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Isaac and Joshua Child papers

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Summary

Creator: Child, Isaac, 1734-1769

Title: Isaac and Joshua Child papers

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Abstract: Isaac Child and his brother Joshua were merchants active in Boston, Mass., during the early 19th century. They dealt in dry goods, groceries, and farm and household implements. Collection consists of correspondence, financial documents, and report by Isaac Child. Correspondence, 1816-1819, is between the Child brothers and merchants, manufacturers and shipping firms in the U.S. and elsewhere. Letters contain orders, discussions of business and economic conditions, and mention of items purchased specifically for sale to "negroes". Also, financial documents, 1822-1834, and a report concerning the effect on trade of a canal through Cape Cod in Massachusetts.

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Key Terms

Subjects

African American consumers
Agricultural implement industry
Canals -- Massachusetts
Dry-goods
Grocery trade
Household appliances

Geographic Names

Boston (Mass.) -- Commerce
Cape Cod Canal (Mass.)
United States -- Commerce

Occupations

Merchants

Names

Child, Isaac, 1734-1769
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