

Whybark and Fisher Store Records (R0104)

Collection Number: R0104

Collection Title: Whybark and Fisher Store Records

Dates: 1868-1870

Creator: Whybark and Fisher Store (Marble Hill, Mo.)

Abstract: The Whybark and Fisher Store Records contain photocopies of the financial records for a general store operated by Levi E. Whybark and Robert W. Fisher at Marble Hill, Bollinger County, Missouri. Included are two ledgers and a daybook/journal.

Collection Size: 0.3 cubic foot (3 folders)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Donor Information: The records were loaned for photocopying to the University of Missouri by Blanche Reilly on October 2, 1981 (Accession No. RA0092).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Whybark and Fisher Store Records can be found in the following collections:

Marble Hill, Missouri Bands Records (R0067)

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Historical Note:

Born in 1832, Levi E. Whybark was a descendant of Reverend Samuel Weiberg (later Whybark), a pioneer clergyman in southeastern Missouri. By 1860, Levi and his father, Samuel W. Whybark, were proprietors of a store at Buchanan in Bollinger County, Missouri. The business was interrupted by the Civil War, in which Levi served as an officer in the Union militia. After the war Levi opened a store in Dallas (now Marble Hill).

Robert Waldemar Fisher was a native of Saint Louis, Missouri. On December 5, 1867, he married Roena Whybark, and entered into business with his brother-in-law Levi. Fisher was also the brother-in-law of Albert S. Siegel of Saint Louis.

Whybark and Fisher were community leaders, the former being among the first trustees of Marble Hill and a charter member of the local Presbyterian Church. Fisher became the leader of the Marble Hill Cornet Band, which entertained the Grand Army of the Republic reunion of 1886. Fisher later operated a combination sawmill, gristmill and carding machine southeast of town.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order in three folders.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection contains photocopies of the financial records for a general store operated by Levi E. Whybark and Robert W. Fisher at Marble Hill, Bollinger County, Missouri. Included are two ledgers and a daybook/journal. The records include the usual transactions of a general mercantile store. Although credit records noted that Whybark owned 54,000 acres of land in Butler County, Missouri. The owners were known to be industrious and honest, but the store played out by December 1870 leaving considerable debt. The ledger in folder two is indexed. The folders are arranged in chronological order.

Container List:

Box 001	f. 1	Ledger, 1868-1869
	f. 2	Ledger, 1869-1870
	f. 3	Daybook/journal, 1870

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