

Descriptive Summary**Repository**

Library Company of Philadelphia
1314 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107-5698

Call Number

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Creator

Du Ponceau, Peter Stephen, 1760-1844

Title

Peter S. Du Ponceau Papers

Inclusive Dates

1787-1844

Quantity

.21 linear feet (1 box)

Language of Materials

Materials are in English and French.

Abstract

The Peter S. Du Ponceau Papers holds both incoming and outgoing correspondence with friends and business associates. Most of the letters in the collection, however, are in the second subseries: twenty-six letters written to Du Ponceau by the Marquis de Lafayette, and two by his secretary Auguste Levasseur. They range in date from January 1825, during their tour of America, until just prior to Lafayette's death in 1834. Lafayette's correspondence deals partly with personal and family topics, but also raises contemporary political issues.

Administrative Information**Restrictions to Access**

The collection is open to researchers. It is on deposit at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and should be accessed through the Society's reading room at 1300 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA. Visit their website, <http://www.hsp.org/>, for reading room hours.

Acquisition Information

Gift of John A. McAllister; forms part of the McAllister Collection.

Processing Information

The Peter S. Du Ponceau Papers were formerly interfiled within the large and chronologically arranged McAllister Manuscript Collection; the papers were reunited, arranged, and described as a single collection in 2005, under a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the William Penn Foundation. The collection was processed Edith Mulhern, a University of Pennsylvania Summer Research Intern. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this finding aid do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities.