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NAME OF COLLECTION:

Partridge, Jesse, Account Books, 1770-1795

LOCATION:

Folio vols. "P"
Misc. mss. boxes "P"

SIZE OF COLLECTION:

17 folio volumes; 1 folder (37 items)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON COLLECTION:

For biographical information on Partridge, see, G.H. Partridge, *Partridge Genealogy*, (Boston: David Clapp & Son, 1904) p. 14.

SOURCE OF COLLECTION:

Gift of M. B. Jones, 1932

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION:

Jesse Partridge (1742-1795) of Medfield, Mass., and Gorham, Me., eventually settled in Falmouth (now Portland), Me., where he engaged in trading through the establishment of a general store, lumber mill, and a shipping enterprise, in addition to owning considerable real estate. Partridge served during the Revolution with a commission as captain in 1778.

This collection of business records, for the period 1770 to 1795, represents the operations of all aspects of Partridge's business interests. The books contain records generally organized by patron, their purchases and amounts, and the date of settlement with the signatures of customer and proprietor. The transactions refer to clothing, food, rum, raw materials, and milled lumber.

The folder contains additional items including several receipts and miscellaneous accounts, a bill, the noting in 1779 of the use of "lawfull money in the new way," a notice demanding the return of stolen goods, and the recording of the sailings of specific captains and their sloops, for the period 1786 to 1788, with the cargoes frequently consisting of rum, as well as accounts for spinning.

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