Summary

Creator: Yates, Abraham, 1724-1796

Title: Abraham Yates, Jr. papers

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Abstract: Abraham Yates, Jr. (1724-1796) was an American lawyer, politician, and pamphleteer. He held numerous elected offices and political appointments throughout his life including sheriff of Albany city and county from 1754 to 1759, chairman of the Albany Committee of Correspondence from 1774 to 1776, member of the New York Provincial Congress from 1775 to 1777 and its chairman in 1776 and 1777, New York state senator from 1777 to 1790, delegate for New York to the Congress of the Confederation in 1787 and 1788, and mayor of Albany from 1790 to 1796. Like his nephew, jurist Robert Yates, he was an active revolutionary patriot and Anti-Federalist. As pamphleteers they shared the pen-name, The Rough Hewer. Collection, dated 1754-1825, consists of correspondence, writings, speeches, notes, estate papers, and printed matter pertaining to the activities of Abraham Yates as a political figure in New York State, his legal practice and private financial matters, and his family. Correspondence, dated 1754-1825, contains incoming and outgoing letters and drafts of letters. Writings, notes, and speeches contain essays he wrote on the United States Constitution, notes on proceedings in Congress, speeches to the delegates to Congress in 1786, The Rough Hewer manuscript, and notes for histories of New York and Albany. Also included are papers relating to the Manor of Rensselaerwyck and the Albany Committee of Correspondence, land and family records, photograph of a painting of Yates, and other items such as broadsides and a legal treatise by Thomas Wentworth printed in London in 1663.

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Creator History
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Custodial History
The papers were purchased by Abraham Lansing and willed to his wife Catherine Gansevoort Lansing. Mrs. Lansing put the collection on deposit in the Library in 1915. She later bequeathed the collection to Victor Hugo Paltsits who donated it to the library.

Scope and Content Note
The Abraham Yates, Jr. papers, dated 1604-1825, consist of correspondence, writings, speeches, notes, estate papers, and printed matter pertaining to the activities of Abraham Yates as a political figure in New York State, his legal practice and private financial matters, and his family. Correspondence, dated 1754-1825, consists of incoming and outgoing letters and drafts of letters concerning topics such as New York State politics and the state constitution; currency; private property and land transactions; the French and Indian War; the American Revolution; Federalism and Anti-Federalism; private legal matters; and Yates family business. Correspondents include George Clinton, Robert Livingston, Jr., Robert Morris, Christopher Yates, Robert Yates, and Abraham Lansing, amongst others. Writings, notes, and speeches contain essays Yates wrote on the United States Constitution, notes on proceedings in Congress, speeches to the delegates to Congress in 1786, The Rough Hewer manuscript, and notes for histories of New York and Albany. Also included are papers relating to the Manor of Rensselaerwyck and the Albany Committee of Correspondence, land and family records, photograph of a painting of Yates, and other items such as broadsides and a legal treatise by Thomas Wentworth printed in London in 1663.

Key Terms
Geographic Names
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Genre/Physical Characteristic
Broadsides (notices)
Legal documents

Occupations
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Pamphleteers
Politicians

Subjects
Real property -- New York (State)

Names
Clinton, George, 1739-1812
Lansing, Abraham, 1756-1834
Livingston, Robert R., 1718-1775
Morris, Robert, 1734-1806
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Yates, Abraham, 1724-1796
Yates, Christopher C., 1778?-1848
Yates, Robert, 1738-1801
Container List

Correspondence 1688, 1754-1825

b. 1 f. 1 Schuyler, Peter [Mayor of Albany] 1688 Dec 4
1 (Autograph document signed 2 p, folio)
A reply to Dom. Godevridus van Dell's application in regard to the highway.

b. 1 f. 1 Ten Eyck, John [Recorder] 1754?
3 (Document signed 1 p)
Bill of costs in the suit of Andries Wies against Sybrant G. Van Schaick.

b. 1 f. 1 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates [Yates] Esq., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1754 Oct 7
4 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Congratulating him on his appointment as Sheriff and requesting that Patrick Magie be retained as "Jailkeeper."

b. 1 f. 1 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., High Sheriff of the City and County of Albany 1754 Oct 21
5 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, folio)
Regretting the appointment of Thos. Morrell as jail-keeper.

b. 1 f. 2 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates [Yates], Esq., High Sheriff of the County of Albany 1754 Dec 12
6 (Autograph letter signed, dated Claverack 1 p, folio)
Requesting him to come down to Claverack and bring a "Writt" with him.

b. 1 f. 2 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. at Albany 1755 Jan 31
7 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 2 De Lancey, James, addressed to the Corporation of Albany 1755 Feb 10
8 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, quarto)

b. 1 f. 2 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1755 Mar 3
9 (Autograph letter signed, dated Claverack 2 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 2 Livingston, Robert, Junr. addressed to Abraham Yatts [Yates] Junr. Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1755 Apr 14
10 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 3 p, quarto)

b. 1 f. 3 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1755 May 2
11 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 3 Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1755 Jul 16
12 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 3 Hardy, Sir Charles, to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr 1755 Sep 11
13 (Letter signed, dated New York 1 p, quarto)
Refers to the Lieut. Governor's proclamation and orders Yates to apprehend and carry to goal all persons in his bailiwick guilty of desertion.

b. 1 f. 3 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esq., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1756 Feb 9
14 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 1 f. 3 Swart, Dirck, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr, Esqr. at Albany 1756 Mar 18
15  (Autograph letter signed 1 p, quarto)
Referring to five plates sent up to Yates by Esq. Fonda's sloop. Also, bill for same (oblong strip)
in Dirck Swart's autograph.

b. 1 f. 4 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esqr. at Albany 1756
Mar 31
16  (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Relating to some escapes from goal and the best measures to take for the recapture of one
called Shoemaker.

b. 1 f. 4 Murray, Joseph, addressed to William Corry Esquire, Attorney at Law in
Albany 1756 Aug 2
17  (Letter signed, dated New York 2 p, folio)
Relating to various legal cases.

b. 1 f. 4 Banyar, [Goldsbrow], addressed to Abraham Yates Jun. Esq., high Sherif of
the City and County of Albany 1756 Oct 4
18  (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Mentions Mr. Silvester.

b. 1 f. 4 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yettes [Yates] Esqr., High
Sheriff of the City and County of Albany 1756 Oct 20
19  (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Relating to judgments against rebellious tenants.

b. 1 f. 4 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Esqr., High
Sheriff of the City and County of Albany 1756 Nov 16
20  (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 5 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Esqr., High
Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1756 Nov 23
21  (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 5 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Esqr., High
Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1756 Dec 15
22  (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 5 Werth, Johann Jacob, addressed to Mstr. Abraham Yates, Sheriff lieving
[living] in Albany 1757 Apr 9
23  (Autograph letter signed in Dutch, dated Schoharie 1 p, folio)
Reminding him of this promise to send the undersheriff to Schoharie. English translation (20th
c.) located in Transcripts.

b. 1 f. 5 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Esqr., High
Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1757 Apr 14
24  (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 5 Wendell, Hermanus 1757 Apr 18
25  (Document signed 2 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 6 Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Esqr., High
Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1757 Apr 27
26  (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Repeating the request in a former letter and desiring him to come down without any loss of
time.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 1 f. 6  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Junr. Esqr., High Sheriff at Albany 1757 May 9
   27 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p. folio)

b. 1 f. 6  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Junr. Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1757 May 15
   28 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p. folio)
   Relating to the release from goal of John Van Gelden and his son.

b. 1 f. 6  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Junr. Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1757 May 18
   29 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p. folio)

   30 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p. quarto)
   Enclosing a proclamation received from Mr. Banyar.

b. 1 f. 7  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr 1757 Jul 3
   31 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p. quarto)
   Refers to Peter Dow's illness and Col. Schuyler.

b. 1 f. 7  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Junr. Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1757 Jul 6
   32 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p. folio)
   Refers to John Van Gelden's demand for the restitution of his horse, saddle, bridle, guns, etc., which had been taken from him when he was committed to jail.

b. 1 f. 7  Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1757 Jul 19
   33 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p. folio)
   Refers to the French and Indian War.

b. 1 f. 7  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yetts [Yates] Esqr. at Albany 1757 Nov 5
   34 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p. folio)
   Inquiring whether Mr. Bleecker intended to come down to run a line for him.

b. 1 f. 7  Egbertse, Egbert 1758
   35 (Document dated Mayor's Court 2 p. folio)
   His complaint against Alexander McLane.

b. 1 f. 8  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1758 Feb 17
   36 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 3 p. folio)
   Relating to the expedition against Ticonderoga.

b. 1 f. 8  Wendell Henry I., addressed to Abraham Yates Esq., Sheriff in Albany 1758 Apr 4
   37 (Autograph letter signed, dated Albany 1 p. quarto)

b. 1 f. 8  Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1759 Jan 11
   38 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p. folio)

b. 1 f. 8  Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1759 Feb 10
   39 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 4 p. folio)
   Relating to the politics of Albany.
Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esqr., High Sheriff of City and County of Albany 1759 Jun 8
40 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)
Refers to the death of "our old friend, Capt. Winne."

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1759 Jun 15
41 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)
Relating to the French and Indian War.

Banyar, [Goldsbrow], addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., High Sheriff of Albany 1759 Jul 16
42 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Enclosing a copy of the Naturalization Act and mentioning Sir William Johnson's tenants.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yeats [Yates] Esqr., High Sheriff for the City and County of Albany 1759 Aug 6
43 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)
Relating to the French and Indian War.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr. 1759 Aug 30
44 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. at Albany 1759 Nov 24
45 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 3 p, folio)

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. at Albany 1760 Jan 3
46 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Refers to his lot in the Saratoga Patent.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1760 Jan 24
47 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Referring to Yates having been removed from office by his enemies.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1760 Feb 8
48 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

Cobham, William, addressed to Abram [Abraham] Yates Esq. at Albany 1760 Feb 11
49 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, folio)
Stating his account against Lewis Deluze and putting same in Yates' hands for collection.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1760 Feb 29
50 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Refers to the Albany Library.

Cobham, William addressed to Abraham Yates Esq. at Albany 1760 Mar 11
51 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, quarto)
Ven Eps, John E., addressed to Mr. Abram [Abraham] Yates, attorney at law at Albany, to the care of Joseph Yates at Schonechdadie 1760 May 22
52 (Autograph letter signed in Dutch, dated Cagenuwago 1 p, folio)
Mentions Andries Gardenier and his brother Jacob.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr., at Albany 1760 May 30
53 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)
Contains news about French and Indian War.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Mr. Abraham Yates Junr., Merchant in Albany 1760 Jul 17
54 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)
Refers to the Albany election, certain lands in Saratoga Patent, making mention of Col. Bradstreet, the Bleeckers, Ten Broecks and De Ridders.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr., Esqr. at Albany 1760 Aug 11
55 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Refers to the damage to crops caused by heavy rains all the way from Fishkill up to Albany.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Mr. Abraham Yates Junr., at Albany 1760 Sep 3
56 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Refers to the good news that "our Armyes are now in possession of all Canada...." Also mentions Yates' desire to again obtain the office of sheriff.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esqr. at Albany 1760 Sep 9
57 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

Whitney, Thomas, addressed to Abraham Yates Esq. at Albany 1760 Oct 6
58 (Autograph letter signed, dated Clouvriack 1 p, folio)
Asking Yates to take care of two "rites" [writs?] against Robert Noble.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Mr. Abraham Yates Junr. Merchant in Albany 1760 Oct 13
59 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

Whitney, Thomas, to Abraham Yates Junr 1760 Oct 29
60 (Autograph letter signed, dated Clouvarieck 1 p, folio)
Telling him he had settled his action with Robert Noble.

Yates, Abraham, Junr., addressed to "Sir." 1760 Oct 29
61 (Draft of letter in his autograph, dated Albany 2 p, folio)
Relative to the sale of certain lands.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. at Albany 1760 Nov 7
62 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Responds to Yates' letter of Oct. 29; refers to the sale of lands in the Saratoga Patent by the Bleekers, Mr. Ten Broeck and Schuyler and "your old uncle Killiaen."

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esq. at Albany 1760 Nov 13
63 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 1 f. 13  
Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. at Albany 1760 Dec 10  
64 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)  
Refers to Killiaen De Ridder’s title to lands in the Saratoga Patent.

b. 1 f. 13  
Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. in Albany 1761 Jan 22  
65 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)  
Refers to a petition addressed by the Corporation of the City of Albany to “the President and Councill.”

b. 1 f. 14  
Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1761 Feb 4  
66 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)  
Referring to the election in Albany and mentioning various candidates.

b. 1 f. 14  
Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1761 Feb 6  
67 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)  
Referring to the coming election and the difference of opinion existing between Yates and Ten Broeck.

b. 1 f. 14  
Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. at Albany 1761 Feb 8  
68 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)  
Refers to Yates’ standing for the coming election.

b. 1 f. 14  
Livingston, Robert, Junr 1761 Feb 8  
69 (Unsigned draft, in autograph of Robert Livingston Junr, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p)  
Copy of a letter sent by Livingston to Messrs. Douw and Ten Eyck. It was enclosed in Livingston’s letter to Yates dated Feb. 16, 1761 [item 71].

b. 1 f. 14  
Yates, Abraham, Junr 1761 Feb 16  
70 (Draft of letter in his autograph to Robert Livingston Junr, dated Mannor Livingston 6 p, folio)  
Relating to the election in Albany. Mentions Abraham Ten Broeck’s dishonorable conduct toward Yates, Sir William Johnson’s influence, etc.

b. 1 f. 15  
Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Mr. Abraham Yates, Junr., merchant at Albany 1761 Feb 16  
71 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 3 p, folio)  
Refers to dishonorable methods used at elections.

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Yates, Abraham, Junr 1761 Feb 21  
72 (Document, dated Albany 4 p, folio)  
Endorsed: “A. Yates Junrs. observation on Limits of the City 1761.”

b. 1 f. 15  
Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Mr. Abraham Yates Junr., Merchant at Albany 1761 Mar 26  
73 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)  
Refers to Yates’ failure at the recent election.

b. 1 f. 15  
Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr 1761 May 11  
74 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)  
Refers to Yates’ desire to be appointed sheriff on the death of the person then holding the office.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 1 f. 15  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Mr. James Stevenson, Merchant in Albany 1761 Jul 9
75 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 16  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esq. in Albany 1761 Jul 21
76 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Refers to Mr. Stevenson and some business with the sheriff.

b. 1 f. 16  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esq. at Albany 1761 Jul 28
77 (Autograph letter signed dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

b. 1 f. 16  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esq. at Albany 1761 Aug 5
78 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 3 p, folio)
Refers to the disposition of the troops then stationed on Staten Island; to the war on the Continent; mentions Col. Grant, Sir William Johnson and Gen. Monckton.

b. 1 f. 16  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. at Albany 1761 Dec 2
79 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Wishes Hendrick Bogart to come down to put a new bottom in his sloop.

b. 1 f. 16  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr., Esqr., Attorney at Law in Albany 1761 Dec 8
80 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 3 p, folio)
Relating to affairs in Germany, Spain, Denmark, Russia, etc.; also commenting on domestic news.

b. 2 f. 1  Wendell, Harmanus H., addressed to his father, Harmanus Wendell, Merchant in Albany 1762 Jan 16
81 (Autograph letter signed, dated Schenectady 1 p, folio)

b. 2 f. 1  Wendell, Harmanus 1762 Jan 23
82 (Draft of document in autograph of Abraham Yates Junr 1 p, folio)
Memorial addressed by Harmanus Wendell, Lucas Van Veghten and another to Sir Jeffrey Amherst, Commander in Chief of all his Majesties forces in America, requesting a pass to go from Albany to Montreal.

b. 2 f. 1  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Esqr., Attorney at Law in Albany 1762 Feb 8
83 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Referring to a "white seader swamp" and enclosing a letter of Yates' relating to Van Bergen's land.

b. 2 f. 1  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Attorney at Law in Albany 1762 Mar 4
84 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 3 p, folio)
Referring to the unpleasant feeling existing between the late and present mayors, and mentioned the sale of lots in the Saratoga Patent.

b. 2 f. 1  Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Attorney at Law in Albany 1762 Mar 13
85 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 3 p, folio)
Mentions Killiaen De Ridder, Mr. Lydius, Mr. Stevenson and Mr. Silvester.
Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Attorney at Law in Albany 1762 Apr 19
86 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 2 p, folio)
Refers to the request of the English "Prisbeterians" for a meeting-house, where the "Grenery" now stands.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Attorney at Law in Albany 1762 May 8
87 (Autograph letter signed dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)

Duncan, John, addressed to Mr. William Corry Esq. in Albany 1762 Aug 17
88 (Autograph letter signed, dated Schenectady 1 p, quarto)
Refers to the cost of some suit.

Livingston, Robert, Junr., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. at Albany 1762 Sep 13
89 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Referring to trouble in the church and mentioning the birth of a child in Yates' family.

Yates, Abraham, Junr. 1762 Sep 27
90 (Draft of letter in his autograph to Robert Livingston 2 p, folio)
Refers to the division of a Patent "that Joins on the Half Moon."

Livingston, Robert, Junr., to Abraham Yates Junr. 1762 Dec 2
91 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannor Livingston 1 p, folio)
Referring to Col. Van Rensselaer's meeting with his tenants and the validity of their leases. Also mentions Mr. Jeremiah Van Rensselaer.

Corry, William, addressed to Mr. Joseph Howard, Merc[han]t in Montreal 1763 Mar 11
92 (Autograph letter signed, dated Albany 1 p, folio)
Enclosing a bond of Hans Legar due to Alexander McKay.

Williston, John, addressed to Mr. Wm. Yates at Albany, Attorney at Law 1764 Jul 18
93 (Autograph letter signed, dated Springfield 1 p, quarto)
Asking advice as to how he should proceed in his action with Parsons.

Van Rensselaer, Jeremiah, addressed to Robert Yates, Esqr., Attorney at Law, Albany 1764 Sep 9
94 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, quarto)
Asking him to arrest immediately one Jacob [Co---] of Cloverack.

Yates, Abraham, Junr., to Samuel Dunham 1764 Sep 13
95 (Draft of letter in his autograph 1 p, quarto)
Relative to his suit with Thomas Smith Junr. of Charles Town, South Carolina.

Van Rensselaer, Stephen 1764 Sep 17
96 (Document signed, in autograph of Peter W. 1 p, folio)
Receipt given by him to Abraham Yates Junr.

Winne, Jellis 1765 Jan
97 (Autograph document signed, in Dutch 1 p)
His bill against Abraham Yates Junr., the same being receipted July 10, 1765.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 2 f. 4 McKay, Alexander, addressed to Mr. Abraham Yatts [Yates] Esqr. Attorney at Law in Albany 1765 Feb 7
98 (Document signed 1 p, folio)
His bill against Jno. McFall for the amount of which he brings suit.

b. 2 f. 4 Ten Eyck, Jacob C. [Judge] 1765 May 25
99 (Document signed 1 p, folio)
Affidavit of Christian Ehl in his case against Thomas Winn.

b. 2 f. 4 Yates, Abraham, Junr 1766 Nov 4
100 (Autograph document signed 1 p)
His affidavit relative to the head of a wolf brought before him by Michael Lantman.

b. 2 f. 5 Yates, Robert 1767 Jan
101 (Document signed 2 p, quarto)
Copy of complaint of Thomas Winn, through Robert Yates his attorney, against Christian Aile, for selling him a bay stallion under false pretences and asking damages to the extent of eighteen pounds.

b. 2 f. 5 Silvester, Peter 1767 May 19
102 (Document signed 1p, quarto)
Bill of costs in suit of Janneke Van Hoosen against Dirck Van Derheyden, receipted by Silvester as attorney for defendant.

b. 2 f. 5 Wendell, Evert 1767 Jun
103 (Document 3 p, folio)
Draft of indenture (part of it in the autograph of Abraham Yates Junr.) between Evert Wendell and Hendrick Wendell of Sinckhaick, of the one part, and John Johannis Fonda, son of Susanna, one of the daughters of Abraham Wendell deceased of the Colony of Rensselaer Wyck, of the other part.

b. 2 f. 5 De Lancey, Stephen [Clerk] 1767 Jun 5
104 (Document signed 1 p)
Order issued to the Sheriff of Albany County to sell the “chattels, lands & Tenements of James Howells” to satisfy his debt to John Magee. Endorsed on the back by Har. Schuyler, Sheriff.

b. 2 f. 5 Yates, Peter 1767 Nov 16
105 (Document signed 4 p, folio)
Indenture and copy of mortgage bond of house and lot in the second ward of the city of Albany. Signed by Peter Yates, Johannis Samuel Pruyn, Matthew Visscher, Christopher P. Yates and others. With contemporary abstract, 1 p. folio.

b. 2 f. 6 Yates, Abraham, Junr., draft of letter to Alexander McKay 1768 Feb 8
106 (dated Albany 2 p, quarto)
Relative to his various legal suits.

b. 2 f. 6 Taylor, William, addressed to Mr. Ome La Grange living at the Hellebargh 1768 Mar 23
107 (Autograph letter signed, dated Hellebargh 1 p, folio)
Mentioning his father's will and advising him to subject Ary La Grange to a strict cross-questioning regarding the same.

b. 2 f. 6 Rogers, John, addressed to Mr. Abraham Yates, attorney at law in Albany 1768 Sep 24
108 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Asking information regarding some cases at law.
b. 2 f. 6  Yates, Abraham, Junr., addressed to Mr. Hyde, son of Capt. Hide at Sarachtoge, behind Walran Clute 1769 Apr 11
109 (Letter signed, dated Albany 1 p, quarto)
Requesting him to come down, get his lease and pay the debt which his father owed.

b. 2 f. 6  Wendell, Harmanus 1769 May 25
110 (Document 4 p, folio)
Draft of his will, part of it in the writing of Abraham Yates Junr.

b. 2 f. 7  Winne, Anthony, addressed to Mr. Abraham Yeats [Yates] at Albany 1769 Sep 5
111 (Autograph letter signed, dated Cosokkey 1 p, small quarto)
Requesting him to collect from Peter Bronck the money he was owing Winne for a load of hay.

b. 2 f. 7  Van Schaick, Wessel 1770 Aug 24
112 (Document , dated New York 1 p, quarto)

b. 2 f. 7  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to Samuel Jones Esqr., in behalf of Corporation 1771 Feb 3
113 (Autograph letter draft 1 p, quarto)
Requesting his opinion in a case on behalf of the Corporation of Albany with reference to the Van Baalens or Normans Kill Patent and the Colony of Rensselaerwyck Patent.

o. 1  Yates, Abraham, Junr. 1771 Mar 19
114 (Document signed, dated Albany 6 p, large folio)

b. 2 f. 7  Ten Eyck, Henry, Junr 1771 May 14
115 (Document signed 2 p, quarto)
His receipt for 42 pounds 6 schillings.

b. 2 f. 8  Banyar, George [Goldsbrow], to the Hon. Robert R. Livingston and George Duncan Ludlow, Esquires 1771 Jun 5
116 (Document, copy of original, signed by Richard Morris, dated New York 1 p, folio)

b. 2 f. 8  Jones, Samuel, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr in Albany 1771 Jul 12
117 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, quarto)
Responds to 'Yates' request for his opinion on land rights and the early settlement of Albany.

b. 2 f. 8  De Lancey, Stephen [Clerk] 1772 Jan 24
118 (Autograph document signed 1 p)
Order issues to the Sheriff of Albany to bring one Benjamin Springer before the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas.

b. 2 f. 8  Yates, Abraham 1772 Jun
119 (Document 3 p, folio)
Complaint made by John Mohawney, through Abraham Yates, his attorney, against Benjamin Springer for failure to pay him various sums of money borrowed from said Mohawney.

b. 2 f. 8  De Lancey, Stephen [Clerk] 1772 Jun 5
120 (Document signed 1 p)
Order issued to the Sheriff of Albany County to bring John Mohany before the next Inferior Court of Common Pleas.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 2 f. 9  
Douw, Volckert P. [Judge] 1772 Sep 22  
121 (Document signed 1 p, quarto)  
Referring to Benjamin Springer's delivery to Bail.

b. 2 f. 9  
Mohawney, John 1772 Sep 30  
122 (Document signed by Mohawney's mark, dated Albany 1 p, folio)  
An order to pay Cornelius Glen the amount due him. Signed by Matthew Visscher, Abraham Yates Junr. and Cornelius Glen.

b. 2 f. 9  
Winn, John. Addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr 1773 May 4  
123 (Autograph letter signed, dated Albany City Hall 1 p, folio)  
Asking him to call on him as soon as possible to give his advice regarding action toward his creditors.

b. 2 f. 9  
Schuyler, Philip; Ten Broeck, Abraham; Livingston, Peter R.; addressed to Abraham Yates Esq. Chairman of the Committe of Correspondance, Albany 1774 Feb 25  
124 (Letter signed by three above mentioned, dated New York 2 p, folio)  
Referring to important decisions of the House of Assembly.

b. 2 f. 9  
Yates, Richard 1774 March 23  
125 (Autograph document signed, dated New York 1 p)  
Order on Messrs. Sargent Chambers and Co. of London to pay one hundred pounds to Evert Bancker. Endorsed by Evert Bancker.  
Photocopy only. Original is missing

b. 2 f. 10  
Yates, Abraham, Junr 1774 Dec 10  
126 (Document, part of it in the autograph of Abraham Yates Junr, 3 separate pieces 10 p, folio)  
Drafts of a letter and resolutions passed at a meeting of the Committee of Correspondence of the City and County of Albany. Refers principally to the needs of the inhabitants of Boston and the determination of the citizens of Albany to send them a contribution of feed, money, etc.

b. 2 f. 10  
Low, Isaac [Chairman], to Mr. Jacob Lansingh, Chairman of the Committe of the City and County of Albany 1774 Dec 15  
127 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, quarto)  
Relating to some goods forwarded to Mr. Abraham Schuyler and Mr. Andrew McFarlin.

b. 2 f. 10  
Six Nations 1775  
128 (Document, part in autograph of Abraham Yates Junr 3 p, quarto)  
Endorsed: “Answer of the Six Nations to the Speech of the 12 United Colonies 1775”. Also, Document, 1 p. quarto, endorsed “Speech to the Indians when they rec'd the Presents.”

b. 2 f. 10  
Bleecker, Henry, to John N. Bleecker and Rutger Bleecker, Committee 1775 Mar 21  
129 (Document signed, dated Albany 1 p, folio)  
Stating two questions on which it is requested "that the Inhabitants of this ward Signify their assent or Dissent". Also signed Jacob Bleecker, Jacob Guyler, Baren Roseboom and others.

b. 2 f. 10  
Yates, Robert, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Chairman of the Committe, Albany 1775 Sep 6  
130 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)  
Introducing Col. Flemming, "a gentleman appointed by this Congress adjutant General to the Army under the Command of General Schuyler."
b. 2 f. 11  Brewster, Samuel, Addressed to Abraham Yates Junr., Esquire, Albany 1776 Jan 2
131 (Letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Also signed by Jno. Morin Scott, Pierre Van Cortlandt, Paul Spooner and others.

b. 2 f. 11  Gansevoort, Leonard, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Chairman of the Committe of the City and County of Albany 1776 Feb 13
132 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, folio)
Transmitting parcels of pamphlets. Also signed by Henry Oothoudt and Robert Van Rensselaer.

b. 2 f. 11  Benson, Robert (Secretary) 1776 Mar 13
133 (Autograph document signed, dated In Provincial Congress, New York 2 p, folio)
A copy of Resolves of Congress to give money on loan to the counties mentioned.

b. 2 f. 11  McKerlie, John 1776 May 18
134 (Document signed 1 p, folio)
His affidavit concerning Ensign Howard.

b. 2 f. 11  Jansen, Dirck, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Chairman of the Committee at Albany 1776 May 19
135 (Document signed, dated District of the Manor of Livingston 1 p, folio)
Asking for six gentleman to come down to assist the militia of Dutchess County in their movement against the disaffected people in his district.

b. 2 f. 12  Yates, Christopher P., addressed to Abraham Yates Esq. and in his absence to Matthew Visscher Esq. in Albany 1776 Jun 8
136 (Autograph letter signed, dated Palatine 1 p, folio)
Asking assistance from the Albany Committee.

b. 2 f. 12  Yates, Abraham, Junr. 1776 Jun 10
137 (Small square piece, dated Albany)

b. 2 f. 12  Gansevoort, Leonard 1776 Jun 27
138 (Document signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Summons to William Badkers of Westchester County, issued by a Committee of the Congress of the Colony of New York, ordering him to appear before said comittee and give proof of his allegiance to the American cause. Also signed by Philip Livingston, Thomas Randall, Gouv. Morris, Thomas Tredwell and Lewis Graham.

b. 2 f. 12  Yates, Abraham, Junr., addressed to the Committee of Albany 1776 July 26
139 (Document signed 1 p, folio)
Also signed by Mat. Adgate and Jno. J. Bleecker.

b. 2 f. 12  Visscher, Matthew, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr 1776 Aug 19
140 (Autograph letter signed, dated Albany 3 p, folio)
Narrating the experiences of Major Bigelow, who was sent with a flag from the American Army at Isle aux Noir to the Commander of the British troops.

b. 2 f. 13  Yates, Robert 1776 Oct 29
141 (Document signed, dated Fishkill 2 p, folio)
Extracts from the Resolves of the Committee of Safety for the State of New York. In reference to the purchase of wheat for the use of the Continental Army and the exemption of certain coopers from militia duty.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 2 f. 13  Visscher, Matthew, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Kingston 1777
Aug 15
142 (Autograph letter signed, dated Albany 3 p, folio)
Referring to the condition of Schoharie, mentioning Gen. Arnold as "gone to the westward," and repeating Col. Willett's description of affairs at Fort Schuyler (Stanwix).

o. 1  Yates, Abraham, Junr 1777
142a (Document, partly in his autograph 18 p, folio)
Endorsed: "Minutes of the Convention with formed the Constitution of the State of New York."
This is an incomplete draft of the Constitution of New York, adopted 20 Apr. 1777, referring to the manner of carrying on elections for Senators, etc., the duties of the Governor, and other State officers. The handwriting of the first 4-1/2 pages is unidentified; the remaining 13-1/2 pages are in Yates' handwriting. See: Charles Z. Lincoln's Constitutional History of New York (1906), Vol. 1, p. 490 ff. Lincoln collates two complete drafts; the portions corresponding to this draft are printed on pp. 507-539.

This document was initially numbered 224, with a supplied date of 1788. It was removed to this location with a revised date prior to microfilming.

b. 2 f. 13  Congress, Committee of 1780 May 25-Jun 23
143 (Document, dated Morristown 2 separate pieces, 8 p, folio)
Copies of letters sent to His Excellency George Clinton, Govr. of the State of New York. Also several copies of letters of Gen. Washington.

b. 2 f. 14  New York Legislature to Continental Congress 1781 Feb 5
144 (Document 16 p, folio)
Contemporary copy, explaining the inability of New York State to comply with the requisitions of Congress. Endorsed by Yates: 1781 Feb 5 Legislature to Congress.

b. 2 f. 14  Yates, Christopher P., addressed to Henry Glen Esq., A.D.Q.M. Genl., Schenectady 1781 Apr 7
145 (Autograph letter signed, dated Palatine 1 p, folio)
Declining to accept a seat in either House of the Legislature, for family reasons.

b. 2 f. 14  Morris, Robert, to His Excellency, the Governor and Commander in Chief of the State of New York 1781 Jul 16
146 (Autograph letter signed, dated Philadelphia 2 p, folio)
Concerning the account of the United States against the State of New York.

b. 2 f. 15  Morris, Robert, to Governor Clinton 1781 Jul 25
147 (Autograph letter signed, dated Philadelphia 5 p, folio)
Concerning the account against the State of New York for specific supplies and seeking information of Gov. Clinton on various points.

b. 2 f. 15  Morris, Robert, probably addressed to Gov. Clinton 1781 Oct 19
148 (Part of letter only, dated Office of Finance 2 p, folio)
Pointing out the erroneous ideas held by Americans as to the financial aid given by France, Spain and Holland to the United States.

b. 2 f. 15  Clinton, George [Governor], to His Excellency, John Hanson Esq., President of Congress 1781 Nov 24
149 (Document, dated Poughkeepsie 7 p, folio)
Contemporary copy of his letter; with: Copy of the concurrent resolutions of the Senate and Assembly of the State of New York of the 21st November 1781.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 2 f. 16  Robert Morris to the President of Congress 1782 July 29
150 (Document, dated Office of Finance 24 p, quarto)
Incomplete contemporary copy of Morris' letter, explaining at length his scheme for funding the national debt. A typescript copy of the concluding text only, copied from the Robert Morris letter books in the Library of Congress, is found in the Transcripts.

b. 2 f. 17  L'Hommedieu, Esra, addressed to the Honble Abraham Yates Junr. Esquire, Albany 1782 Aug 2
151 (Autograph letter signed, dated Philadelphia 3 p, quarto)
Refers to Yates' desire to obtain the position of Receiver of Taxes; mentions the acknowledgment of American Independence by Holland, and the death of Col. Lawrence near Charleston.

b. 2 f. 17  Queres proposed by the Auditors appointed to settle the Accots. of the States of Maryland & New Jersey with the United States with the answers thereto by the Comptroller of the Treasury. Loan Office Papers Miscellaneous. [Endorsement] 1782 Sep 7
152 (3 separate items 8 p)
Letter of James Milligan to the Commissioner for Settling the Accounts of the State of New York, dated Comptrollers office, Philadelphia, 1 Apr 1783, with Letter of Robert Morris to the Commissioners for Settling Accounts of the States, dated Office of Finance, 7 Sep 1782 (contemporary copies by William Barber, 3 p, folio). And: Queries proposed [to the Comptroller of Continental Congress] by Commissioners for liquidating accounts of New Jersey and Maryland with answers, (2 p, folio). Also, a newspaper clipping giving a statement of the Maryland Intendent's Office, Annapolis, 3 Sep. 1782, respecting monies emitted.

b. 2 f. 18  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to James Duane Esq 1782 Sep 7
153 (Draft of letter in Yates' autograph, dated Albany 2 p, folio)
Refers to his disappointment in not being appointed Receiver of Taxes.

b. 2 f. 18  Morris, Robert, to Abraham Yates Esq., Loan Officer for New York 1782 Sep 9
154 (Letter signed, dated Office of Finance 1 p, quarto)

b. 2 f. 18  Duane, James to Abraham Yates Junr 1782 Sep 15
155 (Autograph letter signed, dated Philadelphia 4 p, quarto)
Stating the Financier's (Morris') reasons for keeping the offices of Receiver and Loan Officer separate.

b. 3 f. 1  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to the Honble Robert Morris Esq., Superintendent of Finance 1782 Sep 21
156 (Draft of letter, dated Albany 1 p, quarto)
Refers to the Bill of Exchange which he will transmit with the returns for the present month.

b. 3 f. 1  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to the Honble Robert Morris, Esq., Superintendent of Finance 1782 Oct 4
157 (Draft of letter 1 p, small quarto)
Transmitting a return for the month of September and also a bill of exchange.

b. 3 f. 1  Yates, Abraham, Junr., draft of letter to the Hon'ble James Duane and Ezra L'Hommedieu 1782 Oct 19
158 (Draft of letter, dated Albany 3 p, quarto)
Letter giving the substance of a conversation with Col. Hamilton.

b. 3 f. 1  Morris, Robert, to Abraham Yates Junr. Esquire, Conttl. Loan Officer for the State of New York 1782 Oct 23
159 (Letter signed, dated Office of Finance 1 p, quarto)
b. 3 f. 1  McCall, J. [Secretary], to Abraham Yates Esqr., Commissioner of the C.L.O for the State of New York 1782 Oct 23
160 (Letter signed, dated Office of Finance 1 p, quarto)
Concerning a Bill of Exchange.

161 (Autograph letter signed, dated Philadelphia 3 p, quarto)
Referring to his demands for compensation for his services as Loan Officer.

b. 3 f. 2  Loan Office. Endorsed: “Return for October, 1782. Copy.” 1782 Mar 18
162 (Document 2 p, quarto)

b. 3 f. 2  Appleton, Nathaniel, addressed to Mr. Abraham Yates Junr., Commisr. of Loans N. York, Albany 1782 Nov 1
163 (Autograph letter signed, dated Boston 1 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 2  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to the Honbl. Robert Morris Esq., Superintendent of Finance, Philadelphia 1782 Nov 4
164 (Draft of letter, dated Albany 2 p, quarto)

b. 3 f. 2  Morris, Robert, to Abraham Yates Esqr., Loan Officer of the State of New York at Albany 1782 Nov 29
165 (Letter signed, dated Office of Finance 2 p, quarto)

b. 3 f. 3  Petry, William; Frank, John; Fox, Friedenrich 1785 Feb 10
166 (Document signed, dated Johnstown 1 p, quarto)
Their appraisal of certain lands forfeited by John Tompson. Endorsed: “The within supposed to have been sold by Gen. Gansevoort & Jeremiah Van Rensselaer.”

b. 3 f. 3  Howell, David [Judge], addressed to Honorable Abraham Yates Junr. Esquire, Albany 1785 Jul 12
167 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 3  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to Judge David Howell 1785 Aug 29
168 (Draft of letter in Yates’ autograph, dated Albany 2 p, quarto)
Refers to the pamphlets of Dr. Price and the Abbe De Mably and the five points discussed in them, relative to the dangers threatening the government.

b. 3 f. 3  [Gansevoort, Leonard, Sr.], to “Mr. Printer.” 1786
169 (Document, signed A Freeholder 7 p, folio)
Draft of a letter to a newspaper, relative to the superior claims of Abraham Ten Broeck to receive the suffrages of his countrymen rather than Abraham Yates.

b. 3 f. 3  Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esq., New Y ork 1786 Jan 25
170 (Autograph letter signed 3 p)

b. 3 f. 4  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to [Abraham G. Lansing] 1786 Feb 1
171 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Encloses copy of his letter to the Board of Treasury. He will dine at the Governor’s where he expects to see Col. Monson and others who will probably give him information about the Loan Office. With: Autograph copy of his letter to the Board of Treasury, signed by Yates. 3 p. folio, dated New York, 30 Jan. 1786.

b. 3 f. 4  Bancker, Gerard [Treasurer] 1786 Feb 20
172 (Autograph document signed 1 p, folio)
Receipt given Abraham Yates Junr. for “Interest Facility Certificates” amounting to $72,405.
b. 3 f. 4 Yates, Abraham Junr., addressed to Abm. G. Lansing, Post Master, Albany
1786 Mar 1
173 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, folio)
Mentions Duer, Bancker, Osgood and refers to the oath of office which he was required to take.

b. 3 f. 4 Osgood, Samuel; Livingston, Walter; Lee, Arthur, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., New York 1786 Mar 1
174 (Letter signed, dated Board of Treasury 1 p, quarto)
Regarding his oath of office as Commissioner of the Loan Office.

b. 3 f. 4 Visscher, Matthew, to Abraham Yates Esq 1786 Mar 6
175 (Autograph letter signed 4 p, folio)
Refers to a petition of George G. Klock's and touches upon many political points.

b. 3 f. 5 Osgood, Samuel; Livingston, Walter; Lee, Arthur, to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr 1786 Mar 28
176 (Letter signed, dated Board of Treasury 2 p, quarto)
Transmitting a resolve of Congress in reference to the oath of office and returning the oath left by Yates at the office of the Board of Treasury. With: Oath of office, signed by Abraham Yates Junr. and witnessed by John Sloss Hobart, dated March 3, 1786.

b. 3 f. 5 Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Mr. Hendrick Gardineer, near Upper Ferry 1786 Apr 19
177 (Autograph letter signed, dated Albany 2 p, folio)
Referring to the approaching election and the "Great Exertions made by the Manor and Schuyler Interest to prevent the Election of our Old Friend Abraham Yates Junr."

b. 3 f. 5 Yates, Abraham, Junr. to Doc [John] Cochran, Esq., Commissioner of the Continental Loan Office for the State of New York 1786 30 May
177a (Draft letter signed, dated Albany 1 p, quarto)
Referring to delivery of monies and transmittal of books and papers.

This item was omitted from the original calendar but appears after item 177 on microfilm.

b. 3 f. 5 Smith, William, addressed to Abraham Yates Esqr. in Albany 1786 Jul 18
178 (Autograph letter signed, dated Mannr 1 p, folio)
Refers to his serious illness and sends remembrances to his friends in Albany.

b. 3 f. 5 Yates, Abraham, Junr., to William Smith, Long Island 1786 Jul 27
179 (Autograph draft letter signed, dated Albany 2 p, quarto)
Expressing sympathy on account of his illness and extending an invitation to Smith and his wife to make a visit in Albany.

b. 3 f. 5 Lansing, Abraham G., to Abraham Yates Junr 1786 Dec 3
180 (Autograph letter signed 4 p, quarto)
Referring to a report of the Loan Office and mentioning Col. Barber, Mr. Livingston, Mr. Osgood and others. Also mentions Mr. Bancker's serious injury by a fall from a horse.

o. 1 Milligan, James [Comp. of the Treasury], to "The Honorable The Board of Treasury" 1786 Dec 9
181 (Copy of document, dated Comptroller's Office 4 p, large folio)
Refers to the settlement of Abraham Yates Junr's accounts as Loan Officer.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 3 f. 6  Barber, William, to Abraham Yates Esquire 1787 Feb 1
182 (Autograph letter signed, dated Poughkeepsie 2 p, quarto)
Requesting his assistance in procuring an appointment as a member of the Board of
Commissioners.

b. 3 f. 6  Lansing, Abraham, G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. to the care
of Wm. Bedlow Esqr., New York 1787 Apr 8
183 (Autograph letter signed 2 p, folio)
Relating to Loan Office matters, an altercation with the Treasury Board, etc.

b. 3 f. 6  Yates, Robert, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Member of
Congress at New York 1787 Jun 1
184 (Autograph letter signed, dated Philadelphia 1 p, quarto)
Refers to the Philadelphia Convention.

b. 3 f. 6  Yates, Abraham, Junr. 1787 Jun 2
185 (Autograph draft letter, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Refers to canvassing the votes for Senator.

b. 3 f. 7  Lansing, Abraham, G., to Abraham Yates Junr 1787 Jun 4
186 (Autograph letter signed 2 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 7  Silvester, Peter, addressed to The Honble Abraham Yates Esqr., New York
1787 Jun 19
187 (Autograph letter signed, dated Kinderhook 1 p, folio)
Concerning the overpayment of a certain Mr. Beach.

b. 3 f. 7  Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junior Esquire, New
York 1787 Aug 26
188 (Autograph letter signed 2 p, quarto)
Refers to his brother John Lansing Jr. and Mr. Hamilton.

b. 3 f. 7  Yates, Peter W., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr., Leonard Gansevoort
and John D. P. Ten Eyck, Esquires, Poughkeepsy 1788 Jan 21
189 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, folio)
Refers to a petition presented to the Legislature by Mary Elmendorph.

b. 3 f. 7  Lott, Abraham, to The Honorable Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., of the Senate
at Poughkeepsie 1788 Jan 22
190 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Refers to his confinement in goal and a memorial which he wished to have laid before the
Legislature.

b. 3 f. 8  Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr.,
Poughkeepsie 1788 Jan 23
191 (Autograph letter signed 3 p, quarto)

b. 3 f. 8  Smith, Melancton, addressed to The Honl. Abraham Yates Junr. Esq.,
Poughkeepsie 1788 Jan 23
192 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 8  Smith, Melancton, addressed to The Honl. Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr.,
Poughkeepsie 1788 Jan 28
193 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, quarto)
Refers to the adoption of the Constitution.
Guide to the
Abraham Yates, Jr. papers

Correspondence (cont.)

b. 3 f. 8  Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., to the care of postmaster, Poughkeepsie 1788 Jan 31
194 (Autograph letter signed 2 p, quarto)

b. 3 f. 8  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to Abraham G. Lansing 1788 Feb 28
195 (Autograph letter signed, dated Poughkeepsie 1 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 9  Lansing, Abraham G. 1788 Mar 1
196 (Copy of document addressed to Melancton Smith Esq, in autograph of Abraham G. 2 p, folio)
Requesting that a printer be sent up from New York with his press to look after the publication of a paper to be called The Albany Register. Signed by Abraham G. Lansing, John Lansing Junr., Jeremiah Van Rensselaer and others.

b. 3 f. 9  Lansing, Abraham G., to Abraham Yates Junr 1788 Mar 2
197 (Autograph letter signed 2 p, folio)
Refers to the desire of Lansing and his friends to have an unprejudiced printer in Albany. A postscript in handwriting of and signed by Henry Oothoudt.

b. 3 f. 9  Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., to the house of Mr. Powers, Poughkeepsie 1788 Mar 12
198 (Autograph letter signed 1 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 9  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to Abraham G. Lansing 1788 Mar 14
199 (Autograph letter signed, dated Senate Room, Poughkeepsie 1 p, folio)
Relating to politics.

b. 3 f. 9  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to Abraham G. Lansing 1788 Mar 18
200 (Autograph letter signed, Poughkeepsie 1 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 10  Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. in Congress, New York 1788 May 27
201 (Autograph letter signed 1 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 10  Yates, Abraham Junr., addressed to Abm. G. Lansing Esqr., Albany 1788 May 28
202 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, quarto)
Reports a conversation held with Col. Hamilton.

b. 3 f. 10  Visscher, Matthew, addressed to Ab. Yates Junr., John McKesson and Melancton Smith Esqr., New York 1788 May 30
203 (Autograph letter signed 2 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 10  Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. in Congress, New York 1788 Jun 1
204 (Autograph letter signed 3 p, folio)
Refers to the returns of the recent election and the probability of a majority in the state.

b. 3 f. 10  Yates, Abraham Junr., to Abraham G. Lansing 1788 Jun 1
205 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, folio)
Refers to the Assembly Election and the hopes of the Federalists for the adoption of the Constitution.

b. 3 f. 11  Smith, William, to Abraham Yates Esqr 1788 Jun 12
206 (Autograph letter signed, dated Manr 1 p, folio)
Refers to the new Constitution.

b. 3 f. 11  Van Rensselaer, Jeremiah, to Abraham Yates Junr 1788 Jun 13
207 (Autograph letter signed, dated Albany 1 p, folio)
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 3 f. 11 Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., New York 1788 Jun 15
208 (Autograph letter signed 2 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 11 Yates, Abraham, Junr., addressed to Abraham G. Lansing Esq., Post Office, Albany 1788 Jun 15
209 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, quarto)
Refers to the adoption of the Constitution.

b. 3 f. 11 Oothoudt, Henry, addressed to Honorable Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. in Congress, New York 1788 Jun 21
210 (Autograph letter signed, dated Poughkeepsie 1 p, folio)
Recounts events of the first days of the Constitutional Convention; encloses copy of resolution, agreed, that the proposed plan of government be discussed clause by clause, and no question put until the whole had been gone through. With: text of resolution, 1 p., in another hand.

b. 3 f. 11 Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr. to the care of William Bedlow Esqr., New York 1788 Jun 22
211 (Autograph letter signed 3 p, folio)
Refers to the Constitutional Convention.

b. 3 f. 12 Yates, Abraham, Junr., addressed to Abm. G. Lansing Esq., Post Master, Albany 1788 Jun 23
212 (Autograph letter signed 2 p, folio)
Refers to his suit against Claxton, the printer, and gives some of his ideas in regard to the education of children.

b. 3 f. 12 Yates, Abraham, Junr., addressed to Abraham G. Lansing Esqr., Albany 1788 Jun 25
213 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, quarto)

b. 3 f. 12 Yates, Abraham, Junr. 1788 Jun 27
214 (2 drafts of letter in his autograph to the governor, dated New York 2 p, quarto, dated New York)
Refers to the news from New Hampshire and the loan from Holland.

b. 3 f. 12 Yates, Christopher P., addressed to the Hon. Abraham Yates Esq., in Congress, New York 1788 Jun 27
215 (Autograph letter signed, dated Poughkeepsie 1 p, folio)
Relating to the adoption of the Constitution.

b. 3 f. 13 Oothoudt, Henry, addressed to Honorable Abraham Yates Junr. in Congress, New York 1788 Jun 27
216 (Autograph letter signed, dated Poughkeepsie 1 p, folio)

b. 3 f. 13 Clinton, George [Gov.], to the Honble Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr 1788 Jun 28
217 (Autograph letter signed, dated Poughkeepsie 1 p, folio)

218 (Autograph letter signed 3 p, folio)
Referring to the Constitutional Convention.
Yates, Abraham, Junr., addressed to Abraham G. Lansing, Post Master, Albany 1788 Jun 29
219 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 2 p, folio)
Refers to debate over ratification of the Constitution in New York and Virginia, and payment of the country's debts in Europe.

Yates, Christopher P., addressed to Hon. Abraham Yates Esquire, New York 1788 Jun 30
220 (Autograph letter signed, dated Poughkeepsie 2 p, folio)
Referring to a heated argument between Mr. Lansing and Mr. Hamilton, in the Constitutional Convention, on the necessity of the existence of the state governments to uphold the General Government.

221 (Autograph letter signed 1 p, folio)
Referring to a quarrel in the city of Albany between the Federalists and the Antifederalists, caused by "our Friends and their Antagonists being heated with Liquor."

Lansing, Abraham G., addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esq., New York 1788 Jul 20
222 (Autograph letter signed 3 p, folio)
Referring to the Constitutional Convention.

223 (Autograph letter signed 3 p, folio)
Referring to the plans of the Federalists in Albany for a celebration in honor of the adoption of the Constitution.

See 142a
224

Yates, Abraham Junr 1788 Aug 8
225 (Autograph document signed 2 p, quarto)
A statement of his reasons for voting for the new Constitution, though he was opposed to it in principle. Also an acknowledgment of the receipt of the above declaration, signed by Ezra L’Hommedieu, Egbert Benson and Alexander Hamilton.

Lansing, Abraham G., to William Barber 1788 Aug 31
226 (Autograph draft letter signed 3 p, folio)
Referring to the Commissioners of Forfeitures and also to Mr. Robert Barber, "a young gentleman who served some part of his time with Webster and in the Course of a Month I hope he will be enabled to Commence printing."

Metcalfe, George 1789 Apr 25
227 (Autograph document signed, dated Albany 1 p, folio)
Acknowledgment of himself as author of an article in the Federal Herald Feb. 18, 1788, derogatory to Abraham Yates Junr. and admitting the falseness of the same. Also signed by Thos. Q. Witbeck and Abrm. Reynolds.

Burr, Aaron, addressed to Abraham Yates Junr. Esqr., Albany 1790 Jun 13
228 (Autograph letter signed, dated New York 1 p, quarto)
Refers to his illness for several weeks.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 3 f. 15  Yates, Robert 1790 Nov 5
229 (Document signed 3 p, large folio)
Ordering the Sheriff to discharge from custody Thomas Lewis Spotten and James Spotten of
the town of Lansingburg.

b. 3 f. 15  Yates, Abraham, Junr 1791 Feb 25
230 (Document signed 2 p, folio)
William Angell's warrant of Attorney to Abraham G. Lansing. In autograph of Abraham G.
Lansing. Also signed by John H. Cook and John De Wandelaer as witnesses. Also: Yates,
Abraham, Junr., in handwriting of Abm. G. Lansing William Angell's transfer of Class Right to
Abm. G. Lansing. Also signed by John H. Cook and John De Wandelaer as witnesses.
Document signed. 2 p. folio

b. 3 f. 16  Yates, Robert 1791 Mar 3
231 (Document signed 2 p, folio)
Discharge of Joseph Tobias, who had been confined in the Albany jail.

b. 3 f. 16  Yates, Abraham, Junr., draft of letter to Aaron Burr. This draft was
apparently sent to Robert Yates Esq. for his approval before sending the
letter to Burr 1791 Apr 24
232 (2 p, quarto)
Refers to the case against Mr. Ten Broeck, for which Burr was Yates' attorney.

b. 3 f. 16  Ten Broeck, Dirck, addressed to the Honbl Abraham Yates Junr. Esquire, Albany 1791 Jun 16
233 (Autograph letter signed, dated Albany 1 p, folio)
Referring to some document which he enclosed in the letter.

b. 3 f. 16  Ten Broeck, Dirck, to the Honbl. Abm. Yates Junr. Esqr 1791 Jun 16
234 (Autograph document signed, dated Albany 2 p, folio)
An acknowledgment of his error in judgement as an Inspector of Election in not allowing
Abraham Yates' suffrage.

b. 3 f. 16  Yates, Abraham, Junr., to Dirck Ten Broeck Esq 1791 Jun 18
235 (Draft of letter, dated Albany 1 p, quarto, dated Albany)
Relative to the withdrawal of Yates' suit against Ten Broeck.

b. 3 f. 17  Ten Broeck, Dirck 1791 Jul 25
236 (Autograph document signed 1 p, folio)
An acknowledgment of his error in refusing Yates' vote and agreeing to pay all the costs of the
suit brought against him by Yates.

b. 3 f. 17  Leonard, Enoch 1791 Jul 26
237 (Autograph document signed 1 p, folio)
An acknowledgment of his error as Inspector of Election in refusing Abm. Yates' vote, and
agreeing to pay all the costs of the suit brought against him by Yates.

b. 3 f. 17  Yates, Christopher P., addressed to Mr. John Pourteous 1791 Aug 14
238 (Autograph letter signed 1 p, quarto)
Referring to three judgments against some small estates.

b. 3 f. 17  Jay, John [Chief Justice], addressed to The Hon'ble Ab. Yates Esq., Mayor
of the City of Albany 1792
239 (Autograph document 1 p, quarto)
Written in the third person, declining Mr. Yates' invitation to take breakfast with him.
Correspondence (cont.)

b. 3 f. 17  Ten Broeck, Abraham [Chairman]  1793 Apr 19
240 (Document signed 1 small square, printed form)
Abraham Yates Junr's license for six years to use the books of the Albany Library. Also signed
by James Van Ingen, Treasurer.

b. 3 f. 18  Yates, Abraham, Junr. [Mayor]  1793 Jun 21
241 (Document signed, dated In Common Council 1 p, folio)
An Act of the Corporation of the City of Albany "allowing and permitting a Ferry Stairs to be
erected in the Wharf opposite to Mark Lane."

b. 3 f. 18  Political Broadside  1795 Feb 10
242 (Double-page printed folio)
Announcement "To the Electors of the State of New York." Requesting the electors to support
Jay and Van Rensselaer and containing the names of over 80 prominent citizens of New York.

b. 3 f. 18  Abraham Yates, Mayor of the City of Albany addressed to the Sheriff of the
City and County of Albany  1795 March 11-12
242A (Document signed, dated Albany 1 p, folio)
Order to Sheriff to receive Ralph Phelps in custody for passing counterfeit bill. Endorsed:
Nittimus. The People vrs Ralph Phelps, the 12th day of March in the y[ea]r 1795.

b. 3 f. 18  Ten Broeck, Abraham. Printed Broadside  1795 Apr 2
243 (dated Albany 1 p, folio)
Recommending Gen. Philip Schuyler as a Candidate for the vacant seat of a Member of
Senate. Signed by Abm. Ten Broeck as Chairman.

b. 3 f. 18  Federalism Unmasked. Printed Broadside, signed "A Republican Elector,
Herkimer, April 27, 1807."  1807
244 (1 p, folio)
Vigorous attack upon the Federalists and Burr.

b. 3 f. 18  Yates, Joseph C. [Governor], addressed to Christopher Y. Lansing, Esquire,
Albany  1825 May 29
245 (Letter signed, dated Schenectady 1 p, quarto)
Subscribing for 500 shares of stock of the Commercial Bank.

b. 4  Wentworth, Thomas. The office and duty of executors. London, 1663
b. 4  Journals/copybook 1754-1758
b. 4  Letterbook 1779-1782
b. 5  Notes on proceedings of Congress 1774-1776
b. 5  Speeches to the delegates of Congress
b. 5  Essays of various political subjects
b. 5  Rough Hewer
b. 6  Miscellaneous notes
b. 6  Notes on ancient revolutions of New York
b. 6  Notes for a history of New York
b. 6  Notes on early histories of Albany
v. 1  Notes concerning the early history of New York
b. 7  Charles Connor and John M. Meyer v. Philip Wessell. Declaration  1760
b. 7  Charter of the City of Albany  1779
b. 7  Minutes of the extraordinary sessions of the magistracy, etc
b. 7 Historical account of the manor of Rensselaerswyck
b. 8 Transcripts