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Guide to the

**James Rivington papers**

1770-1797

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## Summary

**Creator:** Rivington, James, 1724-1802

**Title:** James Rivington papers

**Date:** 1770-1797

**Size:** .1 linear feet (1 folder)

**Source:** Gift of John S. Kennedy, 1896, and John Pierpont Morgan, 1899, with additional gifts and purchases.

**Abstract:** Correspondence, bills, receipts, and legal papers of New York City bookseller and publisher James Rivington pertaining to his bookselling business. A few items represent his work on the New-York Gazetteer.

**Access:** Advance notice required.

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## Custodial History

Some material was originally received as part of the Thomas Addis Emmet and Ford collections.

## Scope and Content Note

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## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Bills of sale

Legal documents

Receipts (financial records)

### **Occupations**

Booksellers -- New York (State) -- 18th century

### **Subjects**

Booksellers and bookselling -- New York (State) -- New York