

# Guide to the Canby Family Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 126

**CREATOR:** Canby family

**TITLE:** Canby family papers

**DATES:** 1779-1831

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.25 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The papers consist of diaries (1779-1831) of Samuel Canby and 24 letters to James Canby from James Asheton Bayard, Outerbridge Horsey, Louis McLane and Samuel White. Also included is a copy of the agricultural almanac for 1819 annotated by Samuel Canby.

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- b. box
- f. folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Henry Seidel Canby, 1955.

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## Conditions Governing Access

Diaries of Samuel Canby are available on microfilm. Patrons must use FILM HM 240 instead of the originals.

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## Associated Materials

Diaries of Samuel Canby are available on microfilm (345 frames on 1 reel, 35mm.) from Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library, at cost. Order no. HM240.

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## Biographical / Historical

Samuel Canby, 1751-1832: miller of Brandywine, Delaware, and a practicing Quaker. James Canby, 1781-1858: miller, entrepreneur, and banker in Wilmington and Brandywine, Delaware; president of the Wilmington and Susquehanna Railroad.

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Canby, Samuel (1751-1832)

Diary

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b. 1, f. 1 reel 1U	1779-1796	This material has been microfilmed. Patrons must use HM 240 instead of the originals.
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b. 1, f. 4	<i>The Agricultural Almanack for the Year of Our Lord 1819</i> (annotated) English	
Canby, James (1781-1858)		
b. 1, f. 5	ALS from Samuel White (1770-1809)	1801 November 29
b. 1, f. 6	8 ALS from Outerbridge Horsey A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1811 December-1812 June
b. 1, f. 7	14 ALS from James A. Bayard (1767-1815) A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1812 March-1813 February
b. 1, f. 8	ALS from Louis McLane	1830 May 18

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## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### Subjects

Business  
Clergy  
Families  
Millers

### Geographic Names

Brandywine (Del.)  
Middle Atlantic States  
United States -- History -- Revolution,  
1775-1783  
United States -- Politics and government

### Genres / Formats

Diaries

### Names

Canby, James, 1781-1858  
Canby, Samuel, 1751-1832

### Corporate Body

American Friends Service Committee