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Guide to the Dyer White Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: GEN MSS 1862

CREATOR: White, Dyer, 1762-1841

TITLE: Dyer White papers

DATES: 1762-1856

BULK DATES: 1799-1841

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2.03 linear feet (6 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English (Latin script)

SUMMARY: Papers of Dyer White pertaining to his efforts as a lawyer, judge, and revenue collector in New Haven, Connecticut, 1785-1841. Included are 12 account books, three sets of bound stubs from application entries for stills, eight applications for licenses to retail wine, a cash book, correspondence, two ledgers, and a waste book.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Roger S. White, 2nd, 1913.

Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Processing Information

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These materials have been arranged and described according to national and local standards. For more information, please refer to the Beinecke Manuscript Unit Processing Manual.

Former call numbers: Z117 00205, Z117 00205a, Z117 0280, Z117 0280b, Z117 0280c, Z117 0280d, Z117 242.

Related Materials

Associated material: Dyer White Commonplace Book (GEN MSS FILE 573), Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

Associated material: Stephen Trowbridge Daybooks (GEN MSS 1468), Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

Associated material: Henry White Papers (MS 551), Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Biographical / Historical

Dyer White (1762-1841) was a lawyer, judge, and revenue collector in New Haven, Connecticut. He founded his law firm in 1785.

White married Susannah Whittesley White (1766-1796) in 1791, Hannah Wetmore White (1773-1830) in 1801, and Eunice Pomeroy White (1777-1869) in 1832. With Hannah White, he had one son, Henry White (1803-1880).

Scope and Contents

Papers of Dyer White pertaining to his efforts as a lawyer, judge, and revenue collector in New Haven, Connecticut, 1785-1841. Included are 12 account books, three sets of bound stubs from application entries for stills, eight applications for licenses to retail wine, a cash book, correspondence, two ledgers, and a waste book.

Account books document White's time as a revenue collector and includes information on such matters as distilleries, auctions, snuff factories, sugar refineries, carriages, and imported provisions.

Correspondence is chiefly addressed to Dyer White but includes letters to other members of the White family.

Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically by format.

Collection Contents

b. 6	Account books	1791-1819
b. 1	Application entries for stills	1799-1810
b. 2	Applications for licenses to retail wine	1797-1801
b. 3	Cash book	1812-1841
b. 5	Correspondence	1762-1856
b. 1	Ledger A	1785-1810
b. 1	Ledger B	1806-1841
b. 4	Waste book	1798-1812

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Geographic Names

Connecticut -- Economic conditions
New Haven (Conn.)

Genres / Formats

Account books

Subjects

Distilleries -- Connecticut
Lawyers -- Connecticut
License system -- Connecticut
Liquor laws -- Connecticut
Taxation -- Connecticut

Occupations

Lawyers -- Connecticut

Acquired From

White, Roger Sherman, 2nd, 1876-1941