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D. S. Geist Mercantile Directory, 1856

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1 folder

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Scope and Content Note: This collection contains one handwritten mercantile directory as recorded by Daniel S. Geist of Blue Ball when he was mercantile appraiser in 1856.

Creator: Daniel S. Geist (1813-1901)

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Biographical and Historical Note: Daniel S. Geist was born June 27, 1813 and lived in Blue Ball, East Earl Township. He served as a Justice of the Peace for 15 years and as Mercantile Appraiser for the year 1856. He married Sarah Oberline and had three children. He died 9 March 1901 and is buried in New Holland, Lancaster County.

Source of Acquisition: Gift of Kinsey Baker/Book Haven, 4 September 1997.

Custodial History (Provenance): Transferred from Document Collection, Box 26, Folder 8, 16 September 2022.

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People:

Geist, Daniel S.

Subject Headings:

Directories

Search Terms:

Billiards

Brewers

Directories

Distillers

Finding aids

Licenses

Manuscript groups

Millers

Patent medicines

Tanners

Related Materials:

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Folder 1 Handwritten manuscript mercantile directory for Lancaster County kept by D. S. Geist of Blue Ball when he was mercantile appraiser in 1856. Categories include:

Vendors of Merchandise, pp. 2-80
Millers and Tanners, pp. 81-111
Distillers and Brewers, pp. 112-117
Beer and Oysters, pp. 118-129
Patent Medicines, pp. 13-133
Brokers, p. 134
Billiards and Bowling, p. 135

Each category is broken down by township or borough and records the class of licenses paid by the various vendors. The verso of page 1 reads: "To vendors of Merchandize in Lancaster County with the classification of the same, agreeably to the provisions of the several acts of Assembly. The amount of license required to be paid by each class is as follows..." and records each class of license and its fee. Additional information about Daniel S. Geist is also included.