

HERBERT GEIGER

INVOICE BOOK, 1837-1881

Collection #
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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 bound volume
COLLECTION DATES:	1837-1840, 1881
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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Herbert Geiger (fl. 1837-1840) apparently was a merchant or wholesaler who operated in Rushville, Indiana. His name does not appear in any indexed county history. He dealt in large amounts of general merchandise, especially dry goods, and bought his supplies from several firms in Baltimore.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection consists of one bound volume, labeled "Invoice Book," showing transactions by Herbert Geiger in 1837 and 1840. The transactions are usually large. The first, headed, "Rushville, August 16 1837. H. Geiger Bot of Jos. Ijams," runs eighteen pages and totals \$438,075. Later 1837 transactions show Geiger buying from several firms in Baltimore. In a final transaction by Geiger, on 5 October 1840, he sells to Tobin and Cowen in Rushville eleven pages of goods totalling \$1470.30. One possible inference would be that Geiger bought a fully stocked store in 1837 and sold it in 1840. Two later pages in a different hand are dated from New Salem, Ohio, in 1881, with small entries like a typical daybook.

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