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Summary Information

Repository:	M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives
Title:	Freligh Family Papers
ID:	mss071
Date [inclusive]:	1773-1955
Physical Description:	0.9 cubic ft.
Physical Location:	The materials are located on site at the department.
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	This collection documents the activities of the members of the Freligh family who lived primarily in the Niskayuna area during the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows: Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, Freligh Family Papers, 1773-1955. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the Freligh Family Papers).

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Biographical Sketch

Members of the Freligh family lived in the Niskayuna area during the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries. George J. Freligh was born ca. 1750 and died in 1800. Dr. Michael Freligh, the son of George J. Freligh of Dutchess County, N.Y., was born in 1770. He settled in Niskayuna in 1788. Freligh served as Albany County coroner, and in 1815 he was elected to the Assembly of the City and County of Albany. He died in 1853. Michael's brother John Freligh settled in Plattsburgh, N.Y., where he witnessed the burning of Plattsburgh during the War of 1812. His first wife Betsy died in 1811, but by 1814 he had remarried a woman named Margaret. The dates of his birth and death are unknown. George W. Freligh, the son of Dr. Michael Freligh, considered seeking his fortune in California, but ultimately remained in Niskayuna on property inherited from his father. George died in 1881. Abram Freligh, the son of George W. Freligh, served as commissioner of highways for the Town of Colonie. He died in 1912. His daughter, Julia Fort Freligh, married Abram Rand. She died in 1959.

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Scope and Contents

Includes correspondence of Dr. Michael Freligh (1770-1853) about family matters, agriculture, the War of 1812 in Plattsburgh, New York, and the Watervliet Lyceum, 1799-1853; land transactions and legal documents, 1773-1955; and rent receipts signed by Stephen Van Rensselaer, 1804-1830. The Freligh family resided in Niskayuna; Watervliet; and Cohoes, New York.

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Arrangement of the Collection

This collection is arranged chronologically.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Revision Description

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Processing Information

Processed by Nicholas Webb in August 2009 and Sheri Sarnoff in 2020.

Acquisition Information

The Freligh Family Papers were donated to the University Libraries by the executor of the estate of Julia Fort Freligh Rand, ca. 1965.

Access

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Controlled Access Headings

- Albany, New York
- Land trusts.
- Deeds.
- New York (State)--History--War of 1812

Collection Inventory

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Land Indentures of George Jury Freligh (Charlotte and Rhinebeck Precincts - Dutchess Co), 1773-1784	Box 1	Folder 1
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Correspondence of Dr. Michael Freligh, 1787-1815	Oversized 1	Flat-File 2

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Land Indentures of Dr. Michael Freligh and Anna Whitbeck Freligh - Taxes Paid, 1810-183218561858-1862	Oversized 1	Flat-File 4
Land Indentures of Dr. Michael Freligh and Anna Whitbeck Freligh - Taxes Paid, 1810-183218561858-1862	Flat-File 1	
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Correspondence of Dr. Michael Freligh, 1816-1853	Oversized 1	Flat-File 6
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Land Indentures of Dr. Michael Freligh and George Freligh - Rent and Taxes Paid, 1836-1854	Oversized 1	Flat-File 8
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