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Collection Summary

Title: Samuel Hodges, Jr., Journal and Correspondence

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Creator: Hodges, Samuel, Jr., 1792-1827

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Summary: American consul general and commission merchant in Cape Verde. Journal and letter relating to personal and official activities.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Chapuzet, João de Mata.

Clarke, Joseph P.

Hodges family.

Hodges, Leonard--Correspondence.

Hodges, Samuel, Jr., 1792-1827.

Vasconcellos, Caetano Procopio Godinho de.

Subjects

Ships--Cabo Verde.

Slavery--Cabo Verde.

Places

Cabo Verde--Commerce.

Cabo Verde--Foreign relations--United States.

Portugal--Foreign relations--United States.

United States--Foreign relations--Cabo Verde.

United States--Foreign relations--Portugal.

Titles

Samuel Hodges, Jr., papers

Occupations

Consuls.

Merchants.

Provenance

The journal and correspondence of Samuel Hodges, American consul and merchant, were purchased by the Library of Congress in 2000.

Copyright Status

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Access and Restrictions

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Preferred Citation

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Scope and Content Note

The papers of Samuel Hodges, Jr., (1792-1827) span the years 1822-1827 and consist of a journal with an undated typed transcript and a letter. In 1818 Hodges became the first United States consul general in Cape Verde. His journal, written between 1825 and 1827, records his official and social interactions with the Portuguese governors of Cape Verde, João de Mata Chapuzet and Caetano Procopio Godinho de Vasconcellos who succeeded Chapuzet in 1826. Many of the journal's entries document the strained relations between Hodges and Joseph P. Clarke, the British consul general, who at one point challenged Hodges to a duel. Other subjects include the arrival and departure of ships, mercantile transactions, and slavery. The letter, dated November 18, 1822, from Hodges to his brother Leonard concerns family matters.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material.

Container List

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BOX 1	Original, 1825-1827
BOX 1	Transcript, undated
BOX 1	Letter, 1822