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A Guide to the Paul Cushman Papers

Summary Information

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Title

Paul Cushman Papers

Identifier

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Date

1821-1859

Physical Description

1 box

Physical Location

The materials are located onsite in the Museum.

Language of the Material

English

Abstract

Paul Cushman (1767-1833) was a potter and pottery owner in Albany, New York.

This collection includes legal documents, correspondence, bills, and writings.

Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

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Biographical/Historical

Paul Cushman was born about 1767, likely in New Hampshire. Raised in Vermont, he arrived in Albany, New York, around 1800, seemingly without any formal training as a potter. He married Margaret McDonald in 1802, and together, they had several children. By 1809, he was running a stoneware factory, and in 1813, was listed in the city directory on Washington Street as "Paul Cushman, Potter." Paul Cushman died in 1833.

Scope and Contents

The collection is organized into three series: Family papers, 1841-1859; Business records, 1821-1830, undated; Literary manuscripts and printed ephemera, 1841, undated.

Contents List

The following section contains a listing of the materials in the collection.

Description	Box	Folder
Family Papers		
Legal document, Margaret Cushman, Administratrix of the Estate of Paul Cushman, 2 November 1841; List of Albany names and corresponding amounts of money regarding Paul Cushman's estate, undated; Last Will and Testament, Margaret Cushman, 4 August 1859; Lease, Paul Cushman to Garret Scriber; Town of Danube, Herkimer County, New York, undated; Contract for buildings, Paul Cushman to Ebenezer Keeler, 20 February 1821	1	1
Business Records		
Letter: Paul Cushman, Albany, to A.K. Morehouse, 31 August 1829; Letter: Paul Cushman, Albany, to A.K. Morehouse, 1 September 1829; Inventory: ceramics sent to Morehouse by Paul Cushman, 10 August 1830; Inventory: ceramics: five crates sent to A.K. Morehouse by Paul Cushman, 25 August 1830; Inventory/value of ceramics in Crate No. 3, 30 December 1830; Bill for ceramics: Thomas Sellers, Alex Stevenson, undated (fragment); Bill for ceramics: written by Paul Cushman, undated (fragment)		2
Literary manuscripts and printed ephemera		
Poem: untitled by T.H. Cushman, circa 1841; Poem: "Poem" by T.H. Cushman, undated; Poem: "To the Unreturned Volumes" by T.H. Cushman, undated (fragment); Poem: "An Acrostic" by Paul Cushman, undated; Poem: "Reflections" by T.H. Cushman, undated; Program: "Young Men's Association July 4, 1839 Order of Arrangements" Printed by Henry D. Stone & Co. 4 pages;		3

Sermon: A Discourse Occasioned by the Death of Thomas H.	
Cushman Delivered in the Third Presbyterian church, November	
21 and December 12, 1841 by Rev. E.A. Huntington. Albany: J.	
Munsell, 1841. 26 pages	