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Guide to the

Letters from Gabriel P. Disosway to John Anthon

1832, 1849-1851

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Summary

Creator: Disosway, Gabriel P. (Gabriel Poillon), 1799-1868

Title: Letters from Gabriel P. Disosway to John Anthon

Date: 1832, 1849-1851

Size: .1 linear feet (1 folder)

Abstract: Gabriel P. Disosway was a merchant and politician in New York City. These letters from Disosway to John Anthon at New York discuss his efforts as a member of the New York State Assembly to secure the removal of quarantine and emigration facilities on Long Island to Sandy Hook, and to establish a marine hospital there. The letters which are written from Albany, New York, Trenton, New Jersey, and Washington, D.C. describe his negotiations with members of the New York and New Jersey legislatures, the Governor of New York, the state land commissioners, members of Congress and of the federal government including President Fillmore. Disosway mentions bitter debate on the floor of the House of Representatives between William Duer of New York and Richard K. Meade of Virginia. The letters date from 1832 and 1849-1851

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Key Terms

Geographic Names

Albany (N.Y.)

New Jersey -- Politics and government -- 19th century

New York (State) -- Emigration and immigration

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Sandy Hook (N.J.) -- History -- 19th century

Trenton (N.J.)

United States -- Politics and government -- 19th century

Washington (D.C.)

Subjects

Emigration and immigration

Hospitals, Naval and marine
Politicians -- Correspondence
Quarantine -- New York (State)

Names

Disosway, Gabriel P. (Gabriel Poillon), 1799-1868
Anthon, John, 1784-1863
Duer, William, 1805-1879
Fillmore, Millard, 1800-1874
Meade, R. K. (Richard Kidder), 1803-1862
New Jersey. Legislature
New York (State). Commissioners of the Land Office
New York (State). Governor
New York (State). Legislature