

Alexander Wilson papers, 1806-1813
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Summary Information

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Abstract	This material relates to Alexander B. Grosart's biography of Wilson. There are notes and copies of letters and documents, including a copy of Wilson's will. There is one poem by Wilson, "The Last Wish," and an 1806 letter to William Bartram.

Background note

Alexander Wilson was an ornithologist.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Provenance

Acquisition Information

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Indexing Terms

Genre(s)

- General Correspondence
- Legal Records
- Literature
- Poems.
- Scientific Correspondence

Personal Name(s)

- Bartram, William, 1739-1823
- Grosart, Alexander Balloch, 1827-1899

Subject(s)

- Birds.
- Literature, Arts, and Culture
- Natural History
- Ornithologists.
- Ornithology.

- Science and Technology
- Travel

Other Descriptive Information

Alexander Wilson was a prominent ornithologist in nineteenth century America. This collection includes poetry, a copy of an advertisement for Wilson's book in the Albany Gazette and Charleston Courier, some correspondence, and a copy of Wilson's will. His letters to William Bartram describe a conversation he had with others about their travels into the west.