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Online Catalog Headings

Subject Names

Pennsylvania--General Assembly Mifflin, Thomas, 1744-1800 Cornplanter, Seneca chief, 1732?-1836

Subject Topics

Pennsylvania--Politics and government

Document Types

Letters

Maps--Pennsylvania

Petitions

Speeches

State government records

Related Collections

The Pennsylvania State Archives (of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission) holds three groups of public records which relate to those in the McAllister Collection: Records Series 7.3, Records of the General Assembly, Petitions and Miscellaneous Records, 1776-1790 (3 boxes), containing petitions submitted to the first unicameral General Assembly by citizens of the Commonwealth; Records Series 7.11, House of Representatives File, 1790-1903 (66 boxes), containing petitions, reports, bills, and amendments introduced into the House of Representatives; and Records Series 7.78, Senate File, 1823-1972 (312 cartons), containing petitions and bills placed before the Senate. Further information on these and other state records can be found at the PHMC website:

http://www.phmc.state.pa.us/bah/dam/rg/rg7.htm.

Biographical/Historical Notes

The first capital of the Province of Pennsylvania was established by William Penn at Upland on the Delaware River, a settlement which Penn renamed Chester in 1682. The following year, the Provincial Government met in Philadelphia, and remained there for more than a century. The first permanent location for the legislature meetings was the State House (now known as