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**Incoming correspondence relating to common schools
A0184**

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Overview of the Records

Repository:	New York State Archives
Summary:	This series consists of fragmentary correspondence sent by local school officials to the secretary of state in his capacity as ex officio superintendent of common schools. Most correspondence is relates to requests and advertisements printed in the "District School Journal." Other items include a letter concerning an Onondaga Indian Reservation school, a report on schools in Oneida County, and an anecdotal memoir of a schoolmaster. These records were partially burned in the 1911 and may be restricted.
Creator:	New York (State). Secretary of State
Title:	Incoming correspondence relating to common schools
Quantity:	0.5 cubic feet
Inclusive Date:	1843-1847
Series:	A0184

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Scope and Content Note

This series consists of the surviving fragment of correspondence received by the secretary of state in his capacity as ex officio superintendent of common schools. Most of the letters are from local school officials and concern a monthly publication called the "District School Journal," apparently published under the auspices of the secretary of state.

Included are the following kinds of correspondence relating to the Journal: lists of town supervisors of schools sent to the secretary as the result of a printed request in the Journal; letters from publishers concerning advertisements for school texts that appeared in the Journal; and letters requesting cancellation or renewal of subscriptions.

Several other items in the series include: a letter concerning the school on the Onondaga Indian Reservation; a narrative report on schools by the superintendent of schools for the western portion of Oneida County; and an anecdotal, unsigned account of a school master entitled, "Extracts from the Diary of a School Master".

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

Restricted until properly conserved: fragile physical condition due to fire and water damage.

Administrative Information

Custodial History

Series was transferred from the New York State Library as old series number 184, accession number -164.

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Access Terms

- Elementary schools
- Indians--Education
- Supervising
- Education
- New York (State)
- Indians of North America--Education
- University of the State of New York
- New York (State). Superintendent of Common Schools
- New York (State). Education Department