Joseph Delaplaine letter:
Philadelphia, [P.A.], to Ezra C. Gross

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Collection Overview

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Creator:	Delaplaine, Joseph, 1777-1824
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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The donor Anna Marie Ettell, according to acquisition information, "has copies of Delaplaine's repository - former staff member." The gift was received through Tina Morelli of the National Portrait Gallery.

Available Formats

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Biographical / Historical

Delaplaine (1777-1824) compiled Delaplaine's Repository of the Lives and Portraits of Distinguished American Characters (1815-1818). Ezra C. Gross was a Congressman, ca. 1820; Elizabeth, New York.

Scope and Contents

A letter from Delaplaine to Ezra C. Gross in the House of Representatives, "soliciting the honour of your portrait" for Delaplaine's "Gallery of portraits." Delaplaine comments on his gallery, suggests [Charles Bird] King as a possible portraitist, and offers to pay half of King's fee.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

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Gross, Ezra Carter, 1787-1829
King, Charles Bird, 1785-1862