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005 Small Manuscripts Collection
006 Peter Caverly Collection
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261 A collection of ten letters written to Peter Caverly between 1813 and 1814 discussing business matters and the War of 1812.
270 This collection of letters was written to Peter Caverly between February 1813 and November 1814. These letters indicate that Caverly moved from Dover to Wilmington in 1813. Prior to his move, a letter from April 1813 identifies Caverly as a cashier at Farmers Bank.

According to additional research, Caverly served as a cashier at the Farmer's bank of Wilmington from July 6, 1813 - August 19, 1815. Following Caverly's move to Wilmington, a letter from John Partridge in November 1813 discusses Caverly's interest in purchasing Partridge's farm near Wilmington. According to research, Caverly served on the Committee of Safety in Wilmington, a committee formed in reaction to threats of British invasion. Furthermore, this collection holds letters regarding the British imprisonment of Caverly's nephew, Richard Arell. The letters address an effort to wire Arell money (February 1814) and an update on Arell's imprisonment (May 1814). Following his release, Arell writes to his uncle (Caverly) discussing the fighting between the British and his camp near Buffalo.

Additional letters from 1813 discuss business matters and were written by John F. Watson, James Walloned, John Cummins, and John Fisher. A letter from Thomas Ford (November 1813) discusses Caverly's missing dog.

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329 WORK STATUS:

- needs sorting
- needs unfolding
- needs foldering/reboxing
- other:

ARCHIVIST:

- review for identification/needs further identification
- needs processing
- determine origin/purpose
- other:

CONDITION:

- totally disorganized
- order not apparent
- origin questionable

other:

330 Arranged chronologically within the folder.
331 No index.
332 Handwritten.
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360 Fair - poor condition. Dirt, acid, storage damage.
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