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Title Clymer-Meredith-Read families. Papers.

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Description Related both by intermarriage and business, these three prominent families of Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania produced a long line of merchants, lawyers, judges, soldiers, bankers, entrepreneurs, politicians, two signers of the Declaration of Independence, George Read and George Clymer, the latter of whom also helped to frame the constitutions of the U.S. and Pennsylvania, and a poet-diplomat, John Meredith Read II, who, as U.S. Consul-General at Paris, witnessed the German siege of 1870-1871.

The papers reflect the economic (particularly real property) professional, and personal histories of the Clymer-Meredith-Read families. They span the years 1675-1902. The bulk is, however, of the period 1760s-1850s, and includes correspondence, land papers, legal papers, personal and business accounts, estate papers, writings, scrapbooks, notebooks, of George Read, George Read II, John Read, John Meredith Read, John Meredith Read II, John Meredith Read III, Reese Meredith, Samuel Meredith, Thomas Meredith, George Clymer, Henry Clymer, Thomas Clymer, a diary kept by John Meredith Read II during the siege of Paris by the Germans in 1870-1871, some papers of Samuel Dickinson, Hannah Carpenter, and George Ross and his family, and letters from James Buchanan to John Meredith Read.

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READ, George; READ II, George; READ, John; READ, John Meredith; READ II, John Meredith; READ III, John Meredith; MEREDITH, Samuel; MEREDITH, Thomas; ROSS, Temporary catalog card added entries George; CARPENTER, Hannah; CARPENTER, Martha; DICKINSON, Samuel; Cadwalader family; Diaries; Declaration of Independence-Signers; Commune of Paris, 1871; Franco-German War, 1870-1871; France-History-Franco-German War, 1870-1871; Paris-History--Commune, 1871; Paris-Siege, 1870-1871; German-History--Franco-German War, 1870-1871; Americans in foreign countries; U.S.- Officials & employees; Diplomats and consular service U.S.; BUCHANAN, James; Presidents-U.S.; Lawyers; U.S. Diplomatic and consular service; Family archives; Real property; Land use Judges; Legislators; Merchants; U.S.- History--Civil War, 1861-1865; U.S.-History--War of 1898; Albany Rangers; Bank and banking; Capitalism; U.S.-History--Revolution, 1775-1783; Revolution, American; Economics; Sermons

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Clymer-Meredith-Read Papers

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READ FAMILY

READ, George

1 Land papers, 1675-1798; legal papers; accounts; George Read, Jr.; land papers, 1790-1817; legal papers, 1790 -

READ, John, READ, Martha Meredith, READ, Margaret M.

2 Correspondence, 1791-1854

3 Land papers, legal papers, accounts, miscellany, 1739-1854

READ, John Meredith, and Priscilla Read

4 Correspondence, 1816-1874; letters from James Buchanan, 1839-1848

5 Accounts, 1826-1860; legal papers, A-M

6 Legal papers, N-Y

7 Legal papers, Camden & Amboy Railroad & Transportation Co.; notes & miscellany; Resolution adopted at the time of his death; legislative notes, 1823-1825; land papers; Masonic papers; political; speeches and writings; printed material; papers of Samuel Davis;

Scrapbook of clippings re: Civil War

READ II, John Meredith, and family

8 Correspondence, 1841-1885; accounts; poetry; diary, 1870-1871. family photographs

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READ III, John Meredith *Family tree genealogy.*

9 correspondence, 1884-1902; accounts, 1893-1900; records of the Albany Rangers; historical sketch of the Albany Rangers; water-colour sketchbook; manuscript entitled, "Georges de Bartincourt"; notebook re: Pumpelly family; notebook on alchemy & *anthology astrology;* sketchbook of pen and pencil drawings; book of horoscopes; notebook giving characteristics of persons described in signs of zodiac; drawings;

Scrapbook re: Albany Rangers

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MEREDITH FAMILY

MEREDITH, Samuel

10 Correspondence, 1771-1817 accounts, 1767-1799

11 Accounts, 1800-1815, n.d.; land papers; land papers; legal papers; checks made out to George Clymer

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- 12-12a Cancelled checks, 1788-1814

MEREDITH, Thomas

- 13 Correspondence, 1803-1828, 1840, 1841; accounts, 1798-1845; land papers; estates of Meredith & Clymer; Ross family; miscellaneous accounts: *James M. Meredith and family*

CLYMER FAMILY

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Correspondence, 1779, 1786-1795, 1801-1812, n.d.; estate letters; estate papers of executors, John Read & John Meredith Read; accounts; land papers; Meredith & Clymer land and estate papers; Henry Clymer letters; Thomas W. Clymer Letters; accounts of Hannah & Martha Carpenter

Lists of correspondence prepared by Maurice Slog.