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Abstract

The Don C. Miller Collection of Pine Forge Ledger, 1785-1799, consists of one CD-ROM containing 230 digital images of one bound ledger, 12 inches tall by 7.5 inches wide, from the Pine Forge iron forge near New Market, Va.

source

Don C. Miller

Extent

1 CD-ROM

Extent

0.23 Gigabytes 1 digital file

Repository

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Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

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Acquisition Information

Mr. Don C. Miller, owner of the ledger, offered to allow Carrier Library to make digital images of the ledger and gave permission to make the images accessible to the public in April 2005.

Processing Notes

Digital materials processed by Christina Bolgiano in 2010. A Kodak EasyShare digital camera on a copystand with tungsten lights was used to obtain 300 dpi JPG images. A white sheet of paper was inserted behind torn pages in the ledger to enhance legibility of the torn sheet. Several pages were photographed twice to make sure the best image was obtained. Therefore, there are some duplicate images on the CD-ROM. The ledger is available for access as a pdf file. The collection was formerly assigned Collection Number SC 4049.

Though the original accession comprised of 1 optical disc (CD), three additional cds were made subsequently, to function as preservation master and use copies.

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Historical Information

Pine Forge was an iron forge along Smith Creek, near New Market in Shenandoah County, Virginia. It is thought to have been built and operated by the family of Dirck Pennybacker, and his son Benjamin, in the late eighteenth/early nineteenth century. The forge eventually changed hands but remained in operation until the end of the nineteenth century.

Scope and Content

The Don C. Miller Collection, 1785-1799, consists of one CD-ROM containing 200+ digital images of one bound ledger, 12 inches tall by 7.5 inches wide, from the Pine Forge iron forge near New Market, Virginia.

The handwritten ledger contains accounts from Pine Forge. These accounts consist of entries of names and charges, written in pounds, shillings and pence, for a variety of services and products including steel, iron, sheep, mill services, and a wide array of foods.

Related Materials/Collections

For similar ledgers from Pine Forge in the nineteenth century, see also UNC-Chapel Hill's [Shenandoah County](#)

([Va.](#)) [Account Books 2934](#), Southern Historical Collection, The Wilson Library, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Keywords

Ledgers (account books)

Shenandoah County (Va.) -- History

Shenandoah County (Va.) -- Industries -- Sources

Iron industry and trade -- Virginia -- Shenandoah County -- History -- 18th century

Iron foundries -- Virginia -- History -- 18th century

Iron foundries -- Virginia -- Shenandoah County

Don C. Miller

Pennybacker family -- Records and correspondence

Bibliography

Wayland, John Walter. [A History of Shenandoah County, Virginia](#). Baltimore: Regional Pub. Co. 1980.

Location of Originals

Original ledger is retained by the donor.

Arrangement

The digital images of the collection are arranged in the same order as the original ledger.

Description of Subordinate Components

Pine Forge Ledger

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/15472

Unit Date 1785-1799

Mixed Materials SC0175-SET-001 (Digital-Materials)

Original CD

Unit ID /repositories/4/archival_objects/15473

Unit Date 2005

Audio SA0175-OP-001 (CD)

Preservation master CD

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Audio SC0175-OP-002 (CD)

Use copy CD-R

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Audio SC0175-OP-003 (CD)

Use copy CD-R

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Audio SC0175-OP-004 (CD)