

William Bacon Stevens manuscript on Samuel Warren

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Biographical/Historical Note

William Bacon Stevens (1815-1887), physician, historian, and Episcopal bishop, was born in Bath, Maine. He attended the Medical College of South Carolina and studied under Dr. Edward Coppee in Savannah, Georgia. He became interested in the Episcopal ministry and studied under Bishop Stephen Elliott in Savannah. Ordained as a deacon in 1843, he was appointed missionary to Athens, Georgia, where he soon became the rector of the local Episcopal Church. He accepted a call to St. Andrews Church in Philadelphia and became the Bishop of Pennsylvania in 1865. Always interested in history, he wrote *A History of Georgia*, 2 vol. (Savannah, 1847; N.Y., 1859) and many papers on historical and religious subjects. He was one of the founders of the Georgia Historical Society.

Samuel Warren may have come to America as a midshipman in the British Navy, but decided to remain in the country. He lived in St. James, Santee. He enlisted on June 10, 1778 as a lieutenant and became captain in the 5th Regiment in 1779. He was wounded and taken prisoner at the Siege of Savannah, 1779; he lost his right leg due to his injuries. After exchange, he was appointed as deputy commissioner general of prisoners for the Southern Army.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of a manuscript anecdote of the loss of Samuel Warren's leg during the Revolutionary War. This 2-page document is in William Bacon Stevens' hand; he may have copied it from another source, as this was his practice in accumulating his notes for his book on the history of Georgia. This manuscript was removed from the William Bacon Stevens papers, MS 759.

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