

Ashley, Elihu (1750-1817)

Diary, Mar. 1, 1773- Nov. 5, 1775. Deerfield MA.

Mss. 1 vol. 17.5cm

Diary of a 23 year old medical apprentice and son of the Reverend Jonathan Ashley. Entries cover a broad range of activities and experiences – medical theory and practice, revolutionary politics, farming, family and friends, his love life, and social events. He describes angry mobs, the erection of a liberty pole in town, the Lexington alarm, and divisions in town.

Forbes, pg. 11; Mathews, pg. 105

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“Extract from the Journal of Dr. Elihu Ashley from Mar. 1, 1773- Sept. 29, 1775.”

[Probably by George Sheldon]

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Also, “notes in relation to the Baptist Society in Wisdom,” and other miscellaneous notes sent to George Sheldon by C. M. Taintor.

Shelved in Diary Collection.

See *Romance, Remedies and Revolution: The Journal of Dr. Elihu Ashley of Deerfield, Massachusetts, 1773-1775* by Amelia Miller and A.R. Riggs, 2007, for diary transcription.

