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J. Morton Poole letter to James Canby
[1857] January 23

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Biographical Notes

J. Morton Poole

Nineteenth-century Wilmington (Delaware) businessman J. Morton Poole was the founder of the J. Morton Poole Company, manufacturer of chilled iron rolls and calendars.

Born on July 10, 1812, in Brandywine Village, which is now a part of the city of Wilmington, Poole was highly respected in the community, being selected several times to serve on City Council. In 1852 he was one of the organizers of the city's School Board, on which he served for seventeen years. He died on November 23, 1879.

James Canby

James Canby (1781-1858) was the son of Samuel Canby (1751-1832), whose milling business he continued. Canby was an originator of the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad and served as its president. Canby was also a president of the Union National Bank and a cousin of J. Morton Poole.

Sources:


Some information derived from the collection.
This brief note, written by Delaware businessman J. Morton Poole to his cousin James Canby, accompanied a copy of the 1857 edition of The Ordinances of the City of Wilmington.

Addressing Canby as "Dear cousin," Poole noted that this copy of the ordinances was sent on behalf of the City of Wilmington.
Selected Search Terms

**Personal Names**

Poole, J. Morton, 1812-1879--Correspondence.

Canby, James, 1781-1858--Correspondence.

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Wilmington (Del.)--History--19th century--Sources.

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Canby, James, 1781-1858, correspondent.

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