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Guide to the

Theodric Romeyn Beck autograph collection

1808-1855

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Summary

Collector: Beck, Theodric Romeyn, 1791-1855

Title: Theodric Romeyn Beck autograph collection

Date: 1808-1855

Size: .21 linear feet (1 box)

Source: Purchased at Parke-Bernet sale by Wormser, 1941

Abstract: T. Romeyn (Theodric Romeyn) Beck of Albany, New York was an American physician, educator and author. The Theodric Romeyn Beck autograph collection, 1808-1855 and undated, consists of 19th-century autograph documents, most pasted on sheets from a disbound volume, comprising letter covers and envelopes, clipped book inscriptions and signatures, and signed calling cards. Many items are addressed to Beck in his professional capacities. The autographs are chiefly those of American and European men in the fields of medicine and science, such as New York physician Willard Parker, but politicians and other notable persons are represented, including Edward Everett, Daniel O'Connell, and Sir Robert Peel. There are calling cards signed by astronomer Maria Mitchell and her sister Annie Mitchell; a clipped signature is identified as that of Margaret Miller Davidson. The collection contains 102 single autographs arranged alphabetically by surname, followed by 5 sheets containing multiple autographs. In addition to the unidentified autograph on the cover sheet, there are 11 unidentified single autographs, and one Dutch diplomatic seal. Beck's identifications appear on some sheets

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Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Autographs (manuscripts)

Signatures (names)

Subjects

Autographs -- Collections
Physicians -- Autographs
Politicians -- Autographs
Scientists -- Autographs

Occupations

Educators
Physicians
Politicians
Scientists