Guide to the Jacob Ackerly Letter
MSS.2118
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Summary Information

Repository: W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama

Creator: Ackerly, Jacob

Title: Jacob Ackerly Letter

Date: 1839 April 26

Extent: 0.1 linear foot (1 Letter)

Language: English

Abstract: Letter from clerk discussing his travels and the city climate, population, agriculture, and business, including Cincinnati’s trade of pork, flour, and whiskey. Letter compares it to labor and goods of the South.

Preferred Citation note

Jacob Ackerly Letter, W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama.
Biographical/Historical note

Jacob Ackerly was working as a clerk aboard a steamer for $80 a month, allowing him to travel the country.

Scope and Contents note

A letter to his brother, Samuel, in Wallace, Nova Scotia, written from Cincinnati, Ohio. Discusses the places he has visited including Pittsburgh. He describes city climate, population, agriculture, and business in Cincinnati, including trade of pork, flour and whiskey. He compares it to the labor and goods of the South, including cotton, tobacco, and the "Negro" workers. He also discusses personal family issues.

Administrative Information

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