Julia Rush letters, (1759-1848) 1776-1809 Mss.B.R894

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Summary Information

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Creator Rush, Julia Stockton

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Extent 0.5 Linear feet 20 items

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Location LH-MV-C-16

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Abstract Letters written by Julia Rush, wife of Benjamin Rush, mainly to her

husband, with one to Samuel Stockton and one to Mary Rush. Eight letters were written during the 1793 yellow fever epidemic. The letters are not included in Lyman Butterfield's edition of Benjamin Rush's letters, vol. 30

of APS Memoirs (1951).

Administrative Information

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- Correspondence.
- Family Correspondence

Subject(s)

- Marriage and Family Life
- Medicine
- Philadelphia History
- Social Life and Custom
- Women's History

Other Descriptive Information

This small collection of Julia Rush correspondence is noteworthy for being one of the largest collections of letters between Julia and her husband Benjamin, the prominent Philadelphia physician. The collection begins in 1776 and continues into the early nineteenth century. There are a series of letters from Julia to Benjamin from 1793 at the height of the Yellow Fever epidemic in Philadelphia.