Poulson, Charles Augustus, Sr. (1789-1866)  

Materials: Family Papers (1809-1918, bulk 1824-1867)  

Volume: 1.0 linear foot (Document Boxes 1-2, 1 Photograph Folder, 1 Oversized Photograph Folder, 2 Oversized Document Folders)  

Donation: Purchase, 1968  

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The Charles Augustus Poulson Sr. collection contains papers documenting this man’s family across several generations. Charles Sr. had an interest in the study of conchology and translated a work on the subject by noteworthy French naturalist Constantine Samuel Rafinesque. Charles Sr. was born in Philadelphia in 1789 to Zachariah Poulson Jr. (1761-1844) and Susannah Knorr. His first wife, Mary Jane Gurney, was the daughter of General Francis Gurney. Charles Sr. and Mary Jane had two children: Charles Augustus Jr. (??-1864) and Mary Jane. After his first wife’s death, Charles Sr. married Sarah P. Wood, with whom he had three children: Zachariah III, Oscar, and Anzonette. Charles Sr.’s first son, Charles Jr., married Christine Graham, whose father, Peter, was a native of Scotland.  

Charles Sr. descended from a family of colonial Philadelphia printers. His grandfather, Zachariah Poulson Sr. (1737-1804), had immigrated to Pennsylvania from Denmark in 1749. Zachariah Sr. became a printer through an apprenticeship with the second Christopher Sower, a well-known printer and son of the man who printed the colonies’ first European-language Bible. In addition to his role as a printer, Zachariah Sr. was also an important member of Philadelphia’s early Moravian Church. His son, Zachariah Poulson Jr. (1761-1844), also became very active in the printing world of early Philadelphia, serving as printer for the Senate of Pennsylvania for a number of years. Zachariah Jr. printed the first book of Philadelphia’s criminal law and legislation in 1794. He also published Poulson’s Town and Country Almanac from 1788-1801, a publication that probably contains the most descriptive accounts of birth and dates rates in early American history. In 1800, he purchased Claypoole’s American Daily Advertiser and published it under the title Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser until 1839, when he sold the paper to the owners of the North American and United States Gazette. In addition to working as a printer, Zachariah Jr. was the librarian for the Library Company of Philadelphia from 1785 until 1806. He was also an active philanthropist with interests in abolition and prison reform.
As a family, the Poulsons were very interested in their home city of Philadelphia and were active members within the community. Charles Sr. owned several properties within the city, and he was very involved in making their appearance’s pleasing. Charles Jr. was an antiquarian and artist interested in Philadelphia’s history, and he often drew streetscapes or hired others to photograph homes and streets within the city. Members of the Poulson family also enjoyed country life and often visited areas outside of the city. On occasion, several family members traveled to Scotland to see friends and family, writing home with accounts of these visits and life in Scotland.

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

The Charles Augustus Poulson Sr. collection is housed in two document boxes, one photograph folder, one oversized photograph folder, and two oversized document folders. The collection is divided into eight series: Correspondence, Family History, Financial and Legal Documents, Manuscripts, Miscellaneous, Newspaper Issues, Photographs, and Books. The majority of the collection deals with family life and genealogy, while the remainder documents the family’s printing business, specifically the publication of Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser. The collection was purchased in 1968 from the Okie family. Mary Gurney Poulson, the daughter of Charles Poulson Jr. and Christine Graham, was born August 22, 1850 and later married physician Dr. Richardson B. Okie. Evidence suggests that Mary Gurney Poulson might have compiled or received these documents from family members and that one of her descendants later sold the collection to Dickinson College. Additional materials pertaining to the Poulson family are held by the Library Company of Philadelphia.

The bulk of the Charles Augustus Poulson Sr. collection falls into the Correspondence series, which has been broken down into two subseries: General Correspondence and Newspaper Correspondence. The majority of the letters are found in the General Correspondence subseries and primarily document exchanges between family members over several generations. The remaining letters fall within the Newspaper Correspondence subseries and deal with the Poulson family printing operation and the news of the day. Prominent correspondents within the Poulson Family papers include Henry Baird, Benjamin Rush (grandson of Dr. Benjamin Rush), Samuel Sartain, John Sargeant, and Noah Webster. Of interest also are the letters of Rev. John Drumm, husband of Jeannie Graham. Drumm was an exiled Irishman who became an American citizen. His letters contain accounts of his experiences during the Civil War as a chaplain and occasional doctor for the Fifty-second Regiment of the Pennsylvania Volunteers. The letters in each subseries have been arranged alphabetically by author (for women by maiden name). Each author’s correspondence is further arranged alphabetically by recipient and then chronologically. When more than one letter appears within a single folder, the number of letters for that folder can be found in parentheses to the right of the range of dates for those letters.

The Family History series contains documents dealing with the family’s genealogy and history. The largest portion of the genealogy materials consists of loose notes about several families that married into the Graham and Poulson lines. The Graham family genealogies include references to the surnames Collins, Gibson, Halliday, Hinton, King, McCroskey, Wharton, and Young. Surnames mentioned within the Poulson family genealogies include Gurney, Knorr, Okie, Pilmore, Porterfield, Ross, and Wood. This series also includes family histories written by Zachariah Poulson Jr. and the granddaughter of Charles A. Poulson Sr., Mary Gurney Poulson. These materials are arranged in alphabetical order according to family surname.
The series titled Financial and Legal Documents includes bills, receipts, tax papers, and wills. Many of the documents deal with the upkeep of family properties, the estate of Francis Gurney, and the final settlement of the estate of Zachariah Poulson Jr. The majority of the documents appear to have been created or received by Charles A. Poulson Sr. These documents are arranged chronologically.

The next series, Manuscripts, contains handwritten articles that appear to have been submitted to the Poulson family for publication as part of the day-to-day operation of Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser. It is possible that additional items found under the Writings and Notes heading in the Miscellaneous Series might also have served the same purpose. The Manuscripts series is organized alphabetically according to author where authorship is attributed. Two frequently named authors include individuals known by the pseudonyms Occasional Scribbler and Washington Correspondent. During the spring of 1834, the Washington Correspondent wrote about Senate business, economic depression, and the failure of the Bank of Maryland. Many of the articles, however, have no attributed author and are also undated. These manuscripts have been organized into broad subject categories and include news, poems, and short stories. The material covers many different subject matters, ranging from religion to education and health.

The Miscellaneous series contains a variety of materials that deal with individual family members and the family’s printing operation. In terms of family oriented materials, it includes a small number of documents pertaining to Rev. John H. Drumm and members of the Poulson line. In addition, this series contains a number of writings and notes that might have served as submissions to Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser, as well as a collection of woodcut clippings from that paper. This series also includes an indexed commonplace book of uncertain authorship that dates from 1811 to 1819. It contains hand-copied articles, letters, and election results from a variety of newspapers. The items in this series are arranged alphabetically according to general subject headings.

The Newspaper Issues series contains two folders of early- to mid-nineteenth-century issues of the National Forum, Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser, and the United States Gazette, including the last issue of the Daily Advertiser. The papers are arranged alphabetically according to title and then chronologically. Due to their size, these items have been designated as OC 2006.02 and are housed separately from the rest of the collection.

The series titled Photographs contains mid-nineteenth-century images of Philadelphia, including an image of Rev. William Marshall’s house on Spruce Street and views of the city from the State House steeple. These images are designated PC 2006.02 and housed separately in the Dickinson College photograph collection. The image of Rev. William Marshall’s house is housed in an oversized folder.

The Books series contains two books that once belonged to members of the Poulson family. They are housed separately and shelved in Archives and Special Collections according to the call numbers listed.
COLLECTION INVENTORY

BOX 1 - MC 2006.2

CORRESPONDENCE
General correspondence
Folder 01) Agnes
   To “Grandmother” – 1892
Alexander, William
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – 1840 (2)
“Aunt Angelica”
   To Sarah P. Wood – Jul. 9, 1826
Ashley, John
   To J.P. Norris – Apr. 27, 1824

Folder 02) Baird, Henry Cary
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – June 4, 1858
Barclay, James J.
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – June 1, 1840
Beecher, Ld. W.
   To Misters Brown & Son – Oct. 15, 1858
Beers, W. H.
   To Mary Gurney Poulson – Feb. 23, 1905
Biren, Ben.
   To Charles A. Poulson, Esq. – Dec. 10, 1859
Bludges, Tom
   To Charles A. Poulson – Jun. 23, 1858
Bonsall, John
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Apr. 13, 1824

Folder 03) Cadwalader, George
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jun. 3, 1846
Carlyle, Robert
   To John Graham – 1816-1825 (2)
Chapman, Emily
   To Christine Graham – undated
Chapman, Nathaniel
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – undated
Cleve, Hepborn M.
   To John C. Lyman – Apr. 3, 1866
Collins, Sarah Wharton (Mrs. William Gibson)
   To granddaughter, Christine Graham – 1847-1848 (2)
de la Cuesta, Fernando
   To mother-in-law, Agnes Gibson – May 23, 1864
CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)
General correspondence (cont.)

Folder 04) D. E. R.
  To Sarah P. Wood – Jul. 19, 1826
  Dobson, Susan P.
  To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – undated
  To Sarah P. Wood – undated
  Drumm, Rev. John H.
  To John Conness, California Senator – Jun. 11, 1864
  To wife, Jeannie Graham – May 7, 1862

Folder 05) Foreman, Sarah
  To Friend – Jul. 3, 1855
  Frank
  To Charles A. Poulson, Jr. – Nov. 7, 1845
  Froment, Theodore
  To “Friend Mary” – Apr. 18, 1865

Folder 06) G., W. [William Graham?]
  To brother John – c1842
  Gibson, Agnes (Mrs. Peter Graham)
  To parents, William Gibson & Sarah Collins – Mar. 7, 1809
  To Mrs. John Graham – 1811-1814 (2)
  To daughter, Christine Graham – 1843-1869 (12)

Folder 07) Graham, Agnes
  To sister, Christine Graham – undated, 1872 (3)
  To sister, Sarah Graham – undated
  To sister – undated

Folder 08) Graham, Annie
  To Fernando de la Cuesta, Esq. – Mar. 28, 1843
  To sister, Christine Graham – 1844 (2)
  To sister, Sarah Graham – Jun. 1844

Folder 09) Graham, Christine (Mrs. Charles A. Poulson Jr.)
  To father, Peter Graham – Feb. 7, 1844
  To husband, Charles A. Poulson Jr. – undated, c1849-1850 (11)
  To Oscar Poulson – Aug. 13, 1846
  To Zachariah Poulson III – Jul. 30, 1846

Folder 10) Graham, Elizabeth
  To Mrs. John Graham – undated
  George, Graham
  To mother, Agnes Gibson – 1859-1861 (11)
  To brother, John Graham – Oct. 3, 1859
  To Aunt (Mrs. John Graham) – 1860 (2)
    Death notice for William Graham – Sep. 22, 1860
  To brother, Tom Graham – Aug. 29, 1860
CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)
General correspondence (cont.)

Folder 11) Graham, Jeannie (Mrs. John H. Drumm)
To sister, Christine Graham – undated (4)
To sister, Sarah Graham – undated

Graham, John,
To sister, Miss (Agnes?) Graham – undated
To Christine Graham – Aug. 13, 1843

[ Graham], L. M.?
To sister, Christine Graham – undated

Folder 12) Graham, Peter
To son-in-law, Charles A. Poulson Jr. – 1843-1848 (9)

Graham, Samuel,
To cousin, Mary Gurney Poulson – Apr. 6, 1916

Folder 13) Graham, Sarah (Mrs. Fernando De la Cuesta)
To sister, Agnes Graham – undated
To sister, Christine Graham – undated (6)
To brother, George Graham – undated
To Charles A. Poulson Jr. – undated
To niece, Mary Gurney Poulson – undated

Folder 14) Graham, William (brother to Peter Graham)
To “Sister” – Apr. 9, 1857

Graham, William
To mother, Agnes Gibson – c.1859

Folder 15) Halliday, Christine (Mrs. Thomas Graham)
To daughter-in-law, Agnes Gibson – 1811

Hare, Robert
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Dec. 3, 1847

Hood, Dr. T. B.
To Rev. John H. Drumm (copy) – Jun. 16, 1864

Humbertson
To John Graham (brother to Peter Graham) – Jun. 16, 1818

Jones, Thomas
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jun. 28, 1832

Folder 16) Ladies of Pine Ward
To Mrs. Poulson – undated

Landon, S. B. C.
To Zachariah Poulson – Oct. 3, 1842

Livingston, John
To Charles A. Poulson, Esq. (lithograph copy) – Jun. 25, 1853

Lobstein MD
To Sir – Mar. 25, 1825
CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)

General correspondence (cont.)

Folder 17) Marie

To Mary – undated
Markoe, Francis, Jr.
   To Charles A. Poulson Jr. – Sep. 29, 1842
Meredith, Thomas
   To Charles A. Poulson Jr. – Nov. 3, 1846
Morton, Samuel George
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – undated, 1826 (2)

Folder 18) [Okie, Francis G.?] Frank

To mother, Mary Gurney Poulson – Jan. 22, 1905
Onderdonk, Bishop Benjamin Tredwell
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jul. 8, 1829
Ord, George
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Nov. 21, 1840
Panches A. L.
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Nov. 21, 1840
“Papa”
   To son, Will – Dec. 29, 1888
Parks, Stephen
   To Charles A. Poulson, Esq. – Oct. 12, 1840
Patterson
   To Charles A. Poulson, Esq. – undated
Placide, Thomas P.
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – undated

Folder 19) Poulson, Agnes

To mother, Christine Graham – 1867-1871 (4)
To father, Charles A. Poulson Jr. – Feb. 6, 1854
To brother, Charles Gurney Poulson – Jul. 14, 1871

Folder 20) Poulson, Charles A., Jr.

To wife, Christine Graham – 1842-1843 (5)

Folder 21) Poulson, Charles A., Jr.

To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – 1832-1842 (8)

Folder 22) Poulson, Charles A., Jr.

To brother, Zachariah Poulson III – 1840-1841 (3)

Folder 23) Poulson, Charles A., Sr.

To Dr. Frouche – Oct. 1864
To daughter-in-law, Christine Graham – Apr. 29, 1864
To Dr. James Mease – undated
To Thomas P. Placide (draft reply) – undated
To Charles A. Poulson Jr. – 1836-1846 (3)
To son, Zachariah Poulson III – Nov. 24, 1832
CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)

General correspondence (cont.)

Folder 24) Poulson, Charles A., Sr.
   To wife, Sarah P. Wood – undated, 1830 (14)

Folder 25) Poulson, Charles Gurney
   To mother, Christine Graham – 1867-1868 (2)
   To Grandma – Sept. 15, 1860
   To father, Charles A. Poulson Jr. – Mar. 14, 1854
   To grandfather, Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jan. 26, 1865
   To sister, Mary Gurney Poulson – Mar. 1892
   To uncle, Oscar Poulson – Jan. 15, 1844
   To uncle, Zachariah Poulson III – Jan. 15, 1844

Folder 26) Poulson, “Grandma”
   To Mamie – undated
   Poulson, John A.
   To Aunt Mary [Gurney Poulson?] – undated
   Poulson, Mary
   To Frankie – undated
   Poulson, Oscar
   To father, Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Nov. 19, 1832
   Poulson, Zachariah [II?],
   To son, Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jun. 25, 1836
   Poulson, Zachariah III,
   To Agnes – Mar. 1845
   To father, Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Aug. 31, 1842
   To brother, Oscar Poulson – undated

Folder 27) Randolph, Dr. J.
   To Charles A. Poulson – Feb. 21, 1844
   Roche, Francis Gurney
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jul. 24, 1825
   Rundlesmith, R. (Gurney Estate)
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Mar. 14, 1850
   Rush, Benjamin (grandson of Dr. Rush)
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – c1835, Feb. 28
   Rush, N.
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Feb. 3, 1832
   Rush, Samuel
   To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – 1832-1836 (5)
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General correspondence (cont.)

Folder 28) Sartain, Samuel
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jun. 21, 1859

Smith, Floyd
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jul. 11, 1830
To Sarah P. Wood – Sep. 23, 1825

Smith, Harry B.
To Zachariah Poulson III – Aug. 28, 1849

Smith, P. B
To Charles A. Poulson – undated

Sophie
To Christine Graham – undated

Stockton, Julia (Mrs. Benjamin Rush)
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – undated, Apr. 7

Strong, Henry K.
To Unknown (lithograph copy) – Oct. 1859

Folder 29) Taylor, Annie R.
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jun. 22, 1855

“Aunty Teen”
To niece, Sallie (Sarah) – undated

Troost, Dr. Gerard
To Charles A. Poulson – undated

Vaux, Roberts
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Mar. 5, circa 1820s

Folder 30) Webster, Noah
To Zachariah Poulson Jr. – Mar. 8, 1830
Engraved portrait of Noah Webster

Wells, Charles
To Zachariah Poulson III – Nov. 4, 1846

West, Callius
To Zachariah Poulson III – c.1848

Wharton, Anne Hollingsworth
To Mary G. Poulson – Nov. 22, 1918

Wharton, Joseph
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Aug. 24, 1823

Folder 31) Wood, Doctor
To Zachariah Poulson III – Feb. 11, 1845-1858 (2)

Wood, Joseph
To John P. Lane – Jul. 15, 1828
To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – 1827-1828 (6)
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CORRESPONDENCE (cont.)
General correspondence (cont.)
Folder 32) Wood, Lucretia D.
    To sister, Sarah P. Wood – 1825-1828 (4)
    Wood, Margaret
    To grandson, Zachariah Poulson III – undated
    To daughter, Sarah P. Wood – 1825 (2)
    Wood, Mary B.
    To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – undated, 1834-1835 (3)
    To sister, Sarah P. Wood – 1830-1833 (2)
Folder 33) Wood, Sarah P. (Mrs. Charles A. Poulson Sr.)
    To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – undated, 1830 (15)
Folder 34) Worrell, William
    To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Jan. 13, 1852
    Unknown, “Friend”
    To John McAllister – Jun. 5, 1864
    Unknown, “Friend”
    To Sir – undated
    Unknown
    To Mary – undated
    To Christine Graham – Jul. 10, 1853
    To Papa & Momma [Dr. and Mrs. Okie?] – Jul. 24, 1893
    To Charles A. Poulson Jr. – Jul. 1830

Newspaper correspondence
Folder 35) C.
    To Zachariah Poulson – undated
    McIlvaine, Joseph
    To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – undated, 1836 (2)
    Ponn, Solomon
    To Editor Sunday Mercury – undated
Folder 36) Poulson, Charles A. Sr.
    To J. R. Flanigan, Esq. – undated, Sep. 19, 1864 (2)
    To J. R. Flanigan, Esq., John McAllister, Mr. J. J. Michley, and Ryan (draft) – undated
    Sergeant, John
    To Charles A. Poulson Sr. – Oct. 24, 1832 (2)
Folder 37) Unknown
    To Mr. Editor – undated
    To Mr. Poulson – undated
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FAMILY HISTORY
Folder 38) Graham family genealogy
Folder 39) Knorr, John George, 1706 passport (copy)
        Knorr, Susannah, biography by Zachariah Poulson Jr.– Mar. 20, 1830
Folder 40) Poulson family genealogy & events
Folder 41) Poulson family history, by Zachariah Poulson Jr.
        Poulson, Charles, Jr./Christine Graham marriage certificate (transcription) –
            Sep. 13, 1842
        Poulson, Zachariah, Jr.
            Notes from The History of the Moravian Church
            Sketch of his life (incomplete)
        Poulson & Okie families, by Mary Gurney Poulson

BOX 2 - MC2006.02

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS
Folder 01) Sums advanced to Maria Roche – 1811-1814
          Francis Gurney estate payment to George Spangler – 1818
          Rhoad & Jeans, receipt for supplies – 1819
          Joshua Carpenter, bill – Jul. 19, 1819
          Horace Binney, opinion of Gen. Francis Gurney’s will – Dec. 30, 1819
Folder 02) District Circuit Court, USA vs. Benjamin Parson/Edward Wilson – 1819
          E. District Supreme Court of PA, Edward Wilson – Mar.-Apr., 1824
          Philadelphia District Court, Edward Wilson – Mar.-Apr., 1824
          Philadelphia Court of Common Pleas, Edward Wilson – Apr. 18, 1824
Folder 03) Estate of Gen. Gurney receipt book, Poulson, Sr., executor – 1819-1826
Folder 04) Stone & Coffee, receipt for water work – Apr. 15, 1820
          John Sturgis, receipt for papering house – Oct. 16, 1820
          Philadelphia City tax & water rent bill – Jul. 7, 1821
          Locust Ward, Phil. city tax bill (copy) – 1822
          Rhoad and Jeans, receipt for lumber – Apr. 27, 1822
          Samuel Haydock, water work bill – Sept. 13, 1822
Folder 05) Locust Ward, Phil. property’s taxes – Jul. 6, 1823
          Blanchard Haley & Beaty, bill – Oct. 22, 1823
          Earl Shinn, bill for paving work – Nov. 11, 1823
          Joseph S. Lewis, property insurance – Jan. 2, 1824
          Philadelphia water rent tax – Jan. 1, 1825
          Samuel Haydock, water work bill – Mar. 24, 1825
          Misses Donnaldson, tuition bill – Oct.-Jan., 1830
Folder 06) John & Charles Poulson Sr., Dobson Trustees
          lease to Edwin Booth – Mar 25, 1850
          Estate of Zachariah Poulson Jr. – Jan 1858
          Will for William White, Bucks County – Aug. 22, 1859
          George Graham, Bush Inn receipt – Jul 9-28, 1861
FINANCIAL AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS (cont.)

Folder 07) Will of Charles Poulson Sr. (1 page draft) – undated
          Receipt – undated
          Unknown loan, payment on house – undated

MANUSCRIPTS

Folder 08) Articles with attributed authors
          Amelia, “A contented mind is an inestimable treasure”
          Nathaniel Careless & Co., “Topsy Turvy No. 1”
          Copperfield, B., “Boots by the stomach”
          Flanigan, J. R. Esq., “Unfermented bread”
          Grusoe, Defan, re: social classes
          Haskins, R., “A unique collection of shells”
          Jonson, Ben, “On Poetry”
          “The Occasional Scribbler,” (P. S.) – c.1811
          Poulson, Charles, Jr., announcement for Illustrations of the History of
          the City of Philadelphia
          Sedgewick, P. C., outstanding accounts, Perry & Cumberland County

Folder 09) “The Washington Correspondent” – c.1834
Folder 12) Undated Articles – Character
          “Character”
          Fatalism
          Hypocrite, China
          Human mind, rulers of England
          “Machine Life”
          Popular glory
          “To others: Man is a moralist in precept”
          “Queer Epitaph (Birmingham, England), gossip”
          “Self–conceit”
          Success or failure

Folder 13) Undated Articles – Education & Health
          Benny Tucker’s Select School, Tenth St.
          “Gluttony”
          “His own work,” Doctor
          Medicine
          “Medical Science,” A. B. Johnson
          Student, studies

Folder 14) Undated Articles – Finance & Class
          Classes of men
          “The Dollar Mark”
          Irish lass – Michigan money
          Poverty
          “Precocious financiering”
MANUSCRIPTS

Folder 15) Undated Articles – Philadelphia & Nation City
“Despair”
“Rats”

Folder 16) Undated Articles – Poetry & Stories
“Capt Cook’s Father”
“D. P. Brown vs. Lord Byron”
“Fortune?” a paradox
“I leave you to the executioner”
“Jack Frost”
Lord Byron
“Memento Mori”
Money and Friends
Poetry
“The Sailor” (2 pieces)

Folder 17) Undated Articles – Religion
“Arthur Howell, The Quaker Preacher”
Blessings
“Irreligion”
Popery
“Prayer”
“Religion of Rome”
“South Carolina”, “Moravians”
Walnut Street, Lucifer message preached

Folder 18) Undated Articles – Women
“Alas! For women”
Women reading romance novels

Folder 19) Undated Articles – Writing, Correspondence
Brown’s – “Lord Macaulay,” copied from Life of Hugh Millen
Extract of a letter from a European traveler
Readers, authors
“What are trifles, Niagara? Etna?” “Longwinded Correspondents,”
“On the Profession of Lawyer”
Writers block, journalists
Writing letters

Folder 20) Undated Articles – Other
“1768 marriages”
Borrow’s tour in Bavaria
“Frederick Douglas”
“House to Let”
“How to make money, and be honest.”
Leased property
“Look on the other side”
MANUSCRIPTS
Folder 21) Undated Articles – Other
Night
Optimism (not complete)
“The Past, the present, and the future”
Pedestrian
Pythagoras’ answer
“Repartee,” “Tea,” “Coffee,” “Cocoa”
“Scroggins”

MISCELLANEOUS
Folder 22) Clippings
Miscellaneous newspaper clippings – undated
Loose scrapbook pages with autographs and clippings - undated
Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser woodcuts – undated
Folder 23) Commonplace book
Vol. 3, with index – 1811-1819
Folder 24) Drumm, Rev. John H.
The Soldiers Prayer Book – 1861
Certification of good conduct during Chicahominy – Aug 4, 1862
Folder 25) Poulson Family
Poulson, Charles, Jr., school report – Feb. 27, 1830
Recipe for Mrs. Poulson – Nov. 12, 1861
Drawing of wedding ceremony – undated
Folder 26) Writings and Notes
Dobson, Susan P., poem “To My Friend” – undated
Epitaph copied from a newspaper – undated
Hymn – undated
Johnston, James, re: Pa. library business (copied) – 1760-1767
“Keen Reply” – undated
Morgan, Dr. John, death notice in newspaper (copied) – undated
Notes on newspapers – undated
Poem – undated
Poem by Gertrude on Edith and Elsie – undated
Sir Walter Scott on memory (copied) – undated
“Ship in Mourning” – undated
Waln, Nicholas, notes on his life and death – Sept. 12, 1862
Westcott, Thomspon, notes on his history of Philadelphia - undated
OVERSIZED - OC 2006.2

NEWSPAPER ISSUES

Folder 01) National Forum
vol. 1 no. 45, Clay at Indianapolis – Oct. 22, 1842

Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser
vol. 40 no. 10,812 – July 23, 1811
vol. 46 no. 12,795 – Nov. 26 1817
vol. 47 no. 13,126 – Dec. 17 1818
vol. 48 no. 13,139 – Jan. 1, 1819
vol. 48 no. 13,231 – April 22, 1819
vol. 48 no. 13,259 – May 25, 1819
vol. 49 no. 13,756 – Dec. 30, 1820

Folder 02) Poulson’s American Daily Advertiser
vol. 60 no. 17,940 – Jun. 4, 1834
vol. 68 no. 19,689 – Dec. 28, 1839, last issue (2 copies)

United States Gazette
no. 5894 – Sept. 23, 1811

PHOTOGRAPHS - PC 2006.2

Folder 01) Views of Philadelphia from State House steeple – 1854 (3)

OVERSIZED PHOTOGRAPHS - PC 2006.2

Folder 01) Rev. William Marshall’s house, 322 Spruce St., Philadelphia (#23 on enclosed list) – 1859-1860

BOOKS

[SC 245.31 E92: signed by Mary Gurney Poulson, 1870]

The child's new play–thing : or, hobby horse ; designed for their amusement, in order to make the learning to read a diversion instead of a task ; containing ... scripture–histories, fables and pleasant stories, with moral and religious precepts, proverbs, dialogues, &c. Dublin : printed by R. Jackson, Bookseller, 1789.
[SC 371.32 C537: signed by Charles A. Poulson]

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