Society of Friends]
- +E.W. to J.W. Phila., 1840 6 mo 13
[John Greenleaf Whittier has visited them on his way to Yearly Meeting in Newport]
- Dillingham, S.A.E. to J.W. New Port, 1840 6 mo 17
[Description of Rhode Island Yearly Meeting with Joseph John Gurney, Richard Mott in attendance]
- J.W.'s remarks in reply to John Jackson's letter to Joseph John Gurney. 1840 4 mo 5
- 1841
- to E.W. South Easton, 1841 Jan. 14.
[Damage to locks on Lehigh described ` "...will be for the best otherwise we might have got too proud..."]
- Day, Mahlon to J.W. New York, 1841 Apr. 16
[has informed Friends in West Indies about situation between them and Hicksites]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1841 Sept. 5
[Repairs from destruction of previous winter will be completed]
- 1842
- +to William Evans. Philada, 1842 Apr 10
[Good reading for good Quakers: a proposal for publishing the religious precepts, or Discipline, or Orthodox Quakers]
- 1845
- to Daniel Tyler. Phila., 1845 1 mo 22
[On the differences between Tyler's canal and his including many technical suggestions] J.W. appended a later reference to estimates from William Zane about cement and other costs]
- +to E.W. Lancaster, 1845 4 mo 25
[J. Rue in prison in misfortune with his Bank which failed]
- +to E.W. Newport, 1845 June 19
[Having attended New England Yearly Meeting, reports discussion of which faction should be considered the legitimate Quarterly Meeting -- Orthodox, Gurneyite or Wilburite -- the former finally prevailing; reference to "Yanky Ranters."]
- +to the Committee on the Society for Rhode Island Yearly Meeting. Newport, R.I., 6 mo 20 1845.
[sets out his position in support of the Meeting which is in unity with Joseph John Gurney]
- +to E.W. [Newport], 6 mo 21 1845
[Continuation of discussion of Wilburite/Gurneyite issues, mentioning John Pease and William Burtsch]
- 1846
- +Day, Mahlon to J.W. New York, [Visit of Eli and Sybil Jones; *British Friend* supports John Wilbur] 1846 1 mo 29
(& several other letters on topic of the separation)
- 1847
- +Lewis, Enoch to J.W. New Garden 1847 8 mo 18
[Antigurneyism, if not Wilburism, prevails in their Meeting]
- to William Zane. Phila., 1847 11 mo 19
[Asks many technical questions in preparation for repair of his dam]
- 1848
- + [Meader, John] to J.W. Providence, 1848 1 mo 8
[on "Friends and Wilburites", Joseph John Gurney and his writings]
- +Meader, John to J.W. Providence, 1848 5 mo 10
[Ann Jenkins making a ministerial visit to Great Britain]

- +Day, Mahlon to J.W. New York 1848 5 mo 13
 [...not doctrines, but good order and the discipline which we assert is the true issue" as the difference between Friends' groups; retraction Jos. John Gurney made of his "Brief Remarks"; J.W. appends his responses to some of Day's remarks on occurrences within the Society.]
- Day, Mahlon to J.W. New York, 1848 5 mo 20
 [On Joseph John Gurney's "Brief Remarks" and Isaac Hopper]
- to E.A. Douglas. Phila., 1848? 16th
 [Re survey of coal mine and tunnel]
- 1849
- +Day, Mahlon to J.W. New York, 1849 9 mo 20
 [George Alexander & wife going to the West Indies to check on the "state of the colored population"]
- 1850
- Lowrey, J.G. to J.W. Bellefonte, 1849 3 mo 25
 & 12 mo 27
 [on the selling of various of J.W.'s properties]
- +Meador, John to J.W. Providence, 1850 4 mo 2
 [Disownment of Thos. Gould on grounds he called Meeting overseers malicious and envious; flagrant misconduct of John Wilbur]
- to E.W. Mauch Chunk, 1850 5 mo 30
 [on ways of delivering coal to N.Y. preferably via Mauch Chunk, Pa.]

[A description of the last illness and death of J.W. by one of his children]

Josiah White and Josiah White, Sr.: Journals and Memoirs, 1802-41 & (11 items) BOX III
 n.d.

(White, Josiah, 1705-1780 (Josiah White Sr., grandfather of Josiah White, 1781-1850)): "Anecdotes of Josiah White, late of Mt. Holly Collected by Thomas Pryor".

Signed by Barclay White,

(White, Josiah, 1705-1780). "Memoirs of the Life of Josiah White, formerly of Mount Holly". 23 p.

Contents: intro., tale of going to meeting as a boy, tales of healing powers, tales of kindness, homeless, in business, with Native Americans; bound in, starting on p. [18]: copy of "A testimony of Rebecca Redman...".

2nd ms. copy of "Memoir..." in several hands

3rd copy of "Memoirs..." in ts.

White, Josiah, 1781-1850. "Journey to Sunbury & Back". 1802.

+White, Josiah, 1781-1851. "...Journey to Virginia...", 1803

White Josiah. "Journey to Kingston and Lackawaxen, 1823,

Pt. 1:[J.W. writes of sharing information about transporting coal with an official, William Wurts, of the competing firm, Lackawaxen Co., which was planning to bring coal from Penna. to N.Y.C. Together they envisioned a canal between the Hudson & Delaware Rivers];

White, Josiah. Notes on coal boats and their operation. 1827-1829.

White, Josiah. "July, 1830". From Mauch Chunk.

White, Josiah. "Measurement and estimates of the damages from the Flood to the Lehigh Navigation 1 mo 1841... 1 mo 7 & 8 1841"; subtitle: "left home for Easton and returned home 25 1841"

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| White, Josiah. "Josiah White' History Given by Himself." | 1832. | | |
| White, Josiah. "J[osiah] W[hite] queries into his constitutional qualities expostulates with himself; result is virtue, the center, without excuse" | n.d. | | |
| (White, Josiah). "Notes concerning Josiah White from M.S. Henry's History of the Lehigh Valley" 3 p., | n.d., | | |
| (White, Josiah). "Josiah White's character as given by O.S.H.(?)" 1 p., | n.d., | | |
| Josiah White Business Papers, Quaker Meeting Papers and Miscellaneous Papers, | 1801-1854. | (70 items) | BOX IV |
| Business Papers, Indenture (agreement of sale): Philadelphia, Signed by Josiah White and Joseph Dilworth [Josiah White purchases hardware stock from Joseph Dilworth and leases Dilworth's house and store]; | 1801, 1807: 1801 11 mo. 3. 1807 Sept 3 | | |
| Indenture (deed of property): [Purchase of land by J.W. in Springfield Township, New Jersey from John Ridgeway] | | | |
| Business Papers, [Purchase of land by J.W. at Falls on the Schuylkill River, Philadelphia, along with houses, wire factory, etc. on a loan from the Bank of Germantown for the business of White and Hazard] | 1818: | (9 items) | |
| Business Papers, [Partnership agreement between Josiah White and George Hauto]. | 1818 October 1: | Very fragile condition | |
| Business Papers, <i>Terms of subscription to the Lehigh Navigation and Coal Mine Company, and Report of the president & managers of the Union Canal Company of Pennsylvania to the stockholders...</i> | 1818: 1818; | | |
| Business Papers, [Stock transfer of the old Lehigh Coal Mine Co to the new Lehigh Coal Co.] | 1819: | 2 p., holograph | |
| Business Papers, Annotated, printed copies of <i>The American Sentinel The Democratic Press</i> ca 5 clippings [about the Lehigh locks] | 1819-1821: (Apr. 12, 1819); (1821? & Apr. 10, 1821); | | |
| Business Papers, [Business agreements between George Hauto, Josiah White and Erskine Hazard, 5 p., photostatic copy; Josiah White, Erskine Hazard and The Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co., 4 p., fair copy] | 1820 - 1821: 1820 March 7: 1821 June 8: | | |
| Business Papers, [Clippings re The Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co., 1 p., photostatic copy; printed copy of <i>An answer to Mr. John L. Sullivan's report... The Morris Canal Company</i> , with paper cover entitled by J.W.] | 1827- 1828: 1827, 1828 | | |
| Business Papers, Printed, annotated copies of <i>Report of the canal commissioners...; [J. W's] Circular</i> | 1832: | | |
| Business Papers, Printed, annotated copies of <i>To the committee on corporations of the senate</i> , with paper cover noted by J.W. "Answer to charges, 3 mo 15 1833"; Circular, with paper cover titled by J.W. "Petition & | 1832 - 1833: [1832 or 1833] | | |

circular of Josiah White to the Legislature for himself & the Lehigh Co 2 mo 7th & 11th 1833 off[er]ing to sell all the navig[ati]on to the State at Cost": this was written in answer to charges by other companies of exorbitant tolls imposed, slow improvement, misuse of charter etc. by the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co. and includes 2 p. of J.W.'s notes; also 5 other printed items relating to railroads and canals

Business Papers: "Josiah White's Book 5 mo 3 1833": 1833 -ca.

Accounts re properties, at least in part belonging to 1850.

Josiah White and his family,

Business Papers: Account book of expenses, 1832-42.

Business Papers, 1833: (2 holograph items)

[Results of test of channel from the Delaware River at Cooper's Creek to Little Egg Harbour in order to establish passibility for ships and map of this area]

Business Papers, Printed, annotated copies of *Report of the board of managers (inc. J.W.) of the Lehigh Coal and* 1835 - 1836:

Navigation Company, and First annual report of the state geologist,

Business Papers, [Business agreement between Erskine 1838-39:

Hazard for the Lehigh Iron Co and David Thomas 1838,

arranging for Thomas to build a blast furnace on the Lehigh River for the prosecution of an iron business, copy];

[printed, annotated copy of *Report of the board of managers of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, 1839; printed cover for record of patent, 1939]*

Business Papers, [Notes on locks and dams]. (4 items), 1841:

holograph

Business Papers: 2 Account books of expenses, one 1843-50, 4 mo

marked by J.W. " 10 1843 to 0

mo 20 1850.

Business Papers, Printed annotated copy of *Report of the* 1847: 1847

board of managers of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company,

Business Papers, [Stock options for subscribers to the 1849 & n.d.:

Lehigh Navigation and Coal Mine Co.] 2 items, n.d.,

holograph; plan (map) of White Haven on the Lehigh River, printed

Business Papers: Account book of Josiah White and 1850-54.

executors' expenses,

Business Papers: Account book of the estate of Josiah White, including legacy recipients, including Indiana and Iowa Manual Labor Schools.

- Quaker Meeting Papers, 2 printed leaves authored by 1829- 1838:
 John Wilbur, J.W. holograph "From Reflections," J.W. 1832; 1835;
 on substance of PQM, noting activity of recent London +1837 3 mo 7,
 Yearly Meeting contrary to "ancient doctrine of 4 mo 16 to 20,
 Friends", holograph; +J.W. on substance of PYM, noting 1838, 1838,
 comments of various participants, holograph
 All the Quaker Meeting papers include a large number which refer to the New England Yearly Meeting
 Wilburite-Gurneyite controversy
- Quaker Meeting Papers, J.W.'s chronology of Wilburite 1845-1847:
 movement, extract from the *Friend*, and J.W.'s 1832-1845; 7
 corrections; substance of sermon of John Peasy at mo 12 1845 1
 NEYM, copy; 2nd sheet of the account of the separation mo 17 1845, 6
 in New England, holograph & another hand; printed, mo 1845, 5th
 annotated epistle of Meeting for Sufferings of NEYM, of 2nd mo
 including list of correspondents that can be contacted by 1845, 6 mo
 Friends who wish to know which side of the Wilbur- 19-20, 1845, 7
 Gurney controversy constituent meetings are on; "to mo 19 1847
 shew that the New England friends have not embarked
 in all the Doctrines imputed to J.J. Gurney, I have got a
 copy from the Book at this place (It is believed that
 Gurney's books have been manyfold more circulated
 among friends in Phila Yearly Meeting than here)": J.W.
 to E.W., Newport an account of the separation; +J.W.
 interviews Thomas Evans, Phila.,
 [on starting a Gurneyite paper -- would this increase or decrease controversy?].
- Miscellaneous Papers, J.W. life membership certificate 1836, 1848: 2 holograph.
 in American Peace Society; +list of subscribers and mo 18 1848,
 amounts of subscription to the Haverford School,
 including J.W.,
- Miscellaneous Papers, J.W.'s will (copy) and documents 1850-1851: (6 items)
 related to his death, including extract from minutes of 1851,
 annual stockholders meeting the Lehigh Coal and
 Navigation Co, signed by chairman, Thomas Pym Cope.
- White, Josiah. Manual Labor Schools, and Personal and 1850-1879 (107 items) BOX V
 Business Properties, 1832-1854.
- (Manual Labor School papers relate to legal, financial and property matters pertaining to the proposed Manual
 Labor Schools in Indiana and Iowa; acceptance by Indiana Yearly Meeting of the trust; also other beneficiaries
 of J.W.'s will, such as Philadelphia Society for the Employment of the Poor.)

"Reasons for my proposed Manual Labor Schools &c, 7
 mo 20 185[0]". As stated: to provide literary and
 spiritual education and a habit of working to children of
 Friends or others of both sexes, 6-21 years, white, black
 or coloured whose parents are unable to provide a good
 education. 7 p., H.Ms.

"Correspondence and other papers relating to the
 Manual Labour School in the state of Indiana":

1850

- +Richard Richardson and John White's draft of letter to Elijah Coffin [re Josiah White bequest to establish Indiana manual labor school with proposed oversight of Indiana Yearly Meeting and J.W.'s plan for the school] 1850 12 mo 7
- 1851
- Newman, John S. to E[lijah?] Coffin. 1851 Jan. 4
Indianapolis,
[on the legality of J.W.'s will in terms of the laws of Indiana to effect establishment of the Manual Labor School and that such search for legal status should also be done in Iowa]
- Richardson, Richard (one of two executors of J.W.'s will, the other being John J. White). 1851 Jan. 11
"Objections to the proposed purchase of lands in Iowa by the executors..."
- 1852
- Certified copy (with seal of Wabash Co., Indiana) of the incorporation of "A charter of White's Indian Manual Labor Institute". 1852.
- +Thomas, Luke and John Maxwell to Richard Richardson and John J. White. New Garden, IN. 1852 9 mo 23
[have purchased Indian land (640 acres) from Miami tribe for the proposed Indiana Manual Labor School and request that money be sent]
- Evans, George to Richard Richardson and John J. White. Spiceland, IN, [Articles of incorporation for both Indiana and Iowa Manual Labor School] 1852 Oct. 7.
- Jessup, Levi and George Evans (on behalf of committee of Indiana Yearly Meeting) reporting on incorporation of Indiana and Iowa Yearly Meeting to the Yearly Meeting. 1852 (2 items)
- 1853
- Note:** +(Checks from Indiana with engraving of an Am. Indian, a dog with key & some other object in front of a box or building; also eagle)
- Indenture [indicating obligation of "White's Indiana Manual Labor Institute" for \$20,000 from estate of J.W. through executors Richard Richardson and John J. White]
- 1879
- Dorland, Henry to "dear Friends" (envelope addressed to Mrs. H.W. Richardson). White's Institute (Oberlin, Ohio), 1879 3-20.
[A report on the state of the Institute having come as property superintendent the previous year. The lease had passed to the state which had allowed the property to fall into disrepair; effort had been made to sell the property and divert it to other purposes than was first intended which effort had originated with friends of Penn College. But the school could still function if sufficient repairs were made, this requiring additional revenue beyond what the land (farm) now yields]

- Mortgages, deeds and properties in Philadelphia, 1832-1854: (12 items)
Gallowhill Street: J.W.'s proposed divisions of 1832 1834,
property on Gallowhill [sic] Street, Phila., (2 Jan. 10, 1834
items); *Catharine Street*: J.W. bond and warrant 1834-1854,
(mortgage papers) to Henry Beck, including (1841) (1846)
mortgage for Catharine St. property, (4 items); (1847)
draft (map) of the Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co
Coal Yard lot bounded by Catharine and Swanson
Streets, ms.; list of transfers of title of Catharine
St. property from 1735 to 1834 ending with Josiah
White; *Deeds and mortgages for other*
Philadelphia properties purchased by or for J.W.,
including from Thomas Wistar and +an agreement
for the building of J.W.'s house on Arch Street
with full specifications, signed by J.W., George
Dilks (the builder) et al and an agreement for the
building of four houses on the same Arch Street
property, also with full specs, signed by J.W.,
Ab[raha]m Naphey? et al
- White Family. Letters to White Family, A-Z (45 items) BOX VI
- +Baird, Mrs. Matthew et al (not addressed). n.d.
[on the establishment of Phila. School of Housekeeping with a restaurant, catering business and
employment bureau connected to it]
- Burleigh, C.C. (not addressed), 1838 12 27
[Some of the substance of a speech delivered before the Female Anti-Slavery Society which met in the
House of Pharmacy]
- +Conrad, T.A. to "dear Coz" Broad Top City, 1857 July 26
[description of the growth of the city of Altoona]
- Friends Historical Society [1904?] 1857
July 26
[description of the growth of the city of Altoona]
- Note:** Printed statement concerning formation of Friends Historical Society in America. Signed by Isaac
Conrad, T.A. to "dear Coz" Broad Top City,
- Friends Historical Society Printed statement concerning [1904?]
formation of Friends Historical Society in America.
Signed by Isaac Sharpless et al.
- Huey, Samuel B. and Rev. J.P Sampson "An appeal for [n.d.]
funds for new buildings"
[Reasons why people should want to contribute money for additional building for The Frederick Douglass
Memorial Hospital & Training School where black physicians and nurses are trained].
- Scull, David to "dear Friend." Phila., 1897 7 7
[requests donation to Law & Order Society of which he is treasurer]
- +Stern, Elizabeth (a.k.a. Eleanor Morton) to Barclay [19]49 & n.d.:
White.
[has made abstracts of almost all materials she has borrowed toward the writing (of her biography of Josiah
White)]
- +Still, William to "dear Friend". Phila., 1888 Jan 10
[in support of a person requesting charity]

Margaret Ellis, Solomon W. Roberts, Thomas Say And
Unattributed Fragments And Miscellaneous

BOX VII

- Ellis, Margaret.** "Margaret Ellis's Journal Concerning My Experience Of The Dealings Of The Lord With Me From My Youth. [11 P.] Inscribed To Hannah W. Richardson from her mother, 1848. 1752.
- Roberts, Solomon White** (d. 1882). (23 items) 1826-1873.
- to Hannah. Ebsenburg, 1832 Sept. 22
[mentions cholera; Delaware Canal "a bad business"]
 - to Solomon White. Ebsenburg, 1831 Oct. 9
[method of "running curves" for laying of railroad is explained and Roberts thanks White for description of his railroad]
 - +to Hannah and Rebecca White. Cattawissa, 1840 6 mo 1
[has seen a Daguerreotype miniature of a friend]
 - to Aunt Betsy (Elizabeth White). Harrisburg, 1848 1 mo 26
[Now serves in the House of Representatives]
 - +to Rebecca White. Harrisburg, 1848 1 mo 29
[as a member of the House of Representatives, is one of the few who is opposed to the war]
 - +to R. White. Pittsburgh, 1849 6 mo 24.
[a description of "Grace Greenwood" who is a champion of women's rights movement and abolitionist]
 - to Richard Richardson. Phila., 1873 March 26
[has received Richard Richardson' memoir of J.W.]
 - to Richard Richardson. Phila., 1873 Apr. 30
[has been offered presidency of several railroad companies]
 - to Richard Richardson. Phila., 1873 May 2
[on Lyman's furnace kept at Pottsville with Schuylkill coal and successes of making iron using anthracite. Josiah White had hired David Thomas to operate a furnace on the Lehigh]
- Say, Thomas** (1709-1796). Philadelphia, 1748 Nov. 13
[Essay on religious topic]

Unattributed or Miscellaneous Items: (13 items, incl. fragments).

- Lake Coal Mine Co to Jacob Weiss, 1792-93
[for provisions]
- "Thermometer account"?/?. 1829-31.
Scientific explanations; mainly temperatures and rainfall levels.
- Agreement of Darby Plank Rd. Co & Phila. and Darby Railroad Co., 1858.
[on use of properties]
- Stock certificate issued to Wistar Morris, 1866
- Financial accounts, fragment for 1893 (pp. 103-6); 301900-03.
p. for the years
- Syrian Insane Asylum, Woman's Hospital, Lehigh Valley Coal Co., etc.

Barclay White, Daniel S. White, Elizabeth White, John J. White, Solomon White

BOX VIII

- White, Barclay** (1821-1906). (Superintendent of Indian Affairs/Northern Superintendency). (2 items)

+to Hannah & Rebecca White. Omaha, NE, 1873 Apr. 14.
 [Peace and good order prevail in his superintendency. Indians are being trained in habits of industry changed from nomadic to civilized]

White, Daniel S. (1810-1900). 27 items.

Business papers concerning properties and insurance, 1851-1883;
 also H, A.M. to Daniel S. White. Phila., [1882]
 [Reporting on the death of Hannah White Richardson]

White, Elizabeth. (1780-1855). Correspondence: (45 items); 2 journals; 2 account books (wrapped and standing). 49 items

1820s

+to Hannah White. Mt. Pleasant, 1825 7 mo 25.
 [mentions missionaries to the Indians who were "there" during the last war, but though they suffered, found a friend in Commodore Perry].

1830s

+to Hannah White. Phila., 1838 6 mo 11.
 [has heard Joseph John Gurney in a Tabernacle at an appointed meeting when 2 Quarters wanted Rules of Discipline to include Free produce, but this was overruled in favor of individual decision; imprudence of some abolitionists in exciting the lower class to form a mob and violence against Blacks is seen; purpose of attending Meeting]

E.W.'s journal of random writings and accounts

1840s

E.W.'s journal, with some letters pasted in 1848-55,

1850s

Griffith, Edith to E.W. and children. 1853-54. (3 items).

+ [Comments on the separatist movement in Ohio Yearly Meeting, discussing such involved Friends as Thomas B. Gould, William Evans and Benjamin Hoyle]

+Jones, S[ybil] to E.W. South China, Me. 1854 9 mo
 19th

[many around them ill with cholera]

Lecky, Mary Ja[me]s. Ireland, 1852 11 mo
 16.

[With Eli & Sybil Jones travel to several Meetings]

Wrapped &
 standing

Account book of expenses of EW, 1851-55.

Account book relating to the settlement of E.W.'s 1855.

estate including legacy recipients,

White, John J. (1808-1879). 1851-54. (4 items).

Barclay, James to John J. White. 1851 6 28. (2 items)

[transfer of Lehigh stock should be made out to House of Refuge]

White, Solomon. (1813-1832). 1822 -(1829) (30 items.)

31.

[Primarily letters to his parents written from Philadelphia to them in Mauch Chunk on news of family, acquaintances and local events. Some few letters appended with letters of H[annah] R[ichardson] and C[hables] R[oberts], the latter in June 1829 discussing costs connected with the Falls Bridge and other business matters]

Hannah White Richardson (1811 - 1882). Papers, 1834-1878 (166 items)

BOX IX

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| Richardson, Hannah White. Journal, | 1834 | | |
| Richardson, Hannah White. Journal, | 1845 | | |
| Richardson, Hannah White. Diary/Prayers, | 1846-78. | In two folders | |
| | (1846-67 & | | |
| | 1868-78 & | | |
| | n.d.) | | |
| | 12/31/1865: | | |
| | “... | | |
| | +The rebellion, and civil war of four years continuance closed!...Our worthy chief Magistrate, President Lincoln shot!!...An amendment of the Constitution, granting universal freedom to all classes, without distinction of color...” | | |
| Richardson, Hannah White. Journal, | 1847 | | |
| Richardson, Hannah White. Journal, | 1848 | | |
| Richardson, Hannah White. Financial accounts. | 1863-1878. | | |
| “Collections towards paying the mortgage of \$3500 on the property belonging to the Woman's Hospital of Philadelphia.” | | | |
| Note: A list of donors & amounts of donations | | | |
| Richardson, Hannah White. Lecture and other notes. | | | |
| Richardson, Hannah White. Notes of sermons. | | 10 folders | |
| Hannah White Richardson Correspondence and Richard Richardson Papers | | | BOX X |
| Hannah White Richardson Correspondence: | | (78 items). | |
| | 1822-35 | | |
| to Rebecca White. Mt. Pleasant, | 1822 Sept. 3 | On verso of first page, Elizabeth White to Rebecca White | |
| | | | |
| [long absences of Josiah White, but pleasure from visiting neighbors] | | | |
| to mother. Westtown (Boarding School) | 1825 6 mo | | |
| | 8th. | | |
| | | | |
| [Stephen Grellett whose daughter Rachel attends the school, spoke to the students] In this and other letters for the school year, H. W.R. mentions events, studies and activities. | | | |
| to parents. [n.p.], | 1828 4th mo | | |
| | 7th | | |
| | | | |
| [on having teeth pulled, dress made] | | | |
| to mother. Providence, | 1833 8th mo | | |
| | 24th | | |
| | | | |
| [(with her father?) visited coal mines which had been closed for some time having traveled there by boat] | | | |
| to father. Phila., | 1830 12th mo | | |
| | 17th | | |
| | | | |
| [refers to J.W.'s “President Watson”] | | | |
| +to mother. Montreal, | 1835 8th mo | | |
| | 8th | | |
| | | | |
| [modes of travel while on trip to Canada] | | | |
| | 1836-82 | | |

- +to mother. Steamboat Delaware on the Ohio, 1836 6 mo.
20th.
[travel on a "macademized" road]
- to Rebecca. Kentucky, 1847 7 mo 7.
[Description of a trip which takes them to Ohio]
- to parents. Nahant, 1848 7 mo 22
[on a visit to Harvard was shown Quaker books]
- to Joseph Dickinson. Phila., 1880 Feb. 4
[sends \$1,000 to Book & Tract Comm. of Indiana Yearly Meeting for printing of her work "Judea in her Desolations" & instructions for use of the money]
- +to [Richard Richardson]. [18]80-82. 3 copies.
March 15. "
[Refers to bequests to Woman's Medical College, The Colored Catharine Street School, SPCA, The Home for Aged and Infirm Colored Persons" et al.]
- Letters to Hannah W. Richardson (alphabetical organization). 49 items
- Allinson, William to H. W.R.. Burlington, [18]55 4/5
[On the death of Elizabeth White]
- Bean, Joel to H. W.R.. West Branch, Iowa, 1874 5 mo 10
[On trustees and other issues concerning the Manual Labor School]
- +Cleveland, E.H. to H.W.R.. (Place & date illegible) (2 items).
[On schools opened to women & specifically medical schools]
- Coffin, Charles F. to H. W.R.. 1874-79. (4 items).
[mentions PYM Indian Comm. & H.W.R.'s publication]
- +Dickinson, Joseph to H. W.R.. Richmond, Indiana, 1879 Dec. 20. fragment
[Yearly Meeting's work to raise funds for mission work in Mexico & Freedmen at Southland Normal School in Arkansas]
- Dickinson, Joseph to H. W.R.. Richmond, Indiana, 1880 February
-.
[Suggests investing in state or city bonds, the interest from which could be used toward publication of her other religious texts by the Yearly Meeting]
- Hampton Institute. 1878-82. (7 items).
+Borckett, Dora V. to H. W.R.. Weston, MA, Mar. 31, 1878
[A grad herself of Hampton Institute, Borckett tells of opening a school and her many pupils]
- Hampton Normal & Agricultural Institute at Hampton, VA [1878?]
[Statement and appeal for an education to "civilize" Indians & Blacks]
- Richardson, Hannah to S.C. Armstrong. Phila., 1882 Jan. 16.
[Will contribute \$1200 to the Hampton Institute]
- Hicks, Lucy (Superintendent of the Shemlan? School near Beirut, Syria) [to H. W.R.?] May 1, 1872.
[On the education provided in her school helped by (Richardson's) contribution]
- +Jones, Eli to H. W.R.. Jerusalem Palestine, 1869 4 mo 20
[Held first Friends Meeting in Jerusalem since days of George Fox; travels in the Middle East and people met].

- (Philanthropic organizations) (6 items)
 [Names &/or descriptions of philanthropic organizations found among papers of H. W.R.]
- Preston, Ann to H. W.R.. 1857 5 mo 11
 [On the health of Rebecca White during a trip]
- +Preston, Ann to H. W.R.. [Phila., 18]64 July 8.
 [Concerning contributions toward equipment and other hospital matters, such as admission of unmarried women]
- Roberts, Hannah to H.W.. Phila., 1828/ 9 mo 17
 [mentions many friends, family & health]
- Roberts, Solomon White & Elihu Roberts to H. 1825 12 mo
 W.R.. Phila., 16.
 [Account of lectures attended]
- White, Elizabeth to Hannah White (cousins) 1826-1829 (5 items).
 Fragment, n.d.
 [Attendance record at Bible class for Blacks]

Richard Richardson (1808-1882).

- Correspondence, 1847-52. (27 items).
 Note: (On topics of travel, business)
- Lippincott, Joseph to RR. Mauch Chunk, 1851 1 mo 10
 [On a claim against his father's estate]
- +Tracy, Joseph to [RR]. Boston, 1851 Sept. 15
 [Is sending a report of the Trustees of Donations for Education in Liberia where the establishment of a college was being planned which has been approved by the Liberian Legislature. 15-20 students are to be served and outline of curriculum noted. The trustees' board was instituted with the approval of the American Colonization Society]
- +Tracy, Joseph to RR. Boston, 1851 Nov. 3
 [Acknowledges decision of J.W.'s daughters to use (a part) of White's legacy to support Education in Liberia fund]
- Leisenring, J. to R.R.. Mauch Chunk, 187-.
 [Assistance of J.W. established him in business of Upper Lehigh Coal Co. White conceived of the idea of constructing a tunnel through the Nesquomoming Mountain]
- Correspondence 1873-76. (23 items)
- Ayerigg, T.B. to R.R.. Passaic, NJ, 1873 May 26.
 [Thanks RR for Memoir of J.W. and the application of some his inventions as he (Ayerigg) was engaged on the Lehigh Canal]
- Meirs, John to RR. Phila., 1873 3 mo 31
 [Writes after receipt and appreciation of Memoir of J.W.; showing his connection with the introduction and use of anthracite coal & iron and the construction of some of the canals and railroads of Penna. etc.]
- Papers and Photos. (12 items)
 Note: Includes certificate to R.R. making him administrator of Elizabeth White's estate, 1855, along with estate inventory and accounts; copy of the will of Richard Richardson, 1882.

Rebecca White (1816-1906). Correspondence. (200 items) BOX XI

Letters to (alphabetical arrangement): A-E

- Abbott, R.S. to R.W.. Salem, [18]63 2 20
 [On the death of their son from diphtheria]
- Allinson R.W. to R.W.. Burlington, 1856 12 mo 4.
 [Satisfactory meeting of Hicksites at Crosswicks; wishes they could discuss White's schools, House of Industry, Sarah (Mapps?) Douglass].
- Collins, Rebecca to R.W.. Phila., 1855 Sept. 12

- [Mentions "Wilbur Yearly Meeting" and "Hoyle Yearly Meeting" in Ohio and various personalities such as Joshua Baily]
- +Cope, L.W. to R.W.. Newport, [N.Y.] 7.20
[Nova Scotia Friend James Van Blascom reports on the receipt of books at the First Day School which will help poor children, some of them Black; they have established a new school for black children on Lombard Street]
- +Collins, Rebecca to R.W.. Phila., 1855 6 mo 4. (8 items)
1855-87)
["New York has come out of Wilburism; will read the London epistle to the sick]
- Condler, John to R.W.. Chelmsford, 1854-55 (2 items)
+ 1854 6 mo 10
[Has been to Ireland with Mahlon, Mary & Susan Day; sorry to hear Nebraska Bill passed; notes prevailing war in Europe]
- Douglass, Robert to R.W.. Phila., 1882 Sept 9
[reports death of Sarah M. Douglass]
- +Douglass, Sarah Mapps (1806-1882). to R.W., 1854-1882. 13 items.
Background note:(Born into Free Black family; regarded herself as a Quaker & attended 9th & Spruce St. Meeting: *DQB*)
- Phila., [18]58 12 mo
19
[Lectured to an anti-slavery group; hopes to see White at her school]
[1855] fragments
[mentions her forthcoming marriage (to Rev. William Douglass)]
[One of her students going to Africa with husband who wants to be a missionary; attended Ann Preston's lectures]
- fragment signed
- [Finds Ann Preston superior to other professors. of physiology; will probably lose one of their teachers, Robert Campbell, who has African fever; grateful to Thomas Wistar and Israel Johnson]

F-J

- +Frost, William Goodell (Pres., Berea College) to R.W. Berea, KY, 1902 Sept. 2.
[the more Southern white people are educated, the fewer outrages will be perpetrated on Blacks. Taxes necessary for school purposes; insufficient school funds to toward Black schooling in the South, except for in KY & TN]
- +Fullerton, Anna M. to R.W.. Vienna, 1884. (2 items).
[About studying to become an obstetrician and then hoping to return to Women's Hosp. in Phila. to train other women]
- Griffith, Edith to R.W.. 1852-70 and (20 items).
n.d.
[Spiritual content; travels in ministry; attendance at various Meetings]
- Halloway, E.F. to R.W.. Phila., 1869 Oct. 7.
[Rebecca White elected to the Board of Managers of Women's Hospital]
- Hawkesworth, Laura I. to R.W.. 1897-98. (2 items).
- Hoag, N.C and Abigail to R.W.. 1853-54. (4 items).
[Travel in Ohio and separation of Ohio Yearly Meeting]
- Jones, Eli and Sybil to R.W.. 1848-61. (15 items)
[Spiritual content; visiting Meetings in NY speaking to prisoners; travel to Africa, including Sierra Leone & Liberia and to Europe]
- Oak Grove, 1858 12 4
[Have moved to Oak Grove Seminary]
- +Dirigo, [Me], 1861 8 mo 14

[James Parnell Jones holds "prominent office" in Me.'s capitol in a company mustering there and will probably leave for war shortly; some people assert there is no government, thus illegitimate to collect taxes -- secessionists]

K-M

- King, Rufus P. to R.W.. High Pt., NC, [19]04 2 19.
Lankton, Chloe to RW. New Hartford, Ct. 1860-1889 & 37 items.
n.d.
- Lippincott, EW to RW. [Lippincott, E.W. to RW. [18]58 12 5.
Lloyd, Sarah to RW. [Phila.], 1882 6 mo 6.
Loyd, M.A. to Hannah & Rebecca. [Phila.], 1872 4 mo 4.
Loyd, Susan to Rebecca. 1855.
Masson, Elizabeth to RW. Athens, 1867 10 mo 9.
[Tells of visit of Eli & Sybil Jones to mission school in Athens where Sybil Jones spoke to children and Morocco where she spoke to prisoners]

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- Philadelphia Society for Organizing Charity to RW. 1901-1904. 12 items.
[Reports on validity of individuals and organizations who request contributions from RW]
- Richardson, Hannah White to RW. 1847, 1860. (3 items).
[Describing 2 trips, one beginning in Cincinnati, another Mauch Chunk & beyond, mentioning various people].
- Roberts, Solomon White to RW. Harrisburg, 1849 2 mo
11th.
[Describes Penna. legislature where he is serving]
- White, Barclay to RW. Mt. Holly, NJ, 1882 5 mo 10
[Is sorry he had not maintained closer ties with his cousins over his lifetime]
- Wistar, Mary Waln.
- Fragments or unidentified. to Rebecca White 1893, 1903 & 5 items
n.d.
[Refer to requests for funds for Black institutions and a trip.]
- Letters from Rebecca White. 1833-1904 & (14 items)
n.d.
On topics of trips and sights, including Boston, Canandaigua, NY, Harper's Ferry, Savannah,, Sandwich, Ma.)

Rebecca White (1816-1906). Journals and Miscellaneous Papers. (30 items). **BOX XII**

Rebecca White. Journals 1833, 1835, (6 items; 2
1836 1848, copies),
1857.

[Generally record events of a trip]

Rebecca White. Financial accounts. (ca. 35 items).

Including reference to the estate of Hannah White Richardson; property rental and sale and property taxes; receipts on investments

Rebecca White. Spiritual musings & poems. (2 items).

Rebecca White. Miscellaneous notes, (5 items).

Including on the final hours of her mother, Elizabeth; genealogical notes; a signed petition not to allow Utah to become a state until polygamy is outlawed.

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| Rebecca White. Certificates & invitations, including printed invitation to attend Tuskegee Negro Conference, and right of interment for R.W. in Friends Southwest Burial Ground, Rebecca White. | 1900, 1896. (7 items). | Items wrapped & standing. |
| Sewing school library catalog. | n.d. | |
| Account book, including inventory of estate of Rebecca White. | 1863-82, | |