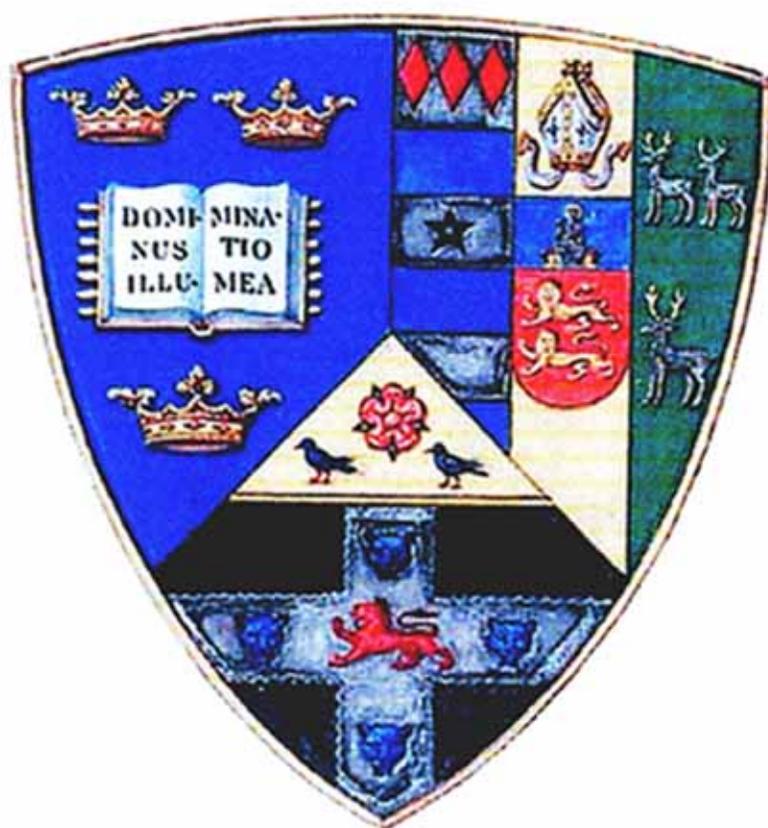


Guide to the Embury Family Collection 1728-1943



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Biographical Note

Philip Embury (1728-1775) was the founder of John Street Church in New York City. He was born in Ballingrane, County Limerick, Ireland.

Embury was converted to Methodism on Christmas Day, 1752, after hearing John Wesley preach.

In 1760, Embury led a group of Irish Palatine colonists to America, arriving in New York on August 11.

In September 1766, at the urging of his cousin, Barbara Heck, Embury began holding services in his house. The formation of John Street Church resulted from these services. Captain Thomas Webb helped this New York band of Methodists purchase property upon which the first church was built in 1768. Embury, Heck and other Methodists in New York were Tories and in 1770 Embury led several families to Ashgrove, New York which was northeast of Albany. And under British protection. Embury died suddenly in 1775. The rest of the community then moved on to Ontario.

Scope Note

The Embury collection includes copies of Legal Documents associated with the Embury family and their quest for land grants in New York State. Images including numerous photographs and postcards reflect the family history and activities. Clippings, publications and correspondence further recount the family story. For those interested in genealogy there is also an extensive collection of charts depicting the family history from the 18th century until the 1930s.

Arrangement

Material has been arranged in the following manner. The records are arranged by record type and then by chronological order.

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Subject Terms

Additional Creators - Personal

Embury, David
Embury, Emma Catherine.

Subject Names - Corporate

Methodist Episcopal Church

Subject Topics

Church history.
Genealogy
Methodism

Subject Geographic

New York (N.Y.).
New York (State)

Genre

Clippings
Correspondence
Legal documents
Photographs
Postcards.

Occupations

Minister.



Container List

Call Number	Folder Title	Date(s)
2130-3-1:1	Legal Documents	1763-1775
2130-3-1:2	Images and Postcards	Undated
2130-3-1:3	Clippings and Publications	1879-1939
2130-3-1:4	Clippings and Publications	1755-1934
2130-3-1:5	Correspondence	1866-1943
2130-3-1:6	Manuscripts	1859-1901
2130-3-2:1	Embury Family Genealogical Records	1728-1930
2130-3-3:1	Historical Documents: Lithograph of Embury, Heck, and significant historical sites	1888
2130-3-3:2	Historical Documents: Property Indenture (Photo Duplicated)	1775

