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261 Correspondence, accounts, legal and business papers, and land records of the Anderson and Paynter families of Sussex County, mostly nineteenth century.  
270 The Paynter family was connected to the Andersons by the marriage of the daughter of James Anderson to John H. Paynter. A major portion of the papers consists of the personal correspondences of James Anderson, mainly with his brother. A majority of the papers are the correspondence or personal papers between the Paynter and Anderson families, as well as the multiplicity of legal, land, and business records, demonstrating the vast network of relationships within the family. Other families besides Anderson and Paynter were also included in the papers such as the Bagwells, Burtons, and Stockleys, which were associated or directly related to the Anderson and Paynter families. Documents related to these families mostly consisted of merchant transactions and personal letters to other family members.

These documents reveal aspects of the Paynter and Anderson families, including what type of land they owned, the jobs they held, and the relationships between members of the family. The documents will show that many members of the Anderson and Paynter families held positions in office within the state of Delaware, such as Governor and Attorney General, and that other members were an innate part of the merchant community in Sussex County in a large grain commission business. Other records include vital statistics and receipts from merchants, illuminating the lives of the Anderson and Paynter families in Sussex County during the nineteenth century. There are also records for cases involving conflict over the land plots.

Documents of interest include probate and partition records, which included wills and several plots of land relating to the Anderson family. Within the collection, there are also documents for the sale of two ships by the names of Polly and Sally. William Burton was attempting to sell Sally for 150 pounds. Polly, on the other hand, was not successful in selling and was put on the market more than once in attempt to sell it.

This collection also includes the diploma of Rowland G. Paynter from both the Wilmington Conference Academy and Union College of Schenectady, New York.

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