

Locust Grove Archives

Finding Aid

Series: Young Collection

Subseries: Abraham Varick

**Finding Aid completed by Christina Slater
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Volume: 6 cubic feet
11 boxes

Acquisition: Bequest of Annette Innis Young.

Access: Monday through Friday, by appointment with the Curator.

Copyright: See Curator for details.

Biographical Sketch

Abraham Varick (-1894) Abraham Varick married Laura Tallmadge Hasbrouck on January 15, 1873 and moved with her to 50 Cannon Street, Poughkeepsie. Laura's sister, Anne Bevier Hasbrouck was the mother of Martha Innis Young. Martha's daughter, Annette Young, bequeathed these family papers to Locust Grove at her death in 1975. Abraham died on March 18, 1894.

Collection Description

The papers of Abraham Varick (1858-1897) vary from correspondence to bills and receipts. They span from his early adulthood to three years after his death. The bulk of the correspondence in the collection is dated from 1890-1894.

The papers are separated into two series: 1.) Correspondence 1858-1894; 2.) Personal Papers (1878-1897). The papers are arranged in chronological order and primarily follow their original organization. The personal papers include Bills, Receipts, and Miscellaneous Business Papers. See the Series Descriptions for further details on contents.

The general condition of the collection is good. Most of the handwritten documents are clear and legible. Many of the envelopes and newspaper clippings are discolored. As with previous collections, many of the documents have an ingrained layer of dust.

Series Descriptions

Series 1: Correspondence (1858-1894)

This series consists of three categories: 1.) Correspondence-Dated, 2.) Correspondence-Undated, 3.) Empty Envelopes. All correspondence is organized in chronological order when possible. Undated material is filed after the dated correspondence. Correspondence is to Abraham Varick, with the exception of a few letters written by him.

Series 2: Personal Papers

Abraham Varick's personal papers, like his correspondence, were part of Annette Innis Young's 1975 bequest to found the museum at Locust Grove. They consist of bills, receipts, and business papers. In general, because these papers were dispersed throughout the Locust Grove mansion and were not arranged by their creator, unless otherwise noted subject categories have been artificially created to improve access. **Bills and Receipts** are arranged chronologically.

Box and Folder Lists

Box 1

Series 1: Correspondence 1858-1894

- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick – 1858
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick – 1875
- *Correspondence to Abraham. Varick - 1876
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick – 1877
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1879
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1880
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1884
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1885
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1886
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1887
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick – 1888
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1889
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1890
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1891
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1892
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - 1894
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - Undated
- *Correspondence to Abraham Varick - Empty Envelopes

Box 2

Series 2: Personal Papers – Bills and Receipts 1878-1897

- *Bills and Receipts – 1878
- *Bills and Receipts – 1882
- *Bills and Receipts - 1884
- *Bills and Receipts – 1886
- *Bills and Receipts – 1887
- *Bills and Receipts – 1888
- *Bills and Receipts – 1889
- *Bills and Receipts – 1890
- *Bills and Receipts – 1892
- *Bills and Receipts – 1897
- *Bills and Receipts – Undated
- *Miscellaneous Business Papers