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**Accessible Archives** – Six databases of primary source material from 18th and 19th centuries, including coverage of the Civil War and African-American history. The databases are: Godey's Ladys Book 1830-1880; The Pennsylvania Gazette from 1728-1800; The Civil War: A Newspaper Perspective Nov. 1860 - April 1865; African American Newspapers: The 19th Century; The Pennsylvania Newspaper Record: Delaware County 1819-1870; and The Pennsylvania Genealogical Catalogue: Chester County 1809-1870. Type: Full text.

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