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Guide to the

Mary Lorillard Ronalds diary

1836-1837

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Summary

Creator: Ronalds, Mary Lorillard, d. 1840

Title: Mary Lorillard Ronalds diary

Date: 1836-1837

Size: .21 linear feet (1 volume)

Abstract: Mary Lorillard Ronalds kept this diary from November 21, 1836 through February 18, 1837. She was the daughter of Thomas A. Ronalds of New York City and the cousin of Catharine Lorillard Wolfe, and she kept this diary while traveling with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John David Wolfe. She began making entries while the party was in Marseille, France, whence they sailed for Leghorn and toured Italy. The diary contains a descriptive narrative of the journey with notes on the art and archaeology of the places along their itinerary, including: Pisa, Florence, Siena, Rome, Tivoli, Terni, Spoleto, Foligno, Perugia, Arezzo, Bologna, Padua, Venice, Verona, Milan, Turin, and "St. Michel on the Arc, France" (Mont St. Michel?). The diary also mentions attendance at the theater and opera, visits to artists' studios, the execution of busts of Ronalds' aunt and uncle by the artist Thomas Crawford, and seeing the Brinckerhoffs, Morgans, and others in Rome

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Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Diaries

Geographic Names

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Subjects

Women travelers -- Diaries

Names

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