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Cosby's Manor. Papers, 1810-  
1811.

Description



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Cosby's Manor. Papers, 1810-1811; 2 items.

Fair copy of a N.Y.S. Chancery Court order (New York City, June 8, 1811) for an accounting of Joseph Winter's management of the Cosby's Manor trust estate (1803-1811) and the accounts consequently prepared by Morris S. Miller, Abraham Varick, and Charles C. Brodhead, referees, in the case of Temperance Green & others vs. Joseph Winter & others (34 pp.); the accounts include records of receipts for lands sold or leased and expenditures incurred in the management of these lands, with considerable information on acreage, prices, surveys, titles, and related matters; and some accounts for Oriskany Farm and Nine Mile Creek Farm in Oriskany Patent, lands in Springfield Patent, and Bayside Farm. Also, agreement concerning salary which Morris S. Miller is to receive for attending to the joint business concerns of M. R. Bleecker, Peter Brinckerhoff, and Charles E. Dudley (Albany, February 23, 1810). Albany, Herkimer, Oneida, and Otsego, and Queens Counties. [For more detailed description and related notes, see attached pages.]

Card entry: Cosby's Manor. Papers, 1810-1811.

Cross references:

Bleecker, M. R.  
Brinckerhoff, Peter  
Brodhead, Charles C.  
Dudley, Charles E.  
Green, Temperance Heatley, 1760-1822  
Miller, Morris S., 1779-1824  
Varick, Abraham  
Winter, Joseph  
Bayside Farm (Queens County)  
Oriskany Patent  
Springfield Patent  
Herkimer County (lands)  
Oneida County (lands)  
Otsego County (lands)  
Accounts (land investment)  
Accounts (farm)  
Accounts (trust estate)  
Lands (New York State)

In Mss. file, Box 39, [REDACTED]

Cosby's Manor. Papers, 1810-1811; 2 items. Fair copy (with scattered notations in another hand) of a New York State Chancery Court order (New York City, June 8, 1811) for an accounting of Joseph Winter's management of the Cosby's Manor trust estate,\* and the accounts (1803-1811) subsequently prepared by Morris S. Miller, Abraham Varick, and Charles C. Brodhead, referees, in the case of Temperance Green & others vs. Joseph Winter & others (34 pp.); pages 2-12 consist of detailed listings of land sales (September 11, 1805-May 1807), giving acreage, price per acre, buyer, cash received at time of sale, total price, interest, and additional information concerning clouded titles and inaccurate survey lines, followed by a similar record for the period October 15, 1807 to January 15, 1811; also, accounts of Winter's receipts from other sources, such as defaulted land contracts, bills of exchange, damages in trespass suits, rents (as early as May 1804); record of lands leased, including those leased by Jonas Platt on behalf of Winter (p. 10), lot locations and rates, and a general statement of monies received, totalling \$53,877.65. The remainder (pp. 13-34) consists of a record of monies paid by Winter on mortgages (November 30, 1804-January 30, 1810) and other expenditures incurred in the management of these lands, including those paid to Temperance Green (April 1805-October 14, 1811) and those spent on surveying (September 25, 1805-December 4, 1810), taxes (April 26, 1807-January 28, 1811), and various legal expenses (August 1803-January 1811), including his own counsel's fee, fees of Jonas Platt [J. P. was Mrs. Green's attorney in this case], record of commissions (September 11, 1805-October 1811) and expense allowances due Winter both before and after May 1807; also, accounts for management of two farms (Oriskany Farm, 1806-1811, and Nine Mile Creek Farm, 1807-1811) in Oriskany Patent, including payments and receipts for stock, hay, farming "Utensils," and grain. Also, entries concerning lots in Springfield Patent (sold June 1, 1807, see p. 3); and some accounts of Bayside Farm [home of Temperance Green?] in Queens County, Herkimer and Oneida Counties. Also, Otsego County.

In addition, an agreement signed by M. R. Bleecker, Peter Brinckerhoff, and Charles E. Dudley whereby Morris S. Miller ". . . shall receive out of the joint funds the sum of One Thousand Dollars as a compensation for attending to the joint concerns after the first day of May next [1811 -- did he succeed Winter?], that is, to collect and receive all the monies due to the joint concern, to apply them to extinguish the joint debts. . . ." Dated Albany, February 23, 1810. 1 pc.

\* Winter took charge of estate in August 1803 (See p. 10, but cf. p. 12??); deed of trust was dated August 1805.

References to Cosby's Manor on pp. 49, 341, 344, 348, 409, 469 in French's GAZETTEER.

P. 49: Cosby's Manor situated in Herkimer and Oneida Counties.  
&tc. Contained 22,000 acres.  
Granted by British govt., July 1734, to Joseph Worrell, William Cosby, et al.  
Includes site of city of Utica.

Springfield Patent -- Otsego County -- granted Nov. 1741 to John Groesbeck and others -- contained 17,000 acres, p. 49.

Oriskany Patent -- Oneida County -- granted April 1705 to Thomas Wenham and others -- acreage not given, p. 49.

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Ellis, David M., LANDLORDS AND FARMERS IN THE HUDSON-MOHAWK REGION, 1790-1850:

PP. 47-48:

George Clarke, Jr. held some 10,000 acres in the Oriskany Patent which straddled the Mohawk River just below Fort Stanwix.

22,000 A of Cosby Manor has passed into hands of Schuyler and Bleeker families -  
Dec. 1786, Philip Schuyler arranged a partition with Rutger Bleeker  
PS recd 3/4th of the tract, which had been surveyed into 400 A and  
1200 A lots  
PS developed it and leased over 60 farms, 1790, 1792  
After 5 free yrs, tenant to pay annual rent of 20 bu. wheat for  
ea. 100 A  
Schuyler's will divided his holdings in Cosby Manor into 8 equal parts  
1805, the 47 leases partitioned among his heirs by ballot  
[where does Joseph Winter come in?]  
1812, Feb., PS, Jr. gave power of atty. to James Cochran of Montgomery Co.  
to sell his holdings in Cosby Manor in fee.  
Heirs of Rutger Bleeker made similar sales in fee.  
1809, over 15 transactions for sale of land made by his heirs.

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See Horatio Seymour Papers, # 694. P. 37, 1946-1948 Report: statement, 1794-1802, of legal expenses incurred in Cosby's Manor by Bleeker, Schuyler, and others; probably other items.

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Cosby's Manor.

Cosby's Manor. Rent Book, 1770-1876.  
1 vol.

Summary: Cosby's Manor rent book, 1790-1804; 'Inventory of Goods Left at Stone Arabia with Thomas Smith Diamond which he is to Sell for William Spotten', 1770-71; news clippings relating to Utica assessment of 1876.

\* Location: Oneida Historical Society, 318 Genesee Street, Utica, New York 13502.

1. Diamond, Thomas Smith. 2. Spotten, William. 3. Land records, deeds and surveys. 4. Utica, New York--Local history. 5. Local history--Utica, New York. 6. Stone Arabia, New York--Business activity. 7. Business activity--Stone Arabia, New York. 8. Cosby's Manor.

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