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TR 00 25 Aug 1747 Indenture of John Low as an apprentice to William Walker.

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TR 00 10 Apr 1751 Grant of land to John Donoley, witnessed by Lewis Burwell.

TR 00 1 Jun 1751 Deposition of John Goodeve concerning the will of William Gooch.

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TR 00 5 Nov 1751 Indenture. Philip Grymes, Peter Randolph, Peyton Randolph to Edmund Jennings. Mentions Ariana Randolph.

TR 00 5 Nov 1751 Memorial of Mrs. Arianna Randolph.

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TR 00 9 Aug 1753 Robert Spotswood to Mrs. Butler Thompson.

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TR 00 1755 "On sundry inhabitants of York To[ ]" by Doctor Porterfield. A satirical poem.

TR 00 14 May 1756 Will of Carter Burwell of "Carter's Grove."

TR 00 ca. 1756 Extracts from A New and Complete History of the British Empire in America.

TR 00 4 Feb 1757 William Pitt to Robert Dinwiddie.

TR 00 9 Mar 1758 Will of Edith Cobbs.

TR 00 [1758] Alexander to White to [Richard Henry Lee].

TR 00 27 Feb 1759 Bond. Fran[cis] Irby to W. Powell with Enoch Powell's marriage license (?)
TR 00 1760  Lt. Bovan's Journal of the Siege of Schweidnitz. Notes by Dana Perry re Bovan's diary during the seige of Yorktown and the Seven Year's War.

TR 00 Feb 1761  Inventory of the Goods and Effects of Patrick Creagh, late of Annapolis, Maryland, appraised by Jonas Green and Sam'l Middleton.

TR 00 1761-1763  Letters of Charles Carter and Peter Wyche and certification of the vineyards of Charles Carter by Francis Fauquier.

TR 00 21 May 1764  Indenture of Wade Mountfort to be apprenticed to Benjamin Powell.


TR 00 1764  General Instructions for the Cultivation of Tobacco. Havana. By Jose Rapun Nicholas.

TR 00 25 Oct 1764  Survey of No. 41 in the Minisuick Angle by Richard Gosall.

TR 00 27 Feb 1765  Sarah Trebell, Williamsburg, to William Palfrey, Boston merchant.

TR 00 31 Aug 1765  B. Thompson to "My Lord."

TR 00 12 May 1766  Sarah Trebell, Williamsburg, to John Galt.

TR 00 16 Jan 1767  Sarah Trebell, Martin's Hundred, to John Galt.

TR 00 21 Apr 1767  Certificate of Naturalization for Matthew Sparr. Also note on Naturalization Act.

TR 00 4 May 1767  Will of Colonel Peter Randolph (1717-1767).

TR 00 25 Jun 1767  Edgehill Randolph to [Dr. William Small].
TR 00 8 Oct 1767 Deposition-- Francis Fauquier.


TR 00 8 Oct 1767 Table showing schedule of County Courts, 1712.

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TR 00 5 Aug 1768 Lord Botetourt's Commission.

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TR 00 30 Sep 1768 Concerning the refurbishing and packing of the state coach.

TR 00 17 Dec 1768 Peyton Randolph to Landon Carter.

TR 00 9 May 1769 Certification by Botetourt that Thomas Edward Gent, who certified the affidavit of Anthony Warwick, is one of the magistrates of Williamsburg.

TR 00 29 Jun 1769 Richard Henry Lee to William Lee.

TR 00 27 Oct 1769 Lord Botetourt to Marshman. Order to pay Rev. Mr. Commissary Harrocks.

TR 00 1769 Appraisement of the Estate of Mr. Edward Ambler.

TR 00 1769 Petition, Memorial, and Remonstrance prepared by the House of Burgesses to protest the Stamp Act. Consists of "The Petition to His Majesty," "The Memorial to the House of Lords," and "The Remonstrance to the House of Commons." Orig.: MS 00 1769

TR 00 31 Aug 1769 Robert Carter, William Nelson, and George Wythe to Francis Fauquier.
TR 00 31 May 1770  Francis Fauquier Jr. to Robert Carter.

TR 00 11 Sep 1770  Indenture of Jacob Averill as an apprentice to Gideon Kinne.

TR 00 10 Jan 1771  Will of Lord Botetourt.

TR 00 29/30 Oct 1771  Permit for Negro Bobb and Negro George to pass from Fredericksburg to James Mercer in Williamsburg without molestation.

TR 00 11 Feb 1772  John Banister to Ingles and Long.

TR 00 20 Nov 1772  Notes on the founding of the Virginian Society for the Promotion of Useful Knowledge.

TR 00 1 Dec 1773  Grant. Dunmore to William Bronaugh, James Craik, and George Muse.


TR 00 13 Jun 1774  Silas Deane, Clerk of the Committee of Correspondence, to Peyton Randolph, R.C. Nicholas and R. Bland.

TR 00 18 June 1774  Edward Foy to [?].

TR 00 1 Nov 1774  Deed of Philip Ludwell Grymes to James Hubbard.

TR 00 ca 1774  Rules to be observed by the Keeper and Matron at the Public Hospital For the Insane.

TR 00 1774–1795  From the Revolutionary Journal of David Sturrock, teacher and preacher, Sussex Co.

TR 00 25 Aug 1775  John Randolph's Deed of Trust on his Williamsburg property to Peyton Randolph, John Blair, and James Cocke.

TR 00 22 Oct 1775  James Montagu to the Principal Officers and
Commissioners of His Majesty's Navy.

TR 00 1775-1776 Three letters from Dunmore to William Woodford.

TR 00 1775 Character of Leading Men and Descriptions of Places in Virginia given to the Commander-in-Chief.

TR 00 1 Jul 1776 Issac Zane to Benjamin Williams or John Cronson.

TR 00 8 Nov 1776 John Adams to Abigail Adams.

TR 00 8 Nov 1776 J.R. Stratton to his sister, Bennis.

TR 00 4 May 1777 Account. Commonwealth of Virginia to Benjamin Powell.

TR 00 1 Sep 1777 Patrick Henry to Colonel Preston.

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TR 00 2 Jan 1778 Patrick Henry to Lt. Col. George Rogers Clark.

TR 00 10 Jun 1778 Deed. John and Jane Blair to Bartholomew Dandridge.

TR 00 7 Aug 1778 Patrick Henry to Henry Lee.

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TR 00 22 May-15 Jun 1779 Extracts from the Journal of Gov. Henry Hamilton.

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TR 00 1779-1796 Extracts from the Diary of Elizabeth Foote Washington.

TR 00 15 Jul 1780 Loose notes of the proceedings and sufferings of Gov. Henry Hamilton.
TR 00 16 Sep 1780 J.P. Custis to Price.

TR 00 3 Nov 1780 The Chevalier de la Luzerne to Mr. Gerald De Rayneval.

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TR 00 25 May 1781 Copy of Commission issued and signed by Patrick Henry to John Baynes.

TR 00 19/20 Oct 1781 Address of the Count de Rochambeau to the Council Assembled in Williamsburg.


TR 00 30 Oct 1781 Cornwallis to Henry Clinton.

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TR 00 24 Dec 1781 Quotation from letter of Rochambeau to Washington.

TR 00 15 Jan 1782 Address of the Corporation of the City of Williamsburg to Rochambeau.

TR 00 15 Jan 1782 Response from Rochambeau to the City of Williamsburg.

TR 00 23 Feb 1782 Washington to Rochambeau.

TR 00 11 Apr 1783 Proclamation by the U.S. Continental Congress, Declaring the Cessation of Arms.

TR 00 21 Apr 1783 Proclamation by Benjamin Harrison, Gov. of Virginia, enjoining everyone within the Commonwealth to obey the Proclamation of the
U.S. Continental Congress, 11 April 1783.

TR 00 12 Jul 1785 Memorandum of John Hawks on the design of Tryon Palace in New Bern, NC.

TR 00 3 Jan 1784 Charles Pettit et al to James Hunter et al.

TR 00 25 Feb 1784 Schedule of losses sustained by the Earl of Dunmore.

TR 00 13 Aug 1784 J. Barret to William Nelson.

TR 00 16 Aug 1784 Memorial of William Hunter to the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury. Also 28 Sep 1784: Hunter attended No. 2 Sugar Loaf and 30 Aug 1784: certification by Cornwallis that Hunter fought for the British.

TR 00 15 Oct 1784 Lawrence Butler to [Mrs. Craddock?]

TR 00 16 Dec 1784 Jeremiah Wadsworth to Col. M. Talcott.

TR 00 18 May 1785 George Mason to Col. John Fitzgerald.

TR 00 31 Jan 1786 Memorial of Mrs. Ariana Randolph.

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TR 00 30 Nov 1786 Petition of James, a slave of Will. Armistead.

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TR 00 23 Oct 1849   J. D. Davenport to his sister Mary Davenport Fore.

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TR 00 21 Aug 1867   Benjamin S. Ewell to Hugh Blair Grigsby.

TR 00 18 Sep 1867   Benjamin S. Ewell to Hugh Blair Grigsby. Includes Col Rives' Plans.

TR 00 [ca. 1865-75]   Extract from the Memoirs of Thomas Jefferson Randolph.

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TR 02

ABINGDON PARISH, 1677-1761. 1 volume. TR 02.

Register and index for Abingdon Parish, Gloucester County, Virginia.

Microfilm copy (M-82.14) available.
Ledgers, mainly dating from 1778-1798, kept by James Anderson (1740-1798), blacksmith in Williamsburg and Richmond, Virginia, who also served as public armorer and Captain of the Company of Artificers. Included are notations on the status of accounts, 1804-1805, made by John's son, Robert. The accounts show work done for Jacquelin Ambler, Daniel Broadhead, Edward Carrington, Mr. Carter, James Craig, Thomas Everard, Col. William Finnie, James Galt, John Greenhow, Humphrey Harwood, James Hubard, Thomas Jefferson, the Lunatic Hospital, Joseph Prentis, Edmund Randolph, John Saunders, Mr. Taliaferro, George Winston, and many others.

CWF MS 62.2. Microfilm copy (M-1060.2) and photocopy (PH/02/02) available.
Letters of Philip Barraud (1757-1830) to St. George Tucker. Barraud was a Williamsburg and Norfolk doctor. Letters concern Simon Bernard, John Hartwell Cocke, Bishop James Madison, John Randolph of Roanoke and others; Barrauds medical practice; life in Williamsburg and Norfolk; a trip to Jamestown; yellow fever epidemics in 1800 and 1821; the College of William and Mary; the Chesapeake-Leopard affair and the court martial of James Barron; the War of 1812; and the University of Virginia. Also includes letters written by Anne Barraud, Daniel Cary Barraud, Otway Byrd Barraud, Thomas Jefferson, J.T. Mason, Bishop James Madison, and William Tazewell. Also letters written to Joseph C. Cabell, Thomas Jefferson and Leila (Skipworth) Carter Tucker.

Original manuscripts at the College of William and Mary. Inventory available.
Official correspondence of Baron Botetourt, Virginia Governor (1768-1770). Includes acts, letters, reports to the King, representations to the King, Orders in the King's Council, House of Commons resolutions, and circular letters to Colonial Governors. Subjects include trade, English political authority, legislation in Williamsburg and London, Indian affairs, colonial dissatisfaction with the Crown, and other matters. Second volume consists of editorial notes.

Selected items from the Burwell family papers (CWF MS 64.4) include: account books kept by Carter Burwell (1716-1756), and his son, Nathaniel Burwell (1750-1814), for their plantation, Carter's Grove, James City County, Virginia. One account book contains accounts of their neighbor, James Bray (d. 1744), who ran a tannery and shoemaking shop at his plantation; others contain accounts for the building of Carter's Grove. The accounts include the names of James Anderson, (Gov.) Norborne Berkeley, Lord Botetourt, the Rev. John Bracken, Mrs. Ann Burwell, Armistead Burwell, John Carter, George Charleton, Josiah Chowning, Mrs. Davenport, Dr. John Minson Galt, [Gov.] William Gooch, Philip Grymes, Matthew Hubbard, William Moody, Hugh Nelson, John Norton, Dr. William Pasteur, Dr. John de Sequeyra, Richard Taliaferro, William Trebell, Robert Waller, Henry Wetherburn, Thomas Wharton, Ralph Worneley, and many others.

Microfilm copy (M-1557; M-1558) available.
Papers of Robert Carter (1728-1804) include letterbooks (1760-1793), Nomini Hall account book (1784-1785), and a listing of books in Carter's library.

Letterbooks (1760-1769) owned by CWF include letters to merchants in London, Glasgow, Leghorn, Madeira, New York City and Philadelphia, ordering goods for his family, slaves, and plantations, and transacting other financial business. Also, letters regarding the estates of Lt. Gov. Francis Fauquier (1703-1768), and Benjamin Tasker of Maryland, Carter's father-in-law; and letters on various subjects to relatives, overseers, and others. Prominent recipients of the letters include Sir Jeffery Amherst, Samuel Athawes, Cary & Co., Col. Charles Carter, Landon Carter, Daniel Dulany, Capel and Osgood Hanbury, Pringle, Cheap & Co., Edward Ransdell, and John Ridout. Note: first entries can be found in original at the Virginia Historical Society.*

Microfilm copy available (M-114).

Letterbooks (1772-1793) extracts from Duke University includes letters written to Burgess Ball, Robert Bladen Carter, Augustine Davis, Dudley Diggs, John Dixon, Lord Fairfax, Francis Fauquier, Jr., William Fitzhugh, William Holt, [?] Hunter, Thomas Jefferson, Dr. Walter Jones, Francis Lightfoot Lee, William Lee, Warner Lewis, Bishop James Madison, William Nelson, John Pinkney, Josiph Prentis, Robert Prentiss, Alexander Purdie, Peyton Randolph, Mrs. Anne Tasker, Henry Tazewell, John Tazewell, George Turberville, William A. Washington, and George Wythe. Subjects of letters include Lord Dunmore, Richard Bland Lee, George Mercer and William Small; the estate of Roger Dixon; church plate for Yeocomico Church; speech of Robert Carter to slaves concerning Dunmore's proclamation; gradual manumission of his slaves; care of illegitimate children and the disabled by the parish; ordering goods from England; sale of an organ. Other subjects include weights and measures, description of dwelling house, cornhouse, and kitchen to be built at "Old Ordinary," [Westmoreland Co., Va.]; two volumes from library of Council of Virginia; and work done at Moratico Baptist Church; and engraving to be done by William Waddill of Williamsburg.

*Virginia Historical Society has 1760 entries in original, the
Colonial Williamsburg Foundation has the rest.
Diaries of Robert Wormeley Carter (1734-1797) of Sabine Hall. Subjects consist of plantation matters including tobacco, corn and other crops, overseer agreements, slave clothing, share of crops with overseers and slaves; clothes completed by weavers; personal finances including money paid and due for gambling; dinner in Williamsburg; political matters, notes of birth, deaths, marriages and visits; poems; and other material.

See (M-1317.1) for microfilm copy and Manuscript Guide # 17 for the original of the 1776 diary. Other originals at the William L. Clements Library (1764-1765), the American Antiquarian Society (1774) and all others are at the College of William and Mary.
DAVID EDWARD CRONIN, THE VEST MANSION, 1862-1865. 1 vol. TR 09.

Consists of transcript of The Vest Mansion: Its Historical and Romantic Associations as Confederate and Union Headquarters (1862-1865) in the American Civil War, by David Edward Cronin (1839-1925), a member of the 1st N.Y. Mounted Rifles and provost marshall of Williamsburg. Contains background information on Confederate defenses and the Battle of Williamsburg (1862) but it is mainly an account of Williamsburg Va. under Union occupation. Cronin revisited the town in 1901 and recorded his impressions of that trip. People mentioned include Robert M. Garrett, Dr. Stuart Griffin, Moses Harrell, William S. Peachy, Elizabeth Van Lew, and William W. Vest. Subjects include Jamestown Island, the Vest mansion, the burning of the College of William and Mary, slavery, male and female spies, wartime Richmond, escapes from Libby Prison, Kilpatrick's Raid, the looting of the Wren Chapel, and a description of the Wythe House and its contents.

Original at the New York Historical Society. Photocopy and microfilm (M-1031) copies available.
TR 10

JOHN CUSTIS LETTERBOOK, 1717-1744. 2 volumes. TR 10.

Letterbook of John Custis (1678-1749), Williamsburg planter, horticulturalist, and husband of Francis Parke. Letterbook (1717-1744) contains drafts of letters concerning Custis' health, illness and medicine; the tobacco trade; problems with shipments between London and the James or York River; slave clothing; the slave trade (1736); the marriages of family members; personal finances; "infatuateing temptations"; Virginia political matters including the Governor's Council; gardening and horticultural matters; the lawsuits of Dunbar Parke concerning his wife's estates with relatives in Antiqua. Also mention of a disease from Africa (1742), wigs (1725), and Custis' opinion of newspapers (1726). Correspondents include James Blair, William Byrd II, Robert Cary, Mark Catesby, Peter Collinson, John Day, Richard Fitzwilliam, John Hansbury, Charles Higgs, Hugh Howard, Thomas Dunbar Parke, Mrs. Parke Pepper, Micajah Perry, Richard Perry, Sir John Randolph, Peyton Randolph, Rodney and John Starke, Ball & Dee, and Loyd & Cooper, Bristol.

DENIS DIDEROT, ENCYCLOPédIE TABLE OF CONTENTS. 1 volume. TR 11.

Guide in English to Diderot's Encyclopédie. Includes table of contents, and captions from selected illustrated plates.
TR 12

ROBERT DINWIDDIE CORRESPONDENCE, 6 volumes. TR 12.


Microfilm copy (M-26) available.
TR 13

JOHN MURRAY DUNMORE CORRESPONDENCE, 1771-1789. 3 volumes. TR 13.

Official correspondence (1771-1789) of Lord Dunmore, Governor of Virginia prior to the American Revolutionary War. Included are letters to and from Dunmore at Williamsburg (1771-1775) on board the Ship Dunmore, near Norfolk (1775-1776) and in London (1777-1789). Also includes appointments, circular letters, and legislation. Subjects include colonial legislation, trade, Indian matters, appointments to posts, Governor's Council and the Virginia House of Burgesses, the Revolutionary War, military matters, and intelligence information.

Original manuscripts owned by various repositories including the British Public Records Office, the New York Public Library, the Huntington Library, and the William L. Clements Library.
TR 14

FRANCIS FAUQUIER CORRESPONDENCE, 1756-1763. 6 volumes. TR 14.

Official correspondence (1758-1768) of Francis Fauquier, Lt. Governor of Virginia. Includes correspondence between London and Williamsburg, instructions, orders, commissions, depositions, circular letters, accounts for quitrents, lists of vessels with grain (1762) and payroll of recruits (1762). Subjects include Cherokee Indian affairs, military and troop matters, taxation, the College of William and Mary, privateering (1761), shipping, the Don Pedro Burmudez/ Norfolk riot affair (1761-1762), and the House of Burgesses. Correspondents include George Washington, William Pitt, William Byrd, Jeffrey Amherst, and William Henry Lyttleton.

Original manuscripts located in British Public Record Office, Lambeth Palace, Library of Congress, Huntington Library, State Historical Society of Wisconsin, the Maine Historical Society and CWF.
CHRISTIAN GOTTLIEB REUTER, FLORA AND FAUNA IN NORTH CAROLINA,
1760. 1 volume. TR 15.

Transcript (1760) of booklet by German surveyor, Christian Gottlieb Reuter (1717-1777) relating to the flora and fauna of North Carolina. Booklet contains definition of signs and letters in the land registers and descriptions of trees, bushes, herbs, plants, animals and birds in the Wachovia area of North Carolina.
Official correspondence of William Gooch (1681-1752), Governor of Virginia. Includes letters to the Board of Trade, the Secretary of State, the Bishop of London, and other British officials. Also includes commissions, depositions, reports, memorials, survey reports, instructions, acts of the Virginia House of Burgesses, examination (interrogation) of Indians, accounts for duties on imported slaves, quitrent accounts, answers to queries, and notes from the Board of Trade Journal. Subjects include taxation of tobacco, religion, Indians, military matters, legislation, privateers, administration of the colonies, pardons for criminals, relief for the destitute, fears of conspiracies among slaves, duties on goods, revenue, complaints of planters, and other matters.
Inventories of the personal estates of Lord Botetourt, Ann Arundal Co., MD merchant, Mareen Duvall (d. 1694), Francis Fauquier, Williamsburg tavernkeeper, Anthony Hay, Captain George Thorpe (d. 1634), and Alexander Spotswood. Also included are printed inventories; a name index to inventories and appraisal in the York County Records; and extracts from George Washington's ledgers (1750–1774). The Mareen Duvall inventory includes a glossary and an introduction.

Originals are in various repositories. Several other transcripts of inventories are available.
Extracts from the account book (1771-1780) of Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826). Includes payments for services, ferriages, books, food, household expenses, and many other expenses.

Original (M-1346.1) at the University of Virginia.
Ledger kept by Francis Jerdone (1721-1771), merchant in
Yorktown, Virginia, including accounts with individuals for goods
purchased from Jerdone, with merchants in Great Britain, and with
the ship captains who carried goods between Virginia and England;
lists of supplies of staples such as salt and rum; invoices for
tobacco shipped to England; and a summary of Jerdone's finances.

The accounts include those of Robert Anderson, John
Backhouse, Col. John Baylor, Col. John Chiswell, Henry Cooke, John
Cooper, Capt. Archibald Crawford, Robert Donald, John Goldsmith,
Dr. Alexander Jameson, Bennitt Kirby, Edward Lankford, Thomas
Nelson, John Norton, Mann Page, Proprietors of the Raleigh Tavern,
William Stevenson, John Thomson, John Winn, and George Wythe.

A name index to this volume has been prepared. Microfilm copy
(M-50) available. CWF MS 29.4.
Letters and papers of Francis Nicholson (1660-1728), one of the chief founders and benefactors of the College of William and Mary, Lieutenant-Governor of Virginia, 1690-1694, and Governor, 1698-1705. The papers contain five main subjects: the College; Nicholson's infatuation for Lucy Burwell; Nicholson's colonial administration; addresses to the Crown; and Church affairs. The feud between Nicholson and Commissary James Blair, President of the College, is apparent through all five.

The collection includes "Treatise on the Flora and Fauna of Virginia, 1680," an early partial copy of one of the first scientific accounts of Virginia's plants, insects, and mollusks, by the Rev. John Banister; a letter from Blair to Nicholson reporting Robert Boyle's bequest to the College, 27 February 1691/2; letters from John Locke to Nicholson and Blair; Blair's 1703 "Memorial Concerning my troubles and Conduct in Virginia with relacion to Governor Nicholson and the Causes of my Coming for England," which he sent Dr. Tenison, Archbishop of Canterbury; and a petition against Nicholson from members of the Council of Virginia to Queen Anne, 20 May 1703. Also, the draft of a letter from Nicholson to Henry Compton, Bishop of London, requesting that his "Accusers may be obliged to give Under their hands what they have to lay to my Charge," 29 July 1702.

Among the correspondents are Lewis Burwell, Benjamin Harrison, the Rev. Mungo Ingles, Richard Ingoldsby, the Rev. Owen Jones, Philip Ludwell, Lord Nottingham, Col. Robert Quary, Lt. John Riggs, and Lord Weymouth.

Microfilm copy (M-1554) available. CWF MS 43.4.

Additional Francis Nicholson typescripts and summaries consist of letters to Nicholson during his appointments as governor of Maryland and South Carolina, and letters relating to the estate of Nicholson. Included are letters concerning English politics, government, and elections (1695/6-1724); political matters in Europe; deaths in England as a result of politics, old age or disease; schools in Maryland (1698); and some Colonial
matters. Also letters, memorandum, and opinions dealing with Nicholson's land in Maryland which was willed to the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. Letters mostly sent from London, England and Maryland. Correspondents include Henry Compton, Ellway Knight, Walter Cary, the Arch. Bishop of Canterbury, Rev. Jacob Henderson (of Maryland), and David Humphries (secretary of the S.P.G.) CWF MS 86.10.
JOHN NORTON CORRESPONDENCE, 1766-1782. 1 volume. TR 22.

See CWF Manuscript Guide # 52 (MS 36.3) for a complete description. Transcripts consist of selected items (1766-1771) from CWF originals. Several items (1773-1820) owned by other repositories and not included in the description are included. These items concern the Revolutionary War, trade, and business accounts.

Microfilm copy (M-1485.1–8) available.
TR 23

JOHN HATLEY NORTON LETTERS, 1764-1820. 1 volume. TR 23.

See CWF Manuscript Guide # 52 (MS 36.3) for a complete description. Transcripts of selected letters of John Hatley Norton from CWF originals. Includes name index. Also includes some accounts and 18th and 19th century genealogical information.

Microfilm copy (M-1485.1-8) available.
Williamsburg-related data transcribed by Mary Goodwin, CWF, Dept. of Research and Records, Jan. 1931. from the records of the British Public Records Office, London. Includes correspondence, accounts, deposition, reports, and other material (1691-1784). Subjects include the Capitol at Williamsburg, the Governor's Palace, the College of William and Mary, colonial building materials, clergy and religion, and colonial political matters. Names mentioned include Lord Dunmore, Francis Nicholson, William Randolph, and many others. Also includes annotation to some of the records and name and subject indexes.
QUITRENTS STATISTICS, 1700-1773. 1 volume. TR 25.

Report on quitrents in Colonial Virginia consist of statistical summaries of quitrent paid by Virginians (1700-1773). Includes a list of accounts, receipts and disbursements, and quitrent payments by county which list amount of acres, amount paid, amounts for sheriff's commission and total quitrent. Some counties records list payments with tobacco. Compiled by George Reese.
REV. ROBERT ROSE DIARY (ANNOTATED), 1746-1751. 1 volume. TR 26.

See CWF Manuscript Guide # 63 (MS 41.9) for description. This transcript has been edited by Frederick T. Bowes. Included are a biographical introduction and annotations.

Diary of the Rev. Robert Rose (1704-1751), minister of St. Anne's Parish, Essex County, Virginia, 1727-1748, where he succeeded the Rev. John Bagge, and of St. Anne's Parish, Albemarle County, Virginia, 1748-1751. The fact that Rose was named an executor of his estate by Lt. Gov. Alexander Spotswood adds to the impression that Rose was a friend, and perhaps a protege, of the Governor.

The diary reveals Rose as a planter, businessman, surveyor, doctor, and lawyer, as well as a minister and a frequent traveler between Albemarle and Essex counties. In making these trips he passed through Stafford, Spotsylvania, Louisa, Orange, and Culpeper counties, visiting the leading families and sometimes preaching, marrying, or baptizing. He visited friends in western Virginia, going as far as the Cow Pasture River, sleeping out in cold weather, and drinking "wretched" whiskey for want of something better. There are three entries for visits to Williamsburg. Most of the entries are brief, but there is a long exposition, dated 28 August 1750, on the curing of tobacco.

Microfilm copy (M-47) photocopy (PH/02/10) available.
Selected correspondence, journals, poems and other material of the Tucker-Coleman. Papers consist mostly of correspondence of St. George Tucker and his family. Correspondents include Henry Tucker Sr., Henry Tucker Jr., Anne Tucker, Frances Bland Tucker, Esther Tucker, Leila Tucker, Frances Coalter, John Coalter, and St. George Tucker. Much of the material concerns family matters, the Revolutionary War, politics, and many other subjects. Also includes journal to Charleston, S.C., a journal of the siege of Yorktown (1781) and a "bill for founding a state university near Charlottesville." Correspondents from Williamsburg, Bermuda, and Elm Grove. Card index available.

Original manuscripts at the College of William and Mary.
TR 28

TUCKER FAMILY POEMS AND PLAYS, 1771-1818. 1 volume. TR 28.

Transcripts include poems, plays, and a table of contents (1717-1781). Also includes two plays on the War of 1812: The Times or The Patriot Rous'd and The Patriot Cool'd.

Originals at the College of William and Mary.
Translations of French documents in VCRP survey reports. Records consist mostly of reports by French diplomatic and military officials on the progress of the Revolutionary War, combat in the Chesapeake Bay, and make-up of the new United States. Reports from Douches, Comte de Vaugoraud, Le Chev. de Monteil, Comte de Grasse, and M. de la Luzerne. Also some communications from Arthur Lee and George Washington.

Original records in the French Biblioteque Nationale and the French Foreign Office Archives.
Papers consist of correspondence mostly between Judge Joseph Prentis and his son, Joseph Prentis Jr. Other correspondents include Robert Prentis (1742-ca.1835), David Meade (1744-1829), Robert Saunders (1761-1835), Robert Anderson (1781-1859), Peter Bowdin, Joseph Prentis Sr. and Joseph Prentis Jr. Also includes Joseph Prentis' Garden Book (1784-1788) and "The Monthly Kalender" (1775-1779) and various letters, inventories and receipts concerning John Prentis & Co., Williamsburg. Subjects include legal, financial and family matters; Williamsburg gossip and social life; travel to Kentucky and Trinidad; and many other matters. Much of the material is divided by correspondent. Several correspondence files include name and subject indexes.
General Introduction

The transcripts of the Webb-Prentis Collection date from 1767 to 1851 and contain approximately 700 items. The collection consists mainly of correspondence and financial records. The bulk of this correspondence is between Judge Joseph Prentis (1754-1809) and his son Joseph Prentis, Jr. (1783-1851) and relate to their financial and political activities, the major focus is the social and family aspect of their lives. This collection reflects a participant's view of Williamsburg's society and its activities.

Of particular note is a short series of letters, inventories, receipts and other items which deal exclusively with the mercantile business, John Prentis & Co., in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Biographical Notes on Judge Joseph Prentis

1754 Born in Williamsburg, Virginia
1775 Delegate to the Fourth Virginia Convention
1776 Williamsburg's representative to the House of Delegates
1777 Attended the College of William and Mary. Elected York County's representative to the House of Delegates. Married Margaret Bowdoin: two sons and two daughters (Joseph, b. 1783; John, b. 1789; Elizabeth, b. 1791; Mary Ann, b. 1796)
1782-86 York County's representative to the House of Delegates
1782 Purchased property known as "Green Hill" in
Williamsburg, Virginia

1786-88 Speaker of the House of Delegates

1789-1809 Judge of the General Court

1791 Elected to the Board of Visitors for the College of William and Mary

1809 Died Williamsburg, Virginia

Biographical Notes on Joseph Prentis, Esquire

1783 Born at "Green Hill" in Williamsburg, Virginia

1801 Attended the College of William and Mary

1804 Passed the Virginia Bar examination

1805 Established law practice in Suffolk, Virginia

1810 Married Susan Caroline Riddick: two daughters and three sons (Margaret Susan B., 1810; Marianna Saunders B., 1812; Robert Riddick B., 1818; Peter Bowdoin B., 1820; John Brooke B., 1822)

1811 Appointed Surveyor of Suffolk Port

1821 Appointed Surveyor and Inspector of Revenue for Suffolk

1824 Elected to the Board of Visitors for the College of William and Mary

1829-30 Member of Virginia Constitutional Convention

1838-51 Clerk of Nansemond County Court

1851 Died Suffolk, Virginia

Organizational Statement

The transcripts of the Webb-Prentis Collection are arranged chronologically by date of composition. The collection is divided by years into five binders, with the undated material at the end of the fifth binder:
TR 30.1 1767-1803
TR 30.2 1804-June 1807
TR 30.3 July 1807-1812
TR 30.4 1813-1827
TR 30.5 1828-1851 and undated material

The following guide is an item-by-item analysis of the entire contents of the collection. Each entry includes (where the data is available) the date, name and location of author(s), the name and location of the recipient, and a brief summary of the subjects and individuals discussed.

Scope and Content

The transcripts of the Webb-Prentis papers span the years 1767 to 1851. The bulk of the papers, however, consists of correspondence (1796-1809) between Judge Joseph Prentis and his son Joseph Jr. This series of letters covers the period of Judge Prentis's district court circuits and young Joseph's move to Suffolk to establish a law practice. The collection actually centers around father and son: their friends, activities and thoughts. Both Judge Prentis and his son were members of the Board of Visitors for the College of William and Mary. Thus, a continuing interest in the institution is illustrated throughout the collection.

The collection begins with a number of items that relate to the partnership of John Blair and Col. John Prentis in the John Prentis & Co. Store (formerly known as the William Prentis & Co. Store). Of particular interest are invoices and receipts for merchandise offered for sale. Correspondence from Robert Prentis (1742-c.1805) to his cousin Judge Joseph Prentis discusses his travels, business ventures, and lifestyle in Trinidad.

Part of the collection's value lies in the descriptive letters to Judge Prentis from his nephew David Meade (1744-1829). Meade, originally from Norfolk, Virginia, travels to Kentucky in 1796. His letters give an explicit account of the journey and his new life in Kentucky.

Another interesting and valuable portion of the collection is the correspondence from Robert Saunders (1761-1835), a Williamsburg lawyer and personal friend. Saunders writes not only of legal and financial concerns, but also of the
gossip and social events of Williamsburg. Several amusing letters (1805-1811) from Robert Anderson, a boyhood friend of Joseph Jr., present a younger man's view of Williamsburg society (and the Williamsburg taverns).

Transcripts of documents and letters from notable figures are also in the collection. Among these are congressmen, senators, presidents and professors of the College of William and Mary, the Secretary of State, and the President of the United States.

The emphasis of the Webb-Prentis Collection is not on the important historical events of the time, but rather on how those events affected the daily lives and interactions of the authors and recipients. The wills, detailed house inventories, business invoices, and receipt aid the correspondence in making this a valuable tool for research.

Statement of Provenance

The transcripts of the Webb-Prentis papers in the Research Archives of Colonial Williamsburg are taken from the original manuscripts in the Alderman Library at the University of Virginia. The transcripts are for reference use only. Permission to quote from the papers must be obtained from the Curator of Manuscripts, University of Virginia Libraries, Charlottesville, Virginia, 22901.

1. 1767 February. Mary Prentis, Williamsburg. Last will and testament.  
   **Names:** Sarah Waters, Elizabeth Prentis, Anne Walker, Robert Prentis, John, William, Daniel, and Joseph Prentis.

2. 1770 April 5 – August 31  
   a) Arthur Jkin, Leeds, to George Pitt.  
   Advises Pitt of prior correspondence and his delay
at assizes.

b) Richard Wall, Bewdley, to Robert Prentis, Bristol. Concerns Wall's land petition and his inability to come to Bristol to see Prentis.

c) Richard Wall, Bewdley, to Robert Prentis. Concerns possibility of Wall recovering land in America.

3. 1773 September 10. Peterfield Trent, Richmond, to John and Robert Prentis, merchants, Williamsburg. Concerns Trent's debt to the Prentis brothers and his inability to make payment at that time.

4. 1774 January 2. John Prentis, Williamsburg. Last will and testament. Mentions his slaves (waiting boy Alex, Mulattos Pompey, Effy, Rachel and Nancy) and gives man squire choice of next master.

   Names: Mr. Evans, Mr. Farrell, John Norton, Mr. Athawes.

   Names: John Powell at Virginia Coffee House, Betsy Dixon, George (?), Tommy (?), Bishop of Carlisle.
   Figures on back of letter from George Pitt are dated July 1795. Received by George Pitt: Sugar (20 lb), Pocket Handf (15).


Jno. Bowdoin received from Wm. Page eleven pounds 13/4 (in full) for 200 bushels of oats sold by Colo. Lewis Burwell, Senior.

9. 1775 June 27. John Blair to Col. John Prentis (accepted by Robert Prentis for John)
A bill of transactions regarding use of Robert Neck's estate.
Names: John Tazewell.

10. 1775 August 24. Thomas Shripton, London, to Prentis,
Williamsburg. Correspondence and state of Prentis account sheet. Concerns state of Prentis Esquire & Co. account with Shripton. Mentions the worsening political and economic situation between England and America. Also includes itemized account sheet.

Concerning updated standing of the Prentis account. Mentions John Prentis's illness [presumed to be John Sr.]
Names: Peter Presley Thornton, James Russel.

12. 1775 November 4. John Blair to Robert Prentis,

13. 1775 December 5. John Blair to Robert Prentis,
Williamsburg. Correspondence. Concerns the possibility of ending or suspending their trade partnership. Covers other business (trivial).
Names: Mrs. Graingar, Mrs. Blair, Mr. Cary.

14. 1776 March 5. Robert Prentis, Williamsburg, to Captain Phripp (?).
Correspondence. Concerns Prentis's attempt to collect Mr. Bradley's rather large debt. Other transaction noted.
Names: Captain Willis Wilson, Col. Mosely, Mr. Curle, Miss Armistead.

Correspondence. Concerns a transaction to pay Blair's subscription to the linen manufactory.
Names: Mr. Robert Nicolson, Mr. Hornsby.

Receipt. Concerns a payment to Prentis's estate from wages received from Randolph's service in the militia.

Receipt. Concerns Prentis's payment to Blair.

18. 1779 April 22. John Blair.
Receipt. Concerns Prentis's payment to Blair.

Receipt and short note. Transaction directing Prentis to pay Bowdoin's bill at Mr. Maupin & Co. from his account.

Correspondence. Concerns a shipment of tobacco to St. Thomas. Mentions the assembly and a battle in the West Indies.
Names: Captain Bright, Mr. Webb and Mr. Tucker, Munro Banister, Digges, Smith, Mr. Power, Richard Corbin.

Letter. Concerns Meade's option to buy his brother Andrew out of the mercantile/trade business. Meade wishes to know extent of debt and asks for Driver's advice.
Names: Mr. Randolph, Mr. Walker, Josiah Jordon.

22. 1782 September 27. David Meade, Maycox, to John Driver, Suffolk.
Correspondence. Concerns Meade's option (see above) and questions amount of debt to Driver and Meade.
Names: Mr. Randolph, John Overstreet.

Letter. Concerns more business matters. More of Driver advising him on lawyers, Meade orders tar., etc.
Names: Jacob Collin, S. M. Randolph, R. Baker (& firm of Baker & Hardys), Mr. Kello, Mr. Crew.

Concerns Prentis's attempt to collect debt of the late Col. Dangerfield.
Names: Col. Jamison.

Mentions the "long unhappy dispute between Great Britain and America is at last brought to a conclusion." Wants Prentis to settle their account.
Names: Capt. Lyall.

26. 1783 March 15. David Meade, Maycox, to John Driver, Suffolk.
Letter. Discusses debt collection, building.
Names: Williams, Mr. Randolph, Baker, Hardy, Mr. Hills, Mr. Banister, Lord Granville, Mr. Roberts, John H. Norton, Mr. Richardson, W. Riddicks, Mr. Jordon, Mr. Beall.

Letter and receipts. Concerns transactions, payment for shipment of tobacco.

Letter. Mentions the Revolutionary War in retrospect. Advises Prentis that he has credit on Athawes accounts for the sale of tobacco in 1775.

Letter. Concerns deflated price for tobacco, delays in traveling, possibility of taking cargo to West Indies. Slaves mentioned. Political and military situation, current prices in New York noted.
Names: Col. Robinson, Chevalier, Mr. Jameson, Captain Boyd, Spencer Boyd, Mr. Ingram, Howes, Gen. Clinton, H. Walker, Mr. McCauley, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Powers.
Letter.  Concerns the Carter Braxton affair (look at previous letter).  Mentions his wish to quit trade business in Williamsburg.  Writes of Connecticut customs and manners.  Comments on religion in Connecticut:  "too religious to be commonly honest."
Names:  Robert Burwell, Mr. Blair, Parson Davenport, Mr. Hunter, Doctor Pitts.

Letter.  Concerns the above-mentioned affair in more detail.
Names:  Blaikeley, Mark Leavenworth, atty., Col. Wadsworth.

Letter.  Personal letter concerning trip and stay in Antigua, instructions if Joseph wishes to sell the store.
Names:  Mr. Carter Braxton, Mrs. Waters.

Letter.  Concerns Baxter and Prentis' risk in this voyage -- sheep, tar and flour, molasses, rum sugar.

Letter.  Concerns an unpaid bill of 1775 from Thomas Shrimpton.

A personal cover letter (over Braxton's) talking of Granada's climate, visiting relatives.
Names:  Mr. Blair, Margaret (Peggy) Prentis.

He writes again of the joint business (buying cattle).  Mentions the war.
Names:  James Campbell, George Campbell.

Letter.  Advises Prentis to obtain credit, commission a vessel and buy rum.  Mentions possibility of Congress prohibiting English ships into U.S. ports.  Lists prices
for goods.
Names: Capt. Fling, Mr. Campbell, Mr. Robinson.

Letter. More about the shipping business. Mentions the war.
Names: Mr. Blaikley, Mr. Leavenworth.

Letter. Writes of the previously mentioned business failure. Asks Hornsby to come and visit, plans for future meetings.
Names: Mr. Beall, Mr. Braxton.

Names: Mr. Hornsby, Mr. Blair, Mr. Bealls, Mr. Davenport, Doctor George Pitt, Mr. Bickerton, Carter Braxton.

Copy letter. Concerning venture business and its failing.
Names: Joseph Campbell, George Campbell & Co.

Names: Chevalier and Pinto, George Campbell & Co.
Mr. Leavenworth. Webb & Co., Mr. Morris, Mr Gouvernor, Mrs. Laneville.

Letters. Concerns the debt due to Dr. Pitt's estate.
Names: Mr. Hunter, Mr. Russell.

44. 1784 June 1. Robert Prentis, Trinidad, to Carter Braxton.
Letter. Concerns legal problem with Pinto and the Captain of the ship, settlement the Governor of Trinidad.
Names: Chavier, Mr. Joseph Campbell, Colo. Corbin.

Letter. More of the same...depressing news. 
Names: Col. Williams, Joseph Campbell, Mr. Athawes, Mrs. Corbin, Mr Keps.

Letter. Asking for a loan to pay off a large debt. 
Names: G. Nicholson.

47. 1784 September 11. William Prentis, Richmond, to ? (Joseph Prentis?). 
(Mentions his Uncle Robert's debt also.) William wants to put Molly up for sale to pay debt--slave? horse? 
Name: Harrison Randolph.

Writes of more difficulties, business-wise. 
Names: Mr. Castela and Apelon, merchants, B. Harrison.

Letter. More misfortunes (storm damages the brig), most of the cargo, mules and oxen parish. Setting out once again. 
Names: Mr. Scott, Mr. Girraud, McBurnie & Co., Mr. Agiton.

50. 1784 November 9. Preeson Bowdoin, Richmond, received from Joseph Prentis. 
Receipt.

Name: Benjamin Harrison, Jr.

Letter of transaction. Directs Prentis to pay Col. Burwell Bassett what Mr. Hunter owes.
Letter. Concerns debt collection and an order for butter which he says to be scarce.
Names: Mr. Moseley, Thomas Newton (Jr.), Capt. Lillys.

Will and executor of estate, last will and testament.
Names: Mrs. Waters, William Hornsby, William Prentis.
Witnesses: James Scott, William Prentis.
Enclosed letter gives Joseph power of attorney to Robert.

55. 1786 June 23. Robert Prentis, Trinidad, to Joseph Prentis,
Letter and invoice. Explains about the will and power of attorney. Directs Joseph to settle his affairs in Virginia. (includes invoice and listing of goods).
Names: William Prentis, Carter Braxton, Mr. Bealls, J. Pierce, James Campbell, Mr. Blair.

56. 1786 July 7. William, St. George's, to Robert Prentis.
Concerns a lawsuit regarding payment for an anchor from the brig. Informs Robert that he was not held responsible, so he may return to Granada without fear of arrest.
Names: William Henley, George Campbell, Dr. Neiper, Harrison & Hinoe, Mr. Ruddock, James Campbell, Mr. Scott, Donald Campbell, William Robertson.

57. 1786 July 10. William Prentis, St. George's, to Robert Prentis, Trinidad.
Letter. Last minute business--Mr. Scott's watch repaired and news of the brig's anchor.
Names: George Campbell, Mr. Hall, Mr. Bennet, Mr. Robertson, Mr Munro, David Anderson, David Clunie.

Questions concerning some accounts collected by Prentis.

59. 1787 October 1. Robert Prentis, Trinidad, to Joseph Prentis, Williamsburg. Writes of misfortunes. Wonders about William's fate for he has not heard from him. Mentions his slave Peter which he sent back for
William Hornsby.

Names: Carter Braxton, Bealle, James Scott, Robert Collins & Co., Mr. Gilbert Robinson, James Campbell, Mr. Norton, Richard Coupland.

Commission to Prentis of a judge of the General Court.

Letter. Concerning account.

Receipt. Concerns account.
Names: Mry Baylor, Robert Prentis, Alexander Spotswood.

Settlement of Carter's debt to Thomas Morse.
Names: Mr. Thomas Morse, Henry Morse.

64. 1789 August 29. William Prentis to Joseph Prentis, Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns "Frank" Robert's slave he gave to Hornsby. Mentions Joshua, another Prentis slave, and furniture of Robert's.

Concerns transfer of deed for a lot in Williamsburg (possibly lot 41).
Names: Mr Lafargue, James Campbell, Mr. Coupland, Mr. Scott.

66. 1790(?) Account transfer.
Names: Edmund Randolph, Joseph, Mr. Pierce.


68. 1791 March 28. A. Spotswood to Joseph Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerning above debt, same feelings.
Name: Mr. Benjamin Day.

Letter. Copy of March 28th 1791 letter--also again asks for answer.
Name: General Spotswood.

70. 1791 June 18. Robert Prentis, Trinidad, to Joseph Prentis, Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns the sale of house and lot in Williamsburg (possibly lot 41) to settle some debts.
Names: J. Norton & Sons, Mr. Scott, Mr. Allason, Lord Dunmore, Mr. Ker, Mr. Lafarge, Mr Athawe, Mr. Hartfords, Mr. James Campbell.

Letter. Concerns Robert's will and some transactions.
Names: Captain Dulton, Reverend Dickson, Mr. Norton, Mr. Stoit & Tate, Mr. Allason, Mr. Davenport, Hunter & Dixon, Doctor Pitt, Col. Corbin, W & J Hornsby.

72. 1794 October 28. David Meade, Maycox, to John Driver(?).
Letter. Concerns British retribution for American property destroyed in the war. Talks of his moving to Kentucky.

Business transaction, debt settlement.
Names: Col. Carter, Mr. Fitshugh, Mrs. Baylors.


75. 1796 February 27. David Meade, Williamsburg, to John Driver, Suffolk.
Letter. Concerns a business proposition which requires Driver's immediate attention.
Names: Mr. Waller.

77. 1796 April 10. David Meade, Maycox, to John Driver, Suffolk. Business concerns and transactions. Names: Mr. Robert Bolling, Mr. Waller, Mr. Wycombe, Major Eggleston, R. Randolph, John Drew.


80. 1796 September 19. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Charlottesville, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg. Advises Jr. to study at his books for "your advancement at college." Is sending him a "pair of hansome overalls."


82. 1796 December 12. David Meade, Chaumiere des Prairies, Fayette County, Kentucky, to Joseph Prentis, Williamsburg. Concerns social life of daughter Sally, the construction of his house, life in Kentucky. Name: Mr. Otway Byrd.
83. 1797 June 13. David Meade, Chaumiere des Prairies, to ? (J. Prentis, Williamsburg?)
Talks of his labor force (hired and slave), his house, his children, and his friends in Kentucky.
Names: John Clay, George Royster, Carter B. Harrison, Judge Wilson, Col. George Thompson, Roger Thompson, Col. Byrds, John Hornsby, William Hornsby.

84. 1797 June. Sally Meade, Chaumiere des Plains, to Joseph Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns the house and life in Kentucky. Mentions a new nephew, (young Sally's husband?), Charles Byrd.
Names: Mr. Hornsby, Daingerfield, Sarah Waters.

85. 1797 July 29. David Meade, Kentucky, to Judge (Joseph) Prentis, Williamsburg. Concerns Mr. Hornsby's journey to Williamsburg and the health of the Meade family. Included also a list of desired flowering seeds.
Name: Mr. Clay.

86. 1797 September 13. David Meade, Kentucky, to Swepson, Suffolk. Concerns legal proceedings against Meades and Driver. Directs Swepson to his attorney--Mr. Bolling.
Names: Benjamin Waller, Mr. Driver, Mr. Fisher, Mr. Skinner, Mr. Iredell, Willis, and Samuel Riddick, Mr. Allmond, Mr. Wakelin Welsh.

Letter. Concerns Meade's financial situation including corn and wheat prices, talks of Judge Prentis's salary being raised, climate and family's health.
Names: Col. George Nicholass, John Hall, Judge Wilson, Judge Fleming, Mr. Hornsby, James Craig, Miss Byrd, Mrs. Andrews, Mr. Bealls.

Concerns problems with correspondence getting to them.
89. 1798 April 30. David Meade, Kentucky, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg. 
Letter. More about crops, stock, land prices, etc. Does mention that the president of William and Mary plans to visit and live (?) in Kentucky. 
Names: Col. Gabriel Madison, Peyton Skipwith, Judge Tucker, John Walker, Mr. Short, Charles Byrd.

Letter. Inquires about affairs in Williamsburg (basically the store, etc.), writes of his life in Trinidad. 
Name: William Handley.

Letter. Life in Kentucky, land prices and buying, son David's trip down the Ohio River, vegetation, wild flowers. 
Names: Judge Fleming, Mr. Murray, Charles Byrd, Mr. Tucker Woodson.

Letter. Concerns life in Trinidad (being poor), mentions the English military government which is now in control of the island since the English war with France. 
Names: John Allason, Gilbert Robertson.

93. 1799 April 23. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Charlottesville, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg. 
Letter. Concerns family civilities, his travelling from court to court. Inquires if Pompey (slave) has done his chores correctly. 
Names: Mr. Coalter, Mr. Walker, Mr Fitshughs.

94. 1799 April 23. David Meade, Kentucky, to Judge Prentis (Joseph). 
Letter. Concerns plants and crops. 
Names: Mr. Carneau, Reverend S. Davis, Judge Fleming, E. Winston.
Personal letter. Concerns crops, state politics, his daughter's upcoming wedding.
Names: Mr. Andrews Monroe, Col. James Monroe, Judge Fleming, Judge Tucker, Nathaniel Massey.

Letter. Concerns his wishes for the store and lot in Williamsburg. Also defines the contents of his will.
Names: William Hornsby, Norton and Sons.

Letter. Concerns an order of flour he can't send, family news, baby expected.
Names: Tukey Bowdoin, Jemmy Wallace, Mr. Reddy.

March 27. David Meade, Kentucky, to Joseph Prentis (?), Williamsburg. Concerns marriage of daughter Susan, David's trip to New Orleans, son-in-law Charles Byrd appointed Secretary and Lieutenant Governor of the N.W. territory.
Names: Judge Fleming, Baron-de-Bastrop, Nathaniel Massee, Betsy Miller, Col. Nicholas, Mr. and Mrs. Toulmin, Doctor Prestly.

Letter. Concerns an amount of sterling left to Joseph in Robert's will.
Name: William Prentis.

Concerns collecting some payments and payment of outstanding bills.

Letter. Concerns his uncle in Trinidad and his family (new son John).
Names: Mr Pleasants, Col. Hamilton.
102. 1800  November 12. David Meade, Kentucky.
House of plan Chaumiere des Prairie by David Meade.

Talks of his (Robert's) old age.
Name: William Prentis (W.P.).

Letter. Mentions Joseph Prentis's sickness. Also mentions W. P.'s printing business, family news.
Names: James Wallace, Mrs. Kid, Mr. Bate, Robert Prentis.

105. 1801  March 27. Sally Meade, Kentucky, to Mrs. Sarah Waters.
Letter. Concerns family (health, doings, etc.). Also mentions seeds and flowers.
Names: Mr. Beale, Mr. Short, George Royster, Col. Skipwith, Mr. Toulman, Col. Massie.

Letter. Concerns a shopping and visiting trip to Richmond. Asks for money to purchase items for the family.
Names: Mr. Jones, Mrs. Craig, Mr. Wiseham, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Braddock, Mr. Still.

Letter. Concerning her doings in Richmond as she recuperates from an illness.
Names: Mr. Jones, Mrs. Craig, Mrs. Foushee, Mr. Stills.

Letter. Concerns her convalescence in Richmond at the home of her sister.
Names: Mrs. Foushee, Mrs. Powell, Mrs. Craig, Mr. Wiseham.

More about her illness.

Names: Mrs. Tucker, Williamsburg, Mr. Andrews.

Letter. Concerns wife and daughter's illness and trip home.

111. 1801  June 17. J. Prentis, Sr., Richmond, to Joseph, Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns his wife and daughter's sickness and slow recovery.

112. 1801  June 20. Sr. Prentis, Richmond to Joseph, Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Talk of women's illness.

113. 1801  July 23. David and Sally Meade, Kentucky, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns the death of Sarah Waters (Sally's mother). Interesting paragraph on selling slaves-- some moral statements.
Names: Mr. Brough, George Royster, Mr. B Waller.

Letter. Concerns some letters taken en route by a Spanish ship.

Letter. Concerns the death of their sister (Sarah Prentis Waters) and the disposal of her estate. Also mentions the death of Joseph's wife. Advises Joseph to move to the country. Also of his young son John's illness

116. 1801  List of household inventory of Joseph Prentis estate.

117 1801  September 30. J. Prentis, Sr. Fredericksburg, to J. Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns his rainy trip to Fredericksburg for the opening of court sessions there.

118. 1801  October 2. Robert Prentis, Trinidad, to Joseph Prentis, Williamsburg.
Letter. About conveying the Williamsburg store and lot to William (James Perry).

Letter. Directs household business. Directions for woodcutting, John's schooling, shingling the spring house, etc.

120. 1801 October 10. J. Prentis, Sr., Fredericksburg, to J. Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Concerns his stay there and in 15 days moving the court to Dumfries.

121. 1801 October 26. J. Prentis, Sr., Dumfries, to J. Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Concerns the packet of cravats Sr. has sent to Jr. Also of the court business there. (No specifics.)
Names: Mons Dormoy, (W), R. INNES.

A legal document signing over his old mill estate officially to Mr. Benjamin Waller.

123. 1801 November. David Meade (?) to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns journey home to Kentucky, and the business with Waller (see last letter).
Name: Mr. Randolph.

Asking for the release of some Negroes to Mr. Prentis or Mr. Bolling. A list of Negroes enclosed.

125. 1802 February David Meade, Sr., Kentucky, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns his journey home and the building of a new school house.
Name: Cary & Co.

126. 1802 April 2. David Meade, Jr., Petersburg, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns some business affairs. Mentions attorney's fees.

Names: Robert Randolph, Attorney Robinson, Mr. Lewis, Mr. McRae.

127. 1802 April. David Meade, Sr., Kentucky, to Judge Prentis Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns the deed (and transfer of it) for the mill creek property.
Names: Ryland Randolph, Judge Fleming.

Late bill.

Letter. Concerns the transfer of the Williamsburg store and lot to William Prentis. Mentions the political situation in Trinidad.
Names: Mr. Perry, Mr. Bradshaw, Col. Fullerton, Admiral Hood, Governor Picton, W. Hornsby.

130. 1802 October. Joseph, Sr., Northampton, to Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns voyage over and directions for garden care.
Name: N. Taylor, York.

131. 1802 October. J. Prentis, Sr., Yorktown, to J. Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns voyage.

Letters. Concerns family wishes for Jr.'s return. Sr. writes of promised seeds, John of horses and hunting, Elisa writes of Mary's health.
Names: Mr. Stratton, Mr. McCrosky & Co., Louisa Bowdoin.

133. 1802 November 25. David Meade, Kentucky, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns Sally's mother's legacy (a plate). Wants to sell it and buy a piano-forte. A list of Negroes to be withdrawn from the mortgage.
Names: Mr. Greenhow, Charles Byrd, Nathaniel Massie, Susan Bowdoin.

134. 1802  December 31.  Accounts (bills and receipts).
Names: Mrs. Charlton, Joseph Prentis, Robert Saunders.

Letter. Concerns deed to store and lot 41 in Williamsburg. Repeats that he will never return to the United States.
Name: Mr. Bradshaw.

136. 1803  February 17. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Concerns some trees and order for asparagus that Peter desires. Mentions a terrible storm that broke the moorings of two of his boats. A list of names and numbers (some from Williamsburg).
Names: Semple, Cary Bassett, Griffin, John Stratton, Mr. Whites (E.S.), Doctor Wise (E.S.).

137. 1803  February 26. Sally Meade, Kentucky, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Letter. Advises Joseph to sell her mother's plate so she can get a piano-forte.
Names: Miss Susan Bowdoin.

Name: Mr. Coulter, Staunton.

139. 1803  April 8. J. Prentis, Sr., Staunton, to Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Advises Jr. on running household and contains interesting remarks on a few murder trials he has heard--worth looking at! "In every part of the country I find the crime of murder too prevalent." Also Prentis family boarding friend's sons at college.
Names: Mr Coalter, (Staunton), Ratcliff, (Williamsburg), Mr. Powell, (Williamsburg), Doctor Hopkins, (Charlottesville), John Tucker and James Bowdoin (Williamsburg).
Letter. Concerns the death of Peter's sister's husband (no names). The sister is left "the palace lands" but intends to live in Williamsburg.
Names: Mr. Tucker, Mr. Andrews, Mr. Prentis (all from Williamsburg), Mr. Glebe (Hungars).

141. 1803. Elizabeth McCrosky's last will and testament.
Same items left to her sister' (Margaret Bowdoin Prentis) children.
Names: Samuel Smith McCrosky, Peter Bowdoin, Mrs. Frances Allison, Frances Teackle, St. George Tucker, Jane McCrosky, Anne And Elizabeth McCrosky, Agnes Hughes, Hannah McNutt, Robert F. N. Smith, Joseph Prentis.

Letter. About Sr.'s journey to Fredericksburg; directs household chores.
Names: Mr. Wickams (Fredericksburg), Mr. Powell, (Williamsburg).

Letter. Concerns length of court's business.
Name: Mr. Andrews.

144. 1803  May 19. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns family doings and encloses sister's letter.
Names: (---).

Letter. Concerns the weather and some court proceedings.
Name: Mrs. Tucker, Williamsburg.

146. 1803  July 6. Account sheet.
For transactions between Joseph Prentis, Jr. and Peter Bowdoin (including board for Pete's son James).

147. 1803  August 27. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter concerns family doings. Also mentions amount to pay for James's (student at the college)dancing school.

Names: Mr. Smith, Mr. Davis.

Letter. Concerns family doings; wishing to avoid the expense of the college, he plans to hire a schoolmaster. Discussion about schooling in Williamsburg.
Names: Mr. Smith, Mr. Stratton, Dennis, Mr. Ducoin (Williamsburg), Mr. Gardner.

149. 1803 September 5. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Richmond, to Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns a storm in Williamsburg which blew down the chimney. Directions for household chores.
Name: Mr. Ratcliff.

150. 1803 September 5. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Richmond to Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Family directions for chores, also gifts for the girls.
Names: Mr. Pace, James Bowdoin, Peter Bowdoin.

Letter. News and gossip of Richmond.
Names: John Dickson, Mr. Tyler, Mrs. Powell (Williamsburg), Mr. Craig, Mrs. Vanbibber, Mr. Tabb.

152. 1803 September 18. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Petersburg, to Jr., Williamsburg.
Names: James Wallace, Jackson (Williamsburg?).

Letter. Concerns family doings in Kentucky, mentions a trip to Williamsburg in the near future.
Name: Judge Fleming.

Letter. Concerns his son's schooling plans. Wishes to have him at home. Some legal matters in reference to Mr. Samuel Smith McCoskey's estate. (in Williamsburg).
Names: M. Pitts(?) Mr. Andrews (Williamsburg), Mr.Eyres (Hungars).

Letter. Arrangements for a horse and chair to meet him in Jamestown.
Names: Mr. Tyler (Williamsburg?), Mr. Morris(?).

156. 1803 November. David Meade, Kentucky, to Joseph Prentis., Williamsburg.
Mentions care and recent sale of a slave who had been unruly. Also legal matters in reference to his wife's mother's estate. Also a list of slaves.
Names: Judge Fleming (Williamsburg), Nathaniel Massie, Betsey Miller, Charles Byrd, Richard Corbin (Kentucky), Mr. Waller.


161. 1804  April 18. William Prentis, Petersburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg. Personal letter concerning the possible sale of the store and lot in Williamsburg to a Mr. Warburton. Names: J. & S. Peniston, Mrs. Hunter (Williamsburg), Miss T. Bowdoin (Hungars?), Jemmy Wallace (Petersburg).


163. 1804  April 29. Susan Bowdoin, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr. Receipt signed by Susan Bowdoin to Joseph Prentis, Jr., regarding the account of Peter Bowdoin.

164. 1804  July 29. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg. A letter of introduction for John Smith of Philadelphia (executor to the McCroskey estate in
Also brief mention of Bowdoin activities.

Names: Dr. John Smith, Mrs Nicotson.

165. 1804 August 29. William Browne, Richmond, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg. Letter. Concerns Browne's residency and studies with a Mr. George Hay. Mentions a number of Williamsburg residents, including a girl who he is courting.

Names: H. Smith, Chamberlayne (both from Richmond), Mr. and Mrs. Tazewell, Mr and Mrs. Semple, Mr. Travis, Mrs Fitzhugh (all from Williamsburg).

166. 1804 September 3. William Browne, Jr., Richmond, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg. Brown asks if Joseph can discover the reason why Betsy (Browne's object of affection) hasn't written. Mentions Prentis, Sr. is in Richmond at court.

Names: Mrs. Semple (Williamsburg), Edmund Randolph (?)

167. 1804 September 12. William Browne, Jr., Richmond to Joseph, Jr., Williamsburg. Letter. Concerns his object of affection (Betsy) and her decision not to write directly to Browne (fears it would not be proper) but through Prentis instead.

168. 1804 September 18. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Petersburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg. Letter. Concerns arrangements to have his "chair" meet him at Jamestown. Also includes a memorandum regarding the Sarah Waters estate.

Names: Mr. Nelson (?), Robert Greenhow (Williamsburg?), Edward O. Cheninant, Francis Lester, Champion Travis (Williamsburg).


Names: Mr. Greenhow (Williamsburg), Mr. Jacob, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Smith.
171. 1804 September. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Richmond, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Name: Mr. Wyckam.

Concerns Joseph Prentis, Sr's. health and a business transaction to be settled.
Names: Mrs. Charlton (Williamsburg), John St. George (Williamsburg), a list of names included: Hawkins Reade, Henry Howard, Shelborn Wells, George Purdie.

173. 1804 October 10. William Browne, Jr., Richmond, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Letter. Concerns Shannon's trial in Richmond site of the district court. Interesting note on the Hamilton and Burr case in New Jersey.
Names: Judge Tyler (Williamsburg), Mrs. Hay, Betsey Digges, Charlotte Foushee.

Letter. Concerns payment of Anderson's debt to a client of Prentis.
Names: L. W. Tazewell, (Williamsburg), Mr. Jackson (?). 

175. 1804 October 20. Robert Anderson, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Concerns Anderson's debt and his future trip to Williamsburg to resolve the matter.
Name: L. W. Tazewell.

Concerns Robert's life in Trinidad; mentions how ineffectual the laws are due to the war.
Names: Mr. Wiseman (?), Mr Handley (Trinidad).

A receipt from Robert Saunders to Joseph Prentis, Jr.

178. 1804 December 30. Robert Saunders, Richmond, to Joseph
Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Concerns news and happenings of the state legislature -- especially debate over states' number of representatives to the House. Also include similar debate regarding the number elected to the state legislature. Also includes property laws in regard to Women's rights.
Names: Robert Campbell (Richmond), Mr. Greenhow, Mr. Coleman (Williamsburg), Mrs. McCroskey (Hungars), Mr. Wickham, Mr. Pendleton.

178. 1805  January 2. Robert Saunders (Richmond) to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Concerns bills and issues before the state legislature. Includes an interesting debate over the partial emancipation of slaves in the state.
Names: Mr. Henderson, Wythe, Mr. Smith, Mr. Venable.

Concerns a case handled by Joseph Prentis, Jr.
Names: George Savage, J. Stratton, Mr. Hollands, George Booth, Hubbards, L. Tazewell, Mr. McCroskey, T.L. Savage, Mr. Langs.

Concerns a debt Tyler is unable to pay.
Name: Robert Anderson (Williamsburg).

Directs household matters.
Names: Dr. McClurg, Mrs. McCroskey.

182. 1805  March 15. William Prentis, Petersburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Concerns financial situation of the store and lot in Williamsburg.
Names: Mr. Allisson, Mr. Pearce (Williamsburg), Jemmy Wallace.

183. 1805  March 29. David Meade, Jr., Petersburg, to Joseph Prentis, Sr., Williamsburg.
Concerns an old uncollected debt due to David Meade, Sr.
Names: Herbert Claiborne, Mr. Sample (Williamsburg), Capt. Bright, Rich Corbin.

184. 1805  April 7. Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg, to J. Prentis, Sr., Richmond.
Concerns John Prentis departure north to architecture school; also asks father's advice if he should move west and set up practice.
Names: Mr. Tazewell, Mr. Merit Robertson (Smithfield), Mr. King, Mr. Heron.

Concerns Bowdoin's debt to Col. John Robins. Also mentions transactions with Mrs. McCloskey.
Names: Doctor Teackle, Mr. Holland.

Concerns Jr.'s wish to move from Williamsburg and to establish his own law practice.
Name: Mr. Tucker (Williamsburg).

Concern's Joseph, Jr.'s plan to move to Smithfield and one of the slaves (little Charles) accused of stealing chickens.
Names: Doctor Purdie (Smithfield), Mr. Plume, Mr. and Mrs. Herron, Dr. Barraud (all of Norfolk), Mr. Pierce and Mr. Taylor (both of Williamsburg), Mrs. McCroskey (Williamsburg), Molly Digges and Miss Wilson (Williamsburg), and Ellick (Prentis' slave, Williamsburg).

188. 1805  April 18. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Petersburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg.
Concerns traveling plans of both, family matters. Mentions the runaway slave (accused of chicken theft) is in Petersburg with Judge Prentis.
Names: Mr. Plume (Norfolk), John Prentis Mr. Pierce (Williamsburg).

Concerns a debt outstanding and reasons for non-
payment.
Names: Jeremiah Godwin, Mr. Lang.

Names: Joseph Prentis, Mr. Holt (Surrey).

Concerns French military takeover of Trinidad.
Names: Mr. Armistead, Mrs. John Prentis, J. Pierce (Trinidad), William Prentis.

Congratulates Jr. on his move out of Williamsburg.
Also permits Jr. to sell the store.
Name: Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg).

Concerns some crop prices and advice to Joseph on his move to Suffolk.
Names: Thomas L. Savage, Robert C. Jacob, Mrs. McCroskey.

Fatherly advice about the proper life.
Name: D. Browne (Williamsburg).

195. 1805  July 5. J. Prentis, Jr., Suffolk, to J. Prentis, Sr.,
Concerns his arrival in Suffolk.
Names: Mr. Poole (Smithfield), Mr. Tazewell (Williamsburg), Mr. George Goosley, Mrs. Charlton (Williamsburg), Mr. Yarborough, Mr. Coleman, Mr. Whitlocke (Suffolk).

Concerns 4th of July celebrations in Williamsburg.
Name: Mr. Johnson.

Concerns a debt from George Goosley.
Names: Mr. Johnson(?), Mr. Lang (?), Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg), Charles Z. Abrams (Williamsburg), Mr. Godwin.

Concerns the shipping of Joseph Jr.'s books to Suffolk.
Names: Mr. McClandish, Mr. Bryan (Norfolk), Robert Byrd (?), Mr. nd mrs. Poole (Suffolk).

Concerns Bassett's wish to buy a section of General Washington's estate. Local gossip about a death and Mrs. Fitzhugh.
Names: Mr. Anderson (Williamsburg), Fielding Lewis, Thomas Walker.

Receipt from estate of Rev. McCroskey for goods received from Judge Prentis.

Concerns bachelor life in Suffolk. A most informative letter. Mentions a fraudulent lottery.
Names: Mr. Byrd, Doctor Fisher (Suffolk), George Goosley (Suffolk), Mrs. Yarborough (Suffolk), Robert Saunders (Williamsburg).

Concerns Joseph's move and inquires about Betsy Digges (Williamsburg).

Concerns the price of foodstuffs (corn, etc.) and the weather.
Names: Mr. Ducoin (?), Mr. Jones (Suffolk), Mr. Godwin (Suffolk).

Upbraids Joseph for not writing more, and asks him to
write to his brother John.

Names: Mr. Yarborough (Suffolk), Mr. Swepsons (Suffolk), Mr. Poole (Suffolk).

205. 1805 Robert Saunders, Staunton, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns the Saunders family trip to the warm springs there. Also asks Prentis to oversee some household affairs for him.
Names: Mr. Abrams (Williamsburg), Edmondson (Staunton).

A newsy letter filled with gossip about Mrs. McCroskey and the lottery mishap, the Williamsburg Reserves, the death of Jane B. Cary and a wild rumor about Joseph's engagement.
Names: Mr. Allen (Williamsburg), Miss Goddin (?).

Concerns collection of an outstanding debt.
Names: Mr. Godwin, George Lang, George Goosley, (Suffolk).

More fatherly advice about law and his profession.
Names: Mr. Byrd (?), Mr. Yarborough (Suffolk).

209. 1805 August 2. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns family events. Listing of unidentified names and homes.
Names: John Prentis, Sukey Bowdoin, Peter Bowdoin, Joiner (?), Edwards (?), Whitley Billy (?), Boykin (?), Pinhorne (?), Baker (?).

Concerns bachelor life in Suffolk; includes discussion on society, religion and weather.
Names: Mr. Docoin, Mr Whitlocke (Suffolk), Mr. Nelson (Suffolk), Jessie Godwin (Suffolk), Mr. and Mrs. Poole (Suffolk), Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), Mr. Call, Leroy Anderson (Williamsburg), John
211. 1805 August 8. Judge Prentis, Sr., Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Advises Joseph to move out of the Yarborough House because of religious differences. News of the death of Mr. Wycken (Williamsburg) caused by cramps and indigestion.
**Names:** Mr. Swepson (Suffolk), Mrs. Driver (Suffolk), Mr. Poole (Suffolk), Mr. Seawall (York), John Prentis.

Concerns Joseph's disappointment with Suffolk society and the Yarborough's servant boy.
**Names:** Johnson, Mr. Byrd, Capt. Allen (all of Suffolk), Dr. Logan and John Prentis (both of Philadelphia), Mr. Nelson (Suffolk).

Concerns his courtship of Mary Miller (Norfolk), other gossip.
**Names:** Mr. McCandlish (Williamsburg), A. B. Carr (Williamsburg), Polly Coleman (Williamsburg).

Concerns Joseph's religious feelings and his residence with the Yarboroughs.
**Names:** Mr. Poole (Suffolk), Mrs. Driver (Suffolk), Col. Claiborne (Suffolk), Capt. Allen (Suffolk).

More fatherly advice.
**Name:** John Prentis (Philadelphia).

Concerns his religious attitudes and beliefs.
**Names:** Capt. Allen (Suffolk), Mr. Nelson (Suffolk), Mr. Johnson (Suffolk), Mr. and Mrs. Poole (Suffolk).

217. 1805 August 25. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis,
Concerns a gift of pistols to Joseph and some unsettled transactions.

Names: Mr. Simkins, Thomas McCandliish, and Co., Thomas Savage.

Contains news of the Prentis household and brief agenda for the district courts.

Names: Mr. Johnson, Mr. Poole Suffolk.

Concerns Joseph's delay in arriving in Williamsburg, family gossip.

Names: John Prentis, Susan Bowdoin, Peter Bowdoin, Mrs. McCroskey.

220. 1805 September 15. Judge Prentis, Sr., Williamsburg to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns Joseph's delay in visiting Williamsburg.

221. 1805 September 17. Robert Saunders, Staunton, to Joseph Prentis, Sr., Williamsburg.
Concerns the health of the Saunders family.

Name: Mr. B. Bassett.

Concerns the sale of the store and lot in Williamsburg.

Names: Dr. Tazewell (Williamsburg), Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg).

Concerns their visit to Northampton, gossip of the locality.

Names: Joseph Prentis, Jr. (Suffolk), John Prentis (Philadelphia), Mr. T. Savage (Northampton),
Miss Digges (Williamsburg), Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg).

Concerns a small matter of business (settlement of Scarbrooke's estate), family gossip.

Concerns religious beliefs, the recent marriage of their daughter Betsey, other family occurrences.
Names: Ann Page Mr. Maupin (Kentucky), Judge Fleming, William Creighton (Chillicothe, Ohio), Charles Byrd (Ohio), Massie Chillicothe, Andrew Meade (Kentucky), Mr. Crockett (Kentucky), Samuel Wilson (Kentucky), Sally Meade (Kentucky), Hugh Kidder (Kentucky), Edmund Randolph, Mr. Greenhow (Williamsburg), John Hopkins (Richmond).

Concerns Joseph's attempt to obtain a license in North Carolina and other personal business (he is moving to a new residence).
Names: Dr. Cooke (Jamestown), Mr. Goodman, Col. Hamilton, Matthew Jones, Benjamin Waller, Mr. Smith (Suffolk), Mr. Poole (Suffolk).

Concerns the Judge's health.
Name: John Prentis.


Concerns news of the family.
Names: Mr. Jones, (Suffolk), Dr. Evans, Mr. Goodman, Mr. Smith.

Concerns his new place of residence. Also some recent cases of his.
Names: Mr. Jones (Suffolk), Mr. Riddick (Suffolk), Polly Pitt (Suffolk), Col. Hamilton.

231. 1805 December 12. Robert Anderson, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Prentis, Suffolk.
A newsy letter containing all the local gossip of Williamsburg (engagements, politics, illnesses, local business).


Concerns much fatherly advice.
Names: Mr. Yarborough (Suffolk), Mr. and Mrs. Poole (Suffolk), General Marshall (Chief of the U.S.)

Concerns the president's message, news of people and happenings in Suffolk.
Names: Mr. Nelson (Suffolk), Mrs. Riddick (Suffolk), Mr. Gording (Suffolk), Robert Anderson Williamsburg), Johnson (Suffolk), General John Marshal (Chief Justice of the U.S.), Wills Cowper Mr. and Mrs. Yarborough (Suffolk), Mr. Swepson (Suffolk), Mr. Braken (Williamsburg).

Fatherly advice on conduct and virtues.
Names: Mr. Nelson, Mr. Swepson (both of Suffolk), John Prentis (Philadelphia), David Meade (Kentucky).

Concerns his family's travels in Europe (just brief mention). Also concerns the health of his wife and daughter and mentions his public life and problems.
Name: Mr. Skipwith (Paris).

Concerns Bowdoin's inability to lend Joseph money.
Name: Doctor Teackle (Hungars).

Concerns a horse Meade wishes to give to Prentis.
Name: William Prentis (Petersburg).

Concerns the death of a close friend of Monroe's--a Mr. Jones. Also mentions his wife and daughter's health.

Concerns father's advice and health.
Name: John M. St. George.

Names: Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), Richard Lester, Sarah Water (Williamsburg), James Johnson.

Concerns seeds and bushes he is sending to Joseph.
Names: Mr. Swepson (Suffolk), Mr. Anderson (Williamsburg).

Concerns household news and father's health.
Names: David Meade (Kentucky), Miss Savage (Williamsburg), Thomas Savage (Northampton), Mrs. Camp (Williamsburg), Peter Bowdoin (Hungars), Mr. Swepson (Suffolk), Mrs. McCroskey (Williamsburg).

Concerns a case of Prentis--Saunders offers much advice on different laws to aid his case.
Name: Mr. Goosley.

Concerns plants and seeds his father promised to send. Also concerns Daniel, Joseph's young slave, who he is sending back to Greenhill.
Names: Mr. Swepson (Suffolk), Mr. Jones (Suffolk), Mr. Waller, Mr. Yarborough (Suffolk).

Concerns his unexpected trip to North Carolina to obtain signatures for his license. Also mentions his health.
Name: Judge Hall (Warrenton).

Concerns his recent trip to North Carolina, his health, and the upcoming district court in March.
Names: Mr. Faulcon (Williamsburg), Miss Cocke (Williamsburg), Mrs. Bradford (Suffolk).

Concerns maintaining good health.

Concerns Peter's fear that the money sent to Joseph received and about contracting lumber from a Suffolk resident, John Smith.
Names: J. Eyre (Hungars), John B. Ushur, James Bowdoin, Peter Bowdoin (Hungars).

249. 1806 March 5. Judge Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
More fatherly advice about conduct and life.
Name: John Prentis (Philadelphia).

250. 1806 March 5. Susan Bowdoin, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns news about the family and some local gossip (dance at Raleigh Tavern).

**Names:** Peter Bowdoin (Hungars), Doctor Teackle (Hungars), Mr. Faulcon, Mrs. Paradise (Williamsburg), Mr. Saunders (Williamsburg), Anderson (Williamsburg), Elizabeth and Mary Prentis.

Concerns social happenings in Suffolk.
**Names:** Johnson (Suffolk), Miss Boykin (Isle of Wight), Mr. and mrs. Daulcon, Polly Cocke, Jones (Suffolk), John Prentis (Philadelphia).

Concerns his cases during the March term in Suffolk and plans for a trip home.
**Names:** Johnson (Suffolk), Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg).

Concerns her trip to Hungars and a request to her father to pay for repairs to her half moon.
**Names:** Mrs Houston (Williamsburg?), Louisa Bowdoin (Williamsburg).

254. 1806 April 11. A receipt for goods and money delivered.
**Names:** Joseph Prentis, Sr. (Williamsburg), Mrs. E. McCroskey (Williamsburg).

Concerns family news.
**Names:** Judge Carrington, Bowdoin (Hungars), Mr. Bassett (Williamsburg), Mr Swepson (Suffolk), Fanny Swepson (Williamsburg Academy), John Prentis (Philadelphia), Mr. Smith (Philadelphia), Mrs. Camp (Williamsburg), Miss Clarke.

More fatherly advice.
**Name:** John Prentis (Philadelphia).
Concerns local (Williamsburg) news and the Goosley debt.
Names: Doctor Dasheill, Major Baytop.

Concerns Joseph Jr.'s health and a recent trip to Norfolk where he witnessed much gambling.
Names: Doctor Fisher (Suffolk), John Prentis (Philadelphia).

Concerns his health and stay in rainy Hampton. Also asks that his "biscuit" be sent T. W. Armistead, Norfolk merchants.

Concerns advice to his son about his health. Family news (letter from John and a visit from William Prentis and wife).

Concerns Joseph Jr.'s illness and inability to attend court session in Suffolk.

Concerns leasing of the store in Williamsburg to Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg), and his health.

Concerns Joseph Jr.'s long illness and his slow recovery.
Names: Mr. and Mrs. Jones (Suffolk), Mr. and Mrs. Swepson (Suffolk), Mrs. Poole, Mrs. Whitlock, Mr. and Mrs. Yarborough (all of Suffolk), William C. Holt.

264. 1806 July 1. Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk, to Judge
Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns his lengthy illness and also mentions the store in Williamsburg and his wish to sell it.
Names: Doctor Fisher (Suffolk), Exum White (Suffolk) Mr. Swepson (Suffolk), William Prentis (Petersburg).

Concerns his illness, his upcoming trip to Williamsburg and 4th of July ceremonies in Suffolk
Names: Mr. and Mrs. Swepson (Suffolk), E. White (Suffolk).

266. 1806 July 6. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns Peter's recent activities and asks Joseph to research some prices for him.
Names: John A. Parker (Suffolk), Doctor Jacob Parker (Suffolk).

Concerns Joseph Jr.'s sickness and his trip to Williamsburg. Also sends a draft of the public treasury.
Names: Mr. and Mrs. Swepson (Suffolk), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk), E. White (Suffolk).

Concerns Jr.'s illness and trip to Williamsburg. Also mentions a rumor about Jr. being wounded in a duel.
Names: Mr. and Mrs. Swepson, Fanny Swepson (both of Suffolk).

Concerns the sale of the store in Williamsburg and William's ill health.
Names: Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg), Elizabeth Prentis (Williamsburg).

Concerns the gossip and happenings in Williamsburg.
Also concerns Anderson's military career.

Names: Camp (Williamsburg), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk), Carter (Williamsburg).

Concerns her wish for a visit from Joseph.
Name: Mr. Claiborne.

Concerns his health and his son's plus more fatherly advice.
Name: E. White (Suffolk).

Concerns some mending of Joseph's shirts.
Names: Mammy Rachel, John Bowdoin (Hungars).

Concerns some mutual law concerns.
Names: McCandish, Smith, Mr. Nelson, Royal R. Allen, (Williamsburg), Mr. Camm, Mr. Dashiell, Mr Godwin (Nansemond).

Concerns non-payment of a note held by Capt. James Travis.
Name: Robert Godwin (Smithfield).

276. 1806 October 5. David Meade, Sr., Kentucky, to Judge Prentis Suffolk.
Concerns news and happenings in Kentucky; most importantly a fire which destroyed their kitchen.
Names: Mr Greenhow (Williamsburg), Joseph Hawkins (Kentucky), Judge Nelson (Williamsburg), Charles Byrd (Ohio), Judge Fleming (Kentucky), H. Massie (Kentucky), Mr. Pugh (Suffolk).

277. 1806 October 10. Receipt for goods in exchange for corn from Elizabeth McCroskey to Judge Prentis.

278. 1806 October 13. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis,
Concerns transfer of note of payment to Joseph.

Names: Mr. Travis, Mr. Godwin (Suffolk), Stratton.

Concerns some court cases of interest to Joseph.
Names: Porter, Hunter, McIntosh, Tucker, Calvert, Dashiell.

Concerns an undisclosed negotiation of Roberts.
Names: Richard Crump, Frances Swepson (Suffolk).

Concerns some accounts to be settled and news of Patsy Tyler (Williamsburg).
Names: Major Lightfoots (Williamsburg), Johnson (Isle of Wight), Crump (Williamsburg), Frances Swepson (Suffolk).

Concerns a possible trip to Williamsburg in the near future. Also the court system in North Carolina.
Names: Mr. Cabell (Williamsburg), Mr. W. Cowper (Suffolk), Mr. Swepson (Suffolk).

Asking for Prentis's attendance at the closing of the sale of Crump's property.

Concerns the education of his (William's) son.
Names: James Prentis (Petersburg), Robert Prentis (Petersburg), John Prentis (Philadelphia), Mr. Jamison.

A letter from Congressman Bassett concerning a bill before the House of Representatives to prohibit the
importation of slaves into the U.S.
Name: Dr. Logan.

Thanks Joseph for the swift repayment of a loan. Also mentions his new-born daughter and the upcoming wedding of Williamsburg's Miss Carter and Joseph Cabell.

Concerns his inability to visit Williamsburg as he had hoped and his trip to Richmond the next day.
Names: Mr. Cowper, Mr. and Mrs. Jones (Suffolk), Mr. and Mrs. Swepson and Fanny Swepson (Suffolk), Frederick Hall.

Concerns a small business matter that Judge Prentis wants settled.
Names: Mr. Cowper, Mr. Swepson (Suffolk).

Concerns her inability to visit Williamsburg but asks Judge Prentis if he could make the journey to see them.
Name: Charles Byrd (Ohio).

Concerns Robert's action to settle a personal affair of Joseph with Elizabeth. Also a failed business scheme on Anderson's part includes gossip about recent marriages in Williamsburg.
Names: Mr. Cowper, Pierce (Williamsburg), Byrd (Williamsburg), Mrs. Byrd, Crump, John Seawell, Cabell Yates, Teagle, Miss Bellet, Teterel, George Pates, Mary Camp (all of Williamsburg).

Concerns an account which is to be settled.
Names: Major Scott, R. W. Bradford.
Concerns much-needed funds from the future sale of the Prentis store and lot in Williamsburg.
Name: Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg).

Concerns the sale of the store and lot in Williamsburg.

More fatherly advice on life and asks Joseph to have his picture taken.
Names: Mr. Cabell (Williamsburg), John Prentis (Philadelphia).

Concerns a business account of Major Scott (Richmond).

Concerns loan office certificates and a bill in Congress to suspend the Habeas Corpus.
Names: General Wilkerson, Robert Saunders (Williamsburg).

Concerns various items of family affairs (William Prentis and the selling of the Williamsburg property) and occurrences at court.
Names: Mr. Swepson, Mr. White, Susan Riddick (all of Suffolk), John W. Hemp, Mr. Allman, Robert Smith (all of Norfolk), Mr. Coke (Williamsburg), Mr. Wills (Suffolk), Bishop Madison (Williamsburg), Wills Cowper.

Concerns obtaining a deed needed for settlement of an account. Also news and opinion about the Burr conspiracy.
Names: Wilkinson and Eaton, Major Scott (Richmond).
Concerns plans for a trip to Philadelphia to see John and the funds to do so from the desired sale of William's store and lot.
Names: Mrs. Jones (Suffolk), E. White (Suffolk), Robert Smith (Suffolk).

Concerns sale of the Williamsburg store. Also news of John in Philadelphia. Mentions the cold winter and its effects on the poor in Williamsburg.
Names: Richard Anderson (Williamsburg), Mr. Smith (Philadelphia), Mary Prentis (Williamsburg), Mr. Jefferson.

Concerns plans for trip to Philadelphia to see John and the funds to do so from the desired sale of William's store and lot.
Names: Mrs. Jones (Suffolk), E. White (Suffolk), Robert Smith (Suffolk).

Concerns sale of the Williamsburg store. Also news of John in Philadelphia. Mentions the cold winter and its effects on the poor in Williamsburg.
Names: Richard Anderson (Williamsburg), Mr. Smith (Philadelphia), Mary Prentis (Williamsburg), Mr. Jefferson.

Rejects Robert Anderson's offer for the store.
Name: Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg).

Announces their plan to return to Ohio soon.

Concerns a shipment of trees he ordered and asks Prentis for flower and vegetable seeds (a list of the trees included).
Names: Mr. Bellett (Eastern Shore), Doctor Lyon (Hungars), William B. Savage (Hungars), William Eyre, Doctor Evans, Captain Mac Saunders, Richard Anderson (Williamsburg).

Concerns the status of the Godwin vs. Travis case. Also mentions a Yankee swindler that conned Bowdoin for a large sum.

Concerns the deed for Daughtrey's land. Also local Richmond gossip.
Name: Mr. Dickson (Richmond).

Concerns the sale of the store and lot.
Names: Jemmy Wallace, Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg), Robert Prentis (Trinidad).

Concerns sending his two sons to Williamsburg to study at the college, and inquire about his wife's estate.
Names: Andrew Meade, Kidder Meade (both of Kentucky), Benjamin Waller (Williamsburg?), Richard Corbin, Tazewell (Williamsburg).

Concerns the sale of the store. Also mentions a few articles of furniture that he wants.
Names: Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg), Mr. Hornsby, Maria Seawell (Williamsburg).
Concerns trip to Hungars and news of John Evan's wedding.
Names: Maria Seawell (Williamsburg), P. Digges (Williamsburg), M. Savage (Williamsburg).

Concerns the gossip and happenings at Hungars.
Name: Doctor Evans (Hungars).

Concerns his stay in Hungars and some friends who visited John in Philadelphia.
Name: Frederick Hall.

Concerns another visit to Williamsburg.

Asks when her father will arrive and mentions Mrs. Grace Eyre who recently underwent a "cancer" operation.
Names: Mrs. Susan Savage, Doctor Lyon, Mr. Smith, Maria Savage (all of Hungars).

Concerns family news.
Names: Susan Massie (Ohio), Betsey Creighton (Ohio).
More fatherly advice.  
Name: John Prentis.

Concerns a letter to Doctor Teackle about a legacy bequeathed to his wife; wishes Joseph to investigate.  
Names: Theok B. Ruffin (Suffolk), Elizabeth Prentis (Williamsburg), John Banister, Francis Banister, Theodrick Bland, Jr., Judge Tucker, James Atkinson (Smithfield).

Concerns his friend White's recent meeting with John Prentis in Philadelphia. John has become a Quaker.  
Names: Mr. Tyler (Williamsburg), Judge Carrington.

Concerns the recent visit from his Williamsburg kin. Also asks for advice in a legal matter.  
Names: Judge Tyler (Williamsburg), Doctor Teackle (Hungars).

319. 1807 May 28. Peter Bowdoin, Yorktown, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.  
Asks for a carriage to meet the Prentis girls at Yorktown.

320. 1807 May. David Meade, Jr., to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.  
Explains why he was unable to escort his brother Hugh Kidder Meade to Williamsburg.

Concerns her trip from Hungars and local gossip.  
Names: Mr. Johnson (Hungars), Mr. White (Suffolk), Mrs.
Seawall, Miss Charlotte Dickinson and John Dickinson (all three of Williamsburg), Miss Nancy Rose (Petersburg).

A patriotic outburst against Great Britain and the recent trend of Britain's tampering with American vessels.
Name: Thomas Jefferson.

Concerns upcoming 4th of July festivities, in particular a dinner and ball at the Raleigh Tavern given by Mrs.Paradise. Includes other news and gossip.
Names: Col. Ludwell (Williamsburg), Mrs. Seawell (Williamsburg), Mrs. Magee, Mrs. McCreery, Miss Charlotte Dickinson (Williamsburg), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk).

Concerns arrangements for Joseph's next trip home. Also mentions that John might be coming home soon.
Concerns the worsening situation political with Great Britain and the lower Tidewater city's preparation for an attack from Britain.

326. 1807 July 8. Judge Prentis, Williamsburg to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk
Fatherly advice in respect to war.

327. 1807 July 8. Concerns the alarmed state of the southern Tidewater region in reaction to the actions of Great Britain.
Names: John Godwin, Jr. (Suffolk), Commander Douglass.

Concerns his lack of information about the Prentis family (he didn't know that Mrs. Water had died, etc.).
Name: Jemmy Wallace (Petersburg).

Concerns the national situation with Britain--his volunteer militia is on stand by.
Names: Commander Douglass (English), Captain Shepherd (Suffolk).

Concerns Joseph's decision to join the militia and fight against the British.
Name: Mr. Jones (Suffolk).

331. 1807 July. David Meade, Kentucky, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns his son's appointment as escort for Mr. Blanerhusset (state prisoner) to the trial of Mr. Huff and General Wilkinson. Also mentions family news and business.

**Names:** Andrew Meade (Kentucky), Charles W. Byrd (Ohio), Sally Byrd (Ohio), Littleton W. Tazewell (Williamsburg), Benjamin Waller (Williamsburg?), Mr. Swepson (Suffolk), John Driver, Mr. Claiborne (Suffolk), John Brown, (?), General Spotswood (Fredericksburg).

Concerns a debt of Robert Godwin that Bowdoin wants settled. Also the military situation in reference to Great Britain's actions.
**Names:** John B. Upshur, Travis, Mrs. Peggy Savage (Hungars).

Concerns his illness and poor financial situation.

Concerns a company of local troops and the area's preparation for war.

335. 1807 August 23. David Meade, Jr., Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns Hugh Kidder Meade's apprenticeship and the future arrival of another Meade boy who will study at Williamsburg.
**Name:** Mr. Fox.

Concerns local reaction to the actions of Great Britain. Also of Williamsburg's gossip and latest social events.
**Names:** Coke (Williamsburg), C. T. Abrahams (Williamsburg), Louise Hardyman, Armistead (Williamsburg), Seawells (Williamsburg), Tazewells, Tylers, Semples, John Page, Rebecca Tyler, Claiborne (all of Williamsburg).
337. 1807 September 7. A receipt From Robert Saunders to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk. Concerns Thomas Camm (Manson) versus Best of Nansemond


339. 1807 September 24. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk. Concerns the recent epidemic (mild) and the health of the family. Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Mary Ann Prentis (Williamsburg), Mrs. Madison, Miss Susan Madison, Mary Saunders, Eliza McCroskey, Mrs Seawell (all of Williamsburg), Maria Savage (Hungars), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk).


341. 1807 October 7. Will of Joseph Prentis. Leaves his estate to his four children except a few personal items to be given to: Mrs. Skipwith (Williamsburg), Mr. Skipwith (Williamsburg), and Alex Green (Williamsburg). Also attached are later documents providing the authenticity of the above will. Names: Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), James Semple (Williamsburg), George Jackson (Williamsburg), Leonard Henley (Williamsburg), William M. Candlish Williamsburg.

342. 1807 October 12. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk. Concerns happenings at Greenhill and in Williamsburg. Mentions a large outbreak of influenza in the area. Names: Peter Bowdoin, Louisa Bowdoin, Doctor Teackle, Mrs. Grace Eyre, Mrs. Peggy Savage (Hungars), Miss Savage, Miss Smith (both of Hungars), Judge
Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Saunders (Williamsburg), John Prentis (Philadelphia), Robert Travis (Williamsburg), Mr. Cabell and Mrs. Seawell (both of Williamsburg).

Concerns the arrival of Andrew Meade in Williamsburg.
Name: Hugh Kidder Meade Washington).

Concerns a trip to Isle of Wight court in the near future and the death of E. White's (Suffolk) father and brother. Also mentions the purchase of a length of cambric for Mrs. Saunders of Williamsburg.
Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Whitlock (Suffolk).

A long letter concerning Robert's activities in Williamsburg, Robert's drunken escapades, his social life (the Ralegh seems to be the center for both). Mentions local Williamsburg gossip.
Names: Seawells, Greenhow, P. Semple, Samuel Travis, Ralph Wormly (all of Williamsburg), Mosby, Tazewell, Tabbs, BALL McCarty (Williamsburg), Mary Miller (Norfolk), A. T. Mason, Miles Cary (Norfolk), Nancy Carr.

Concerns news of the family, social activities in Williamsburg (the races and a ball at the Raleigh), and some gossip.
Names: E. White (Suffolk), David Meade, Jr., (Kentucky) Mrs. Tucker (Williamsburg), Charlotte Russell (Williamsburg), Mr. Miller (Norfolk), John Bowdoin (Hungars), Robert Anderson (Williamsburg), Mary Miller (Norfolk).

Concerns the good health of the family. Also some
advice of virtue and honesty.

Names: Judge Tyler (Williamsburg), E. White (Suffolk).

Concerns slowdown of business in Suffolk courts, next visit to Greenhill with E. White (Suffolk), and the recent social activities of Suffolk (a venison party).

Names: Elizabeth Prentis, John Prentis, Elliot Green (all of Williamsburg).

Concerns fatherly advice about friendship; praises Joseph's friend E. White of Suffolk.

Concerns her failure to write to her brother and also local news (including a rumor that Joseph was married).

Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Leah Savage (Hungars), Louisa Evans, Maria Savage (Hungars).

Concerns local Williamsburg gossip (in particular a girl (Kitty) who acted in an improper fashion). Also Robert writes of his feelings toward Mary Miller.

Names: Miles Cary, Thomas McCandlish, Julia Paigand, (all of Williamsburg).

352. 1807 December 15. John Wickham, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns some fruit trees that Wickham wishes to purchase from the late Mr. Bellett's estate.

Concerns his sons' (Andrew and Hugh Kidder) education and payment. Also, he writes at great length about his slaves in Williamsburg and what to do with them.

Names: Mr. Fowler (Kentucky), Mr. Fox (Washington).

Concerns the happenings of the legislature at Richmond. Also mentions Joseph's opinions of them and a visit to the Armory.
Names: Major Clarke, Mr. Wickham (Richmond).

Concerns a request to cancel the order for trees from Bellett's estate.

356. 1807 December. Receipt.
A receipt for oats and corn purchased from Elizabeth McCroskey by Judge Prentis.

Concerns an undisclosed remark she made to him while visiting Williamsburg.

Concerns issues before the legislature presently (including a proposition for a U.S. constitutional amendment and reorganization of the lower state courts).
Names: Col. Selden, Judge Nelson).

Concerns Monroe's trip to Washington and reasons for not stopping for a visit at Williamsburg.

Concerns Robert Anderson's attack of pleurisy.
Name: Catherine Russell.

Concerns news about a mutual friend in Norfolk.

Concerns his worsening health and financial situation. Makes mention of the Williamsburg store and lot.
Names; Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg), Mr. Pierce (Williamsburg).
363. 1808 February 10. Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk, to Judge
Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns the political situation and local feelings in
regard to Great Britain's increased activity along the
Virginia shore. Also comments on North Carolina's
judiciary system.

364. 1808 February 16. Judge Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Name: Mr. Poole.

365. 1808 February 24. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis,
Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns news of his family (children's education, baby
born).
Names: Patrick Harmanson, R. C. Jacob

366. 1808 February 25. Burwell Bassett to Judge Prentis,
Williamsburg.
Concerns a payment to Mr. Fox (Washington) and the
national situation in relation to the actions of
Great Britain and Bonaparte's France.
Names: Rachel Anderson (Williamsburg), Mr. Rose.

367. 1808 February 28. Robert Anderson, Norfolk, to Joseph
Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns his (Robert's) recent illness and local news
and gossip. (Robert Sanders purchases a line of
stages).
Names: Miles Cary (Williamsburg), E. E. Brodnax,
Robert H. Waller, William Brownie (both of
Williamsburg), John Pierce, Jr. (James City),
James Cumbo.

368. 1808 March 4. John T. Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis,
Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns Bowdoin's receipt of money which Prentis sent.

369. 1808 March 9. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns shirts and wristbands that she and Susan
Bowdoin made for Joseph. Also mentions a Wickham party
or squeeze held at the Greenhows and a scandal at the
College where a number of students were expelled.
Elizabeth includes the latest gossip also.

Names: Mr. Madison (Williamsburg), Mrs. Waggaman, Miss Heron, Maria Savage (Hungars), Mary Applethwaite (Hungars), Severn Parker, Betsy Foushee, Richard Parker (Westmoreland), John Bowdoin (Hungars), David Meade, Jr. (Kentucky).

Concerns the whereabouts of a group of books.
Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Mrs. Tucker Williamsburg).

Concerns Joseph's health and the next presidential election. Also mentions the college conspiracy.
Names: E. White (Suffolk), Mr. and Mrs. Madison (Williamsburg).

Concerns gossip and news about mutual friends and the ball or squeeze at Mr. Greenhow's.
Names: Robert Anderson, Mr. Deneufville (both of Williamsburg), Mr. Miller (Norfolk), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk), T. M'Candlish (Williamsburg), Mary Miller (Norfolk), Catherine Russell (Williamsburg), Elizabeth Prentis (Williamsburg), John Prentis (Williamsburg), Mr. Southall, Mr. Maupin (Williamsburg), E. Summer.

Concerns news of friends in Williamsburg.
Names: John Prentis (Philadelphia), Miss Day.

373. 1808 April 28. Joseph Prentis, Jr., Williamsburg, to Judge Prentis, King and Queen.
Concerns his arrival home and finding everyone gone. Also comments on Andrew Meade who has tried to commit suicide. Joseph had black Charles watch him.

374. 1808 April 29. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns an opportune time to send a boat to the
western shore to meet Judge Prentis. Also mentions Susan Bowdoin and the Prentis girls which are there already.

NAMES: Doctor Teackle (Hungars), Doctor Wise (Hungars).

Concerns the Judge's trip to Hungars.

376. 1808 May 17. David Meade, Sr., Kentucky, to Judge Prentis, Sr., Williamsburg.
Concerns David Meade's suicide attempts and arrangements to have him sent back to Kentucky.
Names: Bishop Madison (Williamsburg), Judge Fleming (Kentucky), Mrs. Randolph (Powhatan, Virginia), Dr. Everard Meade (Amelia, Virginia).

Concerns the death of his brother Andrew. Also requests money for clothes.
Names: Mr. Fox (Washington), David and Sally Meade (Kentucky).

Concerns the Suffolk court session and a friend's (Mordecai Cooke--Williamsburg) wedding.
Names: Judge Tyler (Williamsburg), John Prentis (Philadelphia), E. White (Suffolk), Mr. Smith (Philadelphia).

Concerns the death of Andrew Meade and his parents' grief.
Names: Craughn and Todd (students at college of William Mary), Bishop Madison (Williamsburg).

Concerns Aunt Susan Bowdoin's serious illness and John's wish to become a sailor.
Names: Peter Bowdoin (Hungars), Mordecai Cooke (Norfolk).
Concerns a friend (Captain David Driver) and comments on the enjoyable time he is having at the races in Norfolk.
Names: John Driver (Suffolk), Dandridge Claiborne.

Concerns the critical illness of Susan Bowdoin and her fears that "Aunt Sukey" will die shortly.
Names: Doctor Lyon (Northampton), W. Savage (Northampton).

383. 1808 June 13. John Wickham, Richmond, to (Judge Prentis, Williamsburg?).
Concerns Wickham's inability to stop in Williamsburg to see Prentis and Wickham's gift to Prentis of an engraving.

Concerns Aunt Susan Bowdoin's illness and John's wish to become a sailor.
Name: Elizabeth Prentis (Williamsburg).

385. 1808 June 24. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to [Judge Prentis (Williamsburg)?].
Concerns the recovery of Susan Bowdoin and the health of the family.
Names: B. Bassett, Mr. and Mrs. William Eyres (Hungars).

A friendly thank you letter and a promise to visit Williamsburg soon.

Concerns some books that were sold by his nephew's estate by mistake.
Names: Col. William Nelson, (Caroline), Lemuel Riddick.

388. 1808 June 30. William Prentis, Petersburg, to Judge Prentis,
Williamsburg.
Concerns a letter from Robert Prentis, a package from
London directed to the care of Judge Prentis, and the
sale of the store and lot in Williamsburg.
Names: Mr. Taliaferro (Gloucester), Mr. Warburton
(Williamsburg), Mr. Arthur.

389. 1808 July 3. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Judge Prentis,
Williamsburg.
Asks for Susan Bowdoin's wardrobe be sent to Hungars.

390. 1808 July 5. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Judge Prentis,
Williamsburg.
News of Susan Bowdoin's relapse and inability to travel
and news of the Prentis girls.

391. 1808 July 6. Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk to Judge Prentis,
Williamsburg.
Concerns Joseph's election to captain of the Suffolk
volunteer militia. Also plans for his next trip home.
Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Elizabeth Prentis,
Williamsburg), Mr. Swepson (Suffolk).

392. 1808 July 15. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to [Judge Prentis
(Williamsburg)?].
Concerns the recovery of Susan Bowdoin.
Names: Doctor Lyons (Northampton), Mr. Smith.

393. 1808 July 31. Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk, to Judge
Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns his return journey to Suffolk from
Williamsburg
Name: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg).

394. 1808 July. A receipt for foodstuffs purchased by Judge
Prentis from Elizabeth McCroskey.

395. 1808 August 4. St. George Tucker, Staunton, to Judge
Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns Susan Bowdoin's recovery and the health of his
family.
Names: Mr. and Mrs. William Eyre (Northampton), Mrs.
Davenport, Judge Brown.

396. 1808 August 8. Hugh K. Meade, Washington, to Judge Prentis,
Williamsburg.
Concerns news of his family in Kentucky.
Names: Mrs. Nancy Woodson (Kentucky), Mr. N. Massie (Ohio), Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg).

Concerns a recent letter from John Prentis in Philadelphia, Judge's attack of ague and fever and the homecoming of Susan Bowdoin.

Concerns the payment of duty on a package of dyed silk.
Names: Capt. Arthur, Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Mr. Tucker.

Concerns piano music and news of mutual friends.
Names: Fanny (Suffolk), Joseph Prentis (Suffolk), Mrs. Jones (Suffolk), E. Sumner (Suffolk), Mr. Porter.

Concerns the improved health of Maryanne and the Judge.

Concerns the contents of Joseph's last letter and his last visit.
Names: Mr. Southall, Doctor Bradford (Suffolk).

Concerns local and family activities.
Names: Doctor Galt (Williamsburg), Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Maria Savage (Hungars), Hamilton Shields, C. Dickson (Williamsburg), Mrs. Seawell (Williamsburg), Robert Henley, B. Bassett (Williamsburg), Maria Washington (Williamsburg).

Concerns the deaths of Major Sumner and Captain Shelton in Suffolk and plans for his trip to the King and Queen court.

Names: E. White (Suffolk), General Green (Williamsburg).

Concerns local news and gossip.
Names: Mrs. Leroy Anderson (Williamsburg), Major Sumner (Suffolk), Mr. Goodall (Williamsburg), Miss Betsy Digges (Williamsburg), Catherine Russell (Williamsburg), Susan Riddick (Suffolk), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk).

405. 1808 September 23. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to [Judge Prentis (Williamsburg)?].
Concerns Bowdoin's inability to visit Williamsburg this fall.

Concerns a party at Julia's house November 6.
Names: E. White (Suffolk), Alice Pagaud (Williamsburg).

407. 1808 October 2. David Meade, Sr., Kentucky, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns a young friend of Meade's (Thomas Crittenden) who is on his way to William and Mary.
Names: Peyton Southall, Judge Nelson (Williamsburg).

Concerns Maria Savage extending her visit at Greenhill and other Williamsburg news (Julia Pagaud married Mr. Denuefville on November 6).
Names: Mr. and Mrs. Faulcon, Mrs. Nicholas, Sally Browne (Surry), Mrs. Bradford (Suffolk), Mr. Nelson (Williamsburg), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk), Mr. Saunders (Williamsburg), Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Mrs. Greenhow (Williamsburg), Severn Parker, Mr. and Mrs. William Eyre (Northampton).

Concerns Julia Pagaud's wedding and the festivities following.

**Names:** Mary Miller, E. Simons, Mr. Dyson (3 from Norfolk), IS & I Bracken, S. Jackson, E. Pryor, Mr. Wilkerson, Augustine Deneufville, Mr. Nimmo, John Miller (Norfolk), Mr. Warner, Mr. Warburton (Williamsburg), Alice Pagaud (Williamsburg), Robert Anderson and Judy Galt (also both of Williamsburg).

Concerns payment of duty charges for satin sent to Judge Prentis from Britain and William's health.  
**Name:** Mr. Taliaferro.

411. 1808 November 13. James Monroe, Richmond, to [Judge Prentis, Williamsburg?].  
Concerns Judge Prentis's visit to Richmond and his not calling at the Monroes. Also about Monroe's recent visit to the Meades in Kentucky.

412. 1808 November 17. John Wickham, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.  
Asks Judge Prentis for some cuttings from his garden.

Asks Joseph to visit Williamsburg soon and brief news of the family.  
**Name:** Mary Ann Prentis (Williamsburg).

Concerns Elizabeth's decision not to accompany Joseph when he returns to Suffolk. Also news about Williamsburg events.  
**Names:** Maria Savage (Hungars), S. Browne (Norfolk), Susan Madison (Williamsburg), Mrs. Saunders (Williamsburg), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk), Catherine Russell (Williamsburg), Mr. William Eyre.

Concerns the lack of legal matters that require a lawyer. Also mentions his volunteer regiment.

Names: Doctor Cowper (Suffolk), E. White (Suffolk), Doctor Woolford (Suffolk), St. Memine, John Barber Isle of Wight), Judge Nelson (Williamsburg), Judge Tyler, General Wills, Mrs. Saunders (Williamsburg).

Concerns Judge Prentis last letter (thanking him and comments about it). Also mentions family doings.
Name: Mr. William Eyre (Northampton).

Concerns Joseph's wish to join the military force and fatherly advice in regard to his decision.

Concerns his children, their faults virtues, and his fatherly hopes and trials.
Names: Peyton Southall, Thomas Crittenden, Andrew Meade, Richard Meade, Bishop Madison (Williamsburg), William Meade, Richard Meade (Kentucky), Hugh Kidder Meade (Washington), Mr. Fox (Washington), David Meade, Jr. (Kentucky), John May.

Concerns news of family and neighbors and also social events.
Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Maria Savage (Hungars), Doctor Galt (Williamsburg), Mrs. Saunders (Williamsburg), Mrs. Seawell (Williamsburg), Susan Madison and Bishop Madison (both of Williamsburg), John Mason, Elizabeth Betsy Moir (Williamsburg), Mr. and Mrs. William Eyre (Northampton), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk).

Concerns news of brother John and the rest of the family.
Concerns his plans to visit Williamsburg in a week's time. Also his thoughts about joining the Army and the political situation.
Names: Doctor Woolfords (Suffolk), Jones (Suffolk), Swepson (Suffolk), John Prentis (Philadelphia).

422. 1809 January 26. Governor John Tyler, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns his appointment to the position of governor of Virginia. Also elections for district court judges.

A letter of introduction for a Mr. Murdaugh.

424. 1809 February 10. Governor John Tyler, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns Judge Prentis district court circuit.
Names: Louise Tyler (Greenway), Judge Evans (Eastern Shore).

Concerns the new district court system and its effect on his law practice. Also about the embargo and the political situation with Britain.
Names: Mr. Murdaugh, Mr. Marsh.

Concerns all the news from home and Williamsburg (marriage parties and ball at Raleigh).
Names: Mr. Blackburn (Williamsburg), Mr. Murdaugh, Mrs. Saunders (Williamsburg), Mary Saunders (Williamsburg), David Meade, Jr. (Kentucky), Richard Meade (Kentucky), Elizabeth Moir (Williamsburg), Mr. Seawell (Williamsburg), Col. Travis (Williamsburg), Maria Savage (Hungars), John Prentis (Philadelphia).

427. 1809 February. Cover sheet from a letter addressed to Joseph Prentis, Jr., in Suffolk from Judge Prentis in
Williamsburg.

428. 1809 February. A detailed balance sheet for the Meades (Kentucky) concerning the Water's estate and expenses of the Meades and their sons.

429. 1809 March 9. Governor John Tyler, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns a receipt for an old loan, district circuit courts and an invitation to stay at the Governor's Palace when he comes to Richmond.
Names: Richard Meade (Kentucky), David Meade (Kentucky), Judge Nelson (Williamsburg), Louisa Tyler (Greenway).

430. 1809 March 20. John Wickham, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Thanks the Judge for sending shrubs and garden talk.

Concerns the status of the Travis/Godwin case and information about his son's progress in school.

Concerns news of the family and neighbors.
Names: Mr. Saunders (Williamsburg), Mrs. Hunter (Williamsburg), Mr. Dickson (Williamsburg), Charlotte Dickson (Williamsburg), Doctor Butler, John Bowdoin (Hungars), Severn Parker, Maria Savage (Hungars), Mr. Parker, Sally Browne (Norfolk?), Mr. Faulcon, Mr. Cocke, Mr. Robertson.

433. 1809 March 26. David Meade, Jr., Powhatan, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns a letter from his father in Kentucky, and his plans for the rest of his stay in Virginia.
Names: Doctor Meade (Powhatan), Richard Meade (Kentucky), Mr. Selden.

Concerns settlement of an overdue account.
Names: Mr. Selden, Governor Tyler (Richmond), Mr.
Concerns the district circuit court and his next visit home.
_Name:_ Mrs. Saunders (Williamsburg).

Concerns the Judges failing health.

437. 1809 March 31. Governor John Tyler, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Concerns a fire in Richmond and a bill rejected by the state legislature to supply the district with a book of the revised legal code.

Concerns his father's health.

439. 1809 April 7. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns their father's health and his recent trip to Elizabeth City and Warwick Court. Also news of neighbors and a fireworks display near the hospital.
_Name:_ Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Mrs. Saunders (Williamsburg), Mr. Saunders (Williamsburg), Col. Cary (Williamsburg), Mary Ann Prentis (Williamsburg), Catherine Russell (Williamsburg), William Browne, Mr. and Mrs. Bowdoin (Hungars) Miss C. Dickson (Williamsburg), Mrs. Grace Eyre (Northampton).

440. 1809 April. Governor John Tyler, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
Invites Judge Prentis to stay at Greenway while attending Charles City court.

441. 1809 May 5. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns their father's recovery and other family news.
_Name:_ Mrs. Saunders (Williamsburg).
Concerns subpoenas for Pace and Bryon. Also about his wife and child's ill health.
Names: Mrs. Hunter, Cowper (Hampton).

443. 1809 May 15. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns their father's recovery, news of family and neighbors and also mentions a small pox epidemic and inoculation.
Names: Doctor Galt (Williamsburg), Mr. and Mrs. Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), Peter Bowdoin (Hungars), Fanny Bowdoin (Hungars), Mr. Wash, Littleberry Mosby, Fanny Swepson (Suffolk), Mr. Allmans (Norfolk), David Meade, Jr. (Kentucky).

Concerns a recent cold that confined her indoors, their father's health, and family news.
Names: Peter Bowdoin (Hungars), Fanny Bowdoin (Hungars), Fanny Swepson (Suffolk).

Asks for pocket money and clothes money
Names: Mr. Fox, (Washington), Mr. Bassett, Richard Meade (Kentucky), Ann Page.

446. 1809 June 30. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Concerns news of family and friends. Also mentions the recent death of their father Judge Prentis.
Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Mr. and Mrs. Robert Saunders, Mr. Wash, Severn Parker, Maria Savage (Hungars).

Concerns the possible future sale of Greenhill and mentions Joseph's engagement.
Names: Doctor George Teackle (Northampton), Maria Savage (Hungars).
Concerns the sale of the Prentis estate.
Names: Doctor Teackle (Northampton), Mr. Jones (Suffolk), Arthur Robbins, Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Doctor Evans (Northampton), N. Taylor (York).

449. 1809 August 27. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns her health and happenings at Greenhill and Williamsburg.
Names: William Galt (Williamsburg), Sally Browne (Norfolk), Mrs. Faulcon, Mrs. Nicholas, Susan Madison Williamsburg), Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Doctor Fisher.

450. 1809 September. Receipts.
Receipt signed by Robert Saunders for money received from Joseph Prentis.
Name: Robert Pollard (Richmond).

Concerns the sale of Pompey and another slave for Prentis by Saunders. Also congratulates Joseph on his approaching wedding.
Names: Mr. Jackson, Mr. Anderson (Williamsburg), Mr. Hopkins, Mr. Tabb.

Concerns John’s desire to move to Suffolk and to establish his own law practice.
Name: Mr. Jones (Suffolk).

Concerns college (William and Mary) lands sold to Thomas Jones and William Crocker.
Name: Mr. Coleman.

Concerns the improper conduct of Mary Ann Prentis and
advice to correct it.

Names: Susan Prentis (Suffolk), Elizabeth Prentis (Suffolk), Doctor Galt (Williamsburg), Mr. Jackson (Williamsburg), Peter Bowdoin (Hungars), Mr. Tucker (Williamsburg).

Concerns Mary Ann Prentis conduct and the option of sending her to a boarding school in Warrenton.
Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Mr. Tucker (Williamsburg).

Congratulates Joseph on his recent marriage; invites them to Hungars.
Names: Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Godwin (Suffolk), Travis.

Concerns his trip from Suffolk to Williamsburg and plans for a trip to Suffolk in the near future.
Names: Pierces, Betsy Richardson, Susan Prentis (Suffolk) Elizabeth Prentis (Suffolk), Mary Ann Prentis (Suffolk), Louisa Everit (Suffolk), Mr. Poole (Suffolk), Mr. Jones (Suffolk), Mr. Swepson (Suffolk), Exum White (Suffolk), William Browne (Williamsburg).

458. 1810 April 22. Elizabeth Prentis, Four Mile Tree, to Mrs. Susan Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the first part of her journey to Williamsburg.
Names: Sally Butler (Smithfield), Ben White, Hamilton Shields, Mr. Byrd (Williamsburg), Mr. Faulcon (Surrey Courthouse), Mr. Henley, Sally Browne, Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg).

460. 1810 April 30. Elizabeth Prentis, Williamsburg, to Mrs. Susan Riddick.
Concerns Susan's lost red truck and news from Williamsburg.
Names: Mr. Henley, Mr. Savage (Northampton), Ben White (Williamsburg), Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), Mr. Tucker (Williamsburg), Mr. Madison (Williamsburg), Peggy Allen (Suffolk), Mr. Vanbe, Mrs. Swepson (Suffolk), Mrs Bradford (Suffolk), Lucy Swepson (Suffolk), Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), John Prentis (Philadelphia).

Concerns her trip to the Easten Shore, happenings there and inquires after Mary Ann Prentis.
Names: William Savage (Northampton), Mr. Wash, Mr. Gibbons, John Bowdoin (Hungars), Maria Savage (Northampton), Susan Bowdoin (Williamsburg), Mrs. Susan Savage (Northampton), Doctor Evans (Northampton), Mrs. Bradford (Suffolk).

Concerns her activities on the Eastern Shore (Most especially a trip to Mathews with Aunt Susan Bowdoin).
Names: Maria Savage (Northampton), William Savage and Mrs. Savage (Northampton), Mr. Parker (Northampton), Betsy Tabb, Severn Parker, John Prentis, Exum White (Suffolk).

Concerns her travels to Mathews and Gloucester and future travel plans.
Names: Betsy Tabb (Mathews), Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), Mr. Mordecai (Warrenton), Susan Bowdoin.

Concerns the sale of Greenhill to Mrs. F. Skipwith and about a suit against Bateman.
Names: Col. Skipwith (Williamsburg), Mr. Tucker (Williamsburg), Susan Bowdoin, Elizabeth
Concerns a legal case of mutual interest.
Names: Col. Riddick (Suffolk), Mr. Jones, Robert Saunders (Williamsburg).

Concerns Susan's and Elizabeth Prentis activities on the Eastern Shore.
Names: Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), Betsy Tabbs (Mathews), Mary Ann Prentis (Warrenton), Doctor Lyons (Northampton), Doctor Evans (Northampton), Mr. and Mrs. Tucker (Williamsburg), Maria Savage (Hungars), John Bowdoin (Hungars), John Prentis (Norfolk).

Concerns Mary Ann Prentis, news of Eastern Shore friends, and also a mention of a claim by Mr. Blackburn for work done to the Prentis estate and news of a slave.
Names: Sally Amith Snead (Northampton), Robert Saunders (Williamsburg), Mrs. Paulcon, John Prentis, Jesse Cole, Doctor Evans (Northampton), Doctor Lyon (Northampton), Doctor Parker.

Concerns Peter Bowdoin's selling of his estate in Hungars and inquires about Mary Ann Prentis.
Names: Elizabeth Prentis, A. Upshur, Maria Savage (Hungars), John Bowdoin (Hungars), Mrs. E. McCroskey (Williamsburg), Doctor Evans (Northampton), John Prentis.

469. 1810 July 17. William Prentis, Petersburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns Robert Prentis and a means to convey a letter to him. Also mentions the possibility of sending his son James attending William and Mary and the cost involved in doing so.
Names: Mr Tabb (Mathews), John Prentis, Mr Warburton.
Concerns Mary Ann's illness, an epidemic on the Eastern Shore, and family business (dressing table locks to be repaired and tablecloths to be made).
Names: Doctor Fisher, Doctor Galt (Williamsburg), Thomas Savage (Hungars), Jack Parker, John Bowdoin (Hungars), John Prentis, Susan Bowdoin, Susan Savage (Hungars).

Concerns Saunders's recent illness, a legal case: Riddick vs. Redwood, and a few debts that need to be settled.
Names: Mr. Jackson (Williamsburg), Doctor Galt (Williamsburg), Benjamin Cowling (Suffolk), Edwin Grey, Charles Cooper.

472. 1810 September 2. Elizabeth Prentis, Cherry Grove, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns Mary Ann Prentis slow recovery, social events on the Eastern Shore, news of friends.
Names: Caleb Upshur, Susan Prentis, Doctor Ward (Hampton), Doctor Parker, Susan Bowdoin, Maria Savage, Mrs. Savage, Mr. and Mrs Eyre, Doctor Teackle, John Bowdoin, Mammy Rachel.

Concerns Susan Bowdoin's illness and treatment, arrangements for a trip to Suffolk, and a cousin John (Bowdoin) who will attend William and Mary next term.
Names: Doctor Lyon, John Prentis, Susan Prentis, Mr. Faulcon, Mary Ann Prentis.

474. 1810 December 3. Elizabeth Prentis, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns her trip to the Eastern Shore, arrangements for continuing on to Suffolk, and news of friends.
Names: George Parker, James Bowdoin, Susan Bowdoin, Mrs. Powell (Norfolk), Patsy Powell (Norfolk).

Concerns linen tablecloths that Susan ordered to be made for Joseph and shirts that she is making for him. Also mentions Joseph's bid for the surveyor position and recommendations sent to Washington by Williamsburg friends.
Names: Mr. and Mrs. Tucker (Williamsburg), Elizabeth Prentis, Susan Savage, Mr. Waddy, Mr. Taylor, James Bowdoin, Paul Cabell, Judge Nelson, Robert Saunders.

Concerns his reasons for not writing, four slaves (Lucy, Nelly & child, Ben) and other items from Greenhill that are to be sold.
Names: Susan Prentis, John Prentis, Marston, John Goodhall.

478. 1811 January 30. Receipt for money received for the lottery. Signed by Robert Saunders.

Concerns the death of Doctor Evans and the settlement of his estate and Bowdoin's loans to Evans. Also includes a note of introduction for Doctor Boyd from New Jersey. Contains news of friends from the Eastern Shore.
Names: Louisa Bowdoin, Travis, Doctor Smith (New Brunswick, New Jersey), Thomas Evans, Sr., Doctor Teakle.

A short note congratulating Prentis on his commission of Suffolk Port Surveyor.
Names: Col. Smith, Mr. Gallatin.

Concerns Saunders's interest in the Dismal Swamp area, transactions (some which concern Prentis), and Susan Bowdoin’s recovery from a recent illness.
Names: Mr. Galt, Col. Jameson, Mrs. Hunger, Greenhow, Elizabeth Prentis, Wash, Riddick, Captain Ellis.

Concerns the sale of Joseph's slave Ben and all local engagements, weddings and deaths.
Names: Tabbs (Dinwiddie), William Moody (Williamsburg), Nancy Shields, George Loyal, Rebecca Tyler, John Boush, Widow Walker, Molly Evans, Mrs Andrews, Polly Jennings, Catherine Nivison, Edward Anderson, Catherine Russell, William Irvin, Julia Bracken, George Avery.

Concerns Joseph's "piece of toweling" which he is sending under separate cover and an order tar.
Names: P. Harmanson, Susan Bowdoin.

Concerns Saundar's attendance at chancery court and news of family and friends.
Names: Johnson, Hornsby, Ellis, Mr. Meade, Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Tucker, Mr. Cabell, Semple.

Concerns the property near Dismal Swamp that Saunders is interested in and shares available from the Dismal Swamp Canal Company.
Names: Col. Jamieson, Mr. Swepson, Henderson.

Concerns the sale of Ben and collecting for the sale from Mr. Tabbs. Also news of friends in Williamsburg.
Names: Mrs. Peachy, Nancy Tyler, Mrs. Camp.
Concerns the collection of payment from Thomas Tabbs for the slave Ben. Also mentions other Prentis slaves (Lucy and Nelly).
Name: William Prentis.

Bowdoin asks about the status of the Travis vs. Godwin case, orders for tar, social events on the Eastern Shore.
Names: Richard Drummond (Norfolk), Elizabeth Prentis, Mr. Faulcon, Thomas Savage.

Concerns an epidemic of plague and fever in Williamsburg.
Also mentions that he has spoken to Mammy Rachel.
Name: Mrs. Camp.

Concerns news of friends in Williamsburg and asks advice about unpaid notes of payment from Jeremiah Godwin.

491. 1811 October 11. David Meade, Jr., Richmond, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the future sale of Meade's property in Suffolk the purchase of two slaves--Fanny Mars and child--from Mrs. Greenhow, and payment for a horse.
Names: Judge Fleming, Carter Braxton.

Concerns Dashiel's debt to Saunders and the proposed collection of it and news of family and friends.
Names: Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Tucker, Browne, Sally Galt.

Concerns a debt to Captain Arthurs for satin dyed in England which Bowdoin writes that she settled.
Concerns the Godwin/Travis affair, the death of Doctor Lyon and questions about a painter, Mr. Shackles.
Names: John Eyre, Sam Lyon.

495. 1812 March 26. David Meade, Jr., Amelia to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns Meade Sr.'s property in Suffolk and the prospect of selling it. Also mentions a purchase of two slaves.
Names: Ryland Randolph, Greenhow, Murdaugh, Hugh Kidder Meade.

496. 1812 March 29. Susan Bowdoin, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns news of family and friends. Mentions that people are moving out of Williamsburg.
Names: Robert Saunders, Mrs. Madison, Susan Madison Elizabeth Prentis, Susan Scott, Charlotte Dickson, Mary Ann Prentis, Mr. Greenhow, Mr. Tyler, T.Nelson, Peter Bowdoin, Mrs. Eyre, S. Lyon Susan Savage, Margaret Susan Prentis, Rachel, Leah, Hannah (all three slaves).

Concerns the Godwin/Travis affair & mentions the possibility of war.
Names: Mr. Fulgham (Baltimore), J. T. Bowdoin.

Concerns the Godwin/Travis affair and his son James who has just recently joined the Calvery, and a request to Prentis to send his pistols. Also mentions a slave uprising. Included as a post script a receipt for tar and the pistols.
Names: Mr. Eyre, Richard Drummond.

Concerns the occupations of each son, an order for tar,
the arrival of Susan Bowdoin.


500. 1812 November 22. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the death of Elizabeth McCroskey and the administration of her estate.
Names: Mr. Tucker, Mr. Saunders, Susan Bowdoin, J. T. Bowdoin.

Concerns the death of Elizabeth McCroskey and the specifics of settling her estate (including those palace lands for her personal use).
Names: Peter Bowdoin, Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Tucker, William Henley, Fanny Teackl, Doctor Wise, Doctor Teackle.

Concerns the estate of Elizabeth McCroskey and asks Joseph to administer in Bowdoin's place.
Names: J. T. Bowdoin, Doctor Teackle, Susan Bowdoin.

Concerns the division of Elizabeth McCroskey's estate and contains a list of slaves that Bowdoin wants.
Names: R. F. N. Smith (Snow-Hill, Maryland), Mr. Parker, Mr. Savage.

An introduction of Rev. Robert F. N. Smith and more instructions in reference to the McCroskey estate (especially the Palace-lands).
Names: St. George Tucker, Captain Goodall, Eyre.

Concerns letters to Joseph from his uncle Peter Bowdoin about the McCroskey's estate and advises Joseph to reject his uncle's ideas in regard to administering the estate.
Names: C. B. Upshur, Mr. Smith, Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Hagarty.

Concerns the administering the McCroskey's estate. Also mentions the slaves.
Names: Robert F. N. Smith, Jane McCroskey, Anne McCroskey, Agnes Hughes, Mr. Darling, William Latchill, C. B. Upshur, Mr. Savage, Doctor Teackle, Robert Saunders, Mr. Cabble, Mrs. Wise, St. George Tucker, Lucy—a slave, Eady—a slave.
Concerns the McCroskey estate. Includes a list of Negroes sold and a list of other appraisements of other slaves.  
Names: Mr. Savage, C. B. Upshur, Robert Smith.

Concerns the sale of the McCroskey estate. Mentioned especially are the slaves and the purchase price, and items Saunders obtained for Joseph.  
Names: Peter Bowdoin, Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Smith.

Concerns a naval battle eight miles off the coast, the McCroskey estate, and a length of calico his wife has ordered.  
Names: Robert F. N. Smith, Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Parker, C. B. Upshur, St. George Tucker, Waller.

Concerns the McCroskey estate.  
Names: George Parker, Robert F. N. Smith.

Concerns the McCroskey's estate and the disclosure of a document that might be Elizabeth McCroskey's will.  
Names: Robert F. N. Smith, Susan Bowdoin, Peter Bowdoin.

512. 1813 February 23. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.  
Concerns the questionable McCroskey will and the administering of the estate.  
Names: Robert F. N. Smith, Robert Saunders, C. B.
513. 1813 March 26. Robert Saunders, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Concerns Saunders' military service (cavalry), three slaves from Williamsburg that ran away and attempted to join a British ship, the preparations for a British attack, and the possibility of peace negotiations.

514. 1813 June. William Prentis, Petersburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Offers Joseph and his family a place to stay if the British should invade the Tidewater area; also mentions preparations for defense at Fort Powhatan.

515. 1813 September 17. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Concerns the questionable will, disposing of the remainder of the estate, and the military situation in Williamsburg.
Names: Robert F. N. Smith, Peter Bowdoin, Susan Bowdoin.

516. 1813 November 24. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Concerns the McCroskey estate and asks Joseph's advice about the possibility of Doctor James Bowdoin setting up practice in Suffolk.
Names: Mr. Winfield, Susan Bowdoin.

Names: Peter Bowdoin, Susan Bowdoin.

518. 1813 December 28. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Concerns the court hearing on the possible will of Elizabeth McCroskey and the sale of the remainder of the estate.
519. 1814 February 22. Robert Anderson, York Garrison, Yorktown, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Concerns his career as a soldier, his view of the Hampton campaign and why it differs from popular opinion, and news about Prentis slave Nelly who was hired out to a shoemaker, Job Mills. Names: Barham, Mrs. Julia Travis.


522. 1814 June 1. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Concerns James's crossing the bay and being attacked by a British ship. Name: N. Freshwater.

523. 1814 July 1. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Concerns a partnership Joseph wishes to join, the war and peace negotiations, and the desired resignation of the president of William and Mary. Names: Mrs Hunger (Williamsburg), Susan Bowdoin, Doctor Jones, Doctor Smith, Riddick, Redwood, Henderson.

Concerns the McCroskey estate, an epidemic in the area, and the state of the war with Great Britain.
Names: Smith, Jackson, Col. Skipwith, Susan Bowdoin, Mrs. Hunter (Williamsburg).

Concerns advice on legal matters dealing with Joseph's father's estate.
Names: Susan Bowdoin, John Prentis, John Bowdoin (Surry), Mrs. Hunter.

527. 1815 March 5. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns a legal matter of Prentis and the peace with Great Britain and many reflections about the war (Battle of New Orleans).

Concerns some mutual legal matters.
Names: Winters, Galt, Jr., Robert Godwin, A. Townes.

Concerns a visit by a Mr. Baker and the death of a friend, Doctor Fisher of Suffolk.
Names: Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Tazewell.

Concerns Joseph's legacy from Mr. Hornsby and a request to research the possible purchase of cypress lumber.
Names: Mr. Bracken, Col. Skipwith, Susan Bowdoin.

Concerns the settlement of Hornsby's estate.
Names: Mr. Bracken, Mr. Jackson, Doctor Galt, Mrs. John Bowdoin, Mr. Henderson, Susan Bowdoin.

532. 1815 October 14. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Concerns the death of Joseph's child (Eliza Jackson) family news and health, business matters, and political opinions on Federalism.

Names: Mrs. Hunter, Susan Bowdoin, Elizabeth Prentis, Sally Bowdoin, Mary Ann Prentis, Mr. Baker, Mrs.Skipwith, Col. Skipwith.

Concerns the illness and death of Mrs. Hunter and the death of other friends.
Names: Doctor Fernandez, Robert Saunders, Elizabeth Prentis, Maria Parker, Sally Bowdoin, Peter Bowdoin, S. Parker, Rachel (a slave).


535. 1816 April 5. A receipt from Peter Bowdoin (for the James Travis judgment) to Joseph Prentis.
Name: Robert Godwin.

536. 1816 April 5. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the Travis judgment, payment from Travis, marriage of his son James, and other family news.
Names: Robert Godwin, Elizabeth Prentis, Mary Ann Prentis, Richard Drummond, Miss Jennings (Orangeburg), Peter Bowdoin, Jr., Rev. Thomas Davis, Severn Bowdoin, Major Richards Dunton, Miss Fulwell.

Concerns the settlement of the McCroskey estate, boundaries of the palace-lands, and an opportunity to purchase a share in the Dismal Swamp Company and directing Joseph to bid on it for him.
Names: Mr. Galt, Peter Bowdoin, Susan Bowdoin, John Prentis, Doctor Teackle, Mary Ann Prentis, Elizabeth Prentis, Mr. Kilby, Reddick, William Browne, Mr. Pryor, Mr. and Mrs. Faulcon,
Concerns the McCroskey estate and the sale of the palace-lands, Joseph's new residence, and his declining health.
Names: Mr. Bates (Williamsburg), Mr. Randolph.

Saunders's opinion about the liability of a trustee for property conveyed (including slaves).
Names: Susan Bowdoin, Elizabeth Prentis.

Concerns Mr. Stith's appointment to Judge and family and local news.
Names: Mr. Page, Miles Cary (Warwick), Miss Hill (Isle of Wight Court), Frances Hill (Greensville).

541. 1816 December 28. A series of three receipts transferring a payment of a debt to Peter Bowdoin from Joseph Prentis to Richard Drummond (Norfolk).
Name: Col. John Wilson.

Concerns legal cases.
Names: Jenkins, Major Archer, Robert Saunders.

543. 1817 January 22. Elizabeth Prentis, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns her activities in Norfolk and news of friends and family.
Names: Ann Baker, S. Waddey, Mrs. General Cocke, Doctor Barraud, Mr. Miles, Mary Ann Prentis.

Concerns the final portion of the McCroskey estate and the engagement of Mary Ann Prentis.
Names: Elizabeth Prentis, Miss Randolph.
Concerns Mary Ann Prentis's engagement to Captain Chamberlain, a promise to visit Suffolk, and news of friends.
Names: Elizabeth Prentis, Mr. Tucker, Robert Saunders.

546. 1817 April 17. Elizabeth Prentis, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns news of friends and happenings in Norfolk.
Names: John Bowdoin, Susan Bowdoin, Mammy Rachel, John Prentis, Mary Ann Prentis, Severn E. Parker, Mrs. Newton, Mr. Waddey, Mr. Mallory, Seymour Charlton.

Concerns plans to visit Suffolk and news of family and friends.
Names: Mr. Bracken, Elizabeth Prentis, Mr. Tucker, Robert Saunders.

Concerns James's [Prentis?] voyage to St. Pierre Martiniro and Trinidad.

Concerns a legal matter dealing with the Jenkins' estate.
Name: Robert Saunders.

Concerns the recovery of an "airgun" from a messenger and forwarding it to Bowdoin.
Names: Doctor Bradford, Coleman Sellars (Philadelphia), Robert Jordan, Mr. Deford.

Concerns the voyages of Doctor Peter.
Names: Captain George Eshon, Doctor James.

552. 1818 July 30. William Browne, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the legal case Cowling vs. Dashiel.
Names: Mr. Tazewell, Judge Green, Robert Saunders.

Concerns a possible future visit from Joseph, the marriage of Elizabeth Prentis, much advice and discussion on a transaction case and news of deaths in Williamsburg.
Names: Mary Ann Prentis, Col. John Green (Fredericksburg), William Browne, Mr. Bracken (Williamsburg).

Concerns a trip to Richmond that Saunders has just returned from, children's education, and land speculation in Richmond.
Names: Commander Jackson, Josiah Riddick, Susan Bowdoin, John Prentis, Elizabeth Prentis.

Concerns the sale of the Meade lot in Suffolk to a Mr. Jordan.
Names: John Driver, James Whitlock (Richmond), Mr. Hall (Suffolk).

Concerns a transaction for Saunders, his children's education, advice to Joseph about moving to Norfolk, and praise for Elizabeth's husband, Captain Vickery.
Names: Commander Jackson, Mr. Riddick, Mr. Barber, Mr. Robinson.

Concerns his son's (Peter) unsuccessful voyage.
Names: Richard Drummond, L. Read.

Concerns an order for tar and news of family, friends, and social events.
Names: Capt. Belote, Richard Drummond, Peter Bowdoin, Jr., Susan Jacob, Col. Robert Jacob, Lousia S. E. Parker, Doctor Buckner, Maria Smith.

Concerns the young lawyers of the Virginia Bar, children's education, and a promise to help him start a business venture in Norfolk. Also asks about the Dismal Swamp canal.

Concerns the final division of money from the McCroskey estate, the financial solvency of the Suffolk area, and news of family and friends.
Names: Peter Bowdoin, Doctor Teackle, Captain Vickery, Mary Ann Chamberlain, Captain Chamberlain, Mr. Page, Mr. Garrett, B. White, Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Faulcon (Surry), John T. Bowdoin, R. H. Baker.

Concerns a surveyor's mistake in calculating the palace-lands, the education of his daughter, and an investment in canal shares [Dismal Swamp Company?].
Names: Mr. Randolph, Holloway, Mr. Andrews, Mr. McCroskey, Elisha Bates, Seawell, Susan Bowdoin, Elizabeth Prentis Vicory, Mrs. Hockley (Richmond).

Concerns a purchase of land in Richmond, Joseph's meeting with the president (Monroe), news of family and friends.
Names: William Browne, Secretary Calhoun, Susan Bowdoin, Mrs. Jackson (Eastern Shore), Mrs. Wilson, Mr. Jackson, Mrs. Hackley, General Cocke).

Concerns his children's education in Richmond, the declining economy of Richmond, and the evils of banks.
Names: William Browne, Mrs. Hackley, General Cocke,
564. 1819 June 29. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns her travels to visit friends and relatives. 
*Names*: Peter Bowdoin, Elizabeth Vicory.

Authorizes Prentis to send money collected from J. Godwin and also asks Joseph to look up deeds for the Jerice Mills which were bought by the Dismal Swamp Canal Company. 
*Names*: Alexander Macaulay, Thomas Griffen, John Jameson, Mr. Swepson.

Concerns legal cases (Saunders vs. Carstaphen, Riddick vs. Godwin, Bush vs. Riddick, Riddick vs. Redword) 
*Names*: Mr. Galt, Robert Saunders, Susan Bowdoin.

Acknowledges the receipt of money collected from Jeremiah Godwin. Also concerns the estate of his father-in-law, Alexander Macaulay. 
*Names*: James Ratcliffe, Thomas Griffen, Mrs. Elizabeth Macaulay.

Concerns Browne's case with Christopher Roberts. 
*Names*: Shepherd, Robert Saunders.

Concerns a legal matter (Page vs. Garrett) and news from Williamsburg about family and friends. 
*Names*: William Waller, Robert McCandlish, Susan Bowdoin, Mrs. O'Neil (Norfolk), Patsey O'Neil (Norfolk), Mrs. McCroskey, Mrs Andrews (Williamsburg), John Blair Peachy, Mrs. Henderson (Albemarle), Peter Bowdoin.

570. 1820 January 29. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis,
Suffolk.
Concerns news of the Bowdoin family.
Names: Col. Jackson (Maryland), Peter Bowdoin, Jr., (Eastville), Margaret Bowdoin, Elizabeth Bowdoin, Mrs. Browne (Norfolk), William Wales (Norfolk), Catherine Smith (Norfolk), Severn Bowdoin, George Bowdoin, John Prentis.

Concerns the McCroskey estate, the state of the national economy, and news of family and friends.
Names: Mr. Page, Captain Vickery, Mr. McClandish, Chancellor Nelson, Mr. Lewis, Wilson C. Nicholas, Susan Bowdoin, William Browne, Mr. Blair.

Concerns some unfinished transactions and the death of the King of England.
Names: Robert McCandlish, Mr. Page, Captain Vicory, Mr. Riddick, George Jackson, Susan Bowdoin, Duke of Kent, Prince of Wales, Elizabeth Prentis Vicory, G. Greenhow (Richmond).

Concerns his annual purchase of Bedford Spring Water, and news of his children.
Names: Susan Prentis, Peter Bowdoin Prentis, James Bowdoin, Peter Bowdoin, Jr., John Robert Bowdoin, Elizabeth Bowdoin, Richard Drummond.

Concerns a visit from Mr. Allen, Congress's influence on presidential appointments, and his health.

Concerns the news from Williamsburg, especially the appointment of a new minister for the church.
Names: William Browne, Doctor Galt, Mr. Tucker, Doctor Tucker (Washington), Mary Ann Wilson, Mary Ann
Savage, Mrs. Parker, Fanny Teackle, Mr. Baker, Mr. Keith, Mr. Morse.

Concerns the death of his son James and a sloop that was caught in a storm and blown up against the rocks.
Names: Mr. Sumter, Robert Jordan, Sr. (Suffolk).

Concerns Robert Jordan's damaged sloop.
Names: George Jones, Peter Bowdoin, Jr.

Concerns a case which deals with a plea of breach of covenant in the Circuit Superior Court of Nansemond County, and others.
Names: Benjamin White, Susan Bowdoin.

579. 1821 February 5. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns instructions to dispose of Robert Jordan's damaged sloop.
Name: Captain Vicory.

Concerns the sale of the damaged sloop and transactions to be settled.
Names: Thomas W. Scott, Captain Custis, George Jones, Richard Goodwin, Tabor Travis.

581. 1821 March 10. A document signed by the President of the United States, James Monroe, concerning Joseph Prentis appointment to the position of Surveyor for Suffolk.
Name: William H. Crawford.

582. 1821 August 11. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns a petition for the establishment of a new ferry which would be competition for his.
Names: John K. Floyds, Severn E. Parker, Jacob G. Parker, William Satchell (all of the Eastern
Concerns the meeting of the court in Williamsburg and the case vs. Hornsby's estate.  
**Names:** Mr. Banks, Mr. Baker, Mr. Bracken.

Concerns an injunction case and advice in regard to it. Also some gossip concerning a young man marrying an older Williamsburg woman.  
**Names:** R. Riddick, Nelson, Anderson, Carr, John Prentis Betsy Peachy, Mr. Webb.

Concerns the visit of Joseph's daughter, Margeret Susan, and a record needed from the Chancery office.  
**Names:** Major Corbell, Mr. Goddin, William Browne.

Concerns the approved petition for an additional ferry line to the Eastern Shore, collection of some notes, and news of the family.  

Concerns the education of Joseph's daughters in Williamsburg (including French, music and dance).  
**Names:** Doctor Butler, Betsy Peachy, P. L. Duport, Major Corbell.

Concerns the health and news of the Bowdoin family and an order for tar.
Names: Mrs. Smith (Northampton), Susan Bowdoin, Susan Parker, Miss Page, Captain Vicory, Thomas Peade, James Evans.

589. 1822 October 21. An opinion by John Wickham, Richmond, about a legal case dealing with the division of an estate. Contains an interesting note about the legal status of slaves.

Concerns the reasons why Saunders is unable to accommodate Joseph's daughter, Margaret, for the school year, and a meeting with Benjamin White.
Names: Charlotte Dickson, Susan Bowdoin, Mr. Shield (York).

Concerns the deaths of his daughter, Margaret, and son-in-law, Col. Jackson.
Names: Louisa Bowdoin Jackson, Peter Bowdoin, Jr.

Concerns the health of his family.
Name: Mr. Corbell.

Accounts of the estate of the late Robert Moore Riddick. Letter concerns the account above.
Names: Elizabeth Parker, Mrs. Hoffman, Charles Teemer, J. Lawrence, John Shelton, Doctor Murdaugh, Anna Parker.

Concerns the death of Robert Saunders's daughter, Mary.
Name: Susan Bowdoin.

Concerns several serious illnesses in the Bowdoin
family and an order for tar.

Names: Louisa Bowdoin, Elizabeth Bowdoin, Peter Bowdoin, Jr., Susan Bowdoin.

Concerns an order from Nathaniel Wilkins and news of Louisa's health. 
Name: Captain Vicory.

Concerns Saunders's opinion on a legal matter in connection with the Court of Chancery. 
Name: Robert Saunders, Jr.

Concerns Judge Browne's authority to risk sending a sum of money through the mail. 

Concerns the possibility of purchasing a house in Norfolk for some female relatives and the health of his family. 
Names: Baller Cocke (Norfolk), Mrs. O'Neil (Norfolk).

600. 1824 November 5. Burwell Bassett, Rector (Williamsburg), to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. 
Asks for Joseph's attendance at a meeting of the visitors and governors and a convocation of William and Mary.

Concerns the purchase of a house on Charlotte Street in Norfolk and the health of his family and friends in Williamsburg. 
Names: Captain Vicory, Elizabeth Prentis Vicory, Susan Bowdoin, Betsy Peters, Sally Browne (Williamsburg).

602. 1824 August 13. A receipt from Edwin Lee (agent for Francis A. Thornton of Baltimore) to Robert Saunders for
partial payment for the purchase of the house on
Charlotte in Norfolk.
Names: John Singleton, Conway Whittle, Jacob Vicory.

603. 1824 November 15. A receipt from William Browne to Joseph
Prentis for money collected on clerk's tickets.

604. 1824 December 27. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the house in Norfolk and payment for it.
Names: Edwin Lee (Norfolk), Francis A. Thornton
(Baltimore), Margaret Susan Prentis.

605. 1825 January 5. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis,
Suffolk.
Concerns Bowdoin's health, news of the family, and a
transaction to be settled.
Names: Margaret Bowdoin, Elizabeth Bowdoin, Miss
Turnbulls (Baltimore), Severn Bowdoin, John
Gray, Mr. Jones (Jerico), Milly Constable.

606. 1825 January 10. Susan Bowdoin, Kendall Grove, to Joseph
Prentis, Suffolk.
A letter of introduction for F. H. Smith, a musician,
and contains news of family and friends.
Names: Susan Parker, Maria Smith, Judge Hopkinson, Mr.
Jones (Suffolk), Mr. Baker (Suffolk), Peter
Bowdoin, Louisa Bowdoin.

607. 1825 January 12. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis,
Suffolk.
Concerns selling his ferry line and his case vs. John
Gray for an unpaid account.
Names: Mr. Eyre, Captain Evans.

608. 1825 January 22. Peter Bowdoin, Hungars, to Joseph Prentis,
Suffolk.
Concerns the legal action against John Gray and news of
the Bowdoin family.
Names: Mr. Eyre, Mr. Neal (Richmond), Elizabeth
Bowdoin, Doctor Teackle, George Bowdoin, Susan
Bowdoin, Louisa Bowdoin, Judge Parker.

609. 1825 January 22. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the recent purchase of a house in Norfolk for
his niece and accounts from the McCroskey estate.

Names: William Browne (Williamsburg), Mrs, Elizabeth Prentis Vicory, Mrs. Mary Ann Prentis Chamberlain.

Concerns an enclosed agreement executed by Ben White: Joseph's decision not to attend court.
Names: Mr. Baker, Judge William Browne.

Concerns receptions held in Suffolk and Richmond for Lafayette and mentions the war in South America and the victories of Bolivar in Peru.
Names: Doctor Galt, Robert Saunders, Jr., Mr. Jefferson.

Concerns the administration of the college and news of his family.
Names: Mr. Galt, Charlotte Saunders, Robert Saunders, Jr., William Browne.

Asks Joseph to come quickly to Norfolk because Elizabeth's husband (Captain Vicory) is dying. Also gives instructions for friends in Williamsburg.
Names: Mrs. Peachy (Williamsburg), Taley Browne (Williamsburg), Captain Chapman, Lucy Page (Williamsburg), Captain Vicory.

Concerns Bowdoin's health, asks about the price of shingles, and provides news about the Bowdoin family.
Names: Captain, Mr. and Mrs. Eyre, Peter S. Bowdoin, Jr., Mr. Comanns.

Concerns his property in Virginia and asks Joseph to act as his agent.
Names: Robert Riddick, Everard Meade.

Concerns his health, a case dealing with the joint ownership of slaves, and the enrollment at William and Mary.
Names: Margaret Susan Prentis, Mrs. Garrett, Jones, Elisha and Prudence Ely, Mrs. and Mr. McKinney.

Concerns his garden and children, answers questions about Joseph's ancestors, and gives power of attorney to Joseph in order to execute the sale of some property in Virginia.

Concerns an order for shingles and news of the family.
Names: Captain Bagwell Garrison, Peter Bowdoin, John Bowdoin.

A copy of a letter dealing with the transfer of power of attorney to Joseph.
Name: David Meade.

Concerns the possibility of sending Joseph's daughters to school in Williamsburg and includes a list of tuition and boarding prices.
Names: Mr. Andeson (Williamsburg), Mrs. Peachy, Mr. Morse, (both of Williamsburg), Margaret Susan Prentis, Mr. and Mrs. Keith (Williamsburg).
Concerns the death of Peter Bowdoin, news of family and friends.
Names: Robert Saunders, Jr., Doctor Smith, Mr. Tucker.

Concerns recommendations for Joseph, a visit to Joseph's daughter in Georgetown, and an increase on tariff on cotton.
Name: Mr. Trevsant.

Concerns the transfer of power of attorney to Joseph and the collection of debts and rents for his Virginia property.
Names: David Meade (Petersburg), Richard Randolph, David Walker.

Concerns the sale of a slave child and news of the family and friends.
Names: Mr. Baker, Captain Chamberlain, Captain Vicory, Robert Saunders, Jr., Ben White.

Concerns the sale of a slave (Lucy) to Ben White, Saunders' health and his son's career.
Name: Mr. Tucker.

626. 1826 March 10. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the death of an unnamed friend and her movements in Norfolk.
Names: Doctor Barraud, Elizabeth Prentis Vicory, Mary Ann Prentis, Chamberlain, Mr. Wilson, Captain Vicory, Mr. Waller, Marianna Saunders Prentis.

Concerns the transfer of power of attorney and the settling of Meade's affairs in Virginia, news of an
influenza epidemic, Meade genealogy, and news of the Meade family.


Concerns the Dismal Swamp Land Company.
Names: Thomas Griffen, Corbin Griffen, Alexander Macaulay, M. Jones (Suffolk), Sheperd (Suffolk).

Concerns the collection of rents from Meade's Virginia estate and a woman (Mrs. Flournoy) Of questionable reputation who tried to seduce Hugh K. Meade.

630. 1826 August 20. James Semple, Meadenbridges Hanover, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns a meeting of the "Visitors" to decide some important issues in regard to William and Mary College.
Names: Mr. Scott, Dr. Wilmer, Dr. Smith.

A letter of introduction for Captain George Holt.

Concerns Meade's affairs in Virginia, instructions in regard to them for Joseph, and news of the Meade family.
Names: William Byrd (Ohio), M. Jones (Suffolk), Col. Byrd (Westover), Judge Charles W. Byrd (Ohio), Molly Byrd, Randolph, William Meade (Kentucky),
Hugh Kidder Meade (Kentucky), Col. Pryor (Norfolk), Mr. Bolling (Petersburg), Richard Byrd, Samuel Woodson, Robert Randolph, Richard Randolph, David Walker, Daniel Call.

Concerns her illness and the season's sweep of sickness in Norfolk. Also contains news of family and friends.
Names: Mrs. Tucker (Williamsburg), John Page, Louisa [Bowdoin?], Mr. Thompson (Baltimore), Captain S. Vicory, Doctor Kerner, L. Henop, Susan Parker, Mrs. Boush.

Concerns the rent for Meade's Virginia lands and other transactions in Virginia.
Names: M. Jones (Suffolk), William G. Driver, John Driver, S. H. Woodson (Jessamine County, Kentucky), David Walker, Col. Pryor (Norfolk), Wray.

Concerns the sale of David Meade's Mill Creek property.

Concerns some shocking news of Mrs Sheddon's school where Joseph's daughter attends.
Names: Jane Henderson, Col. Peter, Col. Bassett.

Concerns an agreement with Captain Bagwell. Garrison to ship shingles to New York.
Names: Harry B. Kendall (Eastville), Matthew Harmonson (Eastville).

Concerns instructions to Joseph regarding the collection of rents and debts and the transfer of the final amount.
Includes reasons why he transferred power of attorney from his nephew to Joseph.
Names: S. H. Woodson, Ann Meade Woodson, M. Jones, Col. Pryor, David Meade (Petersburg), John Driver, Littleton Tazewell (Williamsburg), Benjamin Waller, Judge Tucker, Richard Kidder, Mr. Kilby (Petersburg), Hugh Kidder Meade, Mr. Wray.


641. 1827 April 5. A bill for second load of shingles from the Dismal Swamp Land Company, purchased by Captain B. Garrison for Peter S. Bowdoin.


645. 1827 October 30. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk. Concerns Saunders' ill health, the death of President Wilmer (William and Mary), other William and Mary news. Names: Doctor Hunter, Mr. Empie, Bishop Moore.
Concerns his son's return from a trip, news of happenings at William and Mary, instructions about a slave (Lucy) hired out to Ben White, and news of family and friends.
Names: Robert Saunders, Jr., Mr. Empie, Doctor Wilmer, Margaret Susan Prentis, Charlotte [Dickson], Sally Peachy.

647. 1827 December 26. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.Concerns the sale of the slave girl Lucy (Rachel's daughter) to John Prentis (Richmond).
Name: Robert Saunders, Jr.
Concerns the sale of Lucy to John Prentis, and discipline of Saunders' own slave (Isham). "Tis our misfortune that these people cannot be made useful without strict discipline."
Names: Rachel, Robert Saunders, Jr.

Concerns his business and legal concerns in Virginia and news of the Meade family.

650. 1828 February 17. Peter S. Bowdoin, Eastville, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the sale of his sloop Patty and arrangements for it.
Names: Captain Martin Holt, Captain Garrison.

Concerns the death of Mary Ann Prentis Chamberlain, the Mill Creek property, and his legal case in Richmond.

Concerns arrangements for the sale of his sloop.
Names: Captain B. Garrison, Captain Vicory, Mr. Brown.
Concerns the sale of the Mill Creek Property and news of family members.
Names: Norborne Beall, Hugh Kidder Meade, Sally Waters Meade.

654. 1828 August 15. An itemized account and receipt of the sloop Patty's earnings.
Names: Joseph Prentis, Peter S. Bowdoin, Captain B. Garrison, Captain Bowzer.

655. 1828 August. Peter S. Bowdoin, Seaford, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the settlement of accounts of the sloop and sale of it.
Name: Captain Thomas Evans.

Requests Joseph's attendance at the next meeting of the Visitors of the College of William and Mary, and Brown's opinion about professorships.
Names: Mr. Empie, Mr. Pryor, Robert Saunders.

Concerns the death of his wife, Sally Waters Meade, and the sale of the Mill Creek property.
Names: Hugh Kidder Meade.

A short note that enclosed an obligation from B. White.
Names: Susan Riddick Prentis, Mr. Baker.

Concerns Joseph's decision to resign from the office of Comr., and Brown's advice to him.
Name: Susan Riddick Prentis.

Announces the death of his father (David Meade) and
makes inquiry about the Mill Creek property.

661. 1829 August 31. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns several bonnets that Margaret has ordered and a length of bombazene material, and news of family and friends.
Names: Mr. Bonford, Mrs. Dickerson, Mrs. Tucker, Miss C. Shepherd, Thomas Shepherd, Miss Cowdrey.

662. 1829 Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Margaret Susan Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns some items Susan will shop for and news of family and friends.
Names: Mrs. Brough (Waddey Hall), Elizabeth Prentis Vicory, Captain Vicory, Doctor Shepherd, Mr. Nimmo (Norfolk), Reverend Clackson.

663. 1829 September 24. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Margaret Susan Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns all the news of family and friends.
Names: Mrs. Shepherd, Elizabeth Vicory, Captain Vicory, Doctor Kennon, C. Shepherd, Doctor Webb (Suffolk).

Requests Joseph's support for a friend, Thomas B. Barton, who wishes to be clerk of the convention.

665. 1829 October 26. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Margaret Susan Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns material for a mourning press, an accidental fall of Elizabeth Prentis, and news of family and friends.
Names: Mrs. Bernard Suffolk, Thomas Shepherd, Mrs. Barraud (Suffolk), Doctor Ducachet (Norfolk), Mrs. Hansford (Norfolk), Mrs. N. McClandish (Williamsburg), M. Jones (Suffolk), Lewis Henop.

Concerns the sale of the Mill Creek property and a visit to Virginia next spring. Also asks for a survey of the boundaries.
Name: David Walker.

Concerns the transaction of funds to date for the surveying of the Mill Creek boundaries.
Names: William Creighton (Ohio), Captain Lively.

668. 1830 February 2. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns a purchase of carpeting for his wife and news of friends and family.
Names: Elizabeth P. Vicory, Marianna Saunders Prentis, Miss Smith (Norfolk), Mrs. Broughs (Norfolk), Mr. ones (Suffolk), Eliza Page (Gloucester), B. Pollard, Waddy, Bishop Skinner, Reverend Parkers.

Concerns the resignation of a professor at William and Mary and the controversy over who or if to replace him.
Names: Mr. Campbell, Mr. Stuart, Judge William Browne, Mr. McClandish, John Page.

Concerns Joseph's resignation of his visitor position at the College of William and Mary and internal politics of the College.
Names: Col. Bassett, Mr. Stewart, John Page.

671. 1830 December 4. Susan Bowdoin [Norfolk?], to Margaret Susan Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the purchase of some items in Norfolk for Margaret and announces plans for a trip to Williamsburg.
Names: Mrs. Ducachet (Norfolk), Captain Vicory, Mrs. Tucker.

672. 1831 September 13. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Asks Joseph if she might be able to live with his family, for she has no where else to go.
Names: Captain Vicory, F. Taylor, Elizabeth Vicory, Mrs. Neil, Mrs. Grandberry, Mr. Chilos, Captain
673. 1831 October 7. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns Joseph's offer to move to Suffolk and live with his family and other living arrangements.
Names: Captain Vicory, Elizabeth Vicory, F. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor (Norfolk), Mrs. Hackley (Norfolk), Mr. French (Norfolk), E. Waddey, Martha Williams, Mrs. A. Almond, Mrs. Baker.

674. 1831 October 22. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns her trip to Suffolk to stay with Joseph, news of family and friends, and a wave of illness in Williamsburg.

Asks Joseph to accompany her to his home in Suffolk.
Names: Mrs. Blake, C. Cowdry (Norfolk), Captain Vicory, Elizabeth Vicory, Mrs. Hackley, Mrs. Small, Mrs. Brough.

676. 1832 February 17. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns moving into her new living quarters which she has named "Proverty Hall" and happenings in Norfolk.
Names: Elizabeth Vicory, Mr. Woodward (Norfolk), Mrs. McClain (Norfolk), Mr. T. Dickson (Norfolk), Captain Vicory, Doctor Ducachet, Miss Condry (Norfolk), Mrs. Almond, Mrs. T. Robertson (Gloucester).

Concerns Saunders' wish to purchase an interest in the Dismal Swamp Land Company.
Name: Robert Saunders.

678. 1832 August 1. Richard E. Meade, Kentucky, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns a land claim of a Mrs. Waddy and mentions the
state of Indiana and the Indian Blackhawk.

Names: John Brooks, Hiram Harris (Manchester, Va.), Col. Augustine Claiborne, Mr. Wickciffe.

679. 1832 August 22. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns the recent deaths in Norfolk and the health of Joseph and Family.
Names: Elizabeth Vicory, Margaret Susan Prentis, Susan R. Prentis, Louisa Prentis, Captain Vicory, Mr. Hollock, Mr. Parker (Norfolk), Mr. Holt (Norfolk), Mrs. McConnico (Norfolk), Mr. Campbell.

Concerns her return to Norfolk from the Prentis house, womanly chatter about friends, and patterns and materials.
Names: Mr. Gresham (Norfolk), Mr. Hydges, Elizabeth Vicory, S. Parker, Mr. Tunise (Norfolk).

681. 1832 December 12. Susan Bowdoin, Norfolk, to Margaret Susan Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns hiring a servant, news of her activities, friends and family. She mentions a man (Doctor Illbridge) who has been harrassing the pastor.
Names: Mr. Hydges, Mr. Gresham, Mr. Gesham, Elizabeth Vicory, T. Tazewell (Norfolk), Mr. Pannele, Mr. Howell, Mr. Campbell.

Asks Joseph if he is attending the next court day at Southampton and inquires about stage routes and times.
Names: Doctor Browne, Robert Saunders.

Concerns Ben White's obligation, mentions the death of Louisa Prentis and the health of his father.

Concerns a transaction in regard to Ben White and the health of both families.
Names: Mr. Cabarniss (Williamsburg), Mr. Chandler (Williamsburg), Captain Vicory, Robert Saunders.

   Informs Joseph of the death of his father and also of a small legacy.

   Concerns Ben White's obligation for the maintenance of Aunt Rachel (a Prentis slave) and news of the death of his mother-in-law.
   Name: Charlotte Dickson.

   Concerns Ben White's obligation for this year and the news of a new-born son. Mentions William and Mary enrollment.
   Name: Aunt Rachel.

   Announces the death of Aunt Rachel.
   Names: Doctor Peachy, Mrs. Peachy.

   Concerns a fire which destroyed the Prentis home and an offer of a loan.
   Names: Doctor Webb (Suffolk), Mr. Riddick (Suffolk).

690. 1837 July 13. A list of books which belonged to the estate of Judge Joseph Prentis (includes their appraised value).
   Also includes transfer of ownership for the books from both Samuel Vicory and John Prentis.

691. 1838 November 2. Peter S. Bowdoin, Eastville, to Joseph Prentis, Suffolk.
   Asks if Benjamin Riddick (Suffolk) would be a responsible owner of a horse Bowdoin wishes to sell.

692. 1842 August 12. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Prentis, Suffolk.
Concerns his opinion about sending the young man Riddick back to William and Mary for another year, and the health of his family.
Names: Margaret Susan Prentis Webb, Peter Bowdoin.

Concerns a letter to forward to Captain Riddick.

Concerns young Mr. Riddick's unpaid debts in Williamsburg.

Concerns Riddick's debt to a Williamsburg tailor.
Name: John Mann.

Consolations for a death in the Prentis family and news of the Saunders family.

Concerns establishing a clientele in Suffolk for his general commission business.
Name: Elizabeth Prentis Vicory Pollard.

Expresses his grief at the recent news of the death of her father, Joseph Prentis.

699. No Date #1. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Williamsburg, to Joseph [Prentis, Jr., Suffolk?].
Concerns the end of the embargo and speculation toward the actions of Great Britain. News of the family.
Names: Mr. Murdaugh, John Prentis.

700. No Date #2. Joseph Prentis, Sr., Williamsburg, to Joseph Prentis, Jr., Suffolk.
Asks Joseph, Jr., to visit home soon.
Name: Mr. Jones (Suffolk).
701. No Date #3. Addressed to Mr. Prentis [Judge Joseph Prentis?].
Concerns the death of some member of the Prentis family [Margaret, Joseph's wife?] and instructions in regard to her personal belongings.
Name: Mrs. Powell.

702. No Date #4. Addressed to Mr. Prentis [Judge Joseph Prentis?].
Concerns the deceased personal items and the division of them between friends.
Names: Mrs. Powell, Rachel (slave), Isabella Foushee, Mother Pheabe (slave), Dinah (slave), Hannah (slave).

703. No Date #5. Williamsburg [Robert Prentis?] to John Blair.
Concerns an advertisement regarding the death of John Prentis and the payment of balances due to the firm of John Prentis and Company to Robert Prentis & Co. There is a date on the advertisement section (Wmsbrg, Decr 22d. 1775).

704. No Date #6. David Meade, Kentucky, to [Judge Prentis (Williamsburg)?].
A long letter with news of the Meade family & the possibility of young Andrew Meade attending William and Mary.

705. No Date #7. D. [David?] Meade, Richmond, to Judge Prentis, Williamsburg.
A letter heading marked June 28 concerning his return trip to Kentucky and a chancery court law suit against Robert Randolph.
Name: Mr. McRea.

706. No Date #8. John Blair to Robert Prentis.
Concerns an account against the parish and closing up the business.
Names: Mr. Tazewell, Col. Cary.

707. No Date #9. Robert Saunders, Williamsburg, to Joseph
Prentis, Suffolk.
A letter marked December 15 concerning Saunter's acceptance as administer of an estate [McCroskey's?] and news of family and friends.
Names: Mr. Upshur, Mr. Bowdoin, Susan Bowdoin, Mrs. Hunter (Williamsburg).
Minutes of the faculty of the College of William and Mary (1729-1784) concern administration of the college, resignations, appointments, faculty matters, student behavior, and many other matters.
TR 32

YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA TRANSLATIONS, 1780-1781. 1 volume. TR 32.

Consists of a collection of documents relating to the victory at Yorktown at the end of the Revolutionary War. Includes notes, memoirs, statements, memorials, journals of the campaign, situation of the regiments, lists of distribution, summary of the Comte de Grasse's campaign, artillery list, ciphered documents, inventory of the munitions and campaign equipment. Writers include Luzerne, Rochambeau, Barras and others.
TR 33

WARRINGTON DAWSON MEMORANDA, 5 volumes. TR 33.

The Warrington Dawson Material consists of five volumes of photocopies of typescript reports, and memos with enclosures, containing information gleaned between August 1930 and April 1932, from French family papers, archives, libraries, etc. The maps, the photostats and the original documents among his submissions have since been accessioned into Special Collections and are available in the Foundation Library.

The collection consists of information intended for use to assist in the reconstruction of Colonial Williamsburg. Included are letters, reports, journals, maps, books, etc., or parts thereof, that mentioned the appearance or arrangement of the buildings or streets, or the inside or outside construction of the buildings, both public and private. A parallel search was for information concerning the Yorktown siege, and the surrender ceremony and site. A few submissions were photostats or photographs, a few were originals purchased, however, the greater majority were typescript copies or extracts. Noted throughout are his publicity activities, through newspapers, magazines, and lectures, to gain access to family papers, and unknown sources.

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1. [1781] Journal of the Chevalier de la Cadignan. Typescript extract. 7 pages. Notes on his arrival with the French Army in Williamsburg, the street plan, the houses and public buildings and the condition in which Cornwallis left it. Comments on the French and American troop movements toward Yorktown as they established positions around it. Some French officers and regiments are named. Translated from the original French. (Enclosure to Memo No. 26).
2. 1781 September 30. Robin, Abbe', Williamsburg [Va.], to N.B. Typescript extract in French. 3 pages. Discusses Rochambeau's arrival in Jamestown and juncture with LaFayette in Williamsburg, and there, comments on the capitol and the equipment of the college. (Enclosure to Memo No. 30)

3. 1781 October 22. D.Ancteville, Chevalier, York[town, Va.], his "Journal of the Chesapeake Campaign". Typescript copy in French, 25 pages. Reports in great detail Saint Simon's Army's movement from Santo Domingo to Jamestown, it's juncture near Williamsburg with LaFayette's, then Washington's and Rochambeau's armies, then their combined siege of Yorktown and the final surrender ceremony. An English translation is attached. (Enclosures to Memos No. 45 and 209).

4. 1781-82. Rochambeau, M. le Comte de. Typescript copies in French from Ministry of War Archives No. 3734, "Correspondence du Comte de Rochambeau, 1781-1782". 33 pages. Groups those Rochambeau letters (from and to him), conferences, and addresses not published in Volume 5 of Henri Doniol in 1892. They are not translated here. (Memos No. 35, 61 and 80)

5. [1781] D'Aboville, Colonel. His "History of the Seige". Typescript copy in French. 2 pages. Notes in brief the military siege of Yorktown. Apparently added at a later date to a blank space on his campaign map. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 66)

6. N.D. Lists, made from several archival sources in the French Ministry of War, of the names and regiments of the French soldiers who died in Williamsburg and Yorktown in 1781 and 1782. Some birth sites and dates are also noted. Corrections are made from memo to memo so none alone stands complete. (Enclosures to Memo's No. 73, 95, 149, 158, 166, and 431).


9. 1763-1788. Anonymous. Typescript extracts in French from seven manuscript volumes (5420 pages) apparently copied from newspapers of the period. The 14 extracts include every mention of Williamsburg or the nearby areas in the volumes and report essentially on military movements and engagements. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 119).

10. 1782 October 1. Coste, J[ean Francois], Peekskill [New York], to Marquis de Castries, n.p. Typescript copy in French. 3 pages. Notes his dedicated medical service to the military, especially in America as "First Doctor of Rochambeau's Army" and petitions for some recognition. His letter is endorsed by both [Colonel de] Tarle and Count de Rochambeau. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 120)

11. 1784. Smith, J. F. D. His "Journey to the United States". Typescript extract in French. 2 pages. Comments on the streets, public buildings and houses of Williamsburg, with specifics on construction and appearance. A partial, literal translation to English is included. (Enclosure to Memo No. 132)

12. 1778 July. Anonymous, n.p. to M. le Marquis de Condorcet, Versailles. Typescript copy in French. 1 page. Forwards a letter from the President of William and Mary reporting finding a source of, and including a specimen of natural saltpeter in Virginia. (The letter and specimen are missing.) (Enclosure to Memo No. 133).


15. 1781 November 26. Segur [Marshal de], Versailles [France] to Colonel D'Aboville, n.p. Photostat in French. 1 page. States the King's awareness of his and the artillery's service at Yorktown, and that his name is on Rochambeau's "favors" list,
which should soon receive the King's attention. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 195 as WD-110, PH-11).

16. 1781 December 5. Segur [Marshal de], n.p. to M. le C[om]te de Rochambeau, n.p. Photostat in French. 1 page. Notes that the King has acted on his "favors" list, including Colonel D'Aboville's promotion to Infantry Brigadier (Brigadier General). An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 195 as WD-111, PH-11).

17. 1781 December 5. Segur [Marshal de], n.p. to N. B. Photostat in French. Lists in detail the "favors" granted by the King to the French Artillery Officers for their performances at Yorktown. (Enclosure to Memo No. 195 as WD-112, PH-11).

18. 1781 December 1. Inventory of the artillery and munitions loaded by General D'Aboville aboard the squadron commanded by M. le Marquis de Vaudrevil in Boston for delivery to various French ports. Typescript extract in English. 4 pages. (Enclosure to Memo No. 195 as WD-113 and 114).

19. 1782 July. Lauberdiere, General de, his Journal. Typescript extract in French. 2 pages. Comments on the main street of Williamsburg, and on its public buildings and the fire damage to the college and the Governor's Palace. Notes his social life in town and names several young ladies. A short literal translation to English is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 197).

20. 1781. Pouzoullette, Sieur, [Yorktown area]. His "Journal ...." (served under deGrasse in Virginia). Typescript extract. 3 pages. Comments on the landing of French troops at Jamestown on September 1, the arrival of other French and American units, until by September 24 all are united in Williamsbourgh [sic]. Memo No. 198).

21. 1780-81. Viomenil, Count de. His Order Book (for Rochambeau's Army). Typescript extracts in French. 7 pages. Records the orders given for the daily operation of Rochambeau's Army, the behavior of the troops and their movement south toward Virginia until August 17, 1781. The extracts are of various unrelated events, and have an English translation attached. An additional page in French gives biographic outlines of the three de Viomenil's who served in the American campaign. (Enclosure to Memo No. 205).
22. N.D. deGrasse, the Marquis. His "Biographical Sketch of Admiral deGrasse". Typescript excerpt in French from a pre-publication copy of a genealogy of the deGrasse Family, to be issued in 2 volumes in 1932. 20 pages. Details the life of the Admiral from birth through his education and naval career, to his death. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 218).


26. 1780[?] June 11. Steuben [Baron de], Prince Edward C[ourt] H[ouse, Va.] to the Chevalier de la Luzerne, n.p. Typescript copy in French. 2 pages. Cites the very weak position of the troops. Lafayette, Green, and he (Steuben) are all inferior to Cornwallis and all need men, ammunition, arms, clothes, and food, from the North or from Europe. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 240).


his petition for a service pension, he cites in his extract his service during the Yorktown siege even though ill and wounded. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 250).

29. 1782 February 15. d'Aboville, General, Williamsburg, Virginia. His "Two Hearts in One Partridge". Photostat in French. 4 pages. Describes his examination of the entrails of the bird and other observations of nature. Also observed by and attested to by Mr. Verge, Chief Surgeon, and Thomas Bentley, a merchant. They occupy adjoining houses in Williamsburg and some features of Mr. Verge's are noted. A typescript in French with English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 275 as WD-141 to 144, PH-11).

30. 1783 April 6. Minister of Marine, n.p., to M. le Comte de Rochambeau, n.p. Typescript copy in French. 2 pages. Informs him that Coste's petition for service recognition has been granted by honors and a gratuity. (See Memo No. 120). An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 279).


32. 1778 July-Sept. Ministry for Foreign Affairs, instructions to America concerning the reception of an military honors due, on official visits by the French Minister. Original is in English. (Enclosure to Memo No. 291).

33. [1781 Nov.-Dec.] Borre, Preudhomme de. "Manuscript of Preudhomme de Borre". Typescript extract and notes in French. 6 pages. The extract notes his observations of the city, the public buildings, the houses, the form of government, and the surroundings of Williamsburg during his two month visit. The notes are selected excerpts from the remainder of his manuscript. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 303).

34. 1776 October 12. Gerard, M., Philadelphia [Pa.], to M. de Sartine, n.p. Typescript extract. 1 page. Notes instructions given to the Chevalier d'Annemours prior to going to America as a visitor, but actually as a French Intelligence Officer. (Memo No. 346).

35. 1776 December 18. Luzerne, M. le Chevalier de la, Paris [France], to N.B. Typescript extract from a manuscript letter. 1


39. 1780 May 29. Galvan, M. de, Williamsburg [Va.], to M. de Castries, n.p. Typescript extract in French. 2 pages. Requests a transfer to Lauzun's Legion, or a "commission for Major in the Colonies Corp" as a relief from his present assignment. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 403).

40. 1782 April 29. Rochambeau, le Comte de, Williamsburg [Va.] to M. de Vergennes, n.p. Typescript copy French. 2 pages. Thanks him for his approval letter of the recent campaign, and awaits news of the land and sea forces being sent so that operations can be planned. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 408).

41. 1784 December 1. Barbe-Marbois, Philadelphia [Pa.], to Comte de Vergennes, n.p. Typescript copy in French. 1 page. Forwards a letter to the King from "the President of the University of Williamsburg" thanking him for the gift of books. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 408).

42. 1784 November 10. Madison, J[ames], Williamsburg [Va.], to [M. Barbe-Marbois], n.p. 2 pages. Typescript copy. Expresses thanks to the King of France for his gift of books to the University. (Enclosure to Memo No. 408).
43. 1785 January 1. Madison, J[ames], Williamsburg [Va.], to M. le Comte de Vergennes, n.p. 2 pages. Typescript copy. Requests that the thanks of the President and the Professors of William and Mary be offered to the King for his gift of books, and for his assistance in gaining independence. (Enclosure to Memo No. 408).

44. 1785 June 8. Barbe-Marbois, Versailles to James Madison, [Williamsburg, Va.]. Typescript copy in French. 2 pages. Acknowledges his recent letter, and reports to the King's satisfaction in sending the books for the William and Mary Library. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 408).

45. 1781 September 8. Lafayette [Marquis de], Williamsburg [Va.], to M. le Chevalier [de la luzerne], n.p. Typescript copy in French. 2 pages. Notes the many functions which he is performing, that the French troops are arriving, and his apparent discomfort at his senior French officers temporarily reporting to him. An English translation is attached. (Enclosure to Memo No. 425).
Items List of the Diary

1. 1881. D'Aboville-Rochambeau surrender tradition. Typescript extracts. Comments on family traditions in letters and a biography, of Rochambeau's surrender of his sword to D'Aboville prior to O'Hara's surrender to Washington, and tracking it to it's probable source in a Rochambeau statement to de Noailles, that "... it was to the general of the artillery that he wished to present his sword". (Parts of pages 5 to 8, 40, 59, 91 and 93.)

2. N.D. "French Officers at the Siege of Yorktown". Typescript copy. 3 pp. In letters from the Vicomte d'Aboville, n.p. and N.D. to the Marquis de Rochambeau. (Diary pg. 8.)

3. 1778-1783. "Noms des combattants Francais morts a Williamsburg". Typescript in French. 7 pp. Names French dead at Williamsburg listed at the Archives Nationales and the Archives du Ministere de la Guerre. (Diary pg. 14.)

4. 1781. Gallatin, Baron Gaspard de, his "Journal of the Siege of York by the Army General Staff". Translated from Manuscript original. 23 pp. Comments on the siege, from October 6 to October 19, noting troop unit movements in great detail, casualties, and officer assignments, gives the "Articles of Capitulation", names the troop units and number of men, the armaments surrendered, and Washington's congratulations to the officers and men. WD 13-28 (Diary pg. 36 and 50)

5. 1781. Gallatin, Baron Gaspard de, his "Narrative". A translated summary of 8 pp. from his manuscript original of 33 pp. Summarizes Rochambeau's army's movements and activities from July 11, 1780 in Rhode Island until it's arrival in Yorktown on September 25, 1781. WD-29-61 (Diary Pg. 36 and 45 to 49)


7. 1896. Villebresme, Chevalier de, his "Souvenirs du Chevalier de Villebresme sur la Guerre d'Amerique", in "Les Carnets de la Sabretache". Extracts. 9 pp. Comments on the American lack of enthusiasm for liberty, the few fighting for it, and the low level
of military training of those who were, plus some notes on the siege of Yorktown and the surrender there. (Diary pages 39-43 and 71 to 75) and (Guide pg. XIX).

8. 1881. D'Aboville, Count, from his unpublished (in 1931) history of the D'Aboville family. Typescript extract in French. 17 pp. Presents the military career and honors of General Francois Marie D'Aboville, including his participation in the siege of Yorktown. An English translation is attached. (Diary pg. 90)

9. 1881. D'Aboville, Count, his "Notice". Typescript in French. 9 pp. Highlights the military career of General D'Aboville, and comments on his part in the siege of Yorktown and his study of "National Sciences" in America in the 3 years following Yorktown. An English translation is attached. (Diary pg. 90)

10. 1929. April-June. Catalog of an exhibition illustrating the French Colonies in North America. Typescript extracts in French. 8 pp. Describes in some detail those documents, maps, and plans with reference to Virginia from discovery to the 1780's, including the D'Aboville Map of the Yorktown Campaign. (Diary pg. 91 and 133)

11. N.D. Balland, A., his "Les Pharmaciens Militaires Francais". Typescript extracts in French. 3 pp. Lists some of the apothecaries serving with the French Army in America with notes on their lives, careers, and accomplishments. An English translation is attached. (Diary pg. 119, and Guide pg. XVI.)

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Diary of Sarah F. Nourse (d. 1784), wife of James Nourse, of Piedmont Plantation, in Berkeley County, Virginia (now in West Virginia). Diary entries concern the chronic health problems of SFN, weather conditions in Berkeley County, clothes making or repair for slaves and others, and social, family, political, and business matters. Entries also mention prisoners at Winchester, Virginia, whippings of slaves for theft, dancing school for children, a slave sale, and medical procedures including bloodletting. Also mention of the Washington and General Horatio Gates family.

Original manuscripts at the University of Virginia.
Names in diary of Sarah Fouace Nourse

Anthoney, Plato
Armstrong, Dr.
Armstrong, Major
Baker, Mrs.
Ball, Colln
Banners, John
Banners, Kitty
Barker, Mrs.
Barnwell, Mrs.
Beatty, Mrs.
Becky, Miss
Beele, Mrs.
Bellmaine, Mr.
Bob
Bouchett, Colln.
Briscow, Mrs. & Miss
Brooks, Mrs.
Bull, Mrs. Gen'l
Bull, Colln
Bull, Dr.
Burrell, Mrs.
Bushrod, Mrs.
Catlet, Mr.
Clough, Major, of Philadelphia
Cooke, Betsy
Cooke, Mr. & Mrs.
Cooke, Fanny
Cowling, Mrs.
Crawford, Mrs.
Darke, Colln
Dixon, Mr & Mrs
Dowdell, Mr.
Du, vall, Mr. & Miss
Eskridge, Miss
Foace, Mrs.
Gabe
Gaunt, Mr.
Gordon, Doctor
Gough, Mrs.
Gwin, Mr & Mrs. & Miss Patty
Hammond, Mr.
Hart, Colln
Hites, Mrs. S.
Hopton, Betsy
Hughes, Mrs.
Jack
Jackey
Jem
Jim
Jo
Keys, Mrs.
Kitty
Lee, Gen'l
Lucas, Major
Marchell, Mr.
Marks, Major
Marshells, Colln
McNight, Mr.
McPherson, Mr.
McPherson, Mrs.
Middleton, Miss A.
Middleton, Miss
Morgan, General
Morrison, Capt.
Morrow, Colln
Nicholas, Mr.
O'Neal, Colln
Old Moll
Patterson, Mr.
Peggs, (Abraham)
Pinckney, Major
Richmond, Major
Rittenhouse, Mr.
Rootes, Mr.
Sally
Smith, Colln. & Mrs.
Stevens, General
Strong, Mr.
Sturges, W.
Sturges, Mr.
Sturgess, Mr.
Suckey
Swaningham, Colln.
Throckmorton, Mr. & Mrs.
Throuston, Colln.
Vaughan, Mr.
Venus, Betsy
Walkd., Mr. N.
Walles, Mr.
Washington, Colln John
Washington, Miss
Washington, Colln W.
Washington, Colln Charles
Washington, Mrs.
Washington, Gen'l [George]
Washington, Warner
Washington, T.
Washington, Thorton (Mr & Mrs)
Washington, Mrs. Colln. (?) died Sept 27, 1781
Washington, Sam & two Miss Washingtons
Washington, Charles
Washing[ton], F.
Whiting, Mrs.
Whiting, Mr.
William
Willis, Mr. & Mrs.
Willis, Mr. junr.
Wormley, Mr.
Worthington, Mrs. died 10/27/81
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A collection of transcripts of estate appraisals and inventories of mostly colonial Virginians. Includes listings of furnishings, livestock, tools, books, slaves, utensils and many other items. Includes estates of 151 individuals from Accomack, Elizabeth City, Fairfax, Frederick, King George, Lancaster, Middlesex, Norfolk, Northampton, Northumberland, Richmond, Surry, Westmoreland and York Counties. Indexes by date, name, and county included. Inventories taken from county records.
TR 36

JAMES SOUTHALL RECEIPT BOOK, 1771-1776, 1 volume. TR 36.

Transcript of receipt book of James Southall, operator of the Raleigh Tavern, Williamsburg. Receipts include date, item and signature. Receipts for labor, account payments, coal, oats, beef, flour, and many other items.

Original is part of the Brock collection owned by the Huntington Library, San Marino, California. Microfilm copy (M-153.2) available.
Journal made from rough notes of a trip to America, 1774-1777, by Nicholas Cresswell (1751-1804), of Derbyshire, England. Cresswell came to America in hopes of acquiring land and settling permanently, but personal difficulties, the uncertain state of affairs, and the Revolutionary War caused him to return to England. While traveling, he visited or lived in Barbados, Maryland, Virginia, western Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Philadelphia, and New York. There are often lengthy observations on the towns he visited, frontier techniques and customs, and the social customs of both Indians and whites. The journal is especially valuable for detailing the growth of the revolutionary movement. Among the many people mentioned are Capt. Buddecomb, Capt. George Clark, Capt [Christopher] Gist, Patrick Henry, Thomas Jefferson, John Neville, and George Rice.

The journal has been published. See: The Journal of Nicholas Cresswell, 1774-1777, New York, 1924. Microfilm copy (M-1585) available. MS 61.2.
JAMES CITY COUNTY PETITIONS, #1-259. 1770-1861. 2 VOLUMES. TR 38.

Transcripts of petitions #1-259 from citizens of James City County (1770-1861) to the Virginia legislature. Petitions include date, text and signers of the petitions. Subjects include taxes, Eastern State Lunatic Asylum, estate matters, manumission of slaves, education, transportation, politics, and many other subjects.

Originals in the Virginia State Library. Microfilm copy (M-34) available.
Transcripts and photocopies of estate inventories of items in taverns or tavern owners mostly in York County, or tidewater Virginia, but also from Maryland, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania. Most inventories contain list items such as bottles, beer, tables, plates, chairs, utensils. Also lists slaves.

Compiled by Harold John Bradley III, April 1986.
PENDULUM BETWIXT A SMILE AND TEARS, MEMOIRS FOR THE GRANDCHILDREN
OF KIRKLAND RUFFIN SAUNDERS. No date. 1 volume. TR 40.

Transcript of memoir of Kirkland Ruffin Saunders. Includes Ruffin family and related families history. Includes table of contents and index.
TR 41

FRANCIS JERDONE BLACKSMITH ACCOUNT BOOK, 1766-1768. 1 volume.

Transcript with analysis by Harold Gill Jr. of the blacksmith accounts (1766-1768) of Louisa County planter and merchant, Francis Jerdone. Account book lists purchasers and cost of blacksmith work and type of work performed. Also includes introduction, index and an appendix section.

Original at the College of William and Mary Special Collections.
DORA LEE, OR, THE VISIT TO MONTPELIER, BY A LADY OF "LOUISE HOME," WASHINGTON, 1872. 1 volume. TR 42.

Transcript of book (PZ7.L154 D69) of juvenile fiction. Published in Baltimore by Charles Harvey & Co., 1872. Transcript (1934) includes a letter identifying some of the people the fictional characters were based on. The book concerns residents of the Carter-Saunders House, Williamsburg.
Transcription with notes of "The Recollections of John Mason." Subjects include plantation management, family matters, marriages, deaths, description of rooms, George Mason, American Revolution politics, Gunston Hall and other matters.

Transcribed from the Dawson Papers, Gunston Hall Library.
BOYD'S HOLE LEDGER H WITH JOHN GLASSFORD AND CO., 1773-1774.
1 volume. TR 44.

Accounts for produce, beef, eggs, and other foods. Also accounts for sale of slaves. Includes items purchased or sold, name of buyer and price.

Original in Library of Congress. Transcribed from CW M-1442.5
INVENTORIES, 1634-1765, 1 volume. TR 45.

Transcript includes room by room inventory lists and appraisal of personal property of several Virginians.

Transcribed from the Virginia Magazine of History and Biography and manuscripts owned by the New York Public Library.
AN ACCOUNT AND HISTORY OF THE TAZEWELL FAMILY, n.d. 1 volume.

Transcript of a memoir of Littleton Waller Tazewell (1774-1860). Subjects include the judicial career of Henry Tazewell; York County elections (1780's); LWT's education with George Wythe and at the College of William and Mary; Benjamin Waller; life in Williamsburg; travels to Philadelphia and other matters.
MEMORIES OF THE PAST, by John Washington. N.D. 1 volume, 30 pp.)

Transcript of memoir of John Washington (1838-1916), a former slave in Virginia. Subjects include slave life, emancipation, religion, blacks in the Civil War, the capture of Fredericksburg by Union Troops, and his work as an aide to General Rufus King.
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NELSON LETTER BOOK EXTRACTS, 1766–1775, 1 volume. TR 48.


Original at the Virginia State Library.
TR 50

J. BAYLOR LETTER BOOK, 1750-1765. 1 volume TR 50.

Transcripts of letters of J. Baylor to Lyonel Lyde, John Norton, Edward Athawes, Flowerdeau & Norton and others. Letters concern tobacco crops, and material to be imported and exported between London and Virginia.
GALT FAMILY PAPERS, 1842-1858. 2 volumes. TR 51.

Transcripts of the Galt family papers from the College of William and Mary Swem Library. Transcripts include correspondence, administrative and medical diaries, and hospital statistics for the Eastern State Insane Asylum, Williamsburg. Correspondence between John M. Galt, superintendent of the Asylum and relatives of patients, sheriffs, and others concerns patient progress, need for asylum and hospital events. Diaries include notes on insanity, scheduled treatments, and hospital population statistics. The transcripts also include excerpts from diaries attributed to Alexander D. Galt, Jr. which describe household and town affairs, as well as excerpts from Sally Maria Galt's scrapbook and descriptions of Williamsburg.

Microfilm copy (M-1545) available.
Correspondence of John M. Galt, other Eastern State employees, county sheriffs, and patients or relatives of patients re entrance into the Asylum or the conditions of patients in the Asylum.
Original material at Eastern State Hospital.
Correspondence from Elizabeth Jaquelin Ambler Brent Carrington (1765-1847), elder daughter of Jaquelin and Rebecca Burwell Ambler, includes letters to her friends, Mildred Smith Dudley of Yorktown, Virginia, and Frances Caines of Bristol, England. These letters describe her family's difficulties during the American Revolution; the sudden death of her first husband; and the unfortunate life of one of her childhood friends. Later letters to her sister, Ann Ambler Fisher, are Eliza's attempts to describe their family and its antecedents; their life in Yorktown before the Revolution; the hardships of their flight from the British; the changes the war made in their lives. Included are extensive epistolary sketches of their brother-in-law, Chief Justice John Marshall. Some passages on her later life explain why she retained these letters. Also included is Eliza's copy of an 1815 letter from John A.B. Fisher to his mother, discussing his parents' reaction to his desire to become a minister.

Microfilm (M-1120) copy available from CW original (DMS 54.5).
Letters of Robert Beverly (1740-1800) of Blandfield in Essex County Va. and Landon Carter, of Sabine Hall, Richmond County, Va. Subjects include family news, wheat and tobacco crops, tobacco market, frost damage, Indian depredations on the western frontier, Beverly's view on the raising and education of children, the Stamp Act and the repercussions of the Boston Tea Party.

Microfilm copy (M-181) and photocopy (PH 05) copies available.
TR 55

WILLIAM BLATHWAYT LETTERS, 1676–1715. 45 items. TR 55.

For a full description of the Sir William Blathwayt (1649–1717) papers see the Manuscript Guide #8 (MS 46.2). Transcripts consist of selected letters to William Blathwayt from Edmund Randolph, Virginia and Edmund Andros, New England. Also includes letters from Alexander Spotswood and others.
Transcripts of selected items from the Norbonne Berkeley Botetourt (1718-1770) manuscripts of Badminton. Correspondents include Botetourt family members, friends and executors on Virginia, William Marshman, the Earl of Hillsbourough and Edward Montague. Subjects include Botetourt's appointment as governor of Virginia; the College of William and Mary; Botetourt's last illness, death and funeral; estate settlement; household furnishings; and slaves.
TR 57

BOTETOURT PAPERS--PALACE INVENTORY, 1770-1772. 1 volume. TR 57.

Room by room inventory of Baron Norbonne Berkeley Botetourt (1718-1770) property in the Governor's Palace, Williamsburg, Va. at the time of his death. Also includes correspondence of the Duke of Beaufort, Robert Carter Nicholas, William Nelson and others. Inventory includes tableware, fabric, furniture, kitchenware, livestock, catalogue of books in the library, and slaves. Contains name and subject index.

Originals at the Virginia State Library.
TR 58

JOHN BRANFORD COLLECTION, 1776-1791. 5 items. TR 58.

Letters of Marquis de La Fayette and others re commerce, the American Revolution, and French-Anglo affairs. Also includes a summary of the collection and a partial list of names and places mentioned. Transcripts consist of a small portion of the collection.

Location of the original manuscripts unknown.
TR 59

BURWELL FAMILY, 1792-1802. 9 items. TR 59.

Transcripts consist of advertisements for the sale of horses. For a full description of the Burwell papers see CWF Manuscript Guide collection # 10. See also TR 06.

Microfilm (M-1557-1558) available.
TR 60

SAMUEL POWELL BYRD, 1830-1855. 1 volume. TR 60.

Letters and accounts of Dr. Samuel Powell Bryd (1807-1863) and his son, Richard Corbin Bryd. Transcripts include selected items from CWF originals. For a full description see CWF Manuscript Guide collection # 12.

Microfilm (M-1553) available.
Correspondence of John Carlyle, Alexandria, Va, and his brother, George Carlyle, Britain. Also included is an indenture for John Carlyle's cousin, John; and a letter from Sarah Carlyle to her uncle; and genealogical material from the Carlyle family Bible. Subjects include the French-Indian War, agricultural trade, family matters, plantations, slavery, the Washington family and Col. William Fairfax.

Original owned by Carlyle House, Alexandria, Va.
"Williamsburg Essays" contain "the Annals of Williamsburg," an account of Lafayette's visit to Williamsburg in 1824, and an account of CBTC's expedition through Tidewater, Virginia, in 1864 during the Civil War.
COMMITTEES OF SAFETY PAPERS, 1774-1776. 1 volume. TR 63.

Letters (1774-1776) intercepted by the Virginia Committee of Safety. Subjects include trade with Britain, the American Revolution, the military situation, fear of destruction from war, politics, naval matters, and tobacco trade.

Originals in the Virginia State Library.
TR 64

CONTINENTAL CONGRESS PAPERS, 1778. 1 volume. TR 64.

Transcripts of excerpts from the papers of the Continental Congress.
TR 65

DENEUFVILLE FAMILY PAPERS, 1785-1798. 6 items. TR 65.

Selected 18th century transcripts from CWF original manuscripts. See CWF Manuscript Guide collection # 28.

Microfilm (M-1120) available.
EHRENREICH JOACHIN FRIDRICH VON FERSON LETTERS, 1773. 6 items.

Letters of Ehrenreich Joachin Fridrich Von Ferson, Hampton, Virginia to Lord Dunmore, the King of Prussia and Lord Chatham. Letters concern Ferson's attempts to get a ship for London and leave Virginia, turkey shootings and prayers to the King of Prussia.

TR 67

FONTAINE AND MAURY FAMILIES, 1829-1874. 6 items. TR 67.

Selected transcripts from the CWF original manuscript. See CWF Manuscript Guide collection # 30 for complete description.

Microfilm (M-1556-1557) available.
FULHAM PALACE--IMMORALISTS AND DISSENTERS CASES, 1730-1748.
6 items. TR 68.

Excerpts from cases before the Virginia General Court concerning sundry immoralists; a dissenting minister; wicked acts of the preacher, John Ramsay; allegations that minister, Patrick Lunan was a person of evil fame; and allegations that Townshend Dade was a "lewd conversationalist."
GRiffin family papers, 1808-1938. 1 volume. TR 69.

Correspondence of the Griffin family and estate records for Cyrus Griffin of York County. Includes inventory of goods.

Originals in various repositories.
TR 70

THOMAS JEFFERSON CORRESPONDENCE, 1763-1802. 1 volume. TR 70.

Correspondence mostly of Thomas Jefferson concerning personal life, education, the College of William and Mary, religion and the pyrratical states of Barbary. See Manuscript and Photocopy Guides for a complete listing of Jefferson material.

Originals in various repositories.
TR 71

LAFAYETTE–LECLERC PAPERS, 1780–1786. 1 volume. TR 71.

Translations of documents from French. Letters of French commanders in the American Revolution. They include material on the French campaigns around Newport, R.I.; a map drawn for the siege of Yorktown, Virginia; letters written from Williamsburg, Virginia, and Lebanon, Pennsylvania, regarding the conduct of the war; letters from Versailles to the Governor of Tobago; and letters from Lafayette to M. Le Noir, and the United States, 1786. There are also projected itineraries for the French Army’s march from Phillipsburg and White Plains to Philadelphia, and from Baltimore to Gloucester, Virginia. Among the signatures are those of de Bouille, de Castries, de Damas, de La Perouse, de Lauzun, de Vaudreuil, Rochambeau, and Viomenil.

Microfilm (M-1551) from original CWF collection (MS 31.17) available.
BENJAMIN HENRY LATROBE JOURNALS, 1796-1798. 1 volume. TR 72.

Excerpts of the journals (1796-1798) of Benjamin H. Latrobe relating to Virginia. Subjects include travel by stage between Yorktown and Williamsburg, food in taverns, court in Richmond, a visit to Mt. Vernon, descriptions of Williamsburg, crops and other subjects. Material published in The Virginia Journals of Benjamin Henry Latrobe 1795-1798. Yale University Press, 1977. (927.2364C)
CHEVALIER DE LA LUZERNE LETTERS, 1781. 95 pages. TR 73.

Three letters of Chevalier de la Luzerne, plenipotentiary minister from France to the U.S. during the Revolution. Letters (1781) concern French commercial aspirations, aid for Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina during the Revolution, American politics, and French diplomacy. Letter are translated and annotated by Dana L. Perry.

Originals owned by the French Foreign Office Archives.
Accounts of Governor Norborne Berkeley Botetourt's estate. Includes receipts and accounts for the use of slave labor, purchase of goods, funeral arrangements, and other expenses. Includes index.

Original manuscript in the Library of Congress.
PELHAM FAMILY LETTERS, 1791-1810. 1 volume. TR 75.

Papers include correspondence of P. Davenport, Sarah P. Blagrove, J.W. Blagrove, Mary Blagrove and Henry Blagrove. Correspondence concerns domestic matters, health and gossip in Williamsburg. Also mention of boarders in a Williamsburg house and naval stops in London and Cadiz.
GEORGE PITT COLLECTED BIGAMIST PAPERS, 1758-1770. 23 items. TR 76.


Originals at the Alderman Library, University of Virginia. Photostatic copies and typescripts available.
TR 77

ASA REDDINGTON REVOLUTIONARY WAR NARRATIVE, ca. 19th century.
1 volume. TR 77.

"The Narrative of Asa Reddington Concerning His Experience as an American Soldier during the Revolutionary War From the Beginning of the War Until Yorktown. Includes narrative, genealogical and biographical information and an excerpt from New Hampshire Revolutionary Business papers."
Correspondence of Jean Baptiste Donatien de Vimeur Comte de Rochambeau (1725-1807) with French officials. Subjects include the American Revolution, observations of General George Washington, the Chesapeake Bay offensive and other matters. Material in French.

Originals with the Archive Historique du Ministere de la Guerre, Paris.
ALEXANDER SPOTSWOOD PAPERS, 1709/10-1743. 8 items. TR 79.

Selected transcripts from the original CWF manuscripts. For description see CWF Manuscript Guide collection # 74.

Microfilm (M-1555) available.
TR 80

WALLER FAMILY PAPERS (CWF), 1746-1756. 9 items. TR 80.

Selected transcripts (mostly poems) from the original CWF manuscripts except for a listing of books belonging to Eliza Waller. For full description see CWF Manuscript Guide # 85.

Microfilm (M-1555) available.
Correspondence mostly between Florence Waller and Robert A Brock concerning the Waller Family genealogy and history. Also includes letter (1792) of John Tayloe Griffin to Elizabeth Griffin Adams; Waller lineage; Stuart Family notes; genealogical notes; "A Sketch of the Waller Family"; and poems by Edmund Waller.

Original manuscripts in the Brock Collection, Huntington Library, San Marino, California.
TR 83

CYRUS GRIFFIN PAPERS, 1788-1810. 13 items. TR 83.

Correspondence concerning Cyrus Griffin's term as President of the Continental Congress (1788-1789) and years as a federal judge for the District of Virginia (1789-1810), ratification of the constitution, U.S. foreign relations. Letters from Thomas Fitzsimmons, Edward Carrington, George Simpson and others.

Originals at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania. Also available in PH 12 with inventory.
Selected transcripts of personal letters from John Pratt, London, to Elizabeth (Cocke) Pratt, Williamsburg, Virginia and Bath, England, written after the death of Elizabeth's husband William (d. ca. 1724). John was William's uncle. Elizabeth was related to naturalist Mark Catesby, who is mentioned in one letter. Besides expressing his concern for her welfare and that of her son, Billy [Keith William] and daughter Betty, John writes of the marriages of Col. Alexander Spotswood to [Ann Butler] and of Louis XV to Marie Leszcznska, as well as the fate of several English politicians.

Positive photocopies (PH-20) available. From the Virginia Historical Society in Richmond, Virginia.
Title pages of the libraries of Landon Carter and Robert Wormeley Carter of Sabine Hall. Transcript consists of author, title, place of publication, date, and other information.
DENIS DIDEROT, THE ART OF WIGMAKING. 1 volume. TR 86.

Translation from French of The Wigmaker's Art (1767) by M. De Garsault. Includes discussion of shaving, hair dressing and curling, powdering, men's and women's wigs, second hand wigs, and steam baths.
Orderly book kept for General William Irvine records court martials at Fort Pitt with individuals charged, sentences, and members of the court. Also mentions food supplies, a board of inquiry into murder and theft, and the Battle of Yorktown.

Also available on microfilm (M-1188.27).
Description of French involvement in the American Revolution in Yorktown and elsewhere with mention of Rochambeau, Lafayette, Luzerne and Washington. Translated by Dana L. Perry.
Typescript of John S. Charles' (1851-1930) "Recollections of Williamsburg as it Appeared at the Beginning of the Civil War..." Recollections of a long-term resident of Williamsburg. Mentioned are Lemuel Bowden, Dr. Cam, Thomas Cogbill, John Coke, George P. Coleman, Dudley Diggs, Dr. John M. Galt II, Dr. Sam Griffin, Scervant Jones, Gen. McClellan, William S. Peachy, Robert Saunders, Dr. and Robert P. Waller.
Correspondence between coachmakers and their customers containing descriptions, specifications, special modification requests, and some prices for new carriages, as well as modifications to and repairs of existing coaches, and a request for the appraisal of two coaches to be sold second-hand. Also, the petitions from two Frederick County [probably Maryland] court cases between apprentices and master craftsmen (a saddler and a coachmaker). Letter, 1848 March 25, coachmaker Isaac Mix, Jr., New York, to an unnamed customer, n.p. Other coachmakers mentioned include Messrs. Lukin and Allan and Mr. Leader, all English, and Cornelius Fur of Maryland. Other names appearing in the collection include: Daniel Buchias, Robert Edging, Otto McKusick, and Isaac Martz, all in America; and Gen. John William Egerton, Hon. Gen. Alexander Hope, Sir John Shelley, Duchess of Somerset, Duke of Somerset, Lord T. Spencer, and Hon. Thomas Stule, all in England.

Microfilm (M-1585) copy available. CWF 80.2.
JOSEPH BALL LETTERBOOK, 1744-1759. TR 92.

Letterbook of Joseph Ball (d. 1760) consists of letters written in England from 1744 to 1759. Letters concerned with management of Ball's plantations in Virginia, the tobacco trade, legal matters, and the Seven Years War. Many of the letters to his plantation manager and nephew, Joseph Chin regarding directions for the upkeep of plantation houses, outbuilding, fences, crops, pastures, livestock, and slaves. Other subjects include the rebuilding of the Capitol in Williamsburg, his personal library, family matters, colonial taxes and slave punishment. Correspondents include George Washington, Mary Ball Washington, Benjamin Waller, James Syndercombe, Rev. John Underhill, Ellen Chichester, Luke Milnor, Thomas Banger, Charles Arnold, Weymouth merchants John and Richard Tucker, Bristol merchants, Loyd & Cooper, John Hanbury, Lawrence Drummond, Robert Blaws, Elizabeth Washington, Richard Harvey, Major William Ball, and a Virginia lawyer, Mr. Pendleton. Includes brief biography and scope and content note.

The letters of Rawleigh Downman (d. 1781) form the second half of the Joseph Ball letterbook. Downman was a Virginia planter, a resident of England and Joseph Ball's son-in-law. Letters concern mostly plantation management, the tobacco trade, goods ordered from England, legal matters, foreign wars, political matters and his family's health. Correspondents include William Downman, Joseph Chinn, Christopher Chinn, Benjamin Waller, Mary Ball Washington, Stephen Renaud, George Kemp, William Chamberlayne, William Cheslyn, Liverpool merchants Clay & Midgley, James Gildart, John Backhouse and William Lee (Richard Henry Lee's brother).

Original at the Library of Congress. Microfilm copy (M-21) available.
Papers consist of transcripts of land patents for Jamestown from the State Land Office, Richmond, Virginia. Names include Nathaniel Bacon, William Fairfax, Henry Hartwell, Philip Ludwell, George Marable, William Sherwood, Thomas Sully, Edward Travis, and many others. Also includes calendared index from State Land Office and an index.
Selected transcripts from the Shirley Plantation Collection (DMS 91.1) include letters, journal entries and other materials. Also includes notes. Transcribed letters mostly letters of Robert R. Carter while he served in the U.S. Navy in Japan and the Orient between 1853-1855. Also letters from Elizabeth Randolph to her daughter, Mary B. Carter. Other writers include Hill Carter, Dr. Robert Carter, Robert E. Lee, Alice Carter Bransford and others. Transcribed by Joanne Young.

See Special Collection personnel for use guidelines.
TR 97

Samuel Beall Papers, 1777-1801. 1 volume. TR 97.

Transcripts of receipts, accounts, advertisements, deeds, legal opinions in debts and other cases and other items concerning merchant, Samuel Beall. Items selected from various collections.
Manuscript volume of anonymous veterinarian which lists remedies for the 120 ailments of horses. Includes a list of diseases or medical conditions. Text consists of instructions for making each medicine and instructions for applying the medicine. CWF original: MS 91.14
The Blair, Banister, Braxton, Horner, and Whiting Papers are a collection of 108 documents dating from 1765-1890. The collection begins with the correspondence of the Blair family of Virginia and continues on in chronological progression through their descendants in the Banister, Braxton, Horner and Whiting families. The documents cover such topics as Williamsburg Society, medicine, epidemics and illness, wartime conditions (American Revolution and War of 1812), and genealogical information of the families involved. The majority of the letters in the collection are written by female family members who vividly relate the activities and concerns of women in the society of eighteenth and nineteenth-century Virginia. Also among the correspondents included are such notables as Carter Braxton, Benjamin Rush, Bushrod Washington and Wilson Cary.

Photocopies of manuscripts available in PH 25.

The original documents can be found at the College of William and Mary.
DEBORAH RICHMOND PAPERS, 1775-1802, 1 volume. TR 101.

Letters, poems, a certificate, the will, and an account of Deborah Richmond (d. 1802) of Scituate, Massachusetts and elsewhere. Correspondents include Lucy Gay, Suffield, Connecticut; William and Eliza Gay, Tiverton, Rhode Island; Priscilla Mann; Joshua Richmond and others. Correspondence concerns family matters, especially relating to health and being an invalid. Other subjects include local news, gossip, deaths in the family, visiting, and clothing.

Originals mostly at the Kent Memorial Library in Suffield, Connecticut. Others owned by Margaret A. Clarke, Carnegie, Penn.
"The Gentleman's Jockey and Approved Farrier..." 17th century, 1 volume, TR 102.

Transcription of a seventeenth century veterinarian's manuscript discovered in the straw insulation of the roof of Halkerston Lodge, Inveresk, Scotland, in 1960. The manuscript concerns the treatment of ailments and injuries in horses and contains recipes for medications and instructions for administering them.

Original in the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation Library, MS 94.8.
James Maury (1718-1769) was the son of Matthew Maury and Mary Anne Fontaine. He attended the College of William and Mary and in 1742 was appointed usher of the grammar school. He was ordained as a minister in England a year later. Maury preached in King William county and later, in Fredericksburg Parish in Louisa County, Va. In the late 1850s, he ran a small boarding school and had as students, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison (later Bishop), Dabney Carr, and others. These transcripts of ten of his sermons (1743-1764) concern prayer, lust of the flesh, Christ, inner peace, earthly needs, youth, children, the infirmities of the human nature, and many other subjects. The sermons consist of the Biblical reference on which it is based, the text, and a list of when and where the sermon was preached.

Original manuscripts are in the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation Library, MS 91.15.
20 July 1743 Sermon based on Matthew 6.6. Concerns "private prayer" which can be an antidote against vain-glory and hypocrisy. Includes list of when and where the sermon was preached.

24 July 1743 Sermon based on Matthew 6.6. Concerns putting "private prayer" into practice. Includes list of when and where the sermon was preached.

29 September 1745 Sermon based on Galations 5.16. Concerns the victory over the lust of the flesh and explains what is meant by walking in the spirit. No. 72. Includes list of when and where the sermon was preached.

18 May 1746 Sermon based on Mark 16.19. Concerns Christ's sitting at the right Hand of God. No. 88. Includes list of when and where the sermon was preached.

29 June 1746 Sermon based on Psalms 37.37. Concerns man's inner happiness or peace. No. 90. Includes list of when and where the sermon was preached.

21 September 1746 Sermon based on Matthew 6.33. Concerns seeking the Kingdom of God first and food, clothing, and drink will come later. No. 96. Includes list of when and where the sermon was preached.

12 February 1748/9 Sermon based on Ecclesiastes 12.1. Concerns remembering God in one's youth. No. 130. Includes list of when and where the sermon was preached.

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Transcript of the papers of Martha Sugg Dixon (April 20, 1827-January 12, 1904) of "Sandy Lawn," Greene County, North Carolina, prepared by W.L. "Bill" Murphy. The papers were discovered by Mr. Murphy in the attic of his grandfather, William Lyman Murphy, in 1963. Mr. Murphy has added his own annotations regarding people and places, as well as copies of photographs, drawings, and floor plans he gathered while conducting genealogical research.

The papers consist of a memoir written by Martha Sugg Dixon concerning the history of the Sugg, Murphrey, and Harrison families, genealogical notes on the Murphrey and Harrison family lines, and correspondence and estate papers relating to members of the family of Captain John Murphrey and Elizabeth Harrison Murphrey, who lived at "Beare Garden," Dobbs County, N.C. in the 1770s. Topics discussed in the correspondence include sports and amusements, plantation business, the construction of a neighborhood chapel, the care of slaves, and widowhood. The inventory of Captain John Murphrey's estate included in the estate papers lists the lands, stock, and slaves he owned, and the contents of the stable, mansion, and outbuildings situated on "Beare Garden" plantation.

In her memoir, Martha Sugg Dixon relates that prior to moving to North Carolina, Captain John Murphrey served as a clerk in the House of Burgesses and met his future wife, Elizabeth Harrison, in Williamsburg. After their marriage, the couple lived in Williamsburg for several years. Dixon also describes the connections between Elizabeth Harrison and various other Harrisons in Virginia, including Elizabeth Harrison Randolph, the wife of Peyton Randolph of Williamsburg. In addition, Dixon relates stories passed down in the family about Elizabeth Harrison Murphrey's experiences during the Revolutionary War.

The genealogical notes provide information about members of the Sugg family who were christened in Williamsburg and at Westover, as well as about members of the Sugg family who lived at "Rattle Hill," Dobbs County, N.C. In addition, the notes list the children and grandchildren of Captain John Murphrey and Elizabeth Harrison Murphrey.
Original papers owned by W.L. "Bill" Murphy of Raleigh, N.C.
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19 Oct 1776  Letter: Mary Polly Aldridge Murphrey to Elizabeth Harrison Murphrey

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n.d.  Will of Mrs. Elizabeth Harrison Murphrey, wife of Capt. John Murphrey of "Beare Garden," Greene County, N.C.

1776  Papers concerning the settlement of the estate of John Murphrey, 1776

25 Aug 1776  Inventory of Capt. John Murphrey, dec'd for the Benefits of his Widow and Orphans taken by William Ormond, Samuel Holladay, and Benjamin Caswell and sworn on 25 August 1776 before William Speight, Justice

n.d.  Xerox of oil painting of Elizabeth Harrison Murphrey
Excerpts from the Personal Papers series of The Galt Family Papers, 1749-1904, which were formerly on deposit at Colonial Williamsburg and transferred to the College of William and Mary in March 1978. This transcript consists of letters written by Sarah Maria Galt (1822-1880) to friends and relatives during the course of the Civil War. Sarah (known as Sally) was the daughter of Dr. Alexander Dickie Galt (1771-1841), who served as attending physician at the Lunatick Hospital in Williamsburg from 1800-1841.

The letters provide insight into the impact of the war upon families in Williamsburg. She describes troops housed in Williamsburg and cared for at the hospital, shelling and skirmishes in the area, encounters with Yankee and Confederate officers, and adjustments in daily life and household routines due to the war. The correspondence also includes several desperate appeals written to Federal officers begging to be allowed to remain in Williamsburg and excused from taking an oath of allegiance. In addition, the letters include references to the death of her brother, Dr. John Minson Galt II, in 1862.

Microfilm copy available (M-1131.9-10).
TR 106

Wormeley Family, Papers, 1774, 1785, 1794, 3 items, TR 106

Consists of transcripts of three letters written by James and Ralph Wormeley, members of the Wormeley family of "Rosegill" in Middlesex County.

Photocopies of original manuscripts are also available, PH 88.

Original manuscripts are owned by Mr. Donet D. Graves of Cleveland, Ohio. Researchers who wish to cite or reproduce portions of these letters in a publication must obtain permission from Mr. Graves.
1774 Jun 15  Letter. Ralph Wormeley to Major General Hunter Gates. Concerns the possible sale of lands to some gentlemen who are General Gates's acquaintances.

1785 Nov 17  Letter. James Wormeley to Major General Hunter Gates. Requests the General to give enclosed letters for Mrs. Randolph, his wife's mother, to a Mr. Booth to take to England.

1795 Dec 1   Letter. Ralph Wormeley to His Excellency Thomas Lee, Governor of Maryland. Informs the governor that a man named "French Peter" who is suspected of privateering is en route to Baltimore.
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