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Summary Information

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Background note

Benjamin Rush was a physician, patriot, and humanitarian. He graduated from the College of New Jersey (Princeton), 1760, and from the University of Edinburgh, 1768. He was a member of the staff at the Pennsylvania Hospital and was a professor at the University of Pennsylvania.

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- Philadelphia (Pa.) -- Social life and customs -- 19th century.
- Philadelphia (Pa.) -- Social life and customs.
- United States -- History -- Revolution, 1775-1783 -- Personal histories.
- United States -- Politics and government -- 1801-1815 -- Sources.
- United States -- Politics and government -- 18th century.

Personal Name(s)

- Adams, John, 1735-1826
- Belknap, Jeremy, 1744-1798
- Butterfield, L. H., (Lyman Henry), 1909-
- Dickinson, John, 1732-1808
- Greene, Nathanael, 1742-1786
- Hazard, Ebenezer, 1744-1817
- Montgomery, John, 1722-1808
- Rush, James, 1786-1869.

Subject(s)

- Abolitionists.
- African American
- African American churches
- African Americans--Religion
- Early National Politics
- Medicine
- Medicine.
- Religion
- Slavery.
- Yellow fever -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia.

Other Descriptive Information

This collection of Benjamin Rush Papers was compiled by Lyman Butterfield for his biography of Rush. The papers are photocopies of Rush's correspondence.