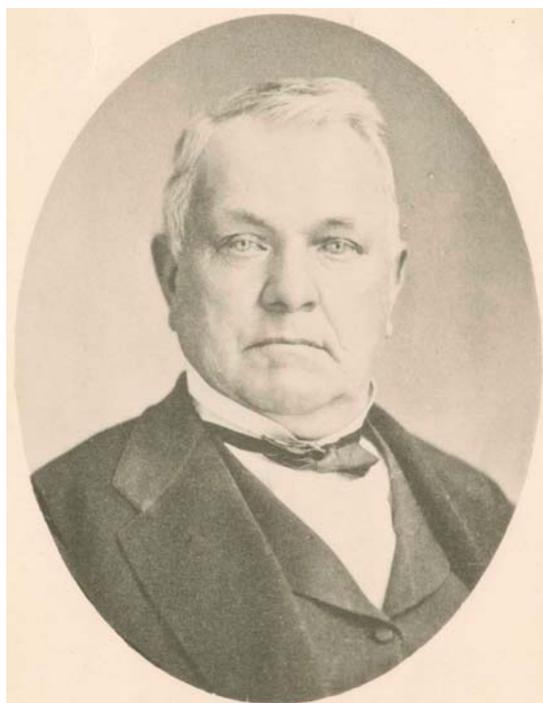


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Descriptive Summary

Creator Information	Purdue, John, 1802-1876
Title	The John Purdue Papers
Collection Identifier	MSP 00003
Date Span	1814-1897, predominant 1830s-1890s
Abstract	Correspondence, invoices, receipts and other documents chronicling the life and business career of John Purdue, and the business careers of his associates.
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Administrative Information

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Subjects and Genres

Persons

Purdue, John, 1802-1876
Brown, Lazarus Maxwell
Fowler, Moses
Fowler, James
Stacy, William
Curtis, Samuel C.
Ward, John
Howe, Ira G.

Organizations

Purdue University
Purdue & Fowler Company
Purdue, Fowler & Company
Purdue, Brown & Company
Purdue, Stacy & Company
Purdue, Ward & Company

Topics

Dry goods
General Stores--Indiana
Farms
Real property
Real estate management
Retail trade—United States

Form and Genre Types

Correspondence
Business records

Occupations

Merchants—United States
Farmers

Biography of John Purdue

John Purdue was born in a log cabin in Germany Valley (near Shirleysburg), Pennsylvania on October 31, 1802, although the exact date of his birth has been questioned. He was the only son of Charles and Mary Short Purdue and had four older sisters—Catherine (McCammon), Nancy, Susan (Thompson), Sarah (Prosser), and five younger sisters—Eliza, an unnamed sister who died as an infant, Margaret (Haymaker), Mary (Miller) and Hannah (Clark). The Purdues may have been descended from French Huguenots, although they lived in a German-speaking region of Pennsylvania and may have attended a Dunkard church (John Purdue was still noted to speak with a German accent years later). Charles Purdue worked at a nearby iron foundry, and the family endured extreme poverty. John began attending a local school at age eight, but had to drop out at age twelve to help support his family as a hired worker. He may have also taught school in Pennsylvania when he was a little older.

In the early 1820s, the Purdue family moved to Adelphi, Ohio (60 miles south of Columbus, Ohio). Charles Purdue died either right before or during the move, as did one of the Purdue daughters, Nancy. John Purdue took a job teaching in a one-room school house in Pickaway County, and may have also apprenticed with a local merchant during this time. After brief stints teaching in Michigan and purchasing and running a farm in Ohio, Purdue was persuaded by his neighbors to take their hogs to eastern markets and sell them, which he did, making a tidy profit of his own and broadening his experience in the business world. Purdue continued to sell crops and livestock for his neighbors on commission, and he began to save as much money as he could while still providing for his mother and sisters.

In 1833, Purdue opened a general merchandise store in Adelphi, with James Fowler. Fowler's brother, Moses, had been one of Purdue's students and began to work in the store, which prospered and did business with suppliers as far away as New York. Purdue was doing well enough to buy a farm for his mothers and sisters in Ohio, as well as land in Warren County, Illinois, and 240 acres in Tippecanoe County, Indiana (at the present-day intersection of McCarty and Creasy Lanes in Lafayette). During his travels in the 1830s, he bought and kept newspapers about politics, business, education, national affairs, philanthropy, and the abolishment of slavery.

Sometime around 1834, for reasons unknown, Purdue left his Adelphi store and moved to Lafayette, Indiana. The community welcomed him, and Purdue quickly became involved in several civic activities: he served on the first board of directors for the Lafayette branch of the State Bank of Indiana, and became a member of the Northwestern Freedmen's Aid Commission. Throughout his long stay in Lafayette, Purdue would donate generously to churches, libraries, schools, and other local organizations.

In 1839, Purdue convinced his old apprentice, Moses Fowler, to join him in Lafayette and start another Purdue & Fowler general merchandise store, which moved from its original location to Third and Main Streets in 1840. In addition to merchandise, Purdue also continued to sell items on commission, traveling extensively to various cities to buy and sell a variety of items. Business was good, but even more so when the Wabash & Erie Canal

opened north of Lafayette in 1843. Purdue purchased Lot 1 (the first lot in the first plat of Lafayette) from Eliza and James McCormick, original settlers of the area. Joining this lot to other surrounding lots as he bought them, Purdue established the “Purdue Block,” an area that would eventually become known as the largest business district outside of New York City’s Wall Street.

In 1844, Purdue and Fowler parted ways. It is unknown if the two friends had an argument, but relations between John Purdue and Moses Fowler would remain strained for the rest of their lives. However, they would occasionally collaborate on business dealings, although for the most part they would remain major business rivals. After Fowler’s death many years later, his wife Eliza donated \$70,000 to Purdue University, the largest single donation since John Purdue’s initial donation of \$100,000. Because of her gift, Eliza Fowler Hall was named after her, and the Fowler Courts complex, Duhme Residence Hall, Fowler House, and the Knoy Hall of Technology are all named for Fowler descendants.

In 1846, Indiana Governor James Whitcomb appointed Purdue to a panel of commissioners to sell stock for Lafayette’s first railroad, the Lafayette & Indianapolis. Purdue was elected to serve on the board of directors, and he also contributed toward a second railroad, the New Albany & Salem. By this time, Purdue had appointed another young business associate, William Stacy, to partner with him in his general merchandise business. Purdue helped contribute funds for the building of a bridge over the Wabash River, which was completed in 1847. In 1851, he established a second “Purdue Block” in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He also opened a commission house for the sale of “western” products in New York (Purdue, Ward & Company), and had another office in Chicago.

In 1852, Purdue was appointed as a trustee to Lafayette’s first public school, and helped select sites for three new schools. While the Indiana Supreme Court debated for a year over the legality of taxation and local schools went without funding, Purdue donated his own money to keep the schools running. Purdue also contributed to the Tippecanoe Battle Ground, Stockwell, and Purdue Institutes, and to the Waveland and Alamo Academies. In Ohio he donated to Otterbein and Oberlin Colleges, the University of Akron, and possibly others.

In the 1850s, Purdue bought Walnut Grove Farm in Warren County, Indiana, and employed several family members to help run it, including William and Lucinda Clark, John and Eunice Prosser and their three children, and John McCammon. Besides owning extensive property in Indiana, Purdue also owned real estate in Iowa, Illinois, Ohio, Wisconsin, Colorado, Minnesota, and California, and possibly Texas. Despite his massive land holdings, Purdue himself lived simply, spending roughly half of his time living in a hotel in New York and the other half living in the Lahr House in Lafayette.

Mary Short Purdue died in 1860 at the age of ninety. When the Civil War broke out, Purdue donated money to the Union cause and became the main pork supplier for the Union Army. When Confederate sympathizers in Lafayette started vandalizing local businesses, Purdue financed and armed a volunteer militia, the Purdue Rifles (possibly named after the Enfield rifles Purdue bought for the men). Besides guarding the home front, the Purdue Rifles also served as a state militia called the Indiana Legion. They guarded Confederate prisoners,

located deserters, saw action at Twelve Mile Island on the Ohio River, near Louisville, Kentucky, and guarded railroads in Tennessee and Alabama, freeing combat troops for General Sherman's march through Atlanta. Purdue donated ten percent of a "citizen bounty" to be paid to men who volunteered for the Union Army, funded war monuments, and lent Tippecanoe County \$10,000 to cover its war debts.

When William Stacy left, Samuel Curtis became partner in the Purdue merchandise business in Lafayette. In 1863, Curtis left, and Lazarus Brown became a full partner. The following year, Purdue ran for Congress as a Republican against incumbent Godlove Orth. Orth was a good speaker; Purdue was not. Purdue narrowly lost the election, but the bitter banter both campaigns had generated chipped some of the polish away from his pristine reputation. In 1866, Purdue ran once more against Orth, this time as an Independent. Orth favored strong disciplinary measures against the former Confederate States as they rejoined the Union, whereas Purdue espoused a more forgiving approach. William Lingle, owner of the Lafayette newspaper the *Courier*, was particularly harsh in his criticism of Purdue, so Purdue purchased the rival paper, the *Journal*, to meet Lingle's onslaught. Purdue again narrowly lost the election, as well as a bit more of his reputation.

Around this time, Purdue began to show signs of the physical and mental degeneration that would plague him later in life. When asked to provide funding for a lecture hall, reading room and library for the young people of Lafayette, Purdue agreed, but only if the proposed building would be named the Purdue Institute. The idea was rejected, and Purdue himself began to be perceived as egotistical and stubborn.

Despite his recent disappointments, Purdue's other ventures were as varied and prosperous as ever. In 1867, Purdue and a group of other men salvaged a factory that made mechanical reapers and other farm machinery, renaming it the Lafayette Agricultural Works. When another group of businessmen started Lafayette Savings Bank, Purdue served as the bank's first president. In 1869, he helped form the Lafayette, Muncie & Bloomington (LM&B) Railroad. Disputes over the use of the tracks by other railroads began almost immediately. Because the LM&B ran too far south of his Benton County land holdings to profit him, Purdue's old partner Moses Fowler helped found a rival railroad, the Cincinnati, Lafayette & Chicago. Although it eventually branched north, the CL&C had to share some track with the LM&B. A long and bitter court battle ensued over track ownership, upkeep and usage. When the LM&B finally opened in 1874, Purdue had actually paid for a portion of the track to be built himself, and had secured over \$600,000 in personal bank loans to keep the LM&B afloat.

The LM&B was not Purdue's only legal and financial worry during this time—in 1870 he invested money in a silver mine near Georgetown, Colorado and established the Purdue Gold and Silver Mining and Ore Reduction Company. Laborers from a nearby mine had been smuggling the silver out on Sundays to avoid detection, and by the time they were discovered and legal proceedings had run their course, much of the mine's profits were lost, or had gone to pay lawyers.

By 1869, Indiana had received funding through the Morrill Act to establish a land-grant college providing instruction in agriculture, mechanical arts, and military science. Although several cities had expressed interest in hosting the school, the process was still stalled, and no college had materialized. Purdue first offered \$100,000, then \$150,000, to the state, as well as one hundred acres of land that he had purchased on the west bank of the Wabash River for the establishment of the college. His only stipulations were that the college bear his name and that he be awarded a lifelong seat on the board of directors. With the help of Senator John Stein, the Indiana Legislature approved the establishment of Purdue University.

Purdue and the new university trustees clashed immediately. Purdue had been appointed as a one-man committee to oversee the building program, which he did with his usual take-charge attitude, serving as his own contractor and, sometimes, architect. Purdue was raring to go, but the trustees advised caution—so much so that they held twenty-three meetings before they could decide on the location of the first building. Purdue was frustrated by what he perceived as unnecessary delay, and skipped the 1871 groundbreaking ceremony in protest.

The next few years brought a constant power struggle between Purdue and the trustees as Purdue University staggered into fruition. Purdue stumped around the nearly-empty campus and used his walking stick to measure building foundations, saying “myself and my cane are all the architect I need.” In 1873, the trustees appointed Richard Owen as the first university President, a man with little appropriate experience for the job. President Owen and the trustees tried to begin classes on October 1st, but had to stop as most of the buildings on campus were unfinished, with no heating or lighting. Despite these setbacks, the trustees continued to hire more faculty and conducted a set of free, fifteen-week courses as a trial run for the real experience.

In March of 1874, Richard Owen resigned his post, and Abraham Shortridge became the next President. Shortridge was more qualified than Owen; he had been Superintendent of the Indianapolis public schools, and had made advances in procuring education for black children. Although he suffered from very poor eyesight, he was competent, worked well with the trustees, and quickly spoke out against John Purdue. Purdue, perhaps seeing him as a threat to his power, immediately bent his will on wearing Shortridge down, and then out.

Under Shortridge, the Schools of Engineering, Natural Sciences, Agriculture, and Military Science were created. Classes officially opened in September of 1874. Although 200 students were anticipated, only 39 showed up to enroll. Of those 39, only 13 could pass their entrance exams. The others were put into the hastily-created Preparatory Academy to gain some extra instruction.

Eventually, John Purdue’s constant antagonism drove Shortridge out, just as he’d hoped. Shortridge resigned, physically and emotionally ill, and bankrupt. Ironically, John Purdue himself gave Shortridge a small loan for his immediate expenses, and helped arrange short-term housing for him on campus.

The first Commencement took place on June 16, 1875, with one graduate, John Bradford Harper. Purdue gave an address, alluding to his struggles with the trustees by saying “we

don't get on very nicely." The dislike was reciprocal. The trustees chose not to appoint Purdue as board president that August, and worked steadily against him at every turn thereafter. Emerson White became the next University President in December.

The next year was filled with trouble for John Purdue. In addition to his ongoing clashes with the trustees, his other business ventures were rapidly depleting his fortune, especially the ongoing legal headaches connected with the LM&B railroad and the Colorado mine. Purdue was declining mentally and physically, prone to confusion and paranoia. His finances became so drained that he had to mortgage most of his beloved Walnut Grove Farm to ensure the final payment of the pledge that gave birth to Purdue University in the first place. That was in August of 1876. On September 12th, Purdue's nephew drove him to campus to take a walking tour of the grounds, then returned him to his room at the Hygienic Institute, a hospital-like facility he had been staying at off and on for a few months. A few hours later, staff members found Purdue face down on the floor, dead.

After Purdue's funeral, a local dentist and former mining associate, Anderson M. Moore, created a plaster death mask of Purdue's face, which is currently part of the John Purdue Artifact Collection in Archives and Special Collections. Purdue was interred on campus, and the following year a subdued headstone was placed at his grave. But the real monument to Purdue was the University that surrounded him, a living, breathing memorial that continues to grow and evolve to this day. Of the many legacies that John Purdue left behind for the city of Lafayette, the state of Indiana, and the world at large, Purdue University was his greatest.

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Collection Description

Scope

The John Purdue Papers [1814-1897; two cubic feet plus one oversized box] document the life and business career of John Purdue, as well as the business activities of his associates. There are very few items of a personal nature in the Papers; mainly, they document the day-to-day business affairs of John Purdue, as well as several other men who were his business partners and who carried on the Purdue-related firms after Purdue's death in 1876. Types of materials include: correspondence, printed material, account books, and ephemera. The Papers are organized into three series:

Arrangement

1. Correspondence, 1834-1894 [.4 cubic feet]. The series includes correspondence not only to and from John Purdue, but also to and from partners working and writing on his behalf, continuing Purdue-related enterprises well after his death in 1876. The vast majority of correspondents are business associates, but there are a few of Purdue's relatives included such as his sisters Eliza Purdue and Sarah Prosser Roff, nephew John Prosser, and grandnephews Frank Prosser and Tom Parks [many of Purdue's relatives also worked for him in some capacity]. There is one letter to a possible sweetheart, Ann Knauere, warning against the dangers of young ladies sitting alone with men after dark. Materials in the series are arranged alphabetically by last name of the correspondent.

2. Business Documents, 1814-1897 [1.6 cubic feet]. The series includes invoices, promissory notes, receipts, legal documents and other ephemera relating to the business pursuits of John Purdue and his associates. Of special note is a written agreement between Purdue and possibly James Fowler, and a Haningez & Creal, arranging for Purdue and Fowler to purchase their store in Adelphi, Ohio, the precursor to the Purdue, Fowler & Company [this time the Fowler is James' brother, Moses] soon to be located in Lafayette, Indiana. Materials in the series are arranged chronologically, with undated items grouped together. Also included at the end of the series are account books of Purdue and his associates, documents regarding a property dispute between Purdue and Charles and Elizabeth High over Walnut Grove Farm, and a few scant items left from Purdue's brief, early teaching career. Items from the 1840s are not included in the collection, either because they were not retained or because Purdue was in transition between Indiana and Ohio and had not yet established himself as a Lafayette businessman.

3. Oversized, 1828-1835 [1 oversized box]. The series consists of oversized items removed from the main collection because of their awkward size.

Descriptive Rules

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Processing Information

All materials have been housed in polyester sleeves, acid-free folders, and acid-free boxes.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Correspondence, 1834-1894

[.4 cubic feet]

Box 1, Correspondence, 1834-1894

1. A

1. Aldrich, J.B., 1863
2. Aylsworth, G.H., 1864

2. B

1. Scott Baker & Co., 1857
2. Beattie, John [to Lafayette Journal], 1868
3. Besore, G.M. and Mrs. A., 1862-1865?
4. Bower, McNamus & Co., 1857
5. Boyd, G.M., 1887
6. Bronse, Henry A., 1856; 1863

3. Brown, L.M. [from John Purdue], 1847-1864

4. C

1. Callender, Flint & Co., 1857
2. Clay, H., 1866
3. Coddridge, J.G.S., 1835
4. Colton, C.W., 1863
5. Curtis, S.C., 1862

5. D

1. Dix, Horatio, 1837
Brewer, Henry
2. Dwiggin, R.S., 1864-1866
A. Thompson & Bro.

6. E

1. Elston & Jon, 1863
2. Eno, Roberts & Co., 1857-1858
3. Ewing, W.J., 1862

7. F

1. Fox, Charles, 1862
2. Fredick, Stokes & Co., 1863

8. G

1. Joel Goldthwait & Co., 1883

9. H

1. Hales, Lotting [?] & Co, 1862
2. Henkle, C.W., 1864
3. Henkle, L.W. [Jasper County Treasurer's Office], 1871
4. Hicks, Frank W. [Fountain County Clerk's Office], 1867
5. Howard, Sanger & Co., 1867
6. Howe, Frank, 1864
7. Hull, J.L., 1866

10. Howe, Ira G. [A-E]

1. A, 1894
 - American Cereal Company
 - American Eagle Tobacco Company
 - American Sugar Refining Company
 - Arbuckle Brothers
 - J.K. Armsby Co.
2. B, 1894
 - R.W. Bell Mfg. Co.
 - Bradshaw & Wait
 - A.R. Bremer & Co.
3. C, 1894
 - Carter, Macy & Co.
 - Central City Soap Co.
 - Chase-Isherwood Company
 - City National Bank
4. D, 1894
 - E.G. Dailey Co.
 - J.P. Dieter Company
 - T.E. Dougherty
 - E.R. Durkee & Co.
 - John Dwight & Co.
5. E, 1894
 - W.H. Edgar & Son

11. Howe, Ira G. [G-M]

1. G, 1894
 - Wm. A. Gill & Co.
 - W.K. Gresh & Sons
2. H, 1894
 - Heinz Company
 - Heyman Bros. & Lowenstein
 - Hoopeston Canning Co.
 - E.D. Howard Company
 - Frank Hurd
3. I, 1894
 - Illinois Canning Co.
4. L, 1894
 - John H. Leslie & Co.
 - Lichten Brothers
 - Liggett & Myers Co.
 - P. Lorillard Company
5. M, 1894
 - McLaughlin & Co.
 - Muscatine Oat Meal Co.

12. Howe, Ira G. [N-S]

1. N, 1894

- National Starch Mfg. Co.
 John C. Neemes & Co.
 Henry Nordlinger & Co.
 Northwestern Yeast Company
2. P, 1894
 Peoria Grape Sugar Co.
 Pinkerton Tobacco Co.
 Pottlitzer Bros. Fruit Co.
 Procter and Gamble Co.
3. R, 1894
 Richardson Lubricating Co.
 Royal Remedy & Extract Co.
4. S, 1894
 Schultz & Co.
 Daniel Scotten & Co. [Hiawatha Tobacco Works]
 Shinkle, Wilson & Kreis Co.
 John Smith & Co.
 P.J. Sorg and Company
 Spaulding & Merrick
 Standard Oil Company
 Stuart Brothers & Hammond
13. Howe, Ira G. [T-Draft]
 1. T, 1894
 Dan Talmage's Sons
 Jas. G. Tarr & Bro.
 Thacker Bros.
 Thomson Bros.
2. W, 1894
 Wellman & Dwire Tobacco Co.
 Harry Weissinger Tobacco Company
 Wilson & McCallay Tobacco Company
3. Drafts, undated
 Drafts of letters sent to creditors of L.M. Brown
14. J
 1. H.L. Judd & Co., 1883
 2. Judson, W.D. [Cincinnati and Chicago Air Line Rail-Road Co.], 1864
15. K
 1. Kent & Hitcherry [?], undated [1865 or later]
 2. Kents, Lowber & Smyth, 1857
 3. King, David, 1834
 4. Knauere, Ann, 1836 [typed copies only]
 5. Geo. G. Kyle & Son, 1863
16. L
 1. Lurrances [?], Isaac, 1863
17. M

1. McCoy, A., 1864
 2. Milroy & Fatman, 1864
18. Q
1. Orr & Atwood, undated; 1834
 2. Orton, A.R. [White County Surveyor's Office], 1882
19. P
1. Page, Booth & Co., 1883
 2. Parks, Tom M. [Lafayette Agricultural Works], 1876
 3. Perry, Marcus & Co. [Youth's Companion Office], 1876
 4. Pratt & Baldwin, 1862
 5. Priloway [?], V., 1836
 6. Purdue, Eliza, 1863-1877 [photocopies only]
 7. Purdue & Ward [to Purdue & Brown], 1863-1864; 1876
20. Prosser
1. Frank [Lafayette Agricultural Works], 1868-1875
 2. John W., undated; 1857-1860 [includes 3 empty envelopes]
 3. Sarah [Roff], 1874
21. R
1. Rice, J., 1865
Concerning Purdue Institute
 2. Richmond, David, 1837
 3. Root, Sylvester [Newton County Clerk's Office], 1863-1864
22. S
1. Sampson & Fairchild, 1865
 2. Saroni & Goodheim, 1857
 3. Shriver, Elijah J. [Newton County Sheriff's Office], 1863
 4. Sims, Lewis B., 1874
 5. Sparhawk, John, 1883
 6. Spencer, Jesse, 1835
 7. Stedmann, D.R., 1857
 8. Stewart, William R., 1877
23. T
1. Terrell, W.H.H. [?] [Executive Department of Indiana], 1864
 2. A. Thomspson & Bro., 1865
 3. Tincher & English, 1863
24. W
1. Wakefield Rattan Co., 1883
 2. Weaver, George H., undated; 1857; 1866
 3. Whitehead, Ezekiel, 1834-1836
 4. William & McDonald, 1856-1858
 5. Wilstach, J.A. & J.W., 1883
25. Unidentified
1. To "Brother & Sister" from "Your Sister", undated
 2. Partial draft of letter to Commissioners of Delaware County, undated [writing exercise by John Purdue Horn on back]

Business Documents, 1814-1897

[1.6 cubic feet, one oversized box]

Box 2, 1810s-1860s [1814-1869]

1810s

1. 1814

1. October

Promissory note from Bank of Cincinnati to L. Pugh, 11

1820s

2. 1826

1. February

Receipt from James McDonald, 24

3. 1828

1. March

Indenture of Aaron and Sarah Huff to Joseph Adams, 20
[located in Oversized Box 1]

1830s

4. 1832

1. October

Promissory note to W.W. Scott, 29

5. 1833

1. Year

Partial Purdue & Fowler account book, 1833-1835 [2]
Statement of account for Samuel Lay, 1833-1834
Statement of account for Jacob Smith, 1833-1835

2. May

Promissory note to Haningez & Creal, 25
Receipt from Otis Reeves, 29

3. June

Receipt from J.R. Coram, 11
Receipt from Gambil & White [?], 12
Receipt from Goodmans and Emerson, 12
Bill from Hartzell & Sinks, 12
Receipt from John D.H. Jones, 12
Receipt from C. & J. Bates, 13
Bill from Neff & Brothers, 13
Promissory note to Neff & Brothers, 13
Receipt from Spencer, Strong & Blackly, 14
Receipt from Goodmans & Emerson, 17
Shipping order from Neff & Brothers, 17

4. July

Receipt from Hartzell & Sinks, 1
Receipt from Barr & Campbell, 16

5. August

Receipt from Thomas Orr & Co., 9

- Receipt from Crook & Doddridge, 12
- 6. September
 - Receipt from W. Wood, 21
 - Receipt from C. & J. Bates, 24
 - Receipt from J.R. Coram, 25
 - Receipt from J.R. Coram, 27
 - Receipt from Corey & Fairbank, 27
 - Receipt from Hartzell & Sinks, 27
 - Receipt from Neff & Brothers, 27
 - Receipt from H. Norris & Gist, 27
 - Receipt from Place & Thorpe, 27
 - Receipt from Bakewells [?] & Anderson, 28
 - Receipt from Goodmans & Emerson, 28
 - Bill from Spencer, Strong & Blackly, 28
 - Promissory note from Spencer, Strong & Blackly, 28
 - Receipt from James B. Alcoke, 30
- 7. November
 - Receipt from M. Millhouse, 4
- 8. December
 - Receipt from Thomas Orr & Co., 6
- 6. 1834
 - 1. Year
 - Ad for Bailey, Keeler & Remsen, [no month/day]
 - Statement of account from Orr & Atwood, January-August
 - Statement of account from Jeb Vangundy, January-March
 - 2. January
 - Receipt from White Renicks Co. [?], 7
 - Receipt from Ramsay & Vattier, 17
 - Receipt from Bakewells & Anderson, 18
 - Receipt from S. Borden, 18
 - Receipt from J.R. Coram, 18
 - Receipt from Goodmans & Emerson, 18
 - Receipt from Hartzell & Sinks, 18
 - Bill from Neff & Brothers, 18
 - Promissory note to Neff & Brothers, 18
 - Receipt from Place & Thorp, 18
 - Receipt from Wm. P. Richards, 18
 - Bill from Spencer, Strong & Blackly, 18
 - Promissory note to Spencer Strong & Blackly, 18
 - 3. February
 - Receipt/letter from Orr & Atwood, 5
 - Receipt from Peter Roos, 17
 - Receipt for Ruth Corrick, 27
 - 4. March
 - Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 3
 - Receipt from Bullitt & Morton, 31

5. April

Receipt from W.W. Levitt, 15
Promissory note to John Reed, 18

6. May

Receipt from Bakewells & Anderson, 2
Receipt from J.R. Coram, 2
Receipt from Goodmans & Emerson [2], 2
Promissory note to Goodmans & Emerson [2], 2
Receipt from Nathan Hastings, 2
Bill from Neff & Brothers, 2
Promissory note for Neff & Brothers, 2
Promissory note for Spencer, Strong & Blackly, 2
Receipt from S. Whiting [?], 2
Receipt from Allen & Co., 3
Bill from Ewing & Brothers, 3
Promissory note to Ewing & Brothers, 3
Promissory note to Hartzell & Sinks, 3
Receipt from John D.H. Jones [2], 3
Receipt from Spencer, Strong & Blackly, 3
Receipt from John Westcott, 3
Receipt from Hartzell & Sinks, 5
Receipt from Spencer, Strong & Blackly, 5
Receipt from Barr & Campbell, 7
Receipt from Bullitt & Morton, 7
Receipt from M. Millhouse, 7
Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 7
Receipt from S.W. Thatcher, 7
Receipt from Joseph Richardson, 9
Promissory note from John Purdue to Purdue & Fowler, 10
Receipt from H.W. Drakely, 17
Promissory note to H.W. Drakely, 17
Receipt for Henry Vungesser [?], 24
Order from Christian Eby, 26
Receipt from C.A. Rice, 26
Receipt from Barr & Campbell, 30
Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 30
Receipt from A.D. Sproat, 30
Receipt from S.W. Thatcher, 30

7. June

Promissory note to Jacob Kershner, 9
Receipt from Neri [?] Wetter, 18
Order from William Roberts Jr., 27
Promissory note to Joseph Richardson, 28
Receipt from Z. Wolfe, 30

8. July

Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 2

9. August

Promissory note to Baxter [?] Culp, 1
Receipt from Hartzell & Sinks, 16
Receipt from Barr & Campbell, 22
Promissory note to Valentine Huber, 22

10. September

Promissory note from A.V. Hero, 15
Partial receipt from Frost, Dickerson & Co., 18
Promissory note to B.D. Havens [2], 23
Receipt from Bullitt & Morton, 26
Receipt from James P. Campbell, 26
Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 26
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11. October

Indenture of Joseph Adams to John Purdue, 1
Promissory note to Joseph Adams, 2
Order from Wm. T. Morton, 4
Order for military pay from Wm. Biddell, 8
Promissory note to Allen Rhoads, 10
Receipt from Bullitt & Morton [2], 17
Receipt for Orr & Atwood, 22
Promissory note to George Vunnuger [?], 23
Promissory note to Isaac R. Rauche, 24

12. November

Promissory note Joseph Richardson, 4
Receipt for Joseph Starling, 22
Bill from William M. Ledwith, 22
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Receipt for Joseph Shoemaker, 25
Receipt from Hugh Willkons [for Jn. Bentley], 26
Receipt from James P. Campbell, 26
Receipt for John Lockhart from Ross County Treasurer, 26
Receipt for John Purdue from Ross County Treasurer, 26
Receipt for Purdue & Fowler from Ross County Treasurer, 26
Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 27
Promissory note to Orr & Atwood, 27
Receipt from James P. Campbell, 31

13. December

Promissory note to Valentine Huber, 1
Receipt for Washington Roby, 3
Order from Jesse Spencer, 8
Agreement between Jesse Spencer and John Purdue, 9
Promissory note to Andrew Haynes, 10
Promissory note to Jacob H. Smith, 12
Scratch sheet of figures, 19
Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 19

Promissory note to John Brundige, 22
Receipt from James P. Campbell, 22
Receipt from James P. Campbell, 23
Order from Jesse Spencer, 25
Order from Jesse Spencer, 26
Promissory note to Henry Haynes, 30
Order from Jesse Spencer, 30

7. 1835

1. Year

Statement of account from D. Bartlets, February-September
Receipt from Joseph Stroup [no month/day]

2. January

Receipt from Spencer, Strong & Blackly, 2
Order from Jesse Spencer, 7
Receipt from W.W. Scott, 17
Receipt from James P. Campbell, 19
Promissory note to H.W. Drakely, 28

3. February

Receipt for Isaac Hosler, 9
Promissory note to W.W. Scott, 20
Order from Jesse Spencer, 21
Order from Jesse Spencer, 23
Receipt from D. Bartlett, 27

4. March

Order from Jesse Spencer, 2
Receipt for payment on judgment [Aaron Conner vs. Arthur E. Loring], 4
Order from Jesse Spencer, 9
Receipt from Thomas James & Co., 11
Order from Jesse Spencer, 23
Order from Jesse Spencer, 24
Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 30

5. April

Receipt from I. Roberts, 1
Order from Isaac Roberts, 6
Receipt from G.A. Creacraft, 14
Promissory note from William Leymour, 23
Order from Isaac Roberts, 23
Order from Jesse Spencer, 25
Order from John Anderson, 29
Agreement with I.G. Doddridge, 30

6. May

Receipt from H.E. Miller, 25
Receipt from Neff & Brothers, 28

7. June

Order from Jesse Spencer, 8
Order from Jesse Spencer, 23

- 8. July
 - Promissory note to Jesse Spencer, 1
 - Order from Jesse Spencer, 3
 - Receipt from King & Caldwell, 23
 - Order from Jesse Spencer, 25
 - Order from Jesse Spencer, 31
- 9. August
 - Order from Jesse Spencer, 5
 - Order from Jesse Spencer, 17
 - Receipt from John S. Anton [Sheriff], 26
 - Order from William Roberts, 28
- 10. September
 - Promissory note to James Fowler, 1
 - Order from Jesse Spencer, 14
 - Order from J.G. Sewell, 15
 - Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 16
 - Receipt from Frost, Dickerson & Co., 21
- 11. October
 - Order from John Anderson, 5
 - Promissory note to Henry Haller, 10
 - Receipt for John Purdue from Franklin County [Ohio] Treasurer, 30
- 12. November
 - Receipt for John Purdue from Ross County Treasurer, 15
- 8. 1836
 - 1. March
 - Receipt from Lewis Young, 25
 - 2. April
 - Receipt from John Stover, 5
 - 3. May
 - Promissory note to J.R. Will, 10
 - Receipt from Ballard & Crooks, 13
 - Receipt from David King, 13
 - Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 16
 - Receipt from A.Z. Stwidge [?], 18
 - Receipt from David King, 19
 - Receipt from W. Martin & Co., 24
 - Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 26
 - Receipt from McDowell & Davis, 28
 - Receipt from S.B. Alpha [?], 30
 - Shipping receipt from McDowell & Davis, 30
 - Receipt from James Johnston, 31
 - 4. June
 - Receipt from Wm. B. Collin, 6
 - Order for Steamer Herrin, 6
 - Order for Steamer Herrin, 10
 - 5. August

- Promissory note to George Will, 26
- 6. September
 - Receipt from Orr & Atwood, 7
- 7. October
 - Receipt for John Purdue from Franklin County Treasurer, 15
- 9. 1837
 - 1. Year
 - Statement of account from I. Lybrand & Co., May-July
 - 2. February
 - Receipt from W. Gunnigh & Hay, 22
 - 3. May
 - Promissory note to Stephen Reeves, 5
- 10. 183?
 - 1. June
 - Receipt from N.L. Hazen, 12
- 1850s**
- 11. 1850
 - 1. April
 - Lease between Fox & Davenport and S.A. Berry, 17
 - Appointment of Lazarus M. Brown as attorney for Solomon and Julia Ann Berry, 26
- 12. 1852
 - 1. Year
 - Statement of account for B. Palmer, 1852-1853
 - 2. February
 - Lawsuit between Purdue, Stacy & Co. and George W. Bell, 7
 - 3. March
 - Promissory note from Henry J. Roberts, 27
 - 4. May
 - Promissory note from Bell & Maughan, 21
 - Promissory note from David Hall [of Thomas & Jolstam?], 21
 - Indenture of George W. and Nanette G. Bell, 21
 - 5. June
 - Promissory note from Henry J. Roberts, 21
 - 6. August
 - Promissory note from William Young, 2
 - 7. October
 - Bill for S. Calvert, 18
 - 8. December
 - Promissory note to J. Burckhalter from William Hamilton, 27
- 13. 1853
 - 1. Year
 - Statement of account for Henry Bass, 1853-1856
 - Statement of account for Purcupile & Downing, 1853-1860
 - Statement of account for Wm. M. Saven, 1853-1856
 - Statement of account for S.S. White, 1853-1855

- 2. January
 - Promissory note from Benjamin Palmer, 24
- 3. May
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Richard B. Davis, 16
- 4. June
 - Promissory note from Badger & Newland, 9
 - Promissory note from C. & J. Isler, 18
- 5. September
 - Promissory note from H.N. Sutton, 28
- 6. October
 - Promissory note from William F. Horner, 13
- 7. November
 - Promissory note from Lemuel Hoover [?], 1
 - Promissory note from H.N. Sutton, 25
- 14. 1854
 - 1. Year
 - Statement of account for John W. Brigger, 1854-1855
 - Statement of account for James H. Craig, 1854-1860
 - Statement of account for Crouse & Campbell, 1854-1855
 - Statement of account for H.G. Kleiser, 1854
 - Memorandum of costs paid by Purdue, Brown & Co., 1854-1860
 - Statement of account for Daniel Rhein, 1854-1855
 - Statement of account for Thos. M. Strain, 1854-1856
 - 2. January
 - Promissory note from Edmund Bishop, 2
 - 3. March
 - Memorandum of notes received from Wm. F. Horner, 23
 - 4. April
 - Receipt for S. Calvert, 21
 - Promissory note from Bingham & Lesley, 24
 - 5. May
 - Order from Charles Felix, 11
 - 6. August
 - Promissory note from Sanford Morris, 29
 - 7. September
 - Promissory note from John W. Burk, 13
 - 8. October
 - Collection note on D.B. Crouse, 23
- 15. 1855
 - 1. Year
 - Statement of account for James B. Baird, January-December
 - Statement of account for S.S. Brown, 1855-1857
 - Statement of account for James Cox, September
 - Statement of account for Dewey & Fenton, June-August
 - Statement of account for Joyner & Co., January-February
 - Statement of account for Martin Lillis, January-December

- Statement of account for J.N. Myers, May-October
Statement of account for Nordyke & Bunnett, 1855-1858
Statement of account for J.W. Shilling & Adam Sambert, March-October
Statement of account for Geo. Smith, 1855-1856
Statement of account for S.S. White, March-November
Statement of account for Woodson H. Kelly, July-December
2. January
 - Promissory note from Dennis Noland, 17
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Chase & Wilstach, 29
 3. February
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Geo. B. Joiner, 27
 4. March
 - Promissory note to Thomas Craig & Son from Henry Lory [?], 1
 5. April
 - Promissory note from John M. Surface, 13
 - Promissory note from E.H. Halliday, 20
 - Promissory note from C.E. Craig, 28
 - Promissory note from Adler & Atshuler, 30
 6. May
 - Promissory note to Thomas Craig & Son from Enoch Fender, 16
 - Promissory note from B.B. Hagan, 24
 7. June
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Chase & Wilstach, 16
 - Promissory note from L. & A. Landis, 20
 8. September
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Chase & Wilstach, 13
 9. October
 - Promissory note from Thos. Moore & Son, 11
 - Promissory note from Adler & Atshuler, 17
 10. November
 - List of accounts sent for collection to O.T. Harmon, 20
 11. December
 - Agreement establishing Starling, McCulloh & Co., 1
 - Promissory note from Hiatt, Johnson & Co., 12
 - Promissory note from T.L. Gerber, 28
16. 1856
1. Year
 - Statement of account for M.E. Davison, 1856-1857
 - Statement of account for MacKeever, 1856-1857
 - Statement of account for Weaver, 1856-1859
 - List of accounts, 1856-1859
 2. January
 - Agreement establishing Purdue, Brown & Co., 8
 3. February
 - Promissory note from Hanon Detchon [?], 22
 - Promissory note from Erastus L. Booth, 23

- 4. April
 - Promissory note from Wm. M. Grady, 26
- 5. May
 - Promissory notes from Nicholson & Barney, 10
 - List of accounts sent for collection to T.W. Graham, 12
 - List of accounts sent for collection to D. Turpie [?], 16
- 6. June
 - Promissory note from Thompson Morrison, 7
- 7. August
 - Receipt from Peace Dale Manufacturing Co., 22
- 8. September
 - Promissory note to Spencer White & Co., 1
 - Promissory note from Berryman, Young & Justus, 4
 - Promissory note to Hayward, Burchstead & Neibush [?], 4
 - Promissory note to Callender, Flint & Co., 18
- 9. October
 - Promissory note from Adler & Atshuler, 1
 - Promissory note from Dodge & Fuller, 28
 - Promissory note from John E. Walker, 30
- 10. November
 - Promissory note to Fowler, Earl & Bruce, 13
 - Promissory note to Kents, Lowber & Smyth, 18
- 11. December
 - Promissory note from Wm. M. Grady, 10
 - Promissory note charged to Thos. Moore & Son, 15
 - Promissory note from George H. Weaver, 22
 - Promissory note to Fowler, Earl & Bruce, 22
- 17. 1857
 - 1. Year
 - Statement of account from Davis & Harmon, 1857-1858
 - Statement of account for J.P. Phillips, May-September
 - Statement of account for George H. Weaver, 1857-1859
 - 2. January
 - Promissory note from Morris Scoutin, 3
 - Receipt from G.H. Weaver, 3
 - Receipt for John W. Prosser from Alfred Wintermutter, 4
 - Fine for violating Parker's Patent Improvement in Hydraulic Power
 - Receipt for Brown & Weaver, 22
 - Promissory note from Brown & Weaver, 22
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Davis & Harmon, 28
 - 3. February
 - Receipt for Ths. Chestnut, 7
 - List of accounts sent for collection to W.S. Hopkins, 26
 - 4. March
 - List of accounts sent for collection to William & McDonald, 3
 - Promissory note to Brown & Weaver from Patt Lillis [?], 4

- Promissory note from VanHassen & Brookie, 25
- Receipt for G.H. Weaver from Tippecanoe County Treasurer, 27
- 5. April
 - List of accounts sent for collection to William Conner, 2
 - List of accounts sent for collection to W.S. Hopkins, 11
- 6. May
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Wilson & Gardner, 6
 - Promissory note from J.P. Phillips, 26
- 7. June
 - Article of agreement made between J.W. Prosser and Matthew Conklin, 2
 - Receipt for Eastridge & Short from Purdue, Brown & Co., 29
- 8. July
 - List of accounts sent for collection to C.S. & D. Hamilton, 9
 - Promissory note from J.P. Phillips, 30
- 9. August
 - Promissory note from L.C. Taylor, 15
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Suit & Cowan, 19
- 10. September
 - Receipt from Wilson & Gardner, 5
 - Request for debt collection from Eno, Roberts & Co., 5
 - Receipt from L. Taylor, 19
 - Promissory note from J.P. Phillips, 22
 - Request for balance of Geo. H. Weaver by Henry Bender, 28
- 11. November
 - Promissory note from Best & Yarnall, 16
 - Receipt from T.W. Graham, 16
 - Receipt from Robertson & Wood, 16
- 18. 1858
 - 1. Year
 - Statement of account for Canaday & Quinn, 1858-1864
 - Statement of account for Eastridge & Short, 1858-1863
 - Statement of account for Hiram Hughes, February-September
 - 2. January
 - Receipt from L. Moore, 16
 - 3. March
 - Corporation tax receipt for L.M. Brown, 23
 - 4. April
 - Promissory note from Peter Chidester, 9
 - 5. June
 - List of accounts sent for collection to W.H. Schooler, 18
 - 6. September
 - Receipt for Brown & Weaver, 8
 - 7. October
 - Receipt from Isaac Vaughn, 27
 - 8. November
 - Receipt from M.U. Bryan, 13

19. 1859

1. Year
Memorandum of accounts taken from Wm. Ashby, 1859-1861 [2]
Statement of account for John G. Wright, 1859-1864
2. February
List of collateral security notes from John G. Wright, 1
Description of land belonging to Eastridge & Short, 7
3. March
Receipt from H. Quigley, 17
4. April
List of accounts sent for collection to John W. Bush, 13
5. August
List of accounts sent for collection to Geo. Gardner, 17
6. September
List of accounts sent for collection to Brouse & Vaile, 15
7. November
Promissory note to Wm. Ashby from Catherine Harper, 4
Receipt from John W. Gadman [Sheriff], 10
List of accounts for Sapman [?] & Co., 16

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20. 1860

1. Year
Statement of account from Geo. Gardner, March-December
2. February
Notice that Purdue, Brown & Co. is moving, 20 [original and 2 copies]
3. March
Promissory note from Joseph Rothrock, 9
4. April
Receipt from L.B. Everett, 2
Promissory note from Gregory & Co., 24
5. June
Copies of notes to Bowen McNamee & Co., 5
6. July
Results of judgment against Abraham and Mary Smith, 28
Certificate of sale of Abraham Smith Mill [envelope only], 28
Agreement with Dodge & Falley concerning Smith case, 30
7. September
Order to pay Wilstach & Chase by Abram S. Jones [Sheriff], 24
8. October
Receipt for Mary J. Wright for bonds, 20
9. November
Promissory note from W.J. Ewing, 3

21. 1861

1. Year
Statement of account for Moore & Hennard, 1861-1869
2. January

- List of bills receivable [Purdue & Stacy], 1
- Trial balance [Purdue & Stacy], 1
- Judgment in case against Abraham Smith, 9
- List of figures for Circuit Court judgment, 9
- Receipt from United States Express Company, 10
- Receipt from John W. Wright, 11
- Promissory note from Joseph Rothrock, 13
- 3. February
 - Promissory note from W.J. Ewing, 15
 - Sheriff's deed on Abraham Smith farm, 26
- 4. March
 - Advertisement for Purdue, Brown & Co. [no day]
 - Promissory note from Joseph Odell, 7
- 5. May
 - Promissory note from W.J. Ewing, 23
 - Promissory note from W. H. Schooler, 27
- 6. November
 - Notes and accounts received from Wm. Ashby [envelope only], 7
 - Mortgage of C.W. Cotten, 25
- 7. December
 - Promissory note from William Glaze, 12
- 22. 1862
 - 1. January
 - List of accounts sent for collection to Milroy & Fatman, 22
 - Receipt from Luther Jewett, 31
 - 2. February
 - Memo of notes received from J.L. Hull as collateral, 15
 - 3. March
 - Receipt for L.M. Brown from Tippecanoe County Treasurer, 18
 - 4. September
 - Rental agreement of mill with George Besore, 29
 - 5. October
 - Receipt from Fredick, Stokes & Co., 1
 - Rental agreement of mill with George Besore, 20
 - 6. November
 - Bill for Moses Fowler, 8
 - 7. December
 - Bill for case against Jonathan and Joseph S. Stratten, 24
- 23. 1863
 - 1. Year
 - Statement of account for L.M. Brown [from Purdue & Ward], August-
November
 - 2. September
 - Promissory note from H.G. Hunt, 24
 - Promissory note from Jesse Rider, 30
 - 3. October

- Promissory note from Josiah Shideler, 2
24. 1864
1. Year
Summary of John Purdue's account with L.M. Brown, May-December
 2. March
Receipt for Purdue, Brown & Co. from Lafayette Treasurer, 14
 3. September
Agreement between Purdue, Brown & Co., Dodge & Falley, and Jacob M. Besore, 9
25. 1865
1. Year
Statement of account with R. Dwiggins, April-July
Statement of account for J.L. Hull, July-October
List of accounts, 1865-1870
 2. January
Receipt from Dodge & Falley, 9
 3. April
Receipt from case against Abraham Smith, 4
 4. June
Receipt from J.M. Besore, 10
 5. September
Transfer of accounts from George Weaver to L.M. Brown in case against Telemacher Odell, 4
Receipt from Wm. [?] Weaver, 29
 6. December
Receipt from R. Dwiggins, 12
26. 1866
1. Year
List of accounts, 1866-1868
 2. May
Notice about streets and alleys given to Lazarus M. Brown, 28
 3. September
Promissory note from George H. Weaver, 7
 4. December
Collection order for George H. Weaver, 31
27. 1867
1. Year
Statement of account for James D. Couger [?], January-December
 2. June
Check to James Emmons & Co. from T.M. Crandal & Co., 28
 3. July
Appointment of Joy, Coe & Co. as attorneys by D.T. James, Chas. C. Emmons, and John Purdue, 22
 4. August
Ordination papers of Samuel Horn, 20
 5. November

Protest against Dr. John Bryan [?], 1
Protest against H.J. Budd, 27

28. 1868

1. Year
Statement of account for L.M. Brown with Earl & Hatcher, February-December
2. April
Declaration of bankruptcy for John M. Youart, 25

29. 1869

1. Year
Statement of account for L.M. Brown with Earl & Hatcher, January-November
2. January
Declaration of bankruptcy for Charles Werbe and Curran E. McDonald, 12
3. February
Promissory note from Chas. E. Scarlett, 6
4. April
Promissory note from Benjamin Burwell, 7
Warranty deed of Rueben and Jemima Taylor, 15
Receipt for judgment against Charles Dannon, 23
5. June
List of accounts for collection, 24
7. November
Bill for L.M. Brown from Adams Earl & Co., 1

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1. 1870

1. April
Promissory note from Adams Earl & Co., 1
2. August
Receipt for John Purdue, 30 [list of expenses/charges on back]

2. 1871

1. Year
Statement of account from Adams Earl & Co., 1871-1872
2. March
Receipt from Wm. Bayle [City Treasurer], 18
3. April
Receipt from J.T. [?] Marks [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 21

3. 1872

1. Year
Statement of account from Adams Earl & Co., 1872-1873
2. January
Receipt from M. Lucas [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 19
3. March
Receipt from Stacy English, 25

4. 1873
 1. January
 - Promissory note from D.L. James, 1
 2. April
 - Receipt from M. Lucas [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 21
 3. August
 - Ordination papers of S. Horn, 19
5. 1874
 1. March
 - Receipt from Jn. A. Rice [City Treasurer], 17
6. 1875
 1. February
 - Receipt from Adams Earl & Co., 3
 2. March
 - Receipt from Jn. A. Rice [City Treasurer], 16
 3. April
 - Receipt from R.H. Godman [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 19
 4. May
 - Receipt from Adams Earl & Co., 5
 5. August
 - Receipt from Adams Earl & Co., 16
7. 1876
 1. April
 - Receipt from R.H. Godman [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 20
 - Receipt from Ths. L. Ewing [City Treasurer], 29
 2. October
 - Resolution and expression of sympathy to family of John Purdue from the trustees of the Lafayette Savings Bank, 2
 3. November
 - Receipt from R.H. Godman [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 1
 - Promissory note from Jas. Spears, 4
8. 1877
 1. May
 - Receipt from Adams Earl & Co., 8
 - Receipt from Ths. L. Ewing [City Treasurer], 14
 2. November
 - Receipt from Bennett Forsman [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 7
 - Promissory note from J.H. & W.L. Ward, 20
9. 1878
 1. February
 - Receipt from J.N. Wells [for Eliza Purdue], 16
 2. October
 - Receipt from B. Forsman [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 30
10. 1879
 1. May
 - Receipt from Adams Earl & Co., 1

- Receipt from Ths. L. Ewing [City Treasurer], 8
 - 2. November
 - Receipt from J.H. & W.L. Ward, 10
- 11. 187?
 - 1. July
 - Money order to William Hawkins, 14
 - 2. October
 - Money order to Wise & Wiles, 30
- 1880s**
- 12. 1880
 - 1. April
 - Receipt from M.L. Peck [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 23
 - 2. November
 - Receipt from M.L. Peck [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 3
- 13. 1881
 - 1. January
 - Promissory note to William P. Hanna, 1
 - Receipt from Page, Booth & Co., 7
 - 2. April
 - Receipt from City Treasurer's Office, 20
 - 3. November
 - Receipt from Adams Earl & Co., 5
- 14. Claims against J.H. & W.L. Ward, 1882-1884
 - 1. Arnold, Constable & Co.
 - 2. Artman & Sprickler
 - 3. Bean, Hughes & Co.
 - 4. Fr. Beck & Co.
 - 5. Boyd, White & Co.
 - 6. Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co.
 - 7. Davis, Rath & Kelly
 - 8. John & James Dobson
 - 9. William Frysinger
 - 10. Joel Goldthwait & Co.
 - 11. Gibson, Parish & Co.
 - 12. Ivins, Dietz & Magee
 - 13. H.L. Judd
 - 14. Knapp Shade Boller Company
 - 15. Marshall Field & Co.
 - 16. John J. McGrath
 - 17. Osborn Cornice Co.
 - 18. Pape Bros. & Kugemann
 - 19. D. Powers & Sons
 - 20. Rock River Paper Co.
 - 21. Wakefield Rattan Co.
 - 22. A.M. Warner & Co.
 - 23. Wilton Manufacturing Company

24. A.L. Wright & Co.
15. 1882
1. Year
 - Statement of account from F.E. James, 1882-1883
 - Tax due on Goodrich land [written on Adams & Moffitt envelope]
 2. April
 - Receipt from City Treasurer's Office, 20
 3. October
 - Receipt from F.E. James, 7
 - Receipt from F.E. James, 23
 4. November
 - Receipt from M.L. Peck [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 7
 - Promissory notes to Ivins, Dietz & Magee [3], 22
 - Receipt from F.E. James, 25
 5. December
 - Receipt from F.E. James, 29
16. 1883
1. Year
 - Statement of account from Bean, Hughes & Co., April-August
 - Statement of account from Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co., February-May
 - Statement of account from First National Bank, 1883-1884
 - Statement of account from Ivins, Dietz & Magee, January-May
 - Statement of account from H.L. Judd & Co., March-October
 2. January
 - Receipt from F.E. James, 24
 3. February
 - Receipt from F.E. James, 19
 - Promissory note to H.W. Moore [cashier of First National Bank], 22
 4. March
 - Promissory note to Artman & Sprickler, 18
 5. April
 - Receipt from M.L. Peck [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 9
 - Promissory note to Artman & Sprickler, 15
 - Receipt from Bean, Hughes & Co., 19
 - Receipt from Bean, Hughes & Co., 21
 - Receipt from Bean, Hughes & Co., 23
 - Receipt from Bean, Hughes & Co., 26
 - Receipt from Bean, Hughes & Co., 28
 - Receipts from Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co., 28 [2]
 6. May
 - Receipt from Bean, Hughes & Co., 4
 - Receipt from Bean, Hughes & Co., 11
 - Receipt from Bean, Hughes & Co., 16
 - Promissory note to H.W. Moore [cashier of First National Bank], 30
 7. October
 - Sworn statement of William Hughes, 3

- Sworn statement of William Ivins, 13
8. November
 Receipt from John Stair [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 6
9. December
 Agreement with Lafayette Savings Bank, Lazarus M. Brown, and First
 National Bank, 8
 Receipt of agreement with Artman & Sprickler, 15
 Receipt of agreement from F.E. James, 17
17. 1884
1. Year
 Statement of account for J.H. & W.L. Ward from L.M. Brown, 1884-1887
2. January
 Slip of paper with figures from Home Insurance Co. [no day]
 Receipt from Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co., 29
3. February
 Money order for Robert Jones, 1
 Money order for J.H. & W.L. Ward from Lazarus M. Brown, 5
4. July
 Receipt for M.L. Pierce [Treasurer of Purdue University], 11
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5. November
 Receipt from John Stair [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 8
18. 1885
1. February
 Promissory note from R.H. Weaks to Baugs & Brown, 19
 Promissory note to Baugs & Brown from Ben Crose, 25
2. April
 Receipt from City Treasurer to Mary A. Brown, 2
 Receipt from City Treasurer to Lazarus M. Brown, 24
3. June
 Money order for B.J. Wasson from Baugs & Brown, 26
4. July
 Promissory notes to Baugs & Brown from A. Hildebran, 31 [3]
5. November
 Receipt for Baugs & Brown from Geo. B. Chamberlin, 18
19. 1886
1. March
 Oath from Charles W. Baugs against A. Hildebran, 27
2. April
 Receipt for L.M. Brown from Edwin Ayers, 4
 Notice of assessment for L.M. Brown from James G. Giffin, 26
20. 1887
1. February
 Promissory note from T. L. Smith, 18
 Promissory note from D.S. Rhodes & Son, 25
2. March

- Receipt for L.M. Brown from Thos. Campbell [Ringgold Co. Iowa Treasurer],
30
3. April
 - Promissory note from Milligan & Taylor, 16
 4. May
 - Receipt form Fred Welch [City Treasurer], 2
21. 1888
1. March
 - Promissory note to M.B. Loveless from I.J. Bell, 28
 2. June
 - Promissory note from Cohen & German, 21
 3. October
 - Promissory note from M.B. Loveless, 13
 4. November
 - Receipt from W.W. Smith [Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 19
22. 1889
1. March
 - Bill from Thomas Campbell [Ringold Co. [Iowa] Treasurer], 29
 - Receipt for L.M. Brown from Thos. Campbell [Ringgold Co. Iowa Treasurer],
30
 2. April
 - Receipt from J.J. Upton [Hancock Co. [Iowa] Treasurer], 4
 - Receipt from R.R. Breckenridge [White County Treasurer], 15
 - Receipt from J.B. Washburn [Jasper County Treasurer], 15
 - Receipt for Mary A. Brown from W.W. Smith [Tippecanoe County Treasurer],
19
 - Receipt for Lazarus M. Brown from W.W. Smith
[Tippecanoe County Treasurer], 19
 3. October
 - Promissory note from W.A. Brown, 31
23. 188?
1. April
 - Receipt for L.M. Brown from Lafayette City Treasurer, 23
 2. Undated
 - List of accounts for Adams, Earl & Co.
- 1890s**
24. 1890
1. March
 - Receipt from Wm. Shattuck [Hancock Co. Iowa Treasurer], 27
 2. April
 - Promissory note to T.T. McNery, 1
25. 1891
1. June
 - Promissory note from J. Armond & Co., 22
 2. November
 - Promissory note from Henry Dorrbacken [?], 6 [2]

- Promissory note from E.C. Hooker, 13
26. 1892
1. July
 - Promissory note from Roth S. Ireland, 20
27. 1893
1. June
 - Statement of account for T.D. Dillon & Bro., 21
 2. October
 - Promissory note from J.T. Foster, 15
 3. December
 - Promissory note to American Eagle Tobacco Co., 30
28. 1894
1. Year
 - Transcript of costs, February-March
 2. January
 - Money order from Wilson & McCallay Tobacco Co., 11
 3. February
 - Promissory note from J.H. Thomas, 9
 - Receipt from the Chicago Tribune, 21
 4. March
 - Receipt from R.S. Hatcher, 1
 5. April
 - Receipt from W.B. Wilson [Morning Journal], 1
 6. May
 - Abstract of title prepared for Lazarus M. Brown, 19
 - Listing of accounts, 29
 - Receipt from American Sugar Refining Company, 31
 - Receipt from J.K. Armsby Co., 31
 - Receipt from Bradshaw & Wait, 31
 - Receipt from Carlin Tobacco Co., 31
 - Receipt from Carter, Macy & Co., 31
 - Receipt from Central City Soap Co., 31
 - Receipt from S.A. Cook, 31
 - Receipt from John Dwight & Co., 31
 - Receipt from W.H. Edgar & Son, 31
 - Statement of account from Hoopston Canning Co., 31
 - Receipt from John N. Leslie & Co., 31
 - Receipt from W.R. McCloy Glass Co., 31
 - Receipt from John S. McHugh [Merchants National Bank], 31
 - Receipt from John C. Neemes & Co., 31
 - Receipt from Perrin National Bank, 31
 - Receipt from Pinkerton Tobacco Co., 31
 - Receipt from Peoria Grape Sugar Co., 31
 - Receipt from Pottlitzer Bros. Fruit Company, 31
 - Receipt from Royal Remedy & Extract Co., 31
 - Receipt from Stuart Brothers & Hammond, 31

Receipt from Thomson Bros., 31
Receipt from Harry Weissinger Tobacco Co., 31
Receipt from Curtis E. Wells, 31

7. June

Receipt from Cauby, Ach & Cauby [?], 1
Receipt from Chase-Isherwood Co., 1
Receipt from Edwin J. Gillin Co., 1
Receipt from Heyman Bros. & Lowenstein, 1
Receipt from Illinois Canning Co., 1
Receipt from Liggett & Myers Co., 1
Receipt from Muscantine Oat Meal Co., 1
Receipt form National Starch Mfg. Co., 1
Receipt from Henry Nordlinger & Co., 1
Receipt from Shinkle, Wilson & Kreis Co., 1
Receipt from John T. Merge [S.H.M.? Co.], 1
Receipt from Dan Talmage's Sons, 1
Receipt from Wellman & Dwire Tobacco Co., 1
Receipt from Wilson & McCallay Tobacco Co., 1
Receipt from Woodson Spice Co., 1
Receipt from Hebblewhite Manufacturing Co., 2
Receipt from E.D. Howard Co., 4
Receipt from W.F. McLaughlin & Co., 4
Receipt form American Cereal Co., 5
Receipt from A.R. Brewer & Co., 6
Money order to B. Brockenboro, 7 [3]
Money order to Wm. H. Perrin, 7
Money order to E.G. Dailey Co., 8
Receipt form American Tobacco Co., 9
Money order to Caldwell & Caldwell, 9
Money order to B. Brockenboro, 11
Receipt from Hoopeston Canning Co., 11
Receipt from Steward & Merriam, 11
Money order to B. Brockenboro, 12
Money order to C. Murdock, 13
Receipt from Indiana Oil Tank Line, 14
Receipt from Northwestern Yeast Co., 14
Money order to B. Brockenboro, 15 [2]
Money order to R.M.O. Herrell [?], 15
Money order to B. Brockenboro, 18
Money order to David H. Flynn, 19
Money order to Geo. Eacock [?], 22
Receipt from J.B. Luderrieden [?] Co., 23
Receipt form Heinz Co., 31

8. July

Money order to B. Brockenboro, 7
Money order to L.M. Brown, 7 [2]

- Money order to B. Brockenboro, 12
 - Receipt from J.A. [?] & Co., 26
 - Promissory note from H.H. Gray, 27
- 9. August
 - Money order to B. Brockenboro, 1
- 10. September
 - Report to Judge Byron Sangdon [no day]
- 11. October
 - Receipt from American Eagle Tobacco Co., 25
 - Receipt from R.W. Bell Mfg. Co., 25
 - Receipt from Briggs Mfg. Co., 25
 - Receipt from E. Ruben Burk [?], 25
 - Receipt from Jas. G. Butler Tobacco Co., 25
 - Receipt from Chatfield & Woods Co., 25
 - Receipt from D. Cummings, 25
 - Receipt from E.G. Dailey Co., 25
 - Receipt from J.P. Dieter Co., 25
 - Receipt from T.E. Dougherty, 25
 - Receipt from Drummond Tobacco Co., 25
 - Receipt from W.K. Fairbanks & Co., 25
 - Receipt from Kumler [?] Gaylord [Bolhuet? & Co.], 25
 - Receipt from W.A. Gill & Co., 25
 - Receipt from W.K. Gresh & Sons, 25
 - Receipt from Hull, Grummond [?] & Co., 25
 - Receipt from Frank Hurd, 25
 - Receipt from Lichten Brothers, 25
 - Receipt from M. & J. Lohnaible, 25
 - Receipt from P. Lorillard Company, 25
 - Receipt from Procter & Gamble Co., 25
 - Receipt from Richardson Lubricating Co., 25
 - Receipt from Schultz & Co., 25
 - Receipt from Daniel Scotten & Co., 25
 - Receipt from Geo. B. Shester & Co., 25
 - Receipt from P.J. Sorg & Company, 25
 - Receipt from Spaulding & Merrick, 25
 - Receipt from Standard Oil Co., 25
 - Receipt from Jas. G. Tarr & Bro., 25
 - Receipt from J.W. Teardale & Co., 25
 - Receipt from Thacker Bros., 25
- 12. November
 - Money order to L.M. Brown, 7
 - Money order to L.M. Brown, 27
- 13. December
 - Receipt from Terry & Portfield Tobacco Co., 6
 - Receipt from Bakers Office Supply Co., 13
 - Money order from Bakers Office Supply Co., 15

Money order from Terry & Portfield Tobacco Co., 15
Money order to B. Brockenboro, 17

29. 1895

1. January
 - Receipt from Central Detective and Collection Agency, 4
 - Money order from Central Detective and Collection Agency, 5
 - Money order to Central Detective and Collection Agency, 9
2. February
 - Receipt from David H. Flynn [Tippecanoe County Clerk], 6
3. April
 - Report to Judge W.G.S. Taylor, no day [3]

30. 1897

1. February
 - Statement of account for W.H. Gray, 1
2. March
 - Statement of account for Tudor & Sindly, 1

31. 189?

1. Receipts, undated
 - Receipt from American Cereal Co.
 - Receipt from American Eagle Tobacco Works
 - Receipt from American Sugar & Refining Co.
 - Receipt from J.K. Armsby & Co.
 - Receipt from Bradshaw & Wait
 - Receipt from A.R. Brenner Co.
 - Receipt from Briggs Manufacturing Co.
 - Receipt from Carter, Macy & Co.
 - Receipt from Catlin Tobacco Works
 - Receipt from Cauby, Ach & Cauby
 - Receipt from Central City Soap Co.
 - Receipt from Chase-Isherwood Co.
 - Receipt from Chatfield & Woods
 - Receipt from S.A. Cook
 - Receipt from E.G. Dailey Co.
 - Receipt from J.P. Dieter Co.
 - Receipt from T.E. Dougherty
 - Receipt from Drummond Tobacco Co.
 - Receipt from E.R. Durkee & Co.
 - Receipt from John Dwight & Co.
 - Receipt from W.H. Edgar & Co.
 - Receipt from E.J. Gillin Co.
 - Receipt from W.K. Gresh & Sons
 - Receipt from Hebblewhite Co.
 - Receipt from Heinz
 - Receipt from Heyman Bros. & Lowenstein
 - Receipt from Hoopston Canning Co.
 - Receipt from E.D. Howard Co.

Receipt from Frank Hurd
Receipt from Illinois Canning Co. [2]
Receipt from Geo. B. Kester & Co.
Receipt from Laf. Com. Gazette
Receipt from Lafayette Hominy Mills
Receipt from J.H. Leslie & Co.
Receipt from Lichten Bros. & Co.
Receipt from Liggett & Myers Tobacco Co.
Receipt from M. & J. Lohnaible
Receipt from P. Lorillard & Co.
Receipt from W.R. McCloy Co.
Receipt from Muscatine Oatmeal Co.
Receipt from National Starch Manufacturing Co.
Receipt from J.C. Neemes & Co.
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Receipt from Northwestern Yeast Co.
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Receipt from Pinkerton Tobacco Co.
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Receipt from Proctor & Gamble Co.
Receipt from Richardson Lub. Co.
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Receipt from Shinkle, Wilson & Kreis
Receipt from P.J. Sorg & Co.
Receipt from Spaulding & Merrick
Receipt from Steward & Merriam
Receipt from D. Talmage & Son
Receipt from J.W. Teasdale & Co.
Receipt from Thacker Bros.
Receipt from Thompson Bros.
Receipt from H. Weissinger Co.
Receipt from Wellman & Dwire Tobacco Co.
Receipt from Curtis E. Wells
Receipt from Wilson & McCallay Co.
Receipt from Woodson Spice Co.
Receipts to Ira G. Howe from ? [2]

2. Notes, undated

Blank promissory slips with notes written on the back

Undated

32. Miscellaneous business documents, undated

1. Receipts, statements of accounts, and orders

Receipt for \$52.41, March 27

Receipt from Arnold, Constable & Co.

Receipt from I. Bartlett [?]

Statement of account with John C. Basyenn [?], March-November

Money order from L.M. Brown, August 27

Receipt from J.P.Campbell
Statement of account for John Forsmans
Receipt from Wm. P. Hanna
Receipt for Ira G. Howe from ?
Receipt from Hubbard & Edmands
Receipt from Ivins, Dietz & Magee
Order from Isaac Larrick
Receipt for J.H.E. Miller [?]
Receipt from Page Booth & Co.
Statement of account for Henry Vannon [?]
Receipt from Wilton Mfg. Co.

2. Supply lists/orders
3. List of accounts
4. Notes/figures
5. Writing exercises [possibly belonging to Jonathan Horn?]
6. Miscellaneous

Agreement between Purdue & Fowler and Haningez & Creal
Establishing Purdue & Fowler in Adelphi, Ohio
Sheet of tickets to Bankers & Merchants Presentation Enterprise [New York]
Advertisement for E.R. Durkee & Co. products
“Law governing viewers and surveyor in laying out or altering county roads”
Description of plot of land

Box 4, Account books, 1832-1884

1. Small brown notebook, 1832-1836
2. Partial Adelphi account book page [Purdue & Fowler?], 1833-1834
3. Account book [Purdue & Fowler?], 1834-1835 [located in Oversized Box 1]
4. Large brown account book [Walnut Grove Farm?], 1851-1864
5. Purdue & Stacy/Purdue, Brown & Co. account book, 1853-1856
6. Medium notebook, 1854-1858
7. Lazarus M. Brown notebook, 1862-1882
8. Small brown notebook, 1867-1870
9. Lazarus M. Brown notebook [First National Bank], 1868-1873
10. Small brown notebook, 1869
11. Lazarus M. Brown notebook [National State Bank], 1875-1884
12. Lazarus M. Brown notebook [National State Bank], 1883-1884
13. Ira G. Howe notebook, undated
14. Small blue notebook [coverless], undated

Box 5, Miscellaneous, 1837-1865

Teaching Career

1. Grade/attendance report, 1837-1838 [2]

Court case against Charles and Elizabeth High [Walnut Grove Farm]

2. 1858

1. April
 - Isaac V. Banta vs. Charles High, April term
2. December
 - Description of lands, 31
3. 1859
 1. April
 - Receipt from W.S. Peckham, 30
 - Receipt from Chase & Wilstach, 30
 2. May
 - Receipt from Charles High, 7
 4. Undated
 - Statement of Alvin High and B.F. Ewing [?]
4. 1860
 1. April
 - Receipt for Thomas Bartlett from H.R. Pimintelk [?], 6
 - Receipt from J. Harper, 7
 2. October
 - Receipt from Chase & Wilstach, 6
5. 1863
 1. Year
 - Statement of account for Walnut Grove Farm, 1863-1864
6. 1864
 1. October
 - Copy of complaints, October term
7. 1865
 1. January
 - Money order to John Purdue from Walnut Grove, 16
 2. May
 - Depositions of Abraham S. Jones and Elizabeth High, 23
 3. August
 - Receipt from Charles High, copy made August 29 [3]
 4. September
 - Copy of deposition of Alvin High, September term
 - Memo from Robert Jones, 27
8. Undated
 1. Depositions
 - Depositions of Benj. Gypsy [?], Alvin High, Jesse Harper, [?] Wright
 - Deposition of Alvin High
 2. Memos
 - Memo from R. Jones concerning John Purdue vs. [?] Miller
 - Memo of basis of compromise
 3. Action by the plaintiff [heirs of Charles High]
 4. Receipt from Charles High
 5. Purdue vs. Elizabeth High [written by Robert Jones]
 6. Miscellaneous notes

Oversized, 1828-1835

[1 oversized box]

Box 6, Oversized items [Oversized Box 1], 1828-1835

1. Indenture of Aaron and Sarah Huff to Joseph Adams, 1828
2. Account book [Purdue & Fowler?], 1834-1835