

# Guide to the Henry Hill Papers

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 680

**CREATOR:** Hill, Henry, 1795-1892

**TITLE:** Henry Hill papers

**DATES:** 1812-1829

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 1.25 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Correspondence and business papers of Henry Hill, merchant, U.S. consul at Valparaiso and Santiago, Chile, and officer of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. The papers deal largely with Hill's business affairs and travels in Europe and South America and consist of two letterbooks containing copies of letters from Hill to members of his family, friends, and business associates, 1812-1815 and 1817-1818. Also included are three volumes of letters (ca. 929 items) from Estanislao Lynch, Hill's Chilean business partner, 1817-1829, dealing almost exclusively with business ventures and politics in Chile and Peru. There are also typewritten copies of some of the letters.

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f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Hiram Bingham, ca. 1904.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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Henry Hill Papers. Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

Henry Hill: merchant of New York, Liverpool, Peru, and Chile; U.S. Consul at Santiago and Valparaiso, Chile, 1818-; treasurer of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

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## Scope and Contents

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### Letterbooks

b. 1, f. 1                    [ca. 1812 Aug-1815 Dec](#)  
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b. 1, f. 2                    1817 Apr-1818 Dec  
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### Typewritten copies of letters

b. 1, f. 3                    1812 Aug-1813 Dec

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b. 1, f. 4                    1817 Apr-Jun

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b. 1, f. 5                    1817 Jul-Aug

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b. 1, f. 6                    1817 Sep-Oct

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b. 1, f. 7                    1817 Nov 3-14

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### Letters from Estanislao Lynch

b. 2, f. 8                    1817 Jul-1819 Jul  
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b. 2, f. 9                    [1819 Aug-1820 Aug](#)  
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b. 3, f. 10                    1820 Sep-1829 Jun

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## **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.

### **Subjects**

Business  
Businessmen  
Diplomats  
Merchants

### **Geographic Names**

Chile -- History -- War of Independence,  
1810-1824  
Latin America  
Peru -- History -- War of Independence,  
1820-1829  
United States -- Commerce -- Chile  
United States -- Commerce -- England  
United States -- Foreign relations -- Chile

### **Names**

Hill, Henry, 1795-1892  
Lynch, Estanislao