



Guide to the Perronet Family Papers, 1752-1855

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Summary

Collection Title:

Perronet family papers, 1752-1855

Creator:

Baker, Frank, 1910-1999

Abstract:

Vincent Perronet (1693-1785) was an Anglo-Swiss clergyman of the Church of England, vicar of Shoreham and an early Methodist. This collection contains a scrapbook, loose correspondence, diaries, and other items created and collected by the Perronet family, documenting early British Methodism.

Extent:

0.5 Linear Feet (10 items)

Language:

Materials in English.

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Background

Scope and Content

Collection comprises a scrapbook containing correspondence, reproductions of engravings, poetry, autographs, a pencil drawing, and an account of astrological incidents; there is also a small group of loose items. The correspondence is related to the Perronet family and other early leaders of the Wesleyan movement in England, and includes letters from Vincent Perronet stating his religious beliefs and moral principles, and letters from Charles Wesley to Peard Dickinson, Vincent's grandson-in-law, concerning doctrinal matters and family

and personal subjects. Other correspondents include Sarah Wesley, Joseph Benson, Adam Clarke, James Dixon, Joseph Entwisle, John William Fletcher, Mary (Bosanquet) Fletcher, Thomas Jackson, Henry Moore, and Richard Watson. Loose items include a discourse by Charles Perronet on man's need for religion; diaries of an unidentified young woman commenting on sermons and spiritual life; and miscellaneous letters and autographs.

Biographical/Historical

Vincent Perronet (1693-1785) was an Anglo-Swiss clergyman of the Church of England, vicar of Shoreham and an early Methodist. His son, Edward Perronet (1721-1792) worked closely with Anglican priest John Wesley and his brother Charles Wesley for many years in England's eighteenth century Christian revival.

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Acquisition Information

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Processing Information

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Related Materials

Related Material

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- Women and religion
- Women -- Diaries
- England -- Religious life and customs
- Perronet, Vincent, 1693-1785
- Perronet, Edward, 1721-1792
- Benson, Joseph, 1749-1821
- Clarke, Adam, ca. 1762-1832
- Dickinson, Peard, 1758-1802
- Entwisle, Joseph, 1767-1841
- Fletcher, John, 1729-1785
- Fletcher, Mary, 1739-1815
- Moore, Henry, 1751-1844
- Wesley, Charles, 1707-1788
- Wesley, Sarah, 1726-1822
- Watson, Richard

Collection Inventory

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29. Briggs, Wm., Shoreham, to Betsey Briggs, n.p., 1767 Dec. 8	Box 1
31. Wesley, Charles, Bristol, to William Perronet, n.p., 1772 Jan. 23	Box 1
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35. Wesley, Charles, London (Marybone), to Betsey [Elizabeth] Briggs [Dickinson], London (Hoxton Square), [1787] Oct. 30	Box 1
37. Fletcher, John, Nyon, Switz., to Monsieur Perronet, Lausanne, Switz., 1780 Dec. 31	Box 1
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41. Bosanquet, Mary, n.p., to Vincent Perronet, n.p., 1765 Nov. 7	Box 1
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47. Perronet, William, Shoreham, Kent, to Charles Wesley, Marybone, London, [1776] Aug. 22	Box 1
49. Perronet, Mrs., Shoreham, Kent, to Perronet's Niece (?), n.p., 1766 Jan. 4	Box 1
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53. Briggs, Wm., Wakefield, to Betsey [Elizabeth] Briggs [Dickinson], London, 1815 Jan. 26	Box 1
55. Dickinson, Mrs., London (Hoxton Square), to Mrs. Houlson, Gloucestershire, 1793 Apr. 19	Box 1
57. Thompson, Mrs., n.p., to Mrs. Gray, n.p., 1807 Oct. 20	Box 1
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61. Gray, Mrs., n.p., to Her Daughter, Irene, London, undated	Box 1
63. Newton, John, London (Hoxton Square), to Irene Briggs, Shoreham, Kent, 1784, Sept. 11	Box 1
65. Benson, Joseph, Leeds, to Peard Dickinson, London (Hoxton Square), 1796 Dec. 17	Box 1
67. Benson, Joseph, Bristol, to Peard Dickinson, London (Hoxton Square), 1795 Oct. 8	Box 1
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71. Wood, James, n.p., to Miss Perronet, n.p., July 1777	Box 1

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73. Dixon, James, ?, to ?, n.p., 1848 Apr. 6	Box 1
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77. Taylor, Joseph, n.p. (Trinity House Lane), to ?, n.p., 1845 Feb. 6	Box 1
79. Moore, Henry, Bath, to ?, London, 1804	Box 1
81. Entwisle, Joseph, Bristol (Old Market), to ?, Bristol (Stoke's Croft), 1827 Sept. 5	Box 1
83. Clarke, Adam, Manchester, to ?, n.p., 1804 July 16	Box 1
85. Wesley, Sarah [Sally], London (Nottingham Place), to Mrs. Dickinson, London (Hoxton Square), [?] June 11	Box 1
89. Watson, Richard, Leeds, to Rev. Warren, Walthamstow, 1830 Jan. 26	Box 1
91. Jackson, Thomas, London (Brunswick Place), to Mrs. Gray, Walthamstow, 1825 Oct. 4	Box 1
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