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Guide to the

Thomas Pratt account books

1754-1765

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Summary

Creator: Pratt, Thomas

Title: Thomas Pratt account books

Date: 1754-1765

Size: .1 linear feet (1 folder)

Source: Purchase, Oppenheim, 1925.

Abstract: Thomas Pratt was a prosperous Philadelphia merchant; his sometime partner Enoch Hobart (1712-1776) was a Philadelphia merchant and ship owner. The collection comprises three account books: Thomas Pratt's ledger with index for the year 1754, its cover dated March the 22nd 1758; his waste book with detailed entries, 1758 January 1-December 30; and an invoice book for the partnership of Hobart & Pratt, 1764 November 7-1765 December 24. The ledger identifies accounts for persons and firms, and for certain goods, voyages and other mercantile ventures. Items in the volumes refer to transactions for cloth, coffee, rum and wine, sugar, flour, molasses, spices, iron bar, wood, and other commodities. Trade locations are chiefly in the West Indies and Europe, with some coastwise shipping by Hobart & Pratt.

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Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Account books

Subjects

Account books -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia

Coastwise shipping
Merchants -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia

Geographic Names

Europe -- Commerce -- United States
Philadelphia (Pa.) -- Commerce
United States -- Commerce -- Europe
United States -- Commerce -- West Indies
West Indies -- Commerce -- United States

Occupations

Merchants.

Names

Hobart, Enoch
Pratt, Thomas
Hobart & Pratt