



Franz Adelman Records (R0207)

Collection Number: R0207

Collection Title: Franz Adelman Records

Dates: 1873-1875

Creator: Adelman, Franz, 1821-1875

Abstract: The Franz Adelman Records contain a microfilm copy of an account ledger of a general store operated by Franz Adelman at Salem in Dent County, Missouri. Adelman, a native of Bavaria, came to Salem, Missouri in 1862 and engaged in the mercantile business until his death in 1875. The ledger is indexed.

Collection Size: (1 roll of microfilm)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

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Donor Information: The records were loaned for microfilming to the University of Missouri by the Dent County Museum on September 17, 1984 (Accession No. RA0243).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Franz Adelman Records can be found in the following collections:

Frankline Hoke Barnitz Papers (R0164)

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Historical Note:

Franz Adlemann was born in the Kingdom of Bavaria on December 25, 1821. He left Bavaria for the United States in 1848 and came to Salem, Missouri in 1862. He married Frances Duckworth Gibson, a native of Dent County, in 1869. He engaged in the mercantile business in Dent County until his death. The *Salem Monitor* advertised Adlemann's "new location" in 1873 and 1874. His place of business is thought to have been at Fourth and Main streets in Salem. Adlemann died in Salem on June 17, 1875 and is buried in the Cedar Grove Cemetery. George S. Duckworth was appointed administrator of Adlemann's estate following his death.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order.

Scope and Content Note:

The collection contains an account ledger for a general store operated by Franz Adlemann in Salem, Missouri. The account book contains the names of many prominent citizens of Dent County, including James F. Comstock, John E. Organ, Joseph Fiebelman, the Dents, the Duckworths, and Professor Louis Lybecker of the Salem Academy. Commercial accounts included those of the Midland Blast Furnace and the Salem Iron Company. Employees of those companies appear to have been allowed to draw on the firms' accounts for items at Adlemann's store, with the charges probably deducted from future paychecks. George S. Duckworth was appointed administrator of Adlemann's estate following his death. Entries in the ledger continued through the end of July 1875.

Container List:

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