

Stephen Pierce Personal Store Account Books MS-671

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Summary Information

Repository	Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections
Creator	Pierce, Stephen
Title	Stephen Pierce Personal Store Account Books
Date [inclusive]	1894-Circa 1910
Extent	0.23 cubic feet 1/2 manuscript box (legal size)
Language	English
Language of Materials	English
Mixed materials [Box]	1
Abstract	Account books, 1894-circa 1910, personal store account books for Stephen (Steven) Pierce (Pearse). Small notebooks kept by the customer to record purchases made on credit. Includes account books from Hendrickson & Mantta Co. (later Mantta Co.), a general store in Hancock, Michigan, Frank Eilola & Co., a store providing groceries, meats and provisions in Hancock, Michigan and J.H. Seager in Ripley, Michigan.

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Biography

Account books were small notebooks kept by the customer to record purchases made on credit belonging to Stephen Pierce (Stephen S. Pearce, Steven Pierce.) Customers were often expected to settle their store credit on a monthly basis. Includes account books from Hendrickson & Mantta Co. (later Mantta Co.), a general store in Hancock, Michigan, Frank Eilola & Co., a store providing groceries, meats and provisions in Hancock, Michigan and J.H. Seager in Ripley, Michigan. Although his name is spelled several different ways on the account books there was a listing matching the Stephen S. Pearce name in the Hancock Directory of the 1899-1900 R.L. Polk & Company Directory of Houghton County, Michigan who was a molder at the Portage Lake Foundry and Machinery Company and Ripley resident.

Collection Scope and Content Summary

Personal store account books for Stephen (Steven) Pierce (Pearse) from Hendrickson & Mantta Co. (later Mantta Co.), a general store in Hancock, Michigan, Frank Eilola & Co., a store providing groceries, meats and provisions in Hancock, Michigan and J.H. Seager in Ripley, Michigan.

Arrangement

Chronological

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Revision Description

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Acquisition

Personal account books belonging to Stephen Pierce from Hendrickson & Mantta Co., Frank Eilola & Co., and an unidentified store in Ripley, Michigan were donated to the Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections by Mrs. Ralph Porter on August 3, 2001.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Frank Eilola & Co..
- Henrickson & Mantta Co..
- J.H. Seager.

Genre(s)

- Account books

Geographic Name(s)

- Hancock (Mich.)
- Ripley (Mich.)

Personal Name(s)

- Pierce, Stephen

Subject(s)

- General stores--Michigan--Hancock
- General stores--Michigan--Ripley

Collection Inventory

	Box	Volume
J.H. Seager Personal Account Book 1893-1896	1	1
J.H. Seager Personal Account Book 1896-1898	1	2
J.H. Seager Personal Account Book 1898-1901	1	3
Hendrickson & Mantta Company Personal Account Book 1903-1905	1	4
Hendrickson & Mannta Company Personal Account Book 1905-1906	1	5
Hendrickson & Mannta Company Personal Account Book 1907-1908	3	6
Hendrickson & Mannta Company Personal Account Book 1908-1909	1	8
Hendrickson & Mannta Company Personal Account Book 1910	1	8
Frank Eilola & Company Personal Account Book 1911-1913	1	9
Frank Eilola & Company Personal Account Book 1913	1	10