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### INTRODUCTION

Letters to the editor and publisher of *Niles's Weekly Register*, Baltimore, Maryland, from northeastern congressmen requesting reports of the tariff convention in New York, 1831. Also a letter from Louisiana requesting Niles to mention the state's efforts towards improvements.

### DONOR INFORMATION

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## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

Hezekiah Niles was born October 10, 1777, in Jeffries' Ford, Pennsylvania, to Hezekiah and Mary Way Niles. He married twice, Ann Ogden in 1798, and Sally Warner in 1826, and had a total of 20 children.

He was editor of the *Baltimore Evening Post* in 1805 and editor and publisher of *Niles' Weekly Register* from 1811-1836. He wrote in 1822, the *Principles and Acts of Revolution in America*.

In Wilmington, Delaware, he was town clerk and alter assistant burgess for two terms. He also served for two terms as a member of the first branch of Baltimore City Council. He was elected grand high priest of the Masonic Order of Maryland, 1818-1819. Niles was a leader in the Baltimore Typography Society and favored national industry protection and Henry Clay's American System. He died April 2, 1839 in Wilmington.

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