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Descriptive Inventory

SC 3410 MINER Family Letters

1 folder. 2 items. 1849. Originals, typescripts.

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Letter, 7 March 1849, of Selden Miner and his wife Maria of Wethersfield, Illinois (formerly of Wethersfield, Connecticut) to Selden’s brother Samuel S. Miner and his wife Araminta in Maysville, Kentucky. Hearing of their plan to visit Illinois, they warn that Selden has “Gold fever” and may depart for California. An enthusiastic Selden details the preparations being made by others in the community, but admits his wife’s lack of support and asks Samuel’s advice. A skeptical Maria doubts the wisdom of the plan for several reasons and fears it will ruin the family. A second letter, 20 December 1849, from Clarissa Darling in Connecticut to her sister Eliza in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, supplies much family news and gossip and laments her inability to travel without “possession of enough California gold.”

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Beebe family – Relating to
California – Gold Rush Period, 1849
Darling, Clarissa “Clara” (Beebe), 1820-1913
Illinois – Gold Rush Period, 1849
Miner, Araminta (Brooks), b. 1816? – Letter to
Miner, Charles Boardman, 1813-1898 – Relating to
Miner, Maria F. (Lyman), b. 1813
Miner, Samuel Stillman, 1808-1885 – Letter to
Miner, Selden, 1809-1859
Russell, Eliza (Beebe), 1808-1871 – Letter to

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