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Stephen Girard Papers

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Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch
Stephen Girard (1750-1831), born in Bordeaux, France immigrated to Philadelphia in 1776. He was a businessman, maritime trader, and philanthropist whose purchase of government bonds during the War of 1812 provided economic support for the military campaigns of the United States. Girard bequeathed his fortune to social welfare institutions and the Stephen Girard College in Philadelphia.

Scope and Content
Business correspondence with prominent Jewish merchants (Girard himself was not Jewish) from 1789-1829 pertaining to his shipping company as well as political and philanthropic issues.

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Preferred Citation
Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Stephen Girard Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

[Description], [Date], Box #, Folder #. MS-257. Stephen Girard Papers. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Index Terms

Subjects
Jewish merchants / Jews -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia / Philanthropists

Personal Names
Girard, Stephen, 1750-1831

Series A. General, 1789-1829

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. General correspondence, B-T, 1796-1819
Box 1. Folder 2. Adgato, William, 1808-1813
Box 1. Folder 3. Bancker, Charles N., 1811
Box 1. Folder 4. Barring brothers, 1815-1816
Box 1. Folder 5. Douglas, William J., 1791-1802
Box 1. Folder 6. Hattersby, Joseph, 1791
Box 1. Folder 7. Moses, Isaac and sons, 1804-1816
Box 1. Folder 8. Moses, Joshua, 1815-1816
Box 1. Folder 9. Moses, Solomon, 1811-1821
Box 1. Folder 10. Myers, Frederick, 1820-1829
Box 1. Folder 11. Myers, John, 1816-1817
Box 1. Folder 12. Myers, Moses, 1789-1791
Box 1. Folder 13. Myers, Moses, 1792-1827
Box 1. Folder 14. Myers, Samuel, 1789-1792
Box 1. Folder 15. Nicholas, Samuel, 1809
Box 1. Folder 16. Thomas, William, 1804-1806
Box 1. Folder 17. Correspondence [fragments], 1816-1820, undated