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Guide to the

Harrison Gray Otis letters

1797-1846

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Summary

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Abstract: Letters from American lawyer, politician, and leader of the Federalist party Harrison Gray Otis written to various parties between 1797 and 1846. Recipients include James Swan, Nathaniel Terry, William Sullivan, Jacques Donatien and James Le Ray de Chaumont, Gales and Seaton, and many unnamed friends and associates. Letters mainly discuss political and business matters, and issues relating to Massachusetts government.

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Key Terms

Subjects

Federal government

Geographic Names

Massachusetts -- Politics and government -- 19th century

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

Occupations

Statesmen -- Massachusettes -- 19th century

Names

Chaumont, Jacques-Donatien Leray de, 1725-1803 -- recipient

Le Ray de Chaumont, J. (James), 1760-1841 -- recipient

Sullivan, William, 1774-1839 -- recipient

Swan, James, 1754-1830 -- recipient

Gales and Seaton -- recipient