General Store Account Books
MS-236
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Summary Information

Repository      Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections

Title           General Store Account Books

Date [inclusive] 1858-Circa 1880

Extent          0.46 cubic feet 1 folder, 1 oversize box

Language        English

Language of Material English

Mixed materials [SC_Box] MS 1

Container       17

Mixed materials [Box] 2

Abstract        Account books, 1858-circa 1880, for unidentified general stores in Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Day book entries include lists of goods purchased, lists of items to purchase, recipes for various medicines, notes and short diary entries. One day book appears to be for a store near L'Anse, Michigan. Also includes a ledger with customer's purchases and day book listed.

Preferred Citation

MS-236, General Store Account Books, Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections, Houghton, Michigan.
Administrative History

Two daybooks from general stores believed to be located near L'Anse and on Shelden Avenue in Houghton. The general store on Shelden Avenue may be that of Hodgson Bros. & Hoar, which was located on Shelden Avenue.

Collection Scope and Content Summary

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Arrangement

MS-236 is housed in a flat storage box and one folder in a small collections box. This collection is described only at the collection level.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Revision Description

This collection was processed during the NHPRC funded Detailed Processing Project. 10/23/2012

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Acquisition

Photocopies of a daybook for a store located near L'Anse were donated to the Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections on December 12, 1984 by Lauren Hutson. An additional donation by Hutson was received by the archives consisting of a grocery daybook for a store believed to have been located on Shelden Avenue in Houghton on June 12, 1992.

Existence and Location of Originals

The daybook from the general store in L'Anse was photocopied from the original, which was in the possession of Reverend John Henry of L'Anse.

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

• Daybooks
• Ledgers (Account books)
• Photocopies

Geographic Name(s)

• L'Anse (Mich.)
• Upper Peninsula (Mich.)

Subject(s)

• General stores--Michigan
Collection Inventory

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General Store Account Books 1858-1860; 1865-1866

General Store Account Ledger Circa 1880