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Manuscript Collections

Name of collection: **Location:**

Larkin, Benjamin, Correspondence, 1780-1796 Stacks

Size of collection: **N.U.C.M.C. #:**

1 manuscript box (12 folders) **RLIN id:**

Sources of information on collection:

AAS Printers File

McCorison, Marcus A., "John Mycall--The Ingenious Typographer of Newburyport," *Printing History*, 7 (1995), p. 24-40.

Wyman, T. W. *Genealogies and Estates of Charlestown* (Boston, 1879), 2:601.

Source of collection:

Purchased from William Reese Company, 1999

Collection description:

Benjamin Larkin (1754-1803) was born in Charlestown, Mass., the son of John and Katharine Frothingham Larkin. He was a bookbinder and bookseller in Boston from 1781 to 1803. Larkin's business establishment was at 46 Cornhill, at the "Sign of Shakespeare's Head."

John Mycall (1750-1833) was born in England. He came to America in about 1767, and began to work as a printer and bookseller in Newburyport, Mass. in 1775. He continued in the business until his retirement in 1799.

This collection consists primarily of letters written from Larkin to Mycall between 1780 and 1796. The letters deal primarily with business matters including printing, binding, and sale of books, but also include personal matters. Also included are several invoices for books and printing material sold by Larkin to Mycall.

A copy of Marcus A. McCorison's 1995 bibliography of Mycall's printing is filed with the collection.

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- 1 undated material
- 2 1780 - 1782
- 3 1783
- 4 1784
- 5 1785
- 6 1787 - 1788
- 7 1789
- 8 1790
- 9 1791
- 10 1792 - 1796
- 11 Marcus McCorison, "John Mycall's Bibliography," 1995
- 12 Works sold by Benjamin Larkin (printout from AAS online catalog, 1999)