Guide to the letter from Mary to Elisha Conklin
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Summary Information

Repository
W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama

Title
Letter from Mary to Elisha Conklin

Date
circa 1855 March 12

Extent
0.5 Linear feet (1 letter, 1 envelope)

Language
English

Abstract
Mary in New York wrote to brother Elisha Conklin of Cayuga, New York, requesting a family visit and detailing their friends' or family members' travel to California, possibly during the Gold Rush.

Preferred Citation note
Letter from Mary to Elisha Conklin, W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama.
Biographical/Historical note

Mary in New York (possibly Harrison) writes to brother Elisha Conklin of Cayuga, New York

Scope and Contents note

Mary in New York wrote to brother Elisha Conklin in Cayuga, New York, requesting a family visit as their sister would soon leave on a long journey. Their sister might have been traveling to California, but the letter is unclear. She also wrote about their family members’ or friends’ recent departure aboard the Baltic to California. The letter was dated March 12 without a year, but it might have been written at the end of the Gold Rush based on the contents of the letter. The postage stamp on the envelope is a 3-cent stamp introduced in 1853.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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