

CANAL ACCOUNT BOOK 1860

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

Repository:	Crandall Public Library. Center for Folklife, History, and Cultural Programs, Glens Falls, NY.
Creator:	George Sands (1812-ca. 1866)
Title:	Canal Account Book 1860
Dates:	1860-1861
Abstract:	Accounts appear to record purchases made (or charged) by or to a given boat (one per page) primarily in 1860. Purchases include oats and hay; potatoes; milk; horse medicine and other things.
Quantity:	1 vol.
Identification:	Archives & Manuscripts: Account Books

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

It appears that this account book belonged to George Sands (1812-ca 1866), who is listed as a Grocer (1850) and Merchant (1860) in the census for Glens Falls. His name (with that of James Brown) is written on the fly leaf. From 1862 to 1865 George Sands of Queensbury was taxed for owning a "Hotel 8th class" and being a retail liquor dealer. In 1850, although listed as a grocer, Sands was clearly running a hotel or boarding house as, in addition to his family, the household included 10 other people (9 men) including two boatmen, a teamster and a cooper. Holden's History of Queensbury lists him as a corporation assessor in 1862 and a fire warden in 1863 (pp. 106, 110). He appears to have died before 1868, because in 1870 his wife, Ann, and her Sands children are living with her new husband, Brayton Harris. The Harris' have a 6 month old son.

SCOPE AND CONTENT OF THE RECORDS

Each handwritten page is headed by the name of a boat, usually with the captain's name written below it, followed by a list of dates, items and prices. The headings are all in the same hand, suggesting that the book belonged to a store or merchant. The lists are usually in the same hand, unlike the 1849 account book from the same business. The earliest dates seem to be in late April of 1860 and carry through to November, thus

covering one season on the canal. There are a few entries for 1861. At the end of the book are some pages headed by the names of persons, rather than boats.

INDEX TERMS

Topics: Canals—New York (State)
Canal—Glens Falls Feeder

Places: Queensbury (N.Y.)
Glens Falls (N.Y.)

Important People: Sands, George (1812-ca.1866)

Form/Genre: Account Book

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE RECORDS

A sampling of the items includes: horses to hay 2 days; 20 quts oats; 2 bottles Soda; 1 gill rum; 1 quart milk; 1 Broom; 1 Loaf Bread; 2 lb butter; 1 pint gin; ½ bushel potatoes. Feed for the horses predominates.

Boat	Captain
Hodgemn	L. Spooner
North Star	P. Neusch (?)
Artic	Morris Kelly
	John Kelly
Queen City	H? S Jackson
	H. John
	Harm Jackson
J. Finch	J. Viele
A. McMullen	? Brown
Daniel V. Brown	T. Volmer

Pacific	James Worf
J.J. Schenk	J. Lungsing
Richard Rickets	may be boat or person
Atlantic	John Lent
M.C. Rich	Sillock/Cylock
J. Keenan	Gieley (Greley?)
Sandusky	no captain named
C.M. Davison	D. Johnson
Hudson	Ira Smith
	Ira Carpenter
Comett	Mason Kingsley
Ralph Richards	M. Brown
Katy Didd	J. Dagget
L.H. Owens	no captain named
Leman Thompson	S. McAlly (not V)
Washington	W. Thompson
George Rugg	P. Miller
N. Fox	A. Steveson
J. Morgan	P. Bushy/Busha
Dick Brown	John Taylor
Wm A Sherman	tuhu ???????????
R.J. Moa	John Farmer
Vosburgh	S. McAlly
	Oliver McAlly
John J. Harris	John Curren
Sandford Coffin	Lewis Coffin
Roberts & Goodman	S. Bullis
Giles Sandford	Joseph McAlly - carried to boat Ida Vandusen
Black Warrior	J.? I? Moss
J.W. White	no captain named
W.A. Miller	A. McMullen
J.W. Freeman	W. Steveson
H.S. Wilson	Tanner
Wm Ingrum	L. Farmer
Baxter	Ralph
B.J. Clark	J. Butler
Plant	D. Jenkins
	Warren Allen
George Wilson	no captain named
Ida Vandusen	J. Millard
	J. McAlly
Anglo Saxon	C. Buncom/Rincom
Gen'l Cass	W. Robison
	S. Reuhbottom/Rushbottom/ S. Ruebottom
A.H. Gates	no captain named
H.M. Huse	C. Viele

Martin Brown	no captain named
Highlander	no captain named
A Daisey	no captain named
C.W. Sandford	no captain named
Bar Richards	T. Flood
W.A. More	J. Pratt
A Davis	A. Davis
Saratoga	no captain named
A N Cheney	T. Chenut (Chesnut?)
Glen	M. Kelly
Clark	Fasler Horn
Francis	no captain named
America	George Hunt
Cuba	no captain named
Ningra	Buller
Wm. H. Seward	J. Carter
Campion	no captain named
C.F. Faxon	F. Stevens
J.B. King	Curren
New World	G. Ogden (sp Ogdon/Ogton)
North America	J. Mac
Traygen	Laurter/Lanster
Katy	S Robison
Yankee Trader	Davis
No boat named	Horace Jackson
	Allen Steveson
Gules Sandford	A. Williams
M.M.P.	Sisson
H.S. Wilson	M. Shepherd
David Rice	no captain named
No boat named	Earl Smith
Napoleon	no captain named
Sid Brown	no captain named
No boat named	Joseph Pratt
George Arms	H. West
J.W. Allison	John Lent
South America	John Allison/Atkison

These seem to be people:

John Allison
 George Kingslay
 William Bannan
 J.W. Schenk
 John Wiswell
 Nelson Sweet
 Hogle Baker Hogle & Baker?

James Brown
Gules Coleman
Rosell Brown

Page of names who bought (or sold?) potatoes

Page head: "Mr. Staples"

Joel Wells
Capron
W. Potter
D. Shippy
A. Napp
Wm Van Wormer
Mr. Eddy
John Bentley
Lent Harris
Mrs. Hull
D. Dunsmor