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Abstract

Four daybooks, which cover 1845, September 1851-August 1852, January 1856-March 1858, and September 1865-December 1866, list by date and customer the purchase of a wide variety of items including foodstuffs, fabric, books, clothing and shoes, and sundry home goods.

Creator

Shacklett, Samuel, 1804-1886

source

Jeffrey S. Evans & Associates

source

Green Valley Auctions, Inc.

Extent

1.36 cubic feet 2 boxes

Repository

James Madison University Libraries Special Collections

Administrative Information

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Acquisition Information

The daybooks dated 1845, September 1851-August 1852, and September 1865-December 1866 were purchased November 16, 2002, from Green Valley Auctions, Inc. by Friends of Carrier Library.

The daybook dated January 1856-March 1858 was purchased at Jeffrey S. Evans & Associates' Americana & Variety Auction in August 2018.

Processing Information

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Bio/Historical Note

Samuel Shacklett was born in 1804, probably in Fauquier County, Virginia. By 1838 he had become a very successful businessman in Harrisonburg and in that year was elected a trustee of the city. He lived upstairs in a large brick house on the northeast corner of Court Square, with his store below in a space that would later be occupied by Fletcher drugstore. He also owned a frame building on Main Street, the lower floor of which he used as a wareroom; the upper story was called Shacklett's Hall and was used for church services by Old School Baptist and Episcopalian congregations. In 1860 Shacklett was named a commissioner of the Harrisonburg Savings Bank by an Act of Assembly. He died in 1886 and his son Henry continued the business for many more years.

Scope and Content

Purchases of food, clothes, shoes, tools, household items, brandy, pills, turpentine, paper, tobacco, candy, books, and other items are documented with price, name of customer, and name of person who came for the articles. The name "Shacklett" is penciled in the front of the 1851-1852 and 1856-1858 daybooks; two slips of paper in the 1845 book carry the names John Dougherty and Geo. Bruffy, who may have been business partners. Many prominent Harrisonburg residents are listed as customers including Hardesty, Pennybacker, Harrison, Kratzer, Sprinkel, and Koontz.

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Virginia -- History, Local
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Green Valley Auctions, Inc.
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Provenance

The Janury 1856-March 1858 daybook was part of the private collection of Maxine and E.R. Grymes Heneberger of Harrisonburg, Virginia.

Arrangement

Each daybook is bound and housed in two oversize boxes.

Description of Subordinate Components

Samuel Shacklett Store Daybook

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/9248

Unit Date 1845

Mixed Materials [1000898387] OV 1 (box)

Samuel Shacklett Store Daybook

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/9249

Unit Date September 1851-August 1852

Mixed Materials [1000898387] OV 1 (box)

Samuel Shacklett Store Daybook

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/9645

Unit Date January 1856-March 1858

Mixed Materials [1000898386] OV 2 (box)

Samuel Shacklett Store Daybook

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/9250

Unit Date September 1865-December 1866

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