Benjamin Clark

Manuscript Collection 44.

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Biographical Note

Benjamin Clark settled in Malone, NY in 1815. He had three sons and one daughter; his sons names were Samuel S., Benjamin W. and Charles. Clark was the first judge of the Court of Common Pleas in 1825-1828. In 1819 he was appointed to a building committee to raise funds to build a fireproof clerks office. He also served as Superintendent of the Poor in 1830. From approximately 1826-1851 he and Jacob Wead were one of the principal merchants in Malone owning Clark & Wead, which after Wead's retirement became Benjamin Clark & Sons. Clark also served as trustee in 1831 for Franklin Academy, and was a mortgagor from 1846-1852 in order to keep the school active. He served as director, president and treasurer of the Franklin County Mutual Insurance Company during the late 1830's

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of business receipts and bills for sundry items: tobacco, whiskey, wheat, cloth,

etc. Other receipts included are for: horsekeeping, purchase of a cow and mare, work done, property, and subscription for Universalist Watchman

Series

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