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Papers, 1799-1849**

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Biographical Material

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JN.1.1 Certified extract from register of births of commune of Soultz, [Alsace], March 9, 1799, recording birth of Francis Joseph Nicholas Neef on 6 December 1770. 1 p.

JN.1.2 Certified extract from mortuary record of parish of Feldkirch, canton of Soultz, March 11, 1799, recording death of Joseph Neff [sic], carpenter, on 6 August 1754. 1 p. Register, in Latin, with certification in French, dated 21 ventose, an 7 [11 March 1799]

JN.1.2a Transcript and translation of mortuary record (JN.1.2), 1935, by N. Teitelbaum

JN.1.2 ½ Certificate for serving in Army of the Rhine, 5th division, 2nd brigade, February 24, 1801. Certificate that Francis Joseph Nicholas Neef had served honorably. Dated 5 ventose, an 9. MS. Translation, 2 pp., of an original document, presumably once part of the collection, but not located.

JN.1.4a Transcript and translation of the army certificate (JN.1.2 ½), 1935. By N. Teitelbaum

JN.1.5 Agreement to pay Expenses, March 19, 1806, W[illia]m Maclure, Paris. Agreement with [Joseph] Neef, Paris. 2 pp. First page, in Maclure's hand and signed by him, contains his agreement to pay Neef's expenses in going to the United States and establishing a Pestalozzian school in Philadelphia. Second page contains receipt signed by Neef, same date, for 3,200 livres tournois in full payment for expenses.

JN.1.6 Recommendation for Protection while Travelling, March 20, 1806, J. Cox Barnet, Commercial Agent of the United States. Certificate recommending Joseph Neef to protection of American officers and citizens in traveling to America. Paris. 2 pp.

JN.1.8 Notice of Education, September 1, 1814, Academy of Natural Sciences, Philadelphia. Notice of education of Joseph Neef as a corresponding member, 4 June 1812. 1p. On printed form, signed by Reuben Haines, corresponding secretary.

JN.1.19

Last Will and Testament of Francis Joseph Nicholas Neef, August 13, 1849, (MS. Copy). 3pp.
 Endorsed: "Copy of Will / Francis J N Neef."

Correspondence

JN.1.3

[Joseph] Neef, Paris. To [Heinrich] Pestalozzi, [Yverdon, Switzerland]. Circa 1803-1804. 1p. In German.

JN.1.3a

Transcript and translation of the preceding letter (JN.1.3), 1935, by N. Teitelbaum

JN.1.4

[Joseph] Neef. To Luise [his fiancée] July 30, 1802, 4 pp. In German.

JN.1.6 1/2

W[illia]m Maclure, [Lapland]. To Joseph Neef, Philadelphia. March 18, [1810?], 2 pp.

The internal evidence bearing upon the probable date of the letter includes the following statements: "I am amongst the Laplanders ... not far from the polar circle where the cold ... [is] vibrating between 16 & 26 [degrees Celsius] now the 18th March"; and "I dont approve of ... the message to Congress of the 3d Janu[ar]y last the present state of Europe is such that no exertion of ours can change one tittle of their commercial regulations which has becorae a principall [sic] weapon in the prosecution of the War... all our preparations either military or naval [sic] must be a dead loss of the money and an unprofitable increase of executive power." The message referred to would seem to be Madison's of 3 Jan. 1310.

JN.1.7

W[illiam] Maclure, Rome. To Joseph Neef, Falls of the Schulkill [sic], Pennsylvania. February 10, 1812, 3pp.

JN.1.9

W[illia]m Maclure, Paris. To [Joseph] Neef, Philadelphia. February 4, 1815, 4pp.
 With postscript by J. Cox Barnet, Paris, 21 March 1815.

JN.1.10,

W[illia]m Maclure, Paris. To [Joseph] Neef, [Philadelphia ?]. August 4, 1815, 3pp.

JN.1.11

W[illia]m Maclure, Phila[delphi]a. To [Joseph] Neef, Louisville, Kentucky. May 23, [1816?] 1p.

JN.1.12

W[illia]m Maclure, Phila[delphi]a. To [Joseph] Neef, Louisville. November 7, 1816, 3pp.

JN.1.13

W[illia]m Maclure, Philadel[phi]a. To [Joseph] Neef Louisville. February 1, 1817, 3pp.

JN.1.14

E. B. Gardette, New Orleans. To Victor Neef, Floydsburg, Oldham County, Kentucky. May 9, 1825, 4pp.

JN.1.15

W[illia]m Maclure, Philadelphia. To Joseph Neef, Floydsburg, October 28, 1825,
2pp.

JN.1.15a

Typewritten transcript of previous letter (JN.1.15).

JN.1.16

W[illia]m Maclure, New Harmony. To Joseph Neef, Louisville. February 20, 1826,
1p. Typewritten transcript of foregoing letter.

JN.1.17

W[illia]m Maclure, New Harmony. To Joseph Neef, Louisville. March 9, 1826, 1p.
Right margin torn away, damaging the text.

JN.1.17a

Typewritten transcript of foregoing letter (JN.1.17).

JN.1.18, 1827, July 12

Benj[amin] Tappan, Steubenville, Ohio. To Joseph Neef, Cincinnati. July 12, 1827,
1 p.

On Tappan see Dictionary of American Biography, XVIII, 300-01.

Poetry

JN.1.4 1/2

Joseph Neef. Poem, "Meiner Luise zum Neujahrsgeschenk." Circa 1803,
Typewritten transcript and translation. Presumably the original MS. was
once in the collection, but it has not been located.