



## William P. Brobson diary on microfilm 1163

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Manuscripts and Archives
<b>Creator:</b>	Brobson, William P., 1786-1850
<b>Title:</b>	William P. Brobson diary on microfilm
<b>ID:</b>	1163
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1825-1828
<b>Physical Description:</b>	2 item(s)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	2 reels positive microfilm.
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .
<b>Abstract:</b>	William P. Brobson (1786-1850) was an attorney, editor, and politician in Wilmington, Delaware. This is a copy of his diary on two reels of microfilm. Brobson's diary contains details of his personal life, but also reflects his political interests and includes his comments on current events, particularly during the John Quincy Adams (1767-1848) administration and the rise of Andrew Jackson (1767-1845).

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## Biographical Note

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William Parvin Brobson (1786-1850) was an attorney, editor, and politician in Wilmington, Delaware. He was born March 3, 1786 in Wilmington, Delaware to James and Deborah (Parvin) Brobson. In 1825, he married Elizabeth Tatnall Starr (1796-1864) and they had James, William, Joseph, and Francis.

Brobson was clerk of the Delaware State House of Representatives in 1823, a member of Wilmington Common Council, editor of the *Delaware Journal* (1830-1840) cashier of the Union National Bank in Wilmington (1839-1848), and Collector of the Port of Wilmington (1848-1850).

Brobson died February 19, 1850, in Wilmington.

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## Scope and Contents

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William P. Brobson's (1786-1850) microfilm diary copy contains details of his person life, but also reflects his political interests and includes his comments on current events. He reflects on the social and political during the administration of John Quincy Adams (1767-1848) and the rise of Andrew Jackson (1767-1845). The diary contains some references to E.I. du Pont (1771-1834), which is likely why the copy was made for the Hagley Library. Jack C. Potter, a Hagley fellow, produced a typescript edited version in 1960.

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