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Griel Collection, 1884-1891

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Scope and Content Note: The Griel Collection contains both family and business correspondence for the Griel family, primarily Mr. Harvey M. Griel of Lancaster. Family correspondence include letters, invitations, announcements, and ephemera. These examples provide insightful clues about a late nineteenth century family in Lancaster city. The private documents of the family are primarily addressed to Harvey and Katie, with other family members occasionally included as well. The business transactions and correspondence concern a wheel manufacturing and a polishing tool supply business that Harvey operated in Lancaster city, dating from 1890 and 1891. Business orders, receipts, billheads, cancelled checks, and a personal business card, are some of the business items that are a part of this collection. The business portion of this collection provides information about a nineteenth century trade that once flourished in Lancaster city.

Creator: Griel family; Griel, Harvey Markward, 1865-1917.

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People:

Griel, Harvey Markward

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Business records

Invitation cards

Letters

Receipts (Acknowledgments)

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Folder 1 Letters to Harvey, No date -1884

Letter to Harvey from [J-]. With envelope. No date.

Letter to Harvey from Nannie Arnold. With envelope. 17 September.

Letter to Harvey. No date.

Letter to Harvey, Lancaster, from R.J.S. Plans to join a party in Rohrerstown. No date.

Letter to Harvey from Katie, Philadelphia. His sister Katie describes life at school. She mentions that a Cora misses Harvey. She talks of her classmates, her orchestra, and her daily interactions. With envelope. 9 October 1884.

Folder 2 Letters to Harvey, 1884-1889

Letter to Harvey, Lancaster from Cora. Cora talks about life in Trenton. She mentions Katie is ill. She talks of how much the family means to her and how she is a "awfully bad girl" for not writing sooner. With envelope, cancellation of Trenton, New Jersey for 23 January 1884. Two pages. 14 January 1884 and 21 January 1884.

Letter to Harvey from J. Franklin. Note asking Harvey to come to 427 N. Queen Street. With envelope. 20 October 1885.

Letter to Harvey from Dave. Letterhead, Miller and Hartman, wholesale grocers, Lancaster, PA. Note talking about the next day's activities and whether they should still attend if the weather is bad. With envelope. Return address, Miller and Hartman of Lancaster. 10 December 1888.

Letter to Harvey, Lancaster from Dora, Lancaster. Note asking Harvey to forgive her for disappointing him regarding dinner plans. With envelope. 9 January 1889.

Letter to Harvey from [____], Mount Joy. A letter from a lady telling Harvey that she will be visiting. 5 August 1889.

Folder 3 Letters to Harvey from Ida, No date-1887

Letter to Harvey from Ida, 645 N. Chestnut. A note telling Harvey that her father did not come for her. She asks if Harvey will meet her at a different location. With envelope. No date.

Letter to Harvey, Lancaster from Ida, Lancaster. Note asking Harvey to come visit Ida and her friend and to bring along Mr. Clay on the visit. With envelope, cancellation of Lancaster for 22 September 1887. 21 September 1887.

Letter to Harvey, Lancaster from Ida, Lancaster. Note thanking Harvey for a gift. She wishes him to come out and visit before Addie arrives for a wedding. With envelope, cancellation of Lancaster for 26 September 1889. 25 September 1889

Folder 4 Letter to Grace, 1893.

Letter to Grace, Lancaster from Arnie H. Brock, Clifton Heights. Arnie talks of their friendship. He describes his travels to Cape May and Brooklyn. He talks of a young student that recently came. He apologizes for the lateness of his response and wishes to see her soon. With envelope, cancellations of Philadelphia for 9 September 1893 and Lancaster for 9 September 1893. 23 August 1893.



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Folder 5 Letters to Katie, 1886-1889.

Letter to Katie, Lancaster from Clara. Clara uses her left hand to write the letter due to an alleged infection in her right hand. She

frequently refers to a doctor and wishes Katie to come say goodbye to him and her other friends. Clara also mentions a possible trip to the seashore or Asbury Park. With envelope, cancellation, Philadelphia, Pa, 11 August 1886. 11 August 1886.

Letter to Katie from D.H. Jarvis, San Francisco, CA. (Aboard U.S. Steamer "Bear", Alaska commercial, Aleutian Islands). He talks of how Katie will be surprised of his new address and mentions the importance of the date that he is writing, July 4th. He talks of the harsh climate and his trials and tribulations during his various travels. He most wishes for a response. 4 July 1888.

Letter to Katie from [____] Edinboro. 20 July 1889

Folder 6 Greeting Card

Christmas greeting card to Gracie Griel. With envelope.

Folder 7 Wedding Invitation and Announcement, 1884

Wedding invitation to Katie Griel from Nettie E. Raybone and Walter F. Simpson.

Wedding to be held at 1404 South Eighteenth

Street, Philadelphia, PA. With envelope. 11 June 1884.

Wedding Announcement to the Griel family from Reverend David H. Geissinger and Bessie Bateman. Wedding took place in

Galesburgh, IL. With envelope. 29 October 1884.

Folder 8 Commencement Invitations, 1884 - 1889

Insert 1 Commencement Invitation to Katie from Woman's Medical College of Pennsylvania. Exercises to take place at Association Hall. With envelope. With commencement cards for Lillie Buck and F.W. LaForge. 13 March 1884

Insert 2 Commencement invitation to Harvey from Linden Hall Seminary. Exercises to take place in the music room. With two envelopes, outer with cancellation of Lititz for 31 May 1888 and inner, blank. With commencement card for Mary Stoner. 14 June 1888.

Insert 3 Commencement invitation to Harvey from Wilson College. Exercises to take place in the Rosedale Opera House. With two envelopes, outer with cancellations of Chambersburg for 4 June 1889 and Lancaster for 4 June 1889. With commencement card for Nann Manning. With admission card for Rosedale Opera House. 19 June 1889.



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Folder 9 Social event invitations to Harvey, 1886-1888.

Insert 1 Invitation to Harvey, Lancaster from Seth E. Pancoast, John K. Veloh, managers. An evening sociable to be held at the Warrall Mansion, Media. Seddon's Orchestra to perform. With envelope, cancellations of Marple for 9 September 1886 and of Lancaster for 9 September 1886. 16 September 1886.

Invitation to Harvey from various committee members. A dancing party to be held at Central Hall, Marietta. Taylor's Orchestra to perform. With envelope. 17 September 1888.

Insert 2 Invitation to Harvey from various committee members. A Thursday evening social to be held at Eshleman's Hall. With two envelopes, outer with cancellation of Lancaster and inner, blank. 3 May 1888.

Folder 10 Society and Organization Invitations, 1886-1889.

Insert 1 Invitation to Katie, Lancaster from the Diagonthian Literary Society, Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster. Event to take place at the Fulton Opera House. With envelope, cancellation of Lancaster for 15 May 1886. 21 May 1886.

Insert 2 Invitation to Harry Fisher from the West End Republican Club. First Anniversary Celebration to take place at the Club Headquarters at the Northeast corner of Frankford Avenue and Vienna Street. With envelope. 28 March 1888.

Insert 3 Invitation to Harvey from the Page Literary Society, State Normal School, Millersville to attend its anniversary exercises. With two envelopes, outer with cancellation of Millersville for 18 May 1888, inner addressed to Mr. Harvey M. Griel and Lady. With card enclosure, Katherine Griel. 25 May 1888.

Insert 4 Invitation to Harvey from S. E. Smith, secretary of the Sunday School Teacher's Association, Grace Church. Handwritten notes on back of invitation. 30 May 1889.

Folder 11 Family Receipts, Library Card, Normal School Flyer, 1886-1889.

Certification to Katie from the Young Men's Christian Association, Lancaster. Explains that Katie paid one dollar to have library privileges. 21 August 1886.

Receipt to Miss Katie Griel from the Office of the Lancaster Commercial College, Lancaster. Receipt for three months tuition. Note on bottom asks if Katie would wish to continue for three more months. With billhead. With envelope, cancellation of Lancaster for 30 December 1886. 30 December 1886.

Dues to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Young Republicans of Lancaster, Lancaster. Dues were to be paid by 1 November 1887. Signed by treasurer. 3 September 1887.

Receipt for initiation fee to Katie A. Griel from the Page Literary Society at the State Normal School, Millersville. Fee was one dollar. 10 September 1887.

Pamphlet from the State Normal School, Edinboro. Lists calendar, expenses, advantages, teachers, map, and illustrations. Spring and summer 1889.



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Folder 12 Railroad Receipts, 1890.

Insert 1 Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Lancaster Station for 1 crate polishing wheels from N.J. Irvine, Reading. 19 September 1890.

Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Lancaster Station for 2 crates polishing wheels from N.J. Irvine, Reading. 20 September 1890.

Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Lancaster Station for 1 crate polishing wheels from N.J. Irvine, Reading. 24 September 1890.

Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Lancaster Station for 1 crate polishing wheels from N.J. Irvine, Reading. 30 September 1890.

Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Lancaster Station for 1 crate polishing wheels from Pauker Company, Reading. 30 September 1890.

Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Lancaster Station for 1 crate polishing wheels from N.J. Irvin, Reading. 1 October 1890.

Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Lancaster Station for 1 polishing wheel from Hanson, Van Winkle and Company, Newark. 21 October 1890.

Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad, Lancaster Station for 1 crate polishing wheels. 22 November 1890.

Insert 2 Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, C.B. Brunner, freight agent. 19 December 1890.

Folder 13 Business Orders, 1890-1891.

Insert 1 Business order to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Zucker and Levett Chemical Company, New York. Order for 2 leather covered wood wheels, 16 x 3 x 31/32 holes. 18 September 1890.

Business order to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Zucker and Levett Chemical Company, New York. Order for 4 leather covered wood wheels, 14 x 3 x 1, with bushings. 27 September 1890.

Business order to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Zucker and Levett Chemical Company, New York. Order for 1 leather covered wood wheel, 12 x 2 x ¾ and 1 leather covered wood wheel, 12 x 2 or 3 x ¾. 13 October 1890.

Business order to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Zucker and Levett Chemical Company, New York. Order for 4 wood wheels, 12 x 3" flat face x 1" hole and 2 wood wheels, 12 x 3" oval face x 1" hole. 14 October 1890.

Business order to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Zucker and Levett Chemical Company, New York. Order for 1 leather covered wood wheel, 18 x 1½ x 1" hole and 1 leather covered wood wheel, 18 x 2 x 1" hole. 8 November 1890.

Business order to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Zucker and Levett Chemical Company, New York. Order for leather covered wood wheels, 12 x 3 x 1. 1 December 1890.



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Insert 2 Business Order to Mr. H. M. Griel, Lancaster from Hanson, Van Winkle and Company, Newark. Order for leather covered wood polishing wheels, 1¼" hole. With envelope, cancellations of Newark for 14 September 1890 and of Lancaster for 25 September 1890. 24 September 1890.

Business Order to Mr. H. M. Griel, Lancaster from Hanson, Van Winkle and Company, Newark. Order for Walrine Wheel, 9 x 1½ x 1/6" hole. 28 November 1890.

Business Order to Mr. H. M. Griel, Lancaster from Hanson, Van Winkle and Company, Newark. Order wishing to add one more leather covered wood wheel to the previous order of six on December 29th. With envelope, cancellations of Newark for 7 January 1891 and of Lancaster for 8 January 1891. 7 January 1891.

Folder 14 Business Invoices, Billheads, No date -1891.

Insert 1 H. M. Griel Business Card. Lists Griel as the "manufacturer of polisher's supplies." Griel produces "leather covered wood wheels, solid leather wheels, pure felt and walrus wheels, hand buffs, etc., etc. Old wheels recovered, special wheels all sizes made to order." The factory is located in Griel's Alley, between Walnut and Lemon Streets, west of Charlotte. The office is located on 302 North Mary Street. No date

H. M. Griel Billhead, blank. No date.

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H.M Griel Billhead and Receipt to Zucker and Levett Chemical Company from H. M. Griel. Receipt for various wheels totaling \$156.85. 6 October 1890.

Insert 2 Billhead and Invoice to Mr. H. M. Griel from G.Sener & Sons, Lancaster. 8 October 1890.

Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from G. Sener & Sons. Receipt for purchase totaling \$21.65. 13 February 1891.

Insert 3 Billhead and Invoice to Mr. H. M. Griel from D.H. Bartholomew, Lancaster. Invoice for merchandise totaling \$17.06. 31 July 1890.

Billhead and Invoice to Mr. H. M. Griel from D.H. Bartholomew, Lancaster. Invoice for 503' poplar for \$17.60. With envelope. 26 September 1890.

Billhead and Invoice to Mr. H. M. Griel from D.H. Bartholomew, Lancaster. Invoice for merchandise totaling \$93.82. 1 November 1890.



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Insert 4 Billhead and Invoice to Mr. H.M Griel from Morris Zook, Lancaster. Invoice for merchandise totaling \$257.27. 29 September 1890.

Billhead and Invoice to Mr. H.M Griel from Morris Zook, Lancaster. Invoice for merchandise totaling \$378.25 minus \$200 that was received at an earlier date. Total due \$178.25. 13 November 1890.

Billhead and Invoice to Mr. H.M Griel from Morris Zook, Lancaster. Invoice for merchandise totaling \$24.53. 18 November 1890.

Folder 15 Business Orders and Receipts, 1887-1891

Insert 1 Order to Mr. H. M. Griel, Lancaster from Hoap & McNabb. With envelope, cancellation of Lancaster for November 1887. 18 November 1887.

Order to Mr. H. M. Griel from Best Steam Engine and Boiler Works, Lancaster. Note stating that they received various orders. 9 August 1890.

Order to Mr. H. M. Griel, Lancaster from Wilson Laundry Machinery Company, Columbia. Order for one leather wood covered wheel, 10" x 2" x 3/4". 2 October 1890.

Insert 2 Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from Dr. Anderson for fifteen dollars. 8 November 1890.

Order to Mr. H. M. Griel, Lancaster from Reading Hardware Company, Reading. Order for wooden polishing wheels covered with leather. 17 January 1891.

Order to Mr. H. M. Griel, Lancaster from the Abrasive Material Company, Philadelphia. A request for a price on a 22" wheel. With envelope, cancellations of Philadelphia and Lancaster. 3 January 1891.

Insert 3 Receipt to Mr. H. M. Griel from the Adams Express Company, Lancaster for a shipment from Atlantic City, New Jersey. With envelope. 22 August 1890.

Message to Mr. H. M. Griel from Western Union Telegraph Company. Message from Powell and Maddock asking how many wheels were sent yesterday. With envelope. 18 September 1890.

Insert 4 Receipt and Billhead to Mr. H. M. Griel from Powell and Maddock, Philadelphia. A Bill for tools totaling \$19.35. 23 September 1890.

Folder 16 Cancelled Checks, 1890-1891

Insert 1 Cancelled check to Ernest Zahm from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$20. Check # 177. 15 January 1890.

Cancelled check to one of the executor's of Jacob Griel's estate from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$13. Check # 179. 5 March 1890.

Cancelled check to Morris Zook from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$30. Check # 181. 5 March 1890.

Cancelled check to G. Sener and Sons from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$31.62. Check # 182. 5 March 1890.

Cancelled check from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$12.38. Check # 183. 14 March 1890.



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Cancelled check to Adam Landis from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$21.

Check # 184. 9 April 1890.

Cancelled check to J.R. Kauffman from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$26.95.

Check # 185. 14 May 1890.

Cancelled check one of the executors of Jacob Griel's estate from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$20.73. Check # 186. 15 May 1890.

Cancelled check to Eli Powl from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$8. 24 June 1890.

Insert 2 Cancelled check to one of the executors of Jacob Griel's estate from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$121. 23 May 1890.

Cancelled check to Stomfelz and Son from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$11.

Check # 330. 23 May 1890.

Cancelled check to self from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$10. Check # 205. 20 December 1890.

Cancelled check to D.H. Bartholomew from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$40. Check # 206. 24 December 1890.

Cancelled check to one of the executors of Jacob Griel's estate from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$50. Check # 207. 26 December 1890.

Cancelled check to Stoner and Shonner and Company from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$40. Check # 208. 26 December 1890.

Cancelled check to self from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$10. Check # 209. 27 December 1890.

Cancelled check to one of the executors of Jacob Griel's estate from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$25. Check # 210. 31 December 1890.

Insert 3 Cancelled check to Jos. R. Goodell and Company from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$5.50. Check # 211. 6 January 1891.

Cancelled check to W.F. Harr from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$13.40.

Check # 212. 9 January 1891.

Cancelled check to self from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$ 10. 10 January 1891.

Cancelled check to self from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$15. Check # 213. 17 January 1891.

Cancelled check to Stone Shriner and Company from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$20. Check # 214. 27 January 1891.

Cancelled check to self from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$25. Check # 215. 27 January 1891.

Cancelled check to G. Sener and Sons from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$21.65. 13 February 1891.

Cancelled check to self from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$10. 14 February 1891.

Cancelled check to self from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$15. 21 February 1891.



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Cancelled check to self from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$10. 28 February 1891.

Cancelled check to one of the executors of Jacob Griel's estate from Northern National Bank, Lancaster for \$10. Check # 217. 7 March 1891.

Insert 4 Cancelled check to D. H. Bartholomew from Lancaster County National Bank, Lancaster for \$16.25. Check # 2651. 7 February 1891.