

**George and Rhonda Andreadis Collection of Lancaster City Records, Series 6
Relief Fund, 1858-1888**

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Scope and Content Note: The documents in MG0545, Series 6 pertain to a city fund set up by the Hon. James Buchanan in 1853 [or 1849] with the purchase and donation of a \$4,000 bond, the interest of which was used to buy heating fuel and other items for needy women (mostly widows) throughout the city. As other philanthropists contributed money, the Fund had additional names added to it, such as the Buchanan-McEvoy Fund and the Buchanan-McEvoy-Reynolds Fund. The documents in this series include invoices and receipts for some of the financial transactions completed by the relief fund such as the purchasing of coal, advertizing the fund and soliciting for coal donations in local newspapers, as well as the printing of Relief Fund "tickets."

Creator: Lancaster (Pa.)

System of Arrangement: This collection is organized into series:

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Series 4 Railroads

Series 5 Lamps and Lighting

Series 6 Relief Fund

Series 7 Administrative Records

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Language: English

Source of Acquisition: Purchased from George and Rhonda Andreadis, 2009-2014.

Custodial History (Provenance): These documents are mostly administrative records, not permanent records, and were likely purged by the city offices when they were no

longer needed. We are fortunate that they survived as they contain details about Lancaster's past.

Biographical and Historical Note: The Buchanan Donation Fund was a city fund set up by the Hon. James Buchanan in 1853 [or 1849] with the purchase and donation of a \$4,000 bond, the interest of which was used to buy heating fuel and other items for needy women (mostly widows) throughout the city. As other philanthropists contributed money, additional names were added to the title.

People:

Shulmyer, George
McGonigle, John T.
Carpenter, J. A. E.

Subject Headings:

Charitable uses, trusts, and foundations
Invoices
Receipts (Acknowledgments)
Business records
Lancaster (Pa.)

Search Terms:

Buchanan Donation Fund
McEvoy Donation Fund
Buchanan-McEvoy Donation Fund
Buchanan Collections
James Buchanan
Charitable organizations
G. Sener and Sons
H. G. Smith and Co.
Buchanan-McEvoy-Reynolds Donation Fund
Invoices
Receipts
Lancaster
Finding aids
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Processing History: Organized and preserved by KH, January 2012. This collection has been documented, preserved and managed according to professional museum and archives standards. The finding aid was created using DACS conventions.

Folder 1 Invoice. Buchanan Relief Fund purchased coal from G. Sener and Sons. Marked as "paid" on reverse. 30 November 1858.

Invoice. Buchanan Relief Fund paid for advertizing in the *Daily Examiner* for advance notice to applicants and proposals for coal. 21 November 1872. Marked as "approved" on reverse. 20 May 1873.

Receipt. Lancaster City to advertize the Buchanan Relief Fund in the *Examiner and Express*. Marked as "approved" on reverse. 6 December 1879.

Receipt. Buchanan Relief Fund to advertize for coal in *The New Era* on a daily basis. Marked as "approved" on reverse. 25 February 1879.

Folder 2 Invoice. McEvoy Relief Fund paid H. G. Smith and Co. to advertize notice for those who wish to receive fuel and for the printing of tickets for McEvoy Relief Fund. Marked as "approved" on reverse. 9 December 1872.

Invoice. McEvoy Relief Fund paid for advertizing in the *Daily Examiner* for advance notice to applicants and proposals for coal. 21 November 1872. Marked as "approved" on reverse. 20 May 1873.

Folder 3 Invoice. Mayor John T. McGonigle, Chairman of Buchanan and McEvoy Relief Fund, paid J. A. E. Carpenter for Buchanan and McEvoy Relief tickets. Marked as "approved" on reverse. 28 October 1881.

Folder 4 Invoice. Buchanan, McEvoy and Reynolds Relief Fund purchased coal from George Shulmyer, wholesale and retail dealer in coal. Marked as "approved" on reverse. 7 February 1888.