



Inventory of the Captain Jott S. Perkins Collection (Collection #3)

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Physical Description:

The Captain Jott S. Perkins Collection consists of a half box of papers and account books (three folders), dating from 1825 to 1860. They concern the business transactions conducted at Ponce, Puerto Rico by Jott Perkins for his father, Eliphalet Perkins of Kennebunkport, for whom Jott was agent.

The papers are in good condition. They have different accession numbers, as indicated in the folder breakdown. Some of them came to the Museum's collection through the Barry Family, for Jott Perkins was the second husband of Sarah Lord Barry (Mrs./Captain Charles.)

Box and Folder Breakdown:

Box 1

- Folder 1 Receipts, Custom House, Ponce 1831.
Invoice, Brig *Brutus*, 1834.
Shipping receipts, Brig *Ponce*, 1839.
Memorandum of Agreements (2), 1829 and shipping receipt, Brig *Cadmus*, 1831.
Papers, Jonathan Perkins, Master, concerning Brig *Richmond*, 1825 and 1830.
- Folder 2 Receipts (9), Jott Perkins, 1838-60. One for Ship *Longfellow*, 1860. Acq. #2036.
- Folder 3 Letters (23) to Jott. S. Perkins to Ponce, Puerto Rico, 1839-40. Acq. #s 2035 and 3080.

Also included in this collection are:

Account Book of Jott S. Perkins kept at Ponce, Puerto Rico, 1832-35. Acq. #2034.

Account Book. "Account Goods Consigned to me by Eliphalet Perkins and sold his act and risk," 1833-55. Kept by Jott S. Perkins.

Molasses Book, February 1835. Acq. #2033.

Biographical Resumes:

Excerpted from Andrew Walker's diaries

1871.

Claudius S. Williams' house was built by William Taylor in 1804. In 1820 it was sold to Charles W. Williams. He lived in it until 1860, when he died aged 80 years. C.B. Williams came into possession of the property on the division and settlement of his father's estate.

May 12, 1871.

The house owned by Claudius S. Williams on Zion's Hill has this week been sold to Mrs. Sarah, wife of captain Jott S. Perkins, for the reported sum of \$7500. In part payment for the above, Mrs. Perkins lets Capt. Williams have her house on Dane Street for the reported sum of \$4000.

Nov. 25, 1871.

Capt. Jott Stone Perkins died this forenoon in the 71st year of his age. During many years he has been troubled with the asthma and confined to his house at times. Last winter while in Boston he had a severe attack from which he did not fully recover. This past summer and fall he attended to his business although gradually failing.

He was a native of Kennebunkport. When he was a young man he went to Ponce in the island of Puerto Rico, where he remained most of the time during fourteen years...being an agent for his father-Eliphalet Perkins, who then transacted a large business in his vessels between this Port and that island. He was also agent for Joshua Sears and others in Boston. About 1840, he returned home. In March 1858 he moved to this village, and in Oct. of the same year was united in marriage, for the first time, with Sarah E., widow of the late Captain Charles Barry. Last June he moved into his late residence, now in excellence condition- workmen having finished their labors within a month. He was childless. His widow had two sons- William and Charles Barry by her first husband. The day before Capt. Perkins died he made his will. He has doubtless left a large property, probably more than \$75000; some people think more than \$100000. Generally speaking he was not a popular man; the habits acquired while living in the West Indies not being conducive to popularity with the multitude.

Sept. 16, 1874

Charles D. Barry and Ada M, daughter of Capt. N. L. Thompson, were united in marriage this afternoon by Rev. Mr. Vinal. This C.D. Barry is now connected with a commercial firm in Boston. Think the name of the firm is "Peabody and Co." This couple starts life with more property than is usual for young folks in villages. He received about \$300 from his own father's estate and \$6000 by will from the estate of his late father-in-law, Jott S. Perkins. She received about \$300 from his own father's estate and \$6000 by will from the estate of his late father-in-law, Jott S. Perkins. She received about \$5000 by heirship from the estate of her maternal grandfather - Ivory Lord. His mothers and her father are now living and wealthy. C.D. Barry is now said to be 24 years of age and his wife is 18 years.

Subject Tracings:

Brutus, Brig

Cadmus, Brig

Longfellow, Ship

Perkins, Eliphalet

Perkins, Jonathan

Ponce, Brig

Richmond, Brig

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