

**Selected papers, [ca. 1819-1863],
relating to Benjamin Franklin
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Mss.B.Sp25**

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Summary Information

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Abstract	<p>These selected papers include correspondence concerning Franklin, Franklin's descendants, and Franklin's papers, extracts from Philadelphia newspapers on Franklin, papers used in Sparks' biography, miscellaneous entries in his diary (1830-1854) relating to his search for Franklin manuscripts, and his preparation of an edition of Franklin's writings. Correspondents include Henry Stevens, Jr.; Henry Stevens, Sr.; Benjamin Vaughan; Petty Vaughan; James Mease; H. D. Gilpin; J. Francis Fisher; Franklin Bache; and others.</p>

Background note

Jared Sparks was a clergyman, editor, historian, and president of Harvard College; he was elected to the American Philosophical Society in 1837.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Alternative Form Available

Most of these materials are also available on microfilm (Film 570).

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Originals in Houghton Library, Harvard University (See RLIN entry MAHV86-A604).

Indexing Terms

Family Name(s)

- Fisher, J. Francis.

Genre(s)

- Literature
- Miscellaneous

Personal Name(s)

- Bache, Franklin, 1792-1864

- Bradford, Samuel Dexter
- Du Ponceau , Peter Stephen, 1760-1844
- Duane, William J.(William John),1780-1865.
- Franklin, Benjamin, 1706-1790
- Gibbs, George, 1776-1833
- Gilpin, Henry D. (Henry Dilworth), 1801-1860
- Ingraham, Edward D., (Edward Duncan), 1793-1854
- Mease, James, 1771-1846
- Reed, William B. , (William Bradford), 1806-1876
- Stevens, Henry, 1791-1867
- Stevens, Henry, 1819-1886
- Vaughan, Benjamin, 1751-1835
- Vaughan, Petty, 1788-1854
- Vaughan, William, 1752-1850

Subject(s)

- Literature, Arts, and Culture
- Printing and Publishing

Other Descriptive Information

The Jared Sparks Collection contains duplicates of Sparks' notes on his biography of Benjamin Franklin. The seven volumes contain passages from Franklin's writings, Sparks' outlines for the biography, and various letters written about Sparks' work.