

William Prince correspondence and papers

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Biographical Note:

William Prince was born in Ireland in 1772. He married Thérèse Tremblé with whom he had six children. Prince had immigrated to the United States and settled in Knox County, Indiana, by 1800. He served in the Indiana militia and was a captain at the Battle of Tippecanoe in 1811. Prince was a delegate to the first Indiana Constitutional Convention in 1816. He held many public offices including Knox County sheriff (1800-1804), Indian Agent (1810-c.1811, 1818-1821), Gibson County prosecuting attorney (1813, 1819), first Circuit Court judge (1816-1817), first Circuit Court President Judge (1817-1818), member of the commission to locate the state capital (1820), and member of the State House of Representative (1821-1822). Prince was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1823 and served until his death on September 8, 1824. He is buried in the Old Cemetery near Princeton, Gibson County, Indiana.

Sources:

Shepherd, Rebecca A., Charles W. Calhoun, Elizabeth Shanahan-Shoemaker, and Alan F. January, comp. A Biographical Directory of the Indiana General Assembly, Volume 1, 1816-1899. Indianapolis: The Select Committee on the Centennial History of the Indiana General Assembly, 1980.

Biographical Directory of the United States Congress. United States Congress. Nov. 2005
<<http://bioguide.congress.gov/scripts/biodisplay.pl?index=P000540>>.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection consists largely of correspondence and documents recording payments during Prince's time as Indian Agent at Vincennes, Indiana.

Item Listing:

1809 July 26	H. Hurst to William Prince, ALS
1813 June 30	Transfer and sale of a negro boy Sam
1816 May 13	Letter to William Prince, ALS

1819 June 13 William Prince to Vincennes Steam Mill Co., ALS
1819 July 1 William Henry Harrison to William Prince, ALS
1819 Sept. 17 J. C. Calhoun to William Prince, ALS
1820 May 16 Document of payment to John Hamilton
1820 June 5 Document of payment to George Burtch
1820 Sept. 1 Document of payment to Samuel Wilson
1820 Sept. 1 Document of payment to John Rafseene
1820 Sept. 4 Document of payment to Pierre Laplante
1820 Sept. 5 Document of payment to Christian Graeter
1820 Dec. 6 Document of payment to John Small
1820 Dec 31 Document of payment to William Prince
1821 Feb. 5 Letter to Secretary of War, ALS
1821 June 1 Document of payment to Pierre Laplante
1821 June 30 Document of payment to William Prince
1822 Sept. 2 B. Parke to William Prince, ALS
1834 July 17 B. Parke to Samuel Hall, ALS
undated List of lawyers practicing in 4th Indiana Judicial Circuit 1816-1833
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1813 Feb. 27 Land grant certificate

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