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Summary Information

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Title:	Francoise du Pont de Nemours letter to Pierre Didot
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Abstract:	Francoise Robin du Pont (1748-1841) was the second wife of Pierre Samuel du Pont de Nemours (1739-1817) a prominent French political economist, writer, publisher, and public administrator. The collection contains a letter from du Pont to Monsieur Pierre Didot (1761-1853), seeking the address of Marguerite Charlotte Desiree de la Fite de Pelleport (1780-1847).

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Biographical Note

Françoise Robin du Pont (1748-1841) was the second wife of Pierre Samuel du Pont de Nemours (1739-1817) a prominent French political economist, writer, publisher, and public administrator.

Françoise Robin was a daughter of Antoine Robin de Livet (1705-1772) of Lyon. Her first husband, Pierre Poivre (1719-1786), was a naturalist and author. They lived for a time on the Ile de France and returned to France in 1773. There were two daughters by this marriage: Marie Marguerite Sara (d. 1814) and Françoise Julienne (1770-1845) who married Jean Xavier Bureaux Pusy (1750-1806).

Françoise married second, Pierre Samuel du Pont de Nemours (1739-1817) at Chevannes in 1795; she was his second wife. She and her son-in-law, Jean Xavier Bureaux de Pusy, sailed from Rotterdam in 1799 to find and establish a home in the United States for the remainder of the family, who joined them several months later. She selected a property in Bergen Point, New Jersey, which the family called "Goodstay."

Poivre and du Pont de Nemours returned to France in 1802. When her husband went back to the United States in 1815, she remained in France due to a hip injury. She was preparing to return when she received

word of her husband's death. After his death, she maintained correspondence with the du Pont family until her death in Paris in 1841.

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Scope and Contents

Letter from Francoise Robin du Pont (1748-1841) to Pierre Didot (1761-1853), in Paris, asking for the address of the widow of Bernardin de Saint-Pierre (1737-1814), Marguerite Charlotte Desiree de la Fite de Pelleport (1780-1847). Marguerite was a niece of Gabrielle Josephine de la Fite de Pelleport du Pont (1770-1837), Victor du Pont's (1767-1827) wife. Didot was the first cousin of Saint-Pierre's first wife, Félicité Didot (1773-1799). Additionally, Saint-Pierre was a prominent author, and the Didot family were well-known printers and publishers who had published some of Saint-Pierre's works.

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- Social history
- Du Pont family
- Didot, Pierre, 1761-1853