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Unit Date

1913-1916

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English

Abstract

The collection consists of one 10 3/4" x 16" x 2 1/4" account ledger for Snell Grocery and Hardware Company in Harrisonburg, Virginia, 1913-1916.

Creator

Snell Grocery and Hardware Company (Harrisonburg, Va.)

source

Suter, Scott Hamilton

Extent

0.3 cubic feet 1 ledger

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Acquisition Information

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Bio/Historical Note

Using the Sanborn Fire Insurance maps for Harrisonburg, Virginia, from 1891 to 1930, it was determined that this ledger belonged to the Snell Grocery and Hardware Company. The 1891 Sanborn map shows Yancey, Snell & Company, Wholesale Grocer's plaster mill and warehouse at 541 North Main Street. By 1907, the company was known as Snell & Berry Grocery Company. By 1918, the company was renamed J.M. Snell Grocery. The company is known to have operated from at least 1891 to 1924. Sometime between 1919 and 1924, J.M. Snell Grocery was acquired by Merchants Grocery and Hardware. An additional warehouse was located at 135 West Market Street, but was acquired by Merchants Grocery and Hardware Company between 1919 and 1924, the structure of which still stands. The main warehouse on North Main Street near Kratzer Road has since been demolished.

Scope and Content

The Snell Grocery and Hardware Company ledger consists of one book, 1913-1916. The ledger contains a list of all customers during that period, detailed lists of their purchases, whether their purchases were by cash, credit or check, as well as expenses of the company per month. The company sold grocery items such as: dairy products, meats, grains, fruits and vegetables, as well as fertilizer, cement, coal and livestock feed. The Long's Store Records (SC 0218) includes bills and receipts for items purchased from Snell Grocery Company in 1908.

Keywords

General stores -- Virginia -- Harrisonburg

Merchants -- Virginia -- Harrisonburg -- Records and correspondence

Account books -- Sources

Business records -- Sources

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Ledgers (account books)
Business records
Snell Grocery and Hardware Company (Harrisonburg, Va.)
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Provenance

The ledger was sold at Green Valley Auctions, Inc. on June 26, 2004.

Description of Subordinate Components

Snell Grocery and Hardware Company Ledger

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