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Finding Aid for the PEROT FAMILY PAPERS, 1684-1939

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No restrictions

RELATED MATERIALS

For a booklet on the Perots, see *A Historical Sketch of the Oldest Business House in America: the Francis Perot's Sons Malting Co.* Philadelphia, [n.y.]

ABSTRACT

A history across several generations of Quaker brewers beginning with Anthony Morris in the 17th century. As well, there is genealogical and biographical information on the Perot, Marshall, Morris, Gomey, Siter, Powell and Wilcox families.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Anthony Morris (1654- 1721) came to America with William Penn in 1682, settling first in Burlington and later in Philadelphia. In 1687, he purchased a lot at Front Street below Walnut where he erected a brewery. Subsequent generations continued in the business.

Francis Perot (1796-1885) was apprenticed in 1812 to the 5th and 6th generations of Morrises (Thomas and Joseph). In 1818, Perot started his own brewery and malt house on Vine Street between 3rd and 4th Streets, bringing other family members into the business and marrying Elizabeth Morris. The Morrises turned their business over to Francis Perot. T. Morris Perot and Elliston Perot represent the 7th and 8th generations in the business -- an unbroken line of descent in the business.

(Information from: "A Condensed History of the Oldest Business House in America - The Francis Perot's Sons Malting Co. of Philadelphia." 1890. In PG and QC)

SUBJECT HEADINGS

Morris, Anthony, 1654- 1721
Perot, Francis, 1796-1885
Gomey family
Marshall family
Morris family
Perot family
Powell family
Sansom
Siter family
Wilcox family

[Brewing industry -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia -- History](#)

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

An aggregation of primarily genealogical and biographical information on the Perot, Marshall, Morris, Gomey, Siter, Powell, Sansom and Wilcox families, the collection includes deeds, 1684-1881, in boxes 1 and 5; Gomey family wills, testaments and Perot family history and materials specifically about Francis Perot, 1796-1885, T. Morris Perot, 1828-1902, T. Morris Perot, Jr., 1872-1945 and T. Morris Perot III in box 2; genealogical and family histories of the Siter, Perot and Sansom families and Francis Perot's Sons Malting Co. in box 3; data on the Marshall, Powell, Wilcox and Morris families in box 4; and miscellaneous information in box 5.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Box I: Deeds and Wills:

Humphrey South, 1684

Joseph Antiobus and William Pawlett, 1719

William Carter's will, 1722

George McCall and Anthony Morris, 1737

Anthony Morris Jr. and Stephen Armitt, 1741

Mr. Hudson & daughters to Anthony Morris, March 7, 1744

Mr. Hudson & daughters to Anthony Morris, March 8, 1744

William Shippen and wife to Peter Schwarts, April 24, 1760

Wm. Shippen and wife to John and Peter Chevalier, Dec. 10, 1760

Margaret Jekyll to John Baynton, 1761

Peter Schwarts & wife to John Brown, 1763

John Brown to George Knerr?, 1764

John Chevalier and others to John Zeller, 1771

Thomas Willing & wife to Margaret Willing, 1774

John Zeller & wife to William von Phul, 1774

Margaret Willing to George Morgan, 1774

George Bullock to Dr. John Morgan, 1775

George Morgan to William von Phul

Dr. John Morgan to William von Phul, 1783

Joseph Cowperthwait to William von Phull, 1787

John Baker to Thomas Fisher, 1800

William Logan Fisher & Albanus C. Logan, 1818

Samuel Blair to Elliston Perot, 1818

Isaac Roberdeau & wife to Elliston Perot, 1818

Samuel Blair & Hester Ogilbe, 1824

Sansom Perot to Francis & William Sansom Perot, 1836

Thomas Morris to Patrick Jorgan, 1836

Francis Perot & wife to Wm. Sansom Perot, 1841

William S. Perot & wife to Francis Perot, 1841

Martha Hare to Francis & William Perot, 1843

Samuel B. Ogilbe & others to Francis Perot and others, 1850

William Sansom Perot & wife to Francis Perot, 1867

Joseph Perot et al & Francis Perot, 1881

Box 2: Gomey, Perot and Sansom

Folder 1: Ca. 20 items

Typed transcriptions of wills of the Gomey family (T. Morris Jr. married a Gummey), 16th - 19th centuries. (also spelled Gombe, Gummey, Gumme, Gommey, Gomey etc.).

Folder 2: Testaments of Sansom & Perot. 2 typed copies.

Folder 3: Perot Family History

Some highlights include:

Various genealogical entries for family members. 7 items

Photographs & note about property of Elliston and John Perot

Copy of brief of title of property on Girard Ave.

Genealogical data on Anthony Morris

Perot estate plans

Folder 4: Perot Family

Some highlights include:

Power of attorney for J. Sansom Perot

Copy of advertisement for Mary Perot, brewer, 1785

Information on relatives of Perot still in Bermuda,

Information on Perots/Perrot(t) in England

Letter re contribution to Association Against Prohibition Amendment by T. Morris Perot, Jr., 1928.

Folder 5: Francis Perot, 1796-1885

Some highlights include:

Genealogical data including folder, notes, letters [re coat of arms]

A remedy for chills

An advertisement for Perot's Porter & Ale

A memo of agreement made between J. Cooper and T. Morris Perot & Edward Ogden in form of Francis Perot's Sons, 1876.

Enumeration of portion of Sansom Perot's estate to Francis Perot, 1841

Stock owned by malt house

Two letters re Francis Perot's property, 1855 & 1857

Folder 6: T. Morris Perot, 1828-1902

Some highlights include:

Copy of marriage certificate of T.M.P. and Rebecca Siter, 1858

Typed obituaries for T.M.P. and R. Siter

Information on T.M.P.

Information and letters re field ambulance T.M.P. invented and on medal received. 7 items.

Information on 4th Street property, site of T.M.P.'s drug business begun in 1851

Letters re Perot family. 1869- (3 items)

A.L.S. by T.M.P. to John Logan. N.Y., 1897 [re Santo Domingo property]

T.M.P.'s certificates of membership in Historical Society of Pennsylvania, Spring Garden Institute, Franklin Institute

Rough draft of letter conferring M.D. degree on women (T.M.P.'s hand?) [n.d.]

Typed copy of advertisement for T.M.P.'s drug business, 1853.

Autograph album of Rebecca Siter, 1820, with beautiful engravings.

Folder 7: T. Morris Perot, Jr., 1872-1945 and T. Morris Perot III

Some highlights include:

A.L.S. of T. Morris Perot, Jr. to mother, June 22, 1910 [re trip to West Virginia property]

Photographs of T. Morris Perot III family. Ca. 20 items

Box 3: Siter, Sansom and Perot Families

Folder 1: Genealogical information on the Siter, Sansom and Perot families

Some highlights include:

18th century seals of James Perot and a letter regarding them

A Portion of the History of the Perot Family in Bermuda.1941. Copy of TS, typed by William Perot Lough.

Typed extracts from the diary (1758-1788) of Hannah Callender Sansom, 1737-1801.

Folder 2: Genealogical information on families relating to Perot including:

Some highlights include:

Picture of Cherry Street in Philadelphia, mansion of Thomas Morris with history on verso

List of the "Guardians of the Poor" for Philadelphia, Thomas Morris a member.

Cut-outs of Molly Mitchell copied from a book, originals by Thomas Morris, Jr.

Post card of Old Spread Eagle Tavern owned by Adam Siter

Letter to T.M. Perot with copy of coat-of-arms from the vice president of the Huguenot Society of America, C. DuPuy. 1897

Fire insurance policy for brew house property, 1829.

Letter from Sara Hallowell to her cousin, T.M. Perot. Moret, France, Oct. 5, 1915
[reporting a little on war activities]

Letters concerning request for patent numbers of inventions of T.M. Perot for his
field ambulance and drug store, 1916 (2 items).

Typed extract from Ann Warder's diary re Elliston Perot's wedding. 1787

Information on the Marshall drug store

Glass negative of Mahlen-Stacey coat of arms and information re

Folder 3: Siter Family

Some highlights include:

Information on the Siter family, especially Adam Siter, 1805-1889

Correspondence of Rebecca Siter Perot and her mother, Charlotte Cleaver Siter,
1867-1874. [impressions while traveling]

Typed copies of letters and other information regarding marriage of Charlotte
Cleaver and Adam Siter, 1827.

Folder 4: Edward Siter

Biographical data and news photo of building where Edward Siter was in business

List of managers and secretary of Commercial Exchange, Edward Siter, manager,
1865, 1870-1871

Folder 5: Francis Perot's Sons Malting Co.

Some highlights include:

Information on the malt house begun in 1687, typed transcript and article

Memo diary of Francis Perot, 1873-1879

Various articles and notes on breweries in Philadelphia, especially Perot

Malsters' agreement between Francis Perot's Sons Malting Co. and Henry Grimes,
1902.

Folder 6: Business letters of Francis Perot's Sons Malting Co., ca. 1874-1909 (ca. 10 items).

Box 4: Marshall, Powell, Wilcox and Morris Families

Folder 1: Marshall Family:

Some highlights include:

Christopher Marshall's diary, 1796. 2 items and 3 typed copies of extracts.

Typed copy of letter from Christopher Marshall to children, 1778.

Genealogical data re Christopher Marshall (1709-1797) and his son, Charles Marshall (1744-1825)

Information on Free Quakers of which Christopher Marshall was trustee

History of the name of Marshall

Information on the Marshall family from T. Morris Perot, 1917.

Receipts signed by Charles Marshall, 1791

Typed copies of notices which appeared in the Pennsylvania Packet and other papers referring to Quakers, sale of land, business, humane society involving Christopher and Charles Marshall

Genealogical line of Marshall to Perot

List of members of the Penna. Prison Society, 1787, including Charles Marshall

Folder 2: Marshall Family:

Some highlights include:

Genealogical data

Letter, 1939, and photos re Marshall house to Morris

26-page document taken from Philadelphia North American about Charles Marshall's diary.

Typed copy of marriage certificate of Patience Parrish and Charles Marshall, 1765.

Folder 3: Powell-Wilcox-Morris Family Genealogy

Folder 4: Morris Family:

Some highlights include:

Biographical data for Thomas Morris, ca. 1800-1827.

Biographical data on Morris and Powell families

Letter of James G. Barnwell to T. Morris Perot. June 29, 1889. [re erection of the Anthony Morris brew house]

Authorization of the Northern Soup Society, T. M. Perot, treasurer, to receive legacy left in a will, 1898.

Copy of Anthony Morris seal

Morris family genealogies

1920 calendar depicting original Anthony Morris brewery *These listings account for only the more important items contained in the collection rather than complete itemization.

Box 5: Miscellaneous

Folder 1: Miscellaneous Deeds:

11 deeds, spanning the period 1815-1850, transferring a piece of land on Mulberry and 11th Street in Philadelphia from family to family, including Francis Perot in 1847.

Folder 2: Miscellaneous

Some highlights include:

Agreement of "cestui que trust" for trustees of Francis Perot estate, Par La Ville, re improvement of land. 1887.

Resolution of appreciation for work done by T. Morris Perot as President of the Mercantile Library, 1869.

Folder 3: Miscellaneous

Photographs of painting of Archbishop Sancroft and 7 other bishops

Terms of sale of James Fisher's brewery, Vine & Story Streets, Phila., 1817.
Purchased by Elliston Perot, 1818.

MATERIALS REMOVED

Set of 12 hand painted photographs of Yellow Stone National Park by F. Jay Haynes and 1 by W.E. Hook Co. of Colorado Springs. To 812 B-R.

Clippings and other ephemera. To PG.

Books or other items. To the Quaker Collection.

"Our Daily Fare", serial from 1850's. To main library.