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**RECORDS OF THE CITY OF GEORGETOWN, D.C.,
1800-79**

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Holdings: 1800-79 (49 Reels; descriptive guide)

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Reel 605

In response to the initiative of several citizens from Frederick County, Maryland, a State act was passed in 1751 to form a development plan for that part of the District of Columbia known as Georgetown. The act authorized the purchase of 60 acres of land to be divided into lots, streets, lanes and alleys. From 1751 to the time that Georgetown was consolidated with the District in 1895, numerous additions to the original tract of land brought the total number of acres Georgetown occupied from 60 to 543.

The records on these 49 reels consist mainly of tax assessment records, journals, ledgers, and ordinances. They are arranged by record type and in chronological order, although there are gaps in dates for all the series.

In addition to the microfilm records, there are a number of books under the general title Ordinances of the Corporation of Georgetown. Search Aladin database by call number: KFX 1449 G4 A34. The following years are in Special Collections: 1811, 1821, 1823, 1824, 1826, 1829-1831, 1833, 1834, 1837, 1840, 1842, 1843, 1846-1855, 1857-1871.