



Sainte Genevieve, Missouri Mineral Records (R0340)

Collection Number: R0340

Collection Title: Sainte Genevieve, Missouri Mineral Records

Dates: 1828-1867

Creator: Menard & Valle

Abstract: The Sainte Genevieve, Missouri Mineral Records contains a volume with accounts for lead, copper, and “copper stone” shipped at Ste. Genevieve, Missouri, 1828-1848, mostly by the firm of Menard & Valle, and a letter of 1867 from H. Janis of Ste. Genevieve to John Hall of Madison County, Missouri, concerning land on the St. Francis River.

Collection Size: 0.02 cubic foot
(1 folder)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at [The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Rolla](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at rolla@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Donor Information: The records were donated to the University of Missouri by Mr. & Mrs. Louis J. Sharp on May 23, 1987 (Accession No. RA0378).

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the Sainte Genevieve, Missouri Mineral Records can be found in the following collections:

Ste. Genevieve, Missouri Archives (C3636)

Felix Janis and Company Business Records (R0435)

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Biographical Note:

Henry Janis was born September 14, 1808, in Illinois. He co-owned and worked in a number of business ventures in Sainte Genevieve County, often alongside his brother Felix.

John Hill was born in 1795 in England. In the 1850 census he is listed as a farmer in Madison County, Missouri, but did have business interest with Henry Janis and other local men. Hill died in January 1852.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order.

Scope and Content Note:

This volume contains accounts for lead, copper, and “copper stone” shipped at Ste. Genevieve, Missouri, 1828-1848, mostly by the firm of Menard & Valle, and a letter of 1867 from H. Janis of Ste. Genevieve to John Hall of Madison County, Missouri, concerning land on the St. Francis River.

The mineral accounts deal with transactions in lead, copper, and “copper stone” via the trans-shipment center of Ste. Genevieve, Missouri, on the Mississippi River. Firms involved included: Henry Janis & Company; Menard & Valle; Menard, Valle and Company; Francois Deguire & Company; DeGuire, Janis & Deguire; Michel Deguire & Company; Slater & Janis; Hill, Janis & Hill; La Motte Copper Company; Slater & Deguire; G. W. Lanpher & Company; John Hill & Janis; Hagen, Janis & Hill; Janis & Valle; Mathews & Janis; and Thomas Fleming & Sons. The Shelf List indicates the organization of the volume and the dates involved for each firm. A “Recapitulation of Lead Made” at the close of the mineral accounts showed a total of over 5,750,000 pounds produced in the period 1832-1848.

Also included in the volume is a transcription of a letter, dated February 11, 1867, from H. Janis of Ste. Genevieve to John Hall of Madison County. The letter deals with land owned by Janis on the St. Francis River

Container List:

Box 001 f. 1 Mineral account book, 1828-1867

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