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Guide to the

**Richard Rush letters**

1811-1856

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## Summary

**Creator:** Rush, Richard, 1780-1859

**Title:** Richard Rush letters

**Date:** 1811-1856

**Size:** .1 linear feet (1 folder)

**Source:** Gift of John Pierpont Morgan, 1899.

**Abstract:** Letters and drafts of letters from American statesman Richard Rush (1780-1859) relating to official, legal, and political issues, as well as social matters. Most are brief, but more extensive letters discuss the burning of Washington, slavery and abolition, and the establishment and regulation of fisheries in Newfoundland. Recipients include Albert Gallatin, Peter Stephen Du Ponceau, James Madison, and others.

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## Custodial History

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## Scope and Content Note

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## **Key Terms**

### **Occupations**

Statesmen -- United States -- 19th century

### **Subjects**

Statesmen -- United States -- Correspondence

### **Names**

Du Ponceau, Peter Stephen, 1760-1844 -- recipient

Gallatin, Albert, 1761-1849 -- recipient

Madison, James, 1751-1836 -- recipient