Summary Information

Creator
Wolff, Bernard C. (Bernard Crause), 1794-1870.

Title
Bernard C. Wolff Papers

Dates
1841-1887, 1852 (bulk)

Extent
.5 LF (1 ms. boxes)

Arrangement
The collection is arranged alphabetically by correspondent for those persons writing more than one time to Wolff, and then chronologically within each name. In addition to the individually-named correspondent folders, there is also a general correspondence folder containing an alphabetical arrangement of letters of persons who wrote to Wolff only once.

Language of Materials
All materials in English.

Abstract
This collection contains correspondence written to Bernard C. Wolff by German Reformed ministers who were interested in, and potential contributors to, the union of Franklin and Marshall College. The bulk of the material dates from the year 1852. There are also a few letters written by Wolff to John Williamson Nevin in 1842.

Subjects
Wolff, Bernard C. (Bernard Crause), 1794-1870--Correspondence.
Franklin and Marshall College--History.
Administrative Information

Acquisition Information
Rev. P.S. Davis, Gift, date of acquisition unknown.

Custodial History (Provenance)
The papers in this collection are believed to have been acquired by the college from the Reverend P. S. Davis. Davis, in turn, had received the material from William Wilbeforce Nevin, son of John Williamson Nevin, second President of Franklin and Marshall College (see "Nevin, William Wilbeforce to P. S. Davis. 1887 May 1" in inventory.)

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Preferred Citation
Bernard C. Wolff Papers (MS 12), Archives and Special Collections, Franklin and Marshall College.

Processing Information
Processed by Charlotte B. Brown, February 1986. Description based on DACS.

Accruals
No further accruals are expected.

Additional Information

Related Materials
Additional papers of Bernard C. Wolff can be found in the Records of Franklin and Marshall College, Record group 04, Board of Trustees Records. [ Diary & Journal, 1837 Jun-1839 Aug. Diary, 1863-64. (contains mention of some Civil War events.)]

Historical/Biographical Information
Bernard C. Wolff was born on December 11, 1794 in Martinsburg Virginia. In his early years Wolff worked as a saddler and harness maker and was a prominent lay leader in the Reformed Church who helped establish the Reformed Seminary in 1820. In 1831 Wolff decided to become a minister and was ordained the next year after attending the Seminary in York, PA. He served as minister for many years in Easton (1832-1845) and Baltimore (1845-1854). During that time, as a prominent member of the Reformed Church Synod, Wolff was influential in the establishment of Marshall College (1835) and the later merger of Marshall College with Franklin College in 1852. In 1854 Wolff became a professor at the Theological Seminary in Mercersburg where he served until 1864. Retiring to Lancaster in 1864 Wolff continued to work on the behalf on Franklin and Marshall College until he died on November 1, 1870.

For additional biographical information see:
**Scope and Content Note**
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**Inventory/Contents**
Box 1
Bernard C. Wolff correspondence.
- Bopler, D. corresp. to/from. 1852; n.d. (1f)
- Bragouier, D. corresp. from. 1852 - 53. (1f)
- Collifower, W. F. corresp. from. 1850 - 1852. (1f)
- Gans, D. corresp. from. 1852. (1f)
- Helffenstein, [Albert]. corresp. from. 1850. (1f)
- Kelker, Rud. F. corresp. from. 1850. (1f)
- Keller, J. B. corresp. from. 1852. (1f)
- Kieffer. corresp. from. 1852. (1f)
- Kremer. corresp. from. 1852 - 1853. (1f)
- Kunkel, George B. corresp. from. 1852 - 53. (1f)
- Mesick, J. F. corresp. from. 1852. (1f)
- Nevin, John Williamson. corresp. to/from. 1841; 1850. (1f)

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- 1841. (1f)
- Rebaugh, John. corresp. from. 1852 - 53. (1f)
- Reber, J. L. correp. from. 1852. (1f)
- Zagouris [], D. corresp. from. 1850; 1852. (1f)

general correspondence, A - Z. 1850 - 1854. (1f)

Miscellaneous correspondence.
- [contribution letters.] 1848 - 1853. (1f)
- Nevin, William Wilbeforce to P. S. Davis. 1887 May 1 (1f)

Committee reports. [ca. 1852 ?]

Miscellaneous items. n.d. (1f)
- cartoon.
- list