

Physical Description: 1 item, fragment of manuscript memoir

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Description: This eight page fragment (pp. 5-12) appears to be a portion of the memoirs of Revolutionary soldier Hugh McDonald. Beginning after the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge in February of 1776, the narrative describes the organization of General Francis Nash's brigade and its movements during 1776 and 1777 [Nash replaced General James Moore as commander early in 1777]. Information of particular interest includes his description of activities around Philadelphia during 1777, the battles of Brandywine and Germantown. Also of interest is the beginning of a sketch concerning the Revolutionary activities of Whig leader Robert Rowan who played a key role in the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge in 1776.

The location of the remainder of this manuscript is unknown. Segments of the Hugh McDonald memoirs have been published, but the content of the narrative varies greatly. For printed versions, see: Clark, Walter, ed., State Records of North Carolina, vol. XI, pp. 823-837; University Magazine (U.N.C.), 1853, pp. 466-469; ibid., 1855, pp. 158-186; ibid., 1856, pp. 28-31, 208-211, and 360-363; and, American History Illustrated, I, Nos. 2 and 3 (May and June, 1966).

Finding Aids:

Main Entry Card

Subject Cards

NASH, FRANCIS: death of, 1777

ROWAN, ROBERT: Revolutionary activities of, 1776

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WAR--REVOLUTIONARY: Brandywine, battle of, 1776
Germantown, battle of, 1777
Nash's Brigade, 1776-1777

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