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Descriptive Summary

Language

English

Collector

Highland County (Va.) Circuit Court

Physical Characteristics

4 volumes

Location

State Records Center - Archives Annex, Library of Virginia

Repository

The Library of Virginia

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Use Restrictions

There are no restrictions.

Acquisition Information

These records came to the Library of Virginia in a transfer of court papers Highland County, Va under undated accessions.

Processing Information

Prior to 2024, the various business records in this collection were originally described as individual records, but they have been consolidated into one large business record for the locality.

These records were processed by Greg Crawford in 2003.

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Related Material

Additional Highland County records can be found on microfilm at the Library of Virginia. Consult ["A Guide to Virginia County and City Records on Microfilm."](#)

Historical Information

Context for Record Type: Business Records, both volumes and loose records, are in some cases transferred to the Library of Virginia as components of court record transfers. These business records in some cases were simply stored in the local court building for safe keeping by business owners. In other cases, business records (particularly ledgers, account books, etc.) may have been filed in a court case as an exhibit. These business record exhibits appeared both in chancery causes and in judgments, these records serving as exhibits for business dissolution cases, debt suits, and contract disputes.

Locality History: Highland County was so named because of its high altitude, which ranges from 1,611 to 4,491 feet, giving it one of the highest mean-elevations east of the Mississippi River. The county seal identifies it as "Virginia's Switzerland." It was formed from Pendleton (now in West Virginia) and Bath Counties in 1847. The county seat is Monterey

Scope and Content

Highland County (Va.) Business Records, 1891-1914, is comprised of various records created by individuals and companies in pursuit of documenting business activities in and around Highland County (Va.). Represented records include company ledgers.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged into three series:

- Series I: Beverage and Brown Business Records, 1905-1913
- Series II: Don Sullenberger and Company Business Records, 1891-1893
- Series III: Sullie B. Rexrode Business Records, 1909-1914.

Contents List

Series I: Beverage and Brown Business Records, 1905-1913

Extent

1 volume

Physical Location State Records Center

Scope and Content

Historical Information: Beverage and Brown was a blacksmith shop owned by Edward C. Beverage and Paul Brown. It conducted business in Highland County, Virginia during the early twentieth century. Beverage sold his share of the business to Brown in 1907.

Scope and Content: The Beverage and Brown Business Records consists of a ledger that records the accounts of individual customers. Each account lists transactions in chronological order. Information found includes date of transaction, services rendered or items sold, form of payment, and amount owed or paid. Services rendered include shoeing horses, setting axles, balancing tires, and repairing tools, sleds, buggies, and sleighs. Items sold include bolts, tire irons, chains, and metal rings. Payments made by cash, credit, and barter of items such as wheat, sheep skin, and honey. Volume includes an index at the front that lists customers names in alphabetical order and the page number of their account. Numerous miscellaneous papers found in volume were placed into a folder at the front of volume.

Barcode Number 1107123: Beverage and Brown Ledger, 1905-1913

Series II: Don Sullenberger and Company Business Records 1891-1893

Extent

2 volumes

Physical Location State Records Center

Scope and Content

Historical Information: Don Sullenberger and Company was a general store that conducted business in Highland County, Virginia during the late nineteenth century.

Scope and Content: The Don Sullenberger and Company Business Records consists of two ledgers which record the accounts of individual customers. Each account lists transactions in chronological order. Information found in each entry includes date of transaction, items sold, quantity of items sold, cost per item, form of payment, amount owed, and amount paid. Goods sold include flour, lye, dry goods, apparel, food, nails, kerosene, violin strings and candy. Payments made by cash, credit, labor, and barter of items such as wool, chestnuts, butter, and bacon. Volume also records the store's controlling accounts such as expense account, cash account, and accounts due.

Barcode Number 1107120: Don Sullenberger Ledger A 1891-1893

Barcode Number 1107105: Don Sullenberger Ledger B 1893

Series III: Sullie B. Rexrode Business Records, 1909-1914

Extent

1 volume

Physical Location State Records Center

Scope and Content

Historical Information: Sullie B. Rexrode's general store conducted business in Highland County, Virginia during the early twentieth century.

Scope and Content: The Sullie B. Rexrode's Business Records consists of a ledger, which recorded the accounts of individual customers. Each account lists transactions in chronological order. Information found in each entry includes date of transaction, items sold, quantity of items sold, cost per item, form of payment, amount owed, and amount paid. Goods sold include onions, combs, dry goods, apparel, coffee, spices, syrup, oil, and fruit. Payments made by cash, credit, labor, and barter of items such as lambs, butter, and eggs. Additional miscellaneous information unrelated to the general store was found at the end of volume. Numerous pages were torn from volume.

Barcode Number 1107113: Sullie B. Rexrode Ledger, 1909-1914

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