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Abstract

The Weld Coxe Collection documents over three hundred years of the Coxe family in America and provide valuable insight into the lives various family members. Beginning with Dr. Daniel Coxe of London, the proprietary governor of West Jersey and continuing through Daniel Michaux Coxe, who in 1968 oversaw the liquidation of the Coxe properties in Pennsylvania, this collection spans eight generations of Coxes who had the drive and determination to make their ancestor's dreams a reality.

Background note

The story of the Coxe family in America began over three hundred years ago, when in 1684, Dr. Daniel Coxe of London began speculating in land on the American continent, eventually acquiring over one million acres. Little, if any of this land remained in the possession of the Coxe family following the American Revolution, as the new government confiscated proprietary lands. The Coxe land legacy continued after the war, however, through the auspices of the author and statesman, Tench Coxe, who purchased large tracts of land across eight states, focusing primarily on what he believed to be coalfields in northeastern Pennsylvania. Although Tench himself spent the latter part of his life in financial ruin, his prescience secured land and wealth for his heirs and all of their business enterprises well into the twentieth century.

Dr. Daniel Coxe had an extremely successful career as a physician in England prior to his equally successful career as a land speculator. In addition to being the personal physician to King Charles II and Queen Anne of England, he was a member of the Royal Society and an honorary fellow of the Royal College of Physicians. By 1687, Dr. Coxe had already acquired considerable tracts of land in East and West Jersey, but it was a purchase in January of that year, from the Estate of Governor Edward Byllinge, that allowed Dr. Daniel to assume the governorship of West Jersey, despite the fact that he never made the trip to the new world. By his own account, Dr. Daniel's land holdings in the two Jerseys amounted to one million acres.¹ This property was

¹ Manuscript, "Dr. Daniel Coxe His Account of New Jersey," *Weld Coxe Collection*, Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

later conveyed to the West New Jersey Society who sold it off piecemeal, beginning in 1692. In that same year Dr. Daniel purchased the province of Carolana [*sic*], which embraced portions of the present states of North and South Carolina, Georgia and Florida. The title to this vast property remained in the Coxe Family until 1769, when the Coxe heirs surrendered the charter to the Crown of England, receiving a one hundred thousand acre tract in New York as compensation. This property was subsequently sold or taken from the Coxe heirs after the American Revolution. Upon Dr. Daniel's death in 1730, he passed the whole of his North American estate to his son, Colonel Daniel Coxe.

The Colonel was the first Coxe to leave England for life in America, settling briefly at Coxe Hall near Cape May, New Jersey, but ultimately taking up residence in Burlington, New Jersey in 1702. Shortly after his arrival in America Daniel was appointed commander of the West Jersey forces, where he received the rank of Colonel. Inheriting a passion for land, Colonel Coxe distinguished himself by publishing *A Description of the Provinces of Carolana*, which in 1722 proposed one of the earliest plans for political union of the British colonies of North America. Daniel also had a keen interest in civic matters, serving as a member of the Governor's Council as well as Justice on the Supreme Court of New Jersey. He was also appointed the provincial grand master of the Free Masons of the Middle Colonies in 1730, making him the earliest Masonic Grand Master in America. Daniel married Sarah Eckley in 1707 and they were the parents of four children, Daniel, William, Rebecca, and John. The senior line of the family followed Daniel Coxe, whose line of descendents includes the eminent physician Dr. John Redman Coxe, but it is the line of William Coxe whose descendents make up the overwhelming majority of Coxe heirs alive today.

William Coxe was born 27 April 1723 and was the first Coxe to make his home in Philadelphia. He established himself as one of the leading merchants of the day and also had a distinguished career as a public servant. He was elected a common councilman in 1751 and was advanced to the Board of Alderman in 1757. The next year he was elected Mayor of Philadelphia but refused to accept the position. Four years later he was elected Mayor for a second time but turned down the offer again, after paying a fine imposed on him under the provisions of the charter of 1701. William married Mary, daughter of Tench Francis, Attorney General of the Province of Pennsylvania, and together they were the parents of fourteen children, including Tench Coxe, who was born in Philadelphia on 22 May 1755.

Tench Coxe explored various career options in his struggle to establish himself. After considering a profession in law, Tench chose instead to join his father's import-export firm, Coxe & Furman, in 1776. The renamed firm of Coxe, Furman & Coxe operated for fourteen years but was dissolved by a mutual agreement after experiencing financial difficulties. Soon after, Tench and a business partner from Boston established a new commercial enterprise under the name of Coxe & Frazier. After several prosperous years, this firm also disbanded, freeing Tench to pursue a career in public service.

Having benefited from the prosperity of the earlier Coxe generations of British colonizers, it is not surprising Tench remained loyal to the Crown during the American Revolution, but his loyalist sympathies would complicate his future political ambitions. A family legend maintains that when British General William Howe rode into Philadelphia during the Revolutionary War, Tench, then in his early twenties, rode out to greet him and escort him into the city. Following the British evacuation of Philadelphia in 1778, Tench's name appeared on a Proclamation of Attainder issued by the Supreme Executive Council of Pennsylvania against people accused of treason. Tench was then arrested but quickly paroled after swearing an oath of allegiance to the United States of America.

With the help of his family's many influential friends, Tench was able to regain the respect of his patriot neighbors, although his early Tory leanings would be used repeatedly by his opponents to undermine his political influence. After the war, Tench became an advocate for the Federalist Party and labored intensively to advance the American cause through the establishment of strong government institutions and private industry. He was selected as the sole Pennsylvania delegate to the Annapolis Convention in 1786 and was appointed to serve as a member of Pennsylvania's delegation to the Second Continental Congress in 1788. Upon the organization of the new government, in 1790 he was appointed Assistant Secretary of the Treasury and two years later Commissioner of the Revenue of the United States. Tench's political views then seem to have diverged philosophically from the Federalist Administration. By 1797, with his loyalty divided between the Federalist and Republican camps, Tench was dismissed from his government post by President John Adams. His dismissal, however, did not conclude his career as a civil servant, as he would later receive political appointments from Thomas Jefferson as a member of the Republican Party.

The duties of his various posts ultimately made Tench an authority on the industrial development of the nation. In 1794 he published a collection of essays under the title, *A View of the United States of America*, in which he contemplated the development of commerce and manufacturing in America. These essays reveal his early awareness of coal in Pennsylvania, as he remarked,

“All our coal has hitherto been accidentally found on the surface of the earth or discovered in the digging of common cellars or wells; so that when our wood-fuel shall become scarce, and the European methods of boring shall be skillfully pursued, there can be no doubt of our finding it in many other places.”²

Tench Coxe's awareness of anthracite coal, coupled with a family tradition in land speculation spurred him in 1790 to begin purchasing promising acreage. Though he acquired land throughout the country, he particularly focused on land in Carbon, Luzerne and Schuylkill counties, which he believed held vast underground seams of coal.

² Tench Coxe, *A View of the United States of America, in a Series of Papers, In a Series of Papers Written at Various Times, Between the Years 1787 and 1794* (Philadelphia: J. Johnson, 1794), 71.

Despite large land holdings, Tench Coxe lived most of his life in debt thanks to litigation, tax problems and complications with business partners. Realizing that he would not be able to develop the property in his lifetime, Tench worked diligently to retain the property he believed was enriched with valuable mineral deposits, in hopes that his dreams would be realized by future generations of Coxes. It was Tench's son, Charles Sidney Coxe, who would inherit his father's passion for land ownership and for the untapped potential of the anthracite coal region. When Tench Coxe died on 16 July 1824, he left Charles as sole executor of his estate, which was composed of approximately 1.5 million acres in eight states.³

Born 31 July 1791, Charles Sidney Coxe was the sixth of ten children of Tench and Rebecca Coxe. Educated at the University of Pennsylvania and Brown University, Charles was admitted to the Philadelphia Bar in 1812. Charles eventually served as District Attorney of Philadelphia and associate judge of the District Court of Philadelphia, but he remained infatuated by his father's vision. Charles devoted his life to keeping together the large coal properties handed down by Tench to his surviving children. This monumental task involved paying annual taxes on unproductive land, fighting a never-ending battle against squatters and timber thieves, and litigating an endless array of boundary disputes. As a result, he was often forced to sell farming and timber tracts in order to preserve the valuable coal lands for his descendents.

Charles S. Coxe had married Ann Maria Brinton in 1832 and together they were the parents of seven children; Brinton, Rebecca, Anna, Eckley, Henry, Charles, and Alexander. The eldest son, Brinton Coxe, followed the career of his father, establishing himself in the legal profession, although he devoted most of his career to literary pursuits. He translated Carl Guterbock's "Bracton and His Relation to Roman Law" and also published one of two volumes of a work titled *An Essay on Judicial Power and the Unconstitutional Legislation Being a Commentary on Parts of the Constitution of the United States*. The first volume was in printing at the time of his death in 1892, while the second volume was left in manuscript form as part of this collection. Brinton is perhaps best remembered through his association with The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, where he served as president from 1884 until his death. Brinton married Eliza Middleton Fisher on 10 October 1872 and they were the parents of four children, the youngest being Edmund James Drifton Coxe, father of Daniel Michaux Coxe and grandfather of Weld Coxe, the donor of this collection.

The remaining four sons of Charles and Ann Coxe would distinguish themselves in the coal business under the guidance of their second eldest son, Eckley B. Coxe. Coxe Brothers and Company began operations in Drifton in February 1865, sending their first shipment of coal to market the following June. Once the operations at Drifton were fully tested and proved successful, Eckley moved to consolidate control over all of his family's land, so as to keep all of the mining profits within the family. By 1879 Coxe Brothers had opened collieries at Deringer, Gowen and Tomhicken, adding Beaver Meadow Colliery two years later. The firm's success exceeded all of the partners' original expectations, reaching well beyond the goals set forth in the

³ Deed of Trust, Tench Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust, 11 December 1961, *Coxe Family Mining Papers*, Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

Articles of Co-partnership. In 1879, the remaining partners agreed to extend the life of the firm indefinitely and operate for the purpose of developing all of the land belonging to the Estate of Tench Coxe.⁴

By 1886, Eckley had brought nearly three quarters of his family's property under his direct control. Coal shipments from these properties exceeded 1.5 million tons in 1889, a tremendous increase from the 26,604 tons sold in its inaugural year.⁵ Coxe Brothers and Company did not limit itself to mining operations on the lands of the Estate of Tench Coxe. By 1889, the firm was also leasing lands from the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company (LVRR), West Buck Mountain Coal Company, Anspach & Stanton, the Black Creek Coal Company, and the Central Coal Company. In total Coxe Brothers was operating roughly 35,000 acres of coal property.⁶

The various Coxe-owned enterprises remained in Eckley's charge till May 13, 1895, when at the age of 55, Eckley Brinton Coxe died of pneumonia. His death was mourned across the region as the buildings of Drifton were draped in black and Coxe collieries went idle.⁷ On the occasion of his funeral, every mine in the region suspended operations as a tribute to their deceased colleague, who had proven to be one of the finest mining engineers of the day.

The mining enterprises continued to expand through the turn of the century under the administration of Alexander B. Coxe. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Alexander had distinguished himself in the Civil War, serving on the staff of Major-General George Meade. After the war, he played a major role in the financial management of Coxe Brothers and Company and was the only Coxe partner other than Eckley, who resided in Drifton.

By 1905 the sole responsibility of the coal company and the estate was in Alexander's charge. With most of the family leaving the coalfields for homes in Philadelphia and nobody in the family willing to take the reins of the family business, the aging Alexander contemplated giving in to the railroads and selling off the mining operations. The Pennsylvania Railroad approached Alexander with an offer to purchase the entire operation of Coxe Brothers and Company, Inc. (CB&C), in an attempt to secure the immense freight being produced at Coxe collieries. The LVRR, however, was not willing to lose its principal independent coal shipper and made Coxe Brothers a matching offer. Fortunately for the LVRR, Alexander Coxe served on its board of directors and in 1905 agreed to sell the whole of the Coxe mining enterprises to the LVRR.

Although they sold the direct mining interests, the Coxe family retained the ownership of its land. The family benefited greatly from Alexander Coxe's management of the company. In addition to providing the estates of his former partners with an \$18.4 million dollar sale, he

⁴ Agreement, Eckley, Alexander and Henry Coxe, Extension of Co-Partnership, 31 December 1885, *Coxe Family Mining Papers*, Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

⁵ Pennsylvania, *Reports of the Inspectors of Mines of the Anthracite and Bituminous Coal Regions of Pennsylvania, for the year 1889*, (Harrisburg: Edwin K. Meyers, State Printer, 1890), 148.

⁶ Frank Willing Leach and Alexander DuBin, *Coxe Family*, (Philadelphia: The Historical Publication Society, 1936), 43.

⁷ "In Memory of Mr. Coxe. Crowds to Attend the Funeral Today - Universal Mourning," *Bethlehem Globe Times*, 16 May 1895

secured the Heirs of Tench Coxe a steady income of coal royalties for years to come. The stress and anxiety of such an endeavor, however, had an adverse affect on his health. Just four months after completing the sale to the LVRR, Alexander B. Coxe died. With all of the original Coxe partners dead, a new generation of Coxe heirs stepped in to manage the affairs of the Estate of Tench Coxe. In January 1906, Henry Brinton Coxe, Jr. and Alexander Brown Coxe, both sons of Henry B. Coxe, became the estate agents. The management of the estate's property remained in the hands of agents and attorneys for its entire existence, and one manager was always a descendant of Tench Coxe.

Eventually the Estate Agents grew unhappy with Coxe Brother's management of their property. The agents believed that CB&C was mainly interested in obtaining freight for the railroad rather than obtaining the maximum income from the properties. Coxe Brothers was further criticized for allowing the Haddock Mining Company to operate the Beaver Meadow, Deringer and Tomhicken properties without paying royalties or taxes for a period of nine months.

In 1950, the Estate Agent, Daniel Michaux Coxe, called a meeting of the Coxe heirs to discuss the cancellation of their lease with CB&C. It was agreed by the family that the result of such an action would create considerable savings on overhead and increased royalties to the Estate. As part of the settlement agreement for the lawsuit filed the previous year, the estate's lease with CB&C was canceled. In addition, Coxe Brothers assigned all of its subleases, titles to culm and refuse banks, its fee land, mining equipment, drainage tunnels and miners houses to the Estate of Tench Coxe.⁸

The courts approved the settlement agreement in July 1950, having the effect of putting CB&C out of business and in line for liquidation. Coxe Brothers was officially dissolved in July of the following year with distribution to its stockholders, the LVRR. The settlement also placed the Coxe family in direct control of its landholdings for the first time in forty-five years.

By 1950, the anthracite industry was a shell of its former self. A deflated market for anthracite led to decreased income for the estate. Under the direction of the agents, new leases were granted to mining operations, including the Jeddo-Highland Coal Company, but finding additional tenants proved to be extremely difficult. Facing the prospect that the majority of accessible coal deposits had been exhausted and profitable leases were no longer available, Daniel urged the heirs to liquidate the remaining real estate of the Estate of Tench Coxe.

In 1956, the first major land sale was completed for 2,000 acres, to the Beryllium Corporation of Reading to establish the firm's Nuclear Division. The land sale trend continued in 1959 with the sale of the Drifton Village and again in 1960 with the sale of Tomhicken.

The large number of individuals, estates and trusts holding an interest in the Tench Coxe Estate, however, made property sales extremely difficult. With over fifty-seven distributees,

⁸ Agreement, Coxe Brothers & Company, Inc. and The Heirs and Devisees of Tench Coxe, Deceased, 27 July 1950, *Coxe Family Mining Papers*, Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

representing 108 heirs on two continents, the fractional interests of the estate were getting smaller as the number of heirs multiplied with each generation. To avoid the lengthy task of securing consent from all of the individual family members, the heirs and owners of the Tench Coxe properties executed a trust agreement, which conveyed their authority to sell the family property to a group of trustees, which included Daniel M. Coxe, Eckley B. Coxe, III and Tench C. Coxe, Jr. The trust was organized under the name *Tench Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust* in December 1961. Initially, the trust was able to sell only small portions of the property, but nonetheless actively pursued a buyer for the large acreage that remained. The trust liquidated the last remaining portions of the estate lands in 1966, with the sale of 16,400 acres to Butler Enterprises, Inc., owned by the prominent Philadelphia real estate developers, Philip and Nathan Seltzer.

Butler Enterprises was drawn to the area due in large part to the efforts of Can-Do, Inc., (*Community-Area New Development Organization*). This citizen-sponsored organization was established in 1956 with the intention of drawing new industries to the Hazleton region, which Philip Seltzer described as being one of the “great progressive areas of Pennsylvania.”⁹ Can-Do, Inc. functioned with assistance from the Coxe family, which had a great deal to gain from increasing the vitality of the region.

Although the Coxe family has long since left the coalfields of Northeastern Pennsylvania, the potential still exists for the Coxes to return to the region, through the auspices of Tench Coxe, Inc. Established in 1968, this company holds the gas and oil rights to roughly 13,000 acres of property included in the sale to Butler Enterprises.¹⁰ Although the prospect of discovering gas and oil may not be likely, large domes discovered on the property in the 1950s may prove to be valuable storage sites for natural gas surpluses pumped into the Northeast during summer months. The domes are situated at depths of 18,000 feet, which do not make them economically useful to date. But time will tell.

Scope & Content

The Weld Coxe Collection, comprised of correspondence, photographs, bound volumes, maps and published pamphlets, documents the history of the Coxe family in America. Members of the Coxe family have played a major role in the political, legal, economic, and industrial development of America from its colonial beginnings to present day. Of particular importance is the unpublished manuscript copy of Brinton Coxe’s, *An Essay on Judicial Power and Unconstitutional Legislation, Being A Commentary on Parts of the United States Constitution*. The first volume of this work was published after Brinton’s death in 1892, but the second volume was never published and remains in manuscript form as part of this collection. Also worth mentioning is the material pertaining to the 17th century land speculation of Dr. Daniel Coxe of

⁹ “Realty Developer Acquires Vast Tench Coxe Properties,” *Wilkes-Barre Record*. 6 January 1966.

¹⁰ Memorandum, Weld Coxe to Directors of Tench Coxe, Inc., “An Anecdotal History of Tench Coxe, Inc.,” 28 December 1998, *Coxe Family Mining Papers*, Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

London, the political correspondence of Tench Coxe, the social memorabilia collected by Mrs. Brinton Coxe and the large amount of Coxe genealogical material.

Overview of Arrangement

Series 1. Coxe Family and Estate Papers

1. Coxe Family Research Material, 1690-1982
2. Estate Liquidation Papers, 1961-1968
3. Donation of Tench Coxe Papers, 1930-1970

Series 2. Photographs

Series 3. Bound Volumes

Series descriptions

Series 1. Coxe Family and Estate Papers, 1669-1982, n.d. (Boxes 1-12)

Series one is arranged into three distinct sub-series, namely, *Coxe Family Research Material*, *Estate Liquidation Papers* and files pertaining to the *Donation of the Tench Coxe Papers*. All of the material in series one is arranged alphabetically by subject and chronologically within each subject.

The *Coxe Family Research Material* documents the lives and careers of eight generations of the Coxe family. Although a large amount of the material is associated with the various land and real estate transactions of the male Coxes in America, there is also a substantial portion related to the private lives of various family members. The bulk of the material pertains to the ancestors and descendants of Brinton Coxe, former president of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania and great-grandfather of Weld Coxe, the donor of this collection. Brinton expressed a strong interest in the history of his family and began collecting items related to his family's proprietary and colonial beginnings. Although some of this material dates as far back as 1669, Brinton Coxe obtained certified reproductions of other documents when the originals were not available. There are also manuscript letters written to Brinton's wife, Maria Coxe (nee Fisher) from various friends and family members. These letters range from congratulatory notes on her marriage to condolences for the death of her husband.

Subseries two contains the *Estate Liquidation Papers* and encompasses the years 1961-1967. The liquidation of the Coxe properties of northeastern Pennsylvania was carried out under the supervision of the estate agent, Daniel Michaux Coxe. Three liquidating trusts were established to streamline the management of the properties while suitable buyers were being pursued. The business papers of these three trusts make up the bulk of this sub-series, along with the papers of Butler Enterprises, Inc. and the Pagnotti Coal Company, the two principal buyers of the Coxe lands.

The last sub-series of the Coxe Family and Estate Papers pertain to the donation of the Tench Coxe Papers to The Historical Society of Pennsylvania and the work of Jacob E. Cooke, as the official biographer of Tench Coxe. Within this material are several appraisements and inventories of the collection done at various times between 1930-1970.

Series 2. Photographs, 1986, n.d. (Box 13, 16 images)

Series two contains sixteen photographs of mining operations, churches, scale model trains, and portraits.

Series 3. Bound Volumes, 1699-1914 (Volumes 1-20)

The final series of the collection contains twenty bound volumes created by various Coxes, and arranged alphabetically by name and chronologically within each name. The majority of the volumes belonged to Brinton Coxe and are of a financial nature although there are some notebooks and scrapbooks as well. The most significant volume in this series is the land surveys and recorded deeds of the West New Jersey Society, of which Dr. Daniel Coxe was a member. The volume dates from 1699 and is a valuable source of pre-colonial New Jersey history.

Separation Report

The following books were removed from the collection and placed into the library at HSP:

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Subject Headings

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New Jersey - History - Colonial Period ca. 1600-1755
New Jersey - Politics and government - To 1775
United States - Commerce
United States - History - Constitutional Period 1789-1809
United States Politics and Government - 1789-1815

Personal Names:

Coxe, Alexander B., 1838-1906
Coxe, Anna Brinton, 1870-1944
Coxe, Anne Rebecca, 1783-1849
Coxe, Brinton, 1833-1892
Coxe, Charles Brinton, 1843-1873
Coxe, Charles Sidney, 1791-1879
Coxe, Daniel, 1710-1757
Coxe, Daniel, 1739-1826
Coxe, Daniel, Col., 1673-1739
Coxe, Daniel, Dr., 1640-1730
Coxe, Daniel M., 1904-1970
Coxe, Eckley Brinton, 1839-1895
Coxe, Edmund James Drifton, 1881-1934
Coxe, Francis Sidney, 1789-1852
Coxe, Franklin, 1839-1903
Coxe, Henry Brinton, 1841-1904
Coxe, Rebecca, 1834-1910
Coxe, Tench, 1755-1824
Coxe, William, 1723-1801
Fisher, Joshua Francis, 1807-1873
Francis, Tench, 1731-1800
Gowen, Franklin B., 1836-1889
Yarnall, Alexander Coxe, 1890-1960

Corporate Names:

Coxe Brothers and Company (1865-1900: Drifton, PA)
West New Jersey Society (1658-1921: London, England)

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The collection originally began through the efforts of Brinton Coxe, who began collecting historical information relating to his family's roots in America in the late 19th century. The collection was subsequently passed down through his descendants, Edmund James Drifton Coxe, Daniel Michaux Coxe and finally Weld Coxe, before being donated to The Historical Society of Pennsylvania. The papers were brought to the HSP in two shipments, the first being ten boxes brought on March 27, 2000, followed by three additional boxes on May 21, 2001.

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Box and Folder Listing

**Please note that there are gaps in the folder number sequence because certain items have been flattened and removed from their original folders to oversized storage. In such cases, the corresponding "flat file" number is listed.*

Series 1. Coxe Family and Estate Papers Sub-Series 1. Coxe Family Research Material

| Folder title | Date | Extent | Box | Folder* |
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| "A Serious Expostulation with the Members of the House of Representatives of the United States" | 1793 | 1 item | 1 | 1 |
| "An Abstract or Abbreviation of Some Few of the Many Testimonys [sic] from the Inhabitants of New Jersey and Other Eminent Persons." Original from 1681. reproduction. | n.d. | 1 item | 1 | 2 |
| "An Inquiry Into the National Character of the People of the United States" - Incomplete, with corrections. | n.d. | 1 item | 1 | 3 |
| Aurand, A. Monroe, Jr. - Booklets, pertaining to the Mollie [sic] Maguires and the history of Pennsylvania. | 1935, 1940 | 1 item | 1 | 4 |
| Basse, Jeremiah - Reproductions of Petitions, from the inhabitants of East and West Jersey to the King of England, calling for the removal of Governor Basse. Originals from 1700-1701. | n.d. | 4 items | 1 | 5 |
| Broadside - "Injured Humanity; Being a Representation of What the Unhappy Children of Africa Endure From Those Who Call Themselves Christians." | 1806 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 1 |
| Broadside - "Rules and Regulations of the National Hotel, City of Washington." | ca. 1850 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 2 |
| Cadwalader, John - Obituary. | n.d. | 1 item | 1 | 8 |
| Coxe, Abigail (Mrs. Daniel Coxe of Trenton) - Correspondence to Mrs. Attlee at Lancaster. | 1761-1766 | 7 items | 1 | 9 |
| Coxe, Anna Brinton - Book of prayers given to her by Uncle Daniel Coxe. | July 7, 1845 | 1 item | 1 | 10 |

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| Coxe, Anne Rebecca - Manuscript letters and documents, pertaining to land in Wayne County, passed down from her husband, Tench Coxe, Jr. | 1800-1820 | 76 items | 1 | 11 |
| Coxe, Brinton - "Synopsis of Phrenology; and the Developments, Together with the Character and Talents of Brinton Coxe as Given by O.S. Fowler. | March 7, 1839 | 1 item | 1 | 12 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Diplomas, Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the University of Pennsylvania. | ca. 1850s | 2 items | n/a | Flat file 3 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Broadside, "For Assembly, 7 th District, Brinton Coxe, 7 th Ward, Subject to Democratic Rules. | 1856 | 1 item | 1 | 14 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Certificate as an attorney of the United States Supreme Court. | April 12, 1858 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 4 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Membership Certificate, Franklin Institute. | Jan. 11, 1871 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 5 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Correspondence with his mother, Ann M. Coxe and brother, Eckley Brinton Coxe. | 1889 | 2 items | 1 | 17 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Resolution of The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, pertaining to the death of their president, Brinton Coxe. | Sept. 16, 1892 | 1 item | 1 | 18 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Booklet, "In Memory of Brinton Coxe, Esq." | 1893 | 2 items | 1 | 19 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Draft of the Appendix from "Judicial Power and Unconstitutional Legislation." | n.d. | 1 item | 1 | 20 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Draft of Chapters 38-40, from "Judicial Power and Unconstitutional Legislation." | n.d. | 3 items | 1 | 21 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Draft of Chapter 41, from "Judicial Power and Unconstitutional Legislation." | n.d. | 1 item | 1 | 22 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Draft of Chapters 44-45, from "Judicial Power and Unconstitutional Legislation." | n.d. | 2 items | 2 | 1 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Draft of Chapter 46, from "Judicial Power and Unconstitutional Legislation." | n.d. | 1 item | 2 | 2 |

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| Coxe, Brinton - Draft of Chapter 47, from "Judicial Power and Unconstitutional Legislation." | n.d. | 1 item | 2 | 3 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Personal Cards, "Mr. Brinton Coxe. 1711 Locust St." | n.d. | 2 items | 2 | 4 |
| Coxe, Charles D. - Correspondence with Tench Coxe, financial matters. | 1797-1824 | 19 items | 2 | 5 |
| Coxe, Charles D. - Correspondence to Tench Coxe, pertaining to a fire at Sidney, New Jersey. | Nov. 2, 1798 | 1 item | 2 | 6 |
| Coxe, Charles (of Sidney) - Correspondence with Tench Coxe. | 1780-1781 | 9 items | 2 | 7 |
| Coxe, Charles (of Sidney) - Correspondence with Tench Coxe, pertaining to the conduct of Charles D. Coxe. | 1793 | 2 items | 2 | 8 |
| Coxe, Charles (of Sidney) -Inventory of household goods. | 1815 | 2 items | 2 | 9 |
| Coxe, Charles S. - Correspondence, pertaining to various land matters. | 1830-1857 | 5 items | 2 | 10 |
| Coxe, Charles S. - <i>Report of abuses charged by individuals as existing in the economy and management of the Eastern Penitentiary.</i> | 1835 | 1 item | 2 | 11 |
| Coxe, Charles S. - Broadside, land sale in Hunterdon and Sussex counties, New Jersey. | Jan. 10, 1873 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 6 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Title page to "A Description of the English Province of Carolana [sic]," by Col. Daniel Coxe. | 1727 | 3 items | 2 | 13 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Excerpt from "A Description of the English Province of Carolana [sic]," by Col. Daniel Coxe: Together with a biographical sketch by Lorenzo Sabine. | 1727, 1864 | 2 items | 2 | 14 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Certified copy of Col. Daniel's Last Will & Testament. | April 30, 1739 | 1 item | 2 | 15 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Legal Opinion, pertaining to Col. Daniel's Will. | 1744 | 1 item | 2 | 16 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Map, "A Map of Carolana [sic] and the River Meschacebe," from "A Description of the Province of Carolana [sic]," American edition. | 1840 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 7 |

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| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Family Story, pertaining to Col. Daniel's horse. | April 1, 1868 | 1 item | 2 | 18 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Booklet, "The Life of Col. Daniel Coxe, The Father of Freemasonry in America." | 1887 | 1 item | 2 | 19 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Program to the annual church observance of the Burlington Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons, with a memorial to Col. Daniel Coxe as the first Provincial Grand Master. | Oct. 11, 1970 | 1 item | 2 | 20 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Abstract of Col. Daniel's 1730 appointment as Provincial Grand Master of the Free Masons of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, with notes on related material at the New Jersey State Archives. | n.d. | 3 items | 2 | 21 |
| Coxe, Col. Daniel - Extract from "Abstract of Col. Coxe's title to his lands in West Jersey." | n.d. | 1 item | 2 | 22 |
| Coxe, Daniel (of Stokes Newington) - Coat of Arms granted in 1648 to Daniel Coxe of Stokes Newington. | 1906 | 6 items | 3 | 1 |
| Coxe, Daniel (of Trenton) - Copy of letter to Thomas Penn. Original from Nov. 14, 1750. | n.d. | 1 item | 3 | 2 |
| Coxe, Daniel (the loyalist) - Copy of letter in possession of the British Museum, from Daniel Coxe to the Right Honorable Earl Cornwallis. Original from July 14, 1801 | n.d. | 1 item | 3 | 3 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Indentures, sale of land in New Jersey | 1690 | 2 items | n/a | Flat file 8 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Indenture, for the purchase of lands in West New Jersey from Charles Madge. Together with transcription of the same. | 1690 | 1 item | 3 | 5 and Flat file 9 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Map, Daniel's land at Cape May, New Jersey. | 1691 | 1 item | 3 | 6 and Flat file 10 |

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| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Certified Copy of Agreement with Daniel Wharley, pertaining to ownership of ships in Burlington, New Jersey. Original from 1690. | 1879 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 11 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Notes from The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, pertaining to an agreement with Daniel Wharley and the ownership of ships in Burlington, New Jersey. | 1881, 1883 | 3 items | 3 | 8 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Architect's renditions of commemorative plaques on St. Luke's Church, London. | ca. 1892 | 2 items | 3 | 9 and Flat file 12 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Notes on the Coxe memorials in England. Together with a slip of paper to admit the bearer into the House of Lords. | n.d. | 5 items | 3 | 10 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Notes on Coxe Hall in Cape May and other miscellaneous land and title notes, pertaining to Dr. Daniel's land in New Jersey. | 1871, n.d. | 4 items | 3 | 11 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Certified Copies of four Indentures, pertaining to land in West Jersey. Originals printed in 1691. | ca. 1881, n.d. | 4 items | 3 | 12 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Dr. Daniel's account of New Jersey, with maps. | n.d. | 6 items | 3 | 13 |
| Coxe, Dr. Daniel - Certified Copy of an Indenture, sale of land in West New Jersey to his son, Col. Daniel Coxe. Original from July 29, 1701. | n.d. | 1 item | 3 | 14 |
| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Booklet, "Mining Legislation. A Paper Read at the General Meeting of the American Social Science Association at Philadelphia." | Oct. 25, 1870 | 1 item | 3 | 15 |
| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Membership Card, American Institute of Mining Engineers. | 1876 | 1 item | 3 | 16 |
| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Broadside, "Purity of the Ballot, \$1500 Reward," statement by Eckley B. Coxe, pertaining to voter fraud. | Oct. 30, 1882 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 13 |

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| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Five issues of "Scientific America." 1886 issue contains article by Eckley, titled, "The Tendencies of Modern Engineering." | 1886, 1887, 1889, 1890 | 5 items | n/a | Flat file 14 |
| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Journal, "The School of Mines Quarterly," with article by Eckley, titled, "Definition of "The Engineer." | July 1888 | 1 item | 3 | 19 |
| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Newspaper Clipping, pertaining to land suit in New Jersey on land bought by Dr. Daniel Coxe in 1687. | 1889 | 1 item | 3 | 20 |
| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Newspaper, "The Times." Article mentions Eckley's career as a mining engineer. | Nov. 27, 1890 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 15 |
| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Booklet, "Biographical Notice of Eckley B. Coxe," by Rossiter W. Raymond. | 1895 | 2 items | 3 | 22 |
| Coxe, Edmund James Drifton - Journal of voyage to the Caribbean. | 1896 | 1 item | 3 | 23 |
| Coxe, Edmund James Drifton & Elizabeth Kean Michaux Turner - Newspaper clipping, wedding announcement. | 1903 | 2 items | 3 | 24 |
| Coxe, Edmund James Drifton - Editorial from "The Record," pertaining to the use of fire hoses on rioting mobs, written by Edmund. | n.d. | 1 item | 3 | 25 |
| Coxe, Francis S. - Correspondence to Edmund and Charles Coxe, pertaining to land in Tennessee. | 1831, 1832 | 3 items | 3 | 26 |
| Coxe, John, Charles Sidney & Brinton - English Title Page to "The First Part of the Reports of Sr. George Croke Kt. Late One of the Justices of the Court of the King's Bench. | 1669 | 1 item | 3 | 27 |
| Coxe, John - Manuscript letter to Charles Murray. | March 15, 1842 | 1 item | 3 | 28 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Farm Account, Montgomery County. | 1891-1892 | 1 item | 3 | 29 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from Francis Kane. | Dec. 28, 1892 | 1 item | 3 | 30 |

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| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence written by Eckley B. Coxe for his wife Sophia Coxe (nee Fisher). | 1892 | 2 items | 3 | 31 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) -Correspondence from John Cadwalader. | 1892, 1893 | 2 items | 3 | 32 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Business letters from George H. Fisher. | 1892-1893 | 36 items | 3 | 33 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence pertaining to the death of her husband, Brinton Coxe. | 1892-1893 | 10 items | 3 | 34 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Miscellaneous Correspondence. | 1892-1897 | 29 items | 3 | 35 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from Eliza Kane | 1893 | 3 items | 3 | 36 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from Anna Wharton Smith. | Oct. 1895 | 1 item | 3 | 37 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from cousin Angelina in Rome. | 1895 | 7 items | 3 | 38 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from cousin Susan C. Road. | 1896 | 10 items | 3 | 39 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from her daughter, Charlotte. | 1896 | 11 items | 3 | 40 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from her son, Edmund. | 1896 | 6 items | 4 | 1 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from Emma Middleton. | n.d. | 3 items | 4 | 2 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) -Correspondence from her daughter, Elizabeth. | n.d. | 5 items | 4 | 3 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from her daughter, Polly. | n.d. | 13 items | 4 | 4 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from her niece, Eliza Coxe. | n.d. | 2 items | 4 | 5 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from her sister, Sophia Coxe (nee Fisher). | n.d. | 14 items | 4 | 6 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence from Rebecca Coxe. | n.d. | 8 items | 4 | 7 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Correspondence, no dates. | n.d. | 57 items | 4 | 8 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Miscellaneous notes, programs and invitations. | n.d. | 24 items | 4 | 9 |
| Coxe, Maria (nee Fisher) - Poem, "The Dead Tryst" by Katharine Tunan. | n.d. | 1 item | 4 | 10 |

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| Coxe, Edmund - Letter to Edmund, signed Francis. | n.d. | 1 item | 4 | 11 |
| Coxe, Rebecca - Correspondence, pertaining to the death of her brother, Brinton Coxe. | 1892 | 38 items | 4 | 12 |
| Coxe, Richard S. - "An Oration Delivered Before the Washington Association of Philadelphia." | Feb. 22, 1814 | 1 item | 4 | 13 |
| Coxe, Richard S. - Correspondence. | 1819-1829 | 30 items | 4 | 14 |
| Coxe, Richard S. - Booklet, "Defence [sic] of Philip F. Voorhees, A Capt. in the U.S. Navy; Prepared and Delivered by his Counsel, Richard S. Coxe...." | July 12, 1845 | 1 item | 4 | 15 |
| Coxe, Tench - Correspondence, purchased from various collectors | 1783-1814 | 12 items | 4 | 16 |
| Coxe, Tench - Transcribed Correspondence from the Tench Coxe Papers. | 1783-1793 | 69 items | 4 | 17-18 |
| Coxe, Tench - Transcribed Correspondence from the Tench Coxe Papers | 1790-1824 | 111 items | 5 | 1-2 |
| Coxe, Tench - Correspondence to Benjamin Bourn, pertaining to land in Northeast Pennsylvania, with transcription. | April 1799 | 3 items | 5 | 3 |
| Coxe, Tench - Transcribed Correspondence from the Tench Coxe Papers. | 1803-1806 | 42 items | 5 | 4 |
| Coxe, Tench - Booklet, "Thoughts on the Subject of Naval Power in the USA and on Certain Means of Encouraging and Protecting Their Commerce and Manufactures," printed in 1806, with corrections by Tench Coxe in 1811. | 1806 | 1 item | 5 | 5 |
| Coxe, Tench - Transcribed Correspondence from the Tench Coxe Papers. | 1807-1813 | 41 items | 5 | 6 |
| Coxe, Tench - Certified Copy of Tench's Last Will & Testament. | 1824 | 1 item | 5 | 7 |
| Coxe, Tench - Newspaper, "The Slater Cotton Centennial. Providence Daily Journal and Evening Bulletin. | Sept. 29, 1890 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 16 |
| Coxe, Tench - Notes, pertaining to the transcribed correspondence of the Tench Coxe Papers. | n.d. | 3 items | 5 | 9 |
| Coxe, Tench - Transcribed Correspondence from the Tench Coxe Papers, no dates. | n.d. | 10 items | 5 | 10 |

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| Coxe, William - Map, "Coxe's Manor," Tioga County, New York | n.d. | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 17 |
| Coxe, William and Daniel - Advertisement of farm lands to lease in Sussex County, New Jersey. | Feb. 20, 1765 | 1 item | 5 | 12 |
| Coxe Brothers & Company - Page from "The Engineering and Mining Journal," with a depiction of the Brown Patent Hoisting and Conveying Apparatus on a Coal Shed on Coxe Brothers' Docks, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. | Aug. 23, 1884 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 18 |
| Coxe Brothers & Company - Description of an exhibit representing the anthracite coal trade of Philadelphia, for the Centennial Celebration of the Constitution. | 1887 | 2 items | 5 | 14 |
| Coxe Brothers & Company - Two maps showing land controlled by Coxe Brothers and two maps showing the principal watershed in the Lehigh Coal Region." | n.d. | 4 items | 5 | 15 |
| Coxe Coal and Coke Company - Unexecuted Stock Certificate, No. 9. | n.d. | 1 item | 5 | 16 |
| Coxe Family - Miscellaneous Correspondence and notes, pertaining to researching the Coxe family in America. | 1948-1957 | 6 items | 5 | 17 |
| Coxe Family - Newspaper clippings, pertaining to various Coxe family members and issues. | 1955-1969 | 28 items | 5 | 18 |
| Coxe Family - Brief abstract of family history. | n.d. | 1 item | 5 | 19 |
| Coxe Family Genealogy - Memo, pertaining to a new family book. | Aug. 16, 1956 | 1 item | 5 | 20 |
| Coxe Family Genealogy - Data, pertaining to the New Jersey Coxes | 1982 | 7 items | 5 | 21 |
| Coxe Family Genealogy - Genealogy Report, "The Name and Family of Cox or Coxe," compiled by the Media Research Bureau, Washington DC. | n.d. | 1 item | 5 | 22 |

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| Coxe Family Genealogy - Partial Coxe family tree, together with the last will and testament of John Coldham of Tooting, father-in-law of Dr. Daniel Coxe. | n.d. | 2 items | 5 | 23 |
| Coxe Family Portraits - A brief history of the seven generations of Coxe portraits, going back to Dr. Daniel Coxe. | 1934 | 2 items | 5 | 24 |
| Coxe Family Portraits - Prints from metal engravings, includes; Brinton Coxe (4 copies), William Coxe (4 copies), Tench Coxe (2 copies), Charles Sidney (4 copies) and Dr. Daniel Coxe. | n.d. | 15 items | n/a | Flat file 19 |
| Coxe Family Portraits - Reproductions of portraits, Charles Sidney, Tench, Col. Daniel, William, Dr. Daniel, Brinton and an unidentified female. | n.d. | 10 items | 5 | 26 |
| Fisher, Joshua Francis – Coat of Arms. | n.d. | 1 item | 6 | 1 |
| Fisher, Maria Middleton (Mrs. Brinton Coxe) - Congratulatory notes and cards, pertaining to her engagement with Brinton Coxe. | ca. 1870s | 61 item | 6 | 2 |
| Fisher, Maria Middleton (Mrs. Brinton Coxe) - Blank Stationary. | ca. 1870s | 16 items | 6 | 3 |
| Fisher, Maria Middleton (Mrs. Brinton Coxe) - Wedding Invitations. | 1872 | 3 items | 6 | 4 |
| Fisher, Maria Middleton & Brinton Coxe - Expense Account Booklet and list of gifts received from their wedding. | 1872 | 3 items | 6 | 5 |
| Francis, Tench - Specie for one penny, and another for three pence, from the Bank of North America, Tench Francis as cashier. | Aug. 6, 1789 | 2 items | 6 | 6 |
| Francis, Tench - Silhouette. | n.d. | 1 item | 6 | 7 |
| Francis and Coxe Family Genealogy - Research material compiled by Marcel A. Viti. | 1949 | 243 items | 6 | 8 |
| Girard Avenue Bridge - Three depictions from "Harpers Weekly," "The Daily Graphic" and "The Inquirer Magazine." | 1874, 1876 | 3 items | n/a | Flat file 20 |
| Gowen Summer Resort – Architect's drawing on linen, "Front Elevation." | ca. 1870 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 21 |

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| Heath, Sir Robert - Grant of Carolana [sic], from King Charles I, copied from the colonial records of North Carolina in 1886. Original from Oct. 30, 1629. | 1886 | 1 item | 6 | 11 |
| “Industrial School For Miners and Mechanics” - By Oswald J. Heinrich, principal. | 1881 | 2 items | 6 | 12 |
| Journals - “The Army Navy Journal,” 1879 and “The Engineering & Mining Journal,” 1884. | April 12, 1879, Aug. 23 1884 | 2 items | n/a | Flat file 22 |
| Map - Pen and ink colored drawing of Italy. | ca. 1850 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 23 |
| Map - “...75,000 Acres of Land on the Waters of the Oconee River in the County of Franklin and State of Georgia...” | n.d. | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 24 |
| Miscellaneous Prints - American Male Portraits. | n.d. | 39 items | n/a | Flat file 25 |
| Molly Maguires - Newspaper accounts of trial, “The Daily Miner’s Journal.” | May 8-20, 1876 | 17 items | n/a | Flat file 26 |
| Molly Maguires - Newspaper accounts of trial, “Evening Herald.” | May 10, 1876 | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 27 |
| Molly Maguires - Newspaper accounts of trial, “Shenandoah Weekly Herald.” | May 12, 1876 | 4 items | n/a | Flat file 28 |
| Otis, A. - Unidentified correspondence from 1836, together with a six page description, written in French, of New Spain, no date. | 1836 | 2 items | 6 | 20 |
| Political Cartoons - “The Great American Steeple Chase for 1844” and a depiction of a rooster with the head of Grover Cleveland, titled, “The Bird To Bet On.” | 1843, 1880 | 2 items | n/a | Flat file 29 |
| Portraits - Miscellaneous foreign males, printed from metal engravings. | n.d. | 60 items | n/a | Flat file 30 |
| Portraits - Miscellaneous American males, printed from metal engravings. | n.d. | 50 items | 6 | 23 |
| St. James Rectory - Correspondence, addressed to Mr. Coxe, from Joseph M. Blanchard. | n.d. | 1 item | 6 | 24 |
| “The Sporting Life’s Official Baseball Guide and Handbook of the National Game for 1891,” by Francis C. Richter. | 1891 | 1 item | 6 | 25 |

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| “The United States Elevated to Glory and Honor: A Sermon, Preached Before His Excellency Jonathan Trumbull, Esq., Governor and Commander-in-Chief, and the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, at the Anniversary Election...” by Ezra Stiles, D.D. | May 8, 1783 | 1 item | 6 | 26 |
| Trade Cards - Group of seventeen non-pictorial trade cards. | n.d. | 17 items | 6 | 27 |
| “Truth Will Out! - The Foul Charges of the Tories Against the Editor of The Aurora,” by Benjamin Franklin Bache. | n.d. | 2 items | 6 | 28 |
| Yarnall, Alexander Coxe - Newspaper clipping, pertaining to Alexander’s election as Director of The Salt Dome Oil Corporation. | March 12, 1936 | 1 item | 6 | 29 |

Sub-Series 2. Coxe Estate Liquidation Papers

| Folder title | Date | Extent | Box | Folder |
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| Brobst-Irwin Warrantee Tract - Business matters between the Coxe and Kellogg Estates. | 1965-1967 | 33 items | 7 | 1 and Flat files 31-32 |
| Buck Mountain Property Liquidating Trust - Financial Statements. | 1961-1964 | 48 items | 7 | 2 |
| Buck Mountain Property Liquidating Trust - Deed of Trust. | Feb. 15, 1962 | 1 item | 7 | 3 |
| Buck Mountain Property Liquidating Trust - Reports of the managers. | 1962-1963 | 4 items | 7 | 4 |
| Buck Mountain Property Liquidating Trust - Reports of the managers, together with the Ely Estate Accounts. | 1962-1966 | 17 items | 7 | 5 |
| Butler Enterprises, Inc. - Details of sale from the Coxe Estate. | 1966 | 42 items | 7 | 6 |
| Butler Enterprises, Inc. - Drafts of thirteen deeds, pertaining to the sale of Coxe properties, together with related correspondence. | 1966 | 26 items | 7 | 7 |
| Butler Enterprises, Inc. - “Skylands,” regional advertisement. | n.d. | 1 item | n/a | Flat file 33 |

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| Can-Do, Inc. - Offer to purchase 12.24 acres in Hazleton City. | 1966 | 21 items | 7 | 9 |
| Charles S. Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust - Deed of Trust. | Feb. 15, 1962 | 1 item | 7 | 10 |
| Charles S. Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust - Preliminary Reports | 1964-1967 | 14 items | 7 | 11 |
| Coxe, Daniel M. - Powers of Attorney and other Coxe Estate matters. | 1962-1964 | 10 items | 7 | 12 |
| Coxe Properties - Report of Examination of Financial Statements for the three Coxe properties, together with related correspondence. | 1961-1964 | 17 items | 8 | 1 |
| Coxe Properties - Lawsuit against the Hazleton City. | 1961-1966 | 27 items | 8 | 2 |
| Coxe Properties - Lawsuit against the Hazleton City Authority, includes list of cases, Brief of Appellant and Official Record. | 1964 | 3 items | 8 | 3 |
| Coxe Properties - Lawsuit, David McCloskey v. Trustees for Tench Coxe, pertaining to the drowning of Charles McCloskey in a stripping pit. | 1964 | 3 items | 8 | 4 |
| Coxe Properties - Land Problems. | 1965 | 19 items | 8 | 5 |
| Coxe Properties - Proposed sales of personal and real estate. | 1965 | 9 items | 8 | 6 |
| Coxe Properties - Trustees meeting and cocktail party. | 1965 | 9 items | 8 | 7 |
| Coxe Properties - Offer to purchase from Philip and Nathan Seltzer, representing Butler Enterprises, together with related correspondence. | 1965 | 59 items | 8 | 8 |
| Coxe Properties - Offer to purchase from Philip and Nathan Seltzer, representing Butler Enterprises, together with related correspondence. | 1966 | 23 items | 8 | 9 |
| Coxe Properties - Income Tax returns | 1966 | 15 items | 8 | 10 |
| Coxe Properties - Data, pertaining to various tracts and dwellings on the Coxe properties. | n.d. | 1 item | 8 | 11 |
| Eckley Property - Sale to George Huss, unexecuted deed. | 1964 | 15 items | 9 | 1 |

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| Estate of Tench Coxe - Reports of the Agents. | 1961 | 4 items | 9 | 2 |
| Glen Alden Coal Corporation - Newspaper clippings, pertaining to sale to the Blue Coal Corporation. | 1966 | 3 items | 9 | 3 |
| Greater Hazleton Chamber of Commerce - membership Directory and Buyers Guide. | 1967 | 2 items | 9 | 4 |
| Greater Hazleton Improvement Fund - Correspondence and newspaper clippings. | 1965-1966 | 36 items | 9 | 5 |
| Hazleton Cocktail Party - Preparations for Family Meeting. | 1965-1966 | 13 items | 9 | 6 |
| Pagnotti, Louis J. - Mass card, appreciation note and newspaper clippings, pertaining to Pagnotti's death. | April 10, 1966 | 5 items | 9 | 7 |
| Pagnotti Coal Company - Background papers to culm bank sale. | 1964-1967 | 92 items | 9 | 8 |
| Pagnotti Coal Company - Correspondence with James Tedesco, pertaining to culm bank sale from the Coxe properties. | 1964-1967 | 48 items | 9 | 9 |
| Pagnotti Coal Company - Percentages of distribution and appraisals, pertaining to culm bank sale from the Coxe properties. | 1966-1967 | 51 items | 9 | 10 |
| Tench Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust - Deed of Trust. | Feb. 15, 1962 | 2 items | 10 | 1 |
| Tench Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust -Reports of the manager. | 1962-1965 | 13 items | 10 | 2-5 |
| Tench Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust -Coxe Family responses. | 1965-1966 | 24 items | 10 | 6 |
| Tench Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust - Documents, pertaining to the trustee's meeting of 5 Oct. 1966. | 1965-1966 | 57 items | 10 | 7 |
| Tench Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust -Working Papers for the sale to Butler Enterprises. | 1965-1966 | 5 items | 10 | 8 |
| Tench Coxe Properties Liquidating Trust -Reports of the manager. | 1966-1967 | 10 items | 10 | 9-10 |

Sub-Series 3. Donation of the Tench Coxe Papers

| Folder title | Date | Extent | Box | Folder |
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| Business Historical Society, Inc. / George F. Baker Library - Brochures and Rare Book Catalogue. | 1930-1934 | 5 items | 11 | 1 |
| Coxe Business Papers - Inventories and estimated valuation, prepared by Richard G. Dudinyak. | Aug. 1967 | 4 items | 11 | 2 |
| Coxe Estate Business Papers - "Inventory and Estimated Value of Coxe Estate Business Papers, Books and Related Documents," prepared by John N. Hoffman. | n.d. | 1 item | 11 | 3 |
| Coxe Portraits - Agreement, donation of eleven portraits to The Historical Society of Pennsylvania by Daniel M. Coxe. | 1966 | 2 items | 11 | 4 |
| Historical Society of Pennsylvania - Programs of Meetings. | 1967, 1969 | 5 items | 11 | 5 |
| Library of Congress - Correspondence, pertaining to Tench Coxe material at the Library of Congress. | 1934 | 12 items | 11 | 6 |
| National Historic Publications and Records Commission - "A Report to the President Containing a Proposal" | 1954, 1963 | 2 items | 11 | 7 |
| "Preliminary Report of the Tench Coxe Papers," by Julian Boyd. | | 3 items | 11 | 8 |
| Smithsonian Institution - Correspondence, pertaining to the donation of Coxe material by Daniel M. Coxe. | 1967-1968 | 20 items | 11 | 9 |
| Tench Coxe Papers - Usage and Restrictions on the Tench Coxe Papers, pertaining to Edmund J.D. Coxe and the Wyoming Valley Historical and Geological Society. | 1925-1934 | 62 items | 11 | 10 |
| Tench Coxe Papers - "Catalogue of Papers in Vault at 206 Walnut Place, Philadelphia PA." | 1937 | 5 items | 11 | 11 |

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| Tench Coxe Papers - "Inventory and Appraisalment of Autographs and Manuscripts," compiled by Samuel T. Freemand and Company in 1936, together with correspondence pertaining to their usefulness at HSP. | 1936,1961 | 4 items | 12 | 1 |
| Tench Coxe Papers - Percentage of ownership and assignments of interest among the Coxe heirs. | 1963-1969 | 95 items | 12 | 2 |
| Tench Coxe Papers - Correspondence, pertaining to finding a suitable biographer for Tench Coxe. | 1964-1967 | 61 items | 12 | 3 |
| Tench Coxe Papers -Agreement, donation of the Tench Coxe Papers to The Historical Society of Pennsylvania, together with related correspondence. | 1967-1968 | 49 items | 12 | 4 |
| Tench Coxe Papers - Correspondence, working file pertaining to donation. | 1967-1968 | 160 items | 12 | 5 |
| Tench Coxe Papers - Correspondence and Agreement, pertaining to the appointment of Jacob E. Cooke as the official Tench Coxe biographer. | 1968-1978 | 27 item | 12 | 6 |
| Tench Coxe Papers - Correspondence, pertaining to the work of Jacob E. Cooke as biographer of Tench Coxe. | 1970 | 14 items | 12 | 7 |
| Tench Coxe Papers - Miscellaneous Photostats of items from the Tench Coxe Papers. | n.d. | 7 items | 12 | 8 |
| William Penn Charter School - Booklet. | n.d. | 1 item | 12 | 9 |
| Wyoming Historical & Geological Society - Brochures. | 1927-1928 | 3 items | 12 | 10 |

Series 2. Photographs

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| Allen, Andrew - Attorney General of Pennsylvania, photograph of portrait. | n.d. | 1 item | 13 | 1 |
| Breaker and Steam Shovel. | n.d. | 2 items | 13 | 2 |
| Mansion - (Possibly Middleton Park, Ireland.) | July 28, 1869 | 1 item | 13 | 3 |
| Penn, Mr. and Mrs. John - Photograph of portraits. | n.d. | 2 items | 13 | 4 |

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| Scale Model Trains of the Delaware, Susquehanna and Schuylkill Railroad. | n.d. | 4 items | 13 | 5 |
| St. Peters Church, Philadelphia. | n.d. | 4 items | 13 | 6 |
| Stoke Newington Church, England. | n.d. | 2 items | 13 | 7 |

Series 3. Bound Volumes

| Volume title | Date | Volume # |
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| Coxe, Anne Harris (Daughter of Dr. Daniel Coxe) - Household Book. | 1883 | 1 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Notebook of Coxe family data. | ca. 1870s | 2 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Scrapbook, pertaining to Pennsylvania history in 1682. | 1876 | 3 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Scrapbook of printed pages, pertaining to Pennsylvania history in 1683. | 1876 | 4 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Scrapbook of printed pages, pertaining to West Jersey and Pennsylvania history in 1683. | 1876 | 5 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Multi-paged, bound letter to the committee of the bi-centennial of Burlington, NJ. | Dec. 3, 1877 | 6 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Cashbook. | 1879-1884 | 7 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Cash Accounts. | 1884 | 8 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Cashbook. | 1885 | 9 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Notebook, various state and national legal issues. | 1886 | 10 |
| Coxe, Brinton - "Excelsior Journal 1886," financial account book. | 1886 | 11 |
| Coxe, Brinton - "Excelsior Journal 1887," financial account book. | 1887 | 12 |
| Coxe, Brinton - Cash Accounts. | 1887 | 13 |
| Coxe, Daniel Michaux - Children's scrapbook. | 1888-1914 | 14 |
| Coxe, Eckley Brinton - Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, pertaining to the death of Eckley B. Coxe. | 1895 | 15 |
| Coxe, Edmund James Drifton - Notebook of metallagraphy. | 1903 | 16 |
| Coxe, Lizzie Kean Michaux - Children's scrapbook. | 1888-1914 | 17 |
| Coxe, Mrs. Charles S. - Recipe and receipt book. | 1858 | 18 |
| Turner, Elizabeth Kean Michaux - Scrapbook of social memorabilia. | ca. 1890s | 19 |
| West New Jersey Society - Survey of land, recorded land and deeds. | 1699 | 20 |