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Abstract

Barnard Gratz (1738-1801) and his brother Michael (1740-1811) immigrated to Philadelphia in the 1750s. They were merchants active during the Revolutionary period, and formed partnerships with the merchants David Franks (1720-1794) of New York and Philadelphia, and Joseph Simon (ca. 1712-1804) of Lancaster, PA. Michael Gratz's two sons, Simon (1773-1839) and Hyman (1776-1857), inherited their father's business. Their papers are primarily related to their business transactions, with some personal and family topics also present.

Administrative Information**Restrictions to Access**

The collection is open to researchers. It is on deposit at the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, and should be accessed through the Society's reading room at 1300 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA. Visit their website, <http://www.hsp.org/>, for reading room hours.

Acquisition Information

Gift of John A. McAllister; forms part of the McAllister Collection.

Processing Information

The Gratz-Franks-Simon Papers were formerly interfiled within the large and chronologically-arranged McAllister Manuscript Collection. The papers were reunited, arranged, and described as a single collection in 2006, under a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the William Penn Foundation. The collection was processed by Amy Shilane, University of Pennsylvania Summer Research Intern, and Sandra Markham. Any views, findings, conclusions or recommendations expressed in this finding aid do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

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Online Catalog Headings**Subject Names**

Gratz, Barnard, 1738-1801
Gratz, Michael, 1740-1811
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Gratz, Hyman, 1776-1857
Simon, Joseph, ca. 1712-1804
Franks, David, 1720-1794
Croghan, George, d. 1782
Levy, Levy Andrew, 1746-1829
Henry, Jacob, d. 1761
Henry, Solomon

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Merchants--Correspondence
Philadelphia (Pa.)--Commerce
Jews--United States
Congregation Mikveh Israel (Philadelphia, Pa.)

Document Types

Bills of lading
Bonds (legal records)
Family papers
Powers of attorney
Letters
Receipts (financial records)
Invoices
Bills of sale
Certificates

Related Collections

The Historical Society of Pennsylvania has Gratz family material in several collections: the Frank M. Etting Collection (Coll. 193) holds a large group including correspondence and

financial records; the Pennsylvania Counties Papers (Coll. 488) has letters and accounts of David Franks, Barnard Gratz, Levy Andrew Levy, Joseph Simon, and others of Lancaster, relating to provisioning of British and American soldiers and prisoners during the Revolution; the Henry M. Gratz Papers (Coll. 251) has some eighteenth-century material, but predominantly concerns Simon and Hyman Gratz; information on the families' land speculations can be found in the Illinois and Wabash Land Company Minutes (Coll. 880). At the Library Company, the Edwin Wolf 2nd Collection of Jewish Historical Documents holds many letters by and to members of the Gratz, Franks, and Simon families. The American Jewish Historical Society in New York holds the Gratz Family Papers (Coll. P-8).

Many of the letters from the Library Company's Gratz-Franks-Simon Papers, along with material from other private and institutional collections, were transcribed and comprehensively annotated by William Vincent Byars for his volume, *B. and M. Gratz: Merchants in Philadelphia 1754-1798* (Jefferson City, MO, 1916).

Biographical/Historical Notes

Extensive biographical material on the Gratz, Franks, and Simon family members can be found in the essays, annotations, and appendices prepared by Byars for his *B. and M. Gratz: Merchants in Philadelphia, 1754-1798*, as well as in *Barnard and Michael Gratz: Their Life and Times*, by Sidney M. Fish (Lanham, MD, 1994), and *The History of the Jews of Philadelphia from Colonial Times to the Age of Jackson*, by Edwin Wolf 2nd and Maxwell Whiteman (Philadelphia, 1957). The various inter-family relationships can be most easily understood by consulting the graphic family trees in Malcolm Stern's *First American Jewish Families* (Baltimore, 1991). Brief biographies of some of the members of the Gratz, Franks, and Simon family members who are prominent in these papers appear below.

Barnard (Issachar Ber) Gratz (1738-1801) was born in the southeastern Silesia village of Langendorf, as was his brother **Michael (Yehiel, 1740-1811)**, two of the six children born to Shlomo Zalman Gratz. The family took their surname from Grodzisko (Gratz is the Germanic form) the city in Poland to which Zalman had emigrated for a short time before fleeing to Silesia because of political turbulence and religious persecution. The children were orphaned by 1748, and the youngest siblings were raised by the eldest, Hyman (Hayim), who had an established career and a family of his own in the nearby village of Tworog. Another brother, Jonathan Gratz, living in Strehlitz, also took an interest in helping with his younger brothers' upbringing. Their sister Judith (Gittel) married Jonathan, the son of their uncle Zevi Hirsch Bloch.

In 1748, as an attempt to improve his financial situation, Barnard Gratz went to Holland. Two years later he moved to London, where he took a job in the counting house of his cousin **Solomon Henry**, another son of Zevi Hirsch Bloch; Solomon Hirsch and his brother **Jacob (d. 1761)** had Anglicized their surname to Henry when they settled in England. Solomon Henry taught Barnard Gratz basic British business skills and gave him experience in domestic and

overseas trade, all of which provided an important foundation for his future endeavors. Jacob Henry left London for America, arrived in Philadelphia in 1751, and worked there with Nathan Levy and Levy's nephew David Franks (1720-1794), merchants in partnership since the mid-1740s.

In December 1753, Nathan Levy died, and soon after, Jacob Henry decided to return to Europe. Barnard Gratz seized the opportunity to move to Philadelphia to take Henry's place, and Michael Gratz, who had gone to Berlin in 1750 and to Amsterdam two years later, moved to London to assume his brother's position. In February 1754, Barnard Gratz joined David Franks in business in Philadelphia. Michael Gratz spent nearly five years in London with Solomon Henry and on his own as a merchant trader in the East Indies before arriving in Philadelphia in 1759. The same year, Barnard Gratz decided to open his own shop on Water Street, across the street from David Franks, a move which also provided Michael Gratz an address for his own trading business. The brothers became partners as B. & M. Gratz in 1768. They remained close associates with Franks and with their cousins Solomon Henry in London and Jacob Henry, who had eventually returned to Philadelphia. The brothers also acted as purchasing and sales agents for Joseph Simon (ca. 1712-1804) in Lancaster, PA, and entered in partnerships with Simon, George Croghan (d. 1782), and William Trent (1715-1787) in land speculation and fur and Indian trading in central Pennsylvania. Both Gratz brothers signed the Philadelphia Non-importation Resolutions adopted on Oct. 2, 1765, and took the oath of allegiance to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and to the United States as a free nation, on November 5, 1777.

A successful merchant, Barnard Gratz married Richea Myers-Cohen, a cousin to Joseph Simon's wife Rosa, in 1760; within a few years, both she and their first child died, leaving Gratz to raise their surviving daughter Rachel (1764-1831). He never remarried. Michael Gratz married Miriam Simon (1749-1808), a daughter of Joseph Simon, and they became surrogate parents to Rachel. The couple also had twelve children of their own, nine of whom lived to adulthood. They included **Simon (1773-1839)**, **Hyman (1776-1857)**, and Rebecca (1781-1869) Gratz, none of whom ever married. Simon and Hyman Gratz inherited their father's business, and Hyman later became involved in the insurance industry. The three siblings were noted philanthropists, founding and/or supporting many of Philadelphia's cultural, charitable, and educational institutions, and, like their father and uncle, were active members of Congregation Mikveh Israel, where Barnard Gratz had been the first recorded parnas (president). Another of Michael Gratz's daughters, Frances (1771-1852), married Reuben Etting (1762-1848), after her cousin Rachel married his brother Solomon (1764-1847). Rachel and Solomon Etting lived in Baltimore, and Barnard Gratz died there while visiting their home.

David Franks (1720-1794) was an American merchant and a Loyalist during the American Revolution. The son of Jacob Franks (1687-1769), he was born in New York, and he spent much of his career in Philadelphia where he was also a member of the Congregation Mikveh Israel. Franks served in the provincial assembly and, with his wife Margaret Evans (1720-1780), was

socially prominent in the city. Their daughter Rebecca (1760-1823), who became the wife of Sir Henry Johnson, was one of the prominent young Philadelphians who attended the Meschianza Ball. David Franks supplied provisions to the British army during the French and Indian War. His activities in the War for Independence included appointments again as a purveyor for the British Army, and as an intermediary in the exchange of prisoners. Perceived as a threat to the security of the United States, he was jailed briefly in 1778 by order of Congress, and then imprisoned again in 1780. After living in England for a time, Franks returned to Philadelphia in 1783, where he worked as a merchant, but returned again to England and died at Isleworth in October 1794. David Franks is not to be confused with the American patriot Col. David Salisbury Franks (ca. 1740-1793), who was born in Philadelphia, and died there in one of the city's yellow fever epidemics.

Joseph Simon (ca. 1712-1804) was an early resident in Lancaster, one of the few towns in the American colonies with a Jewish population in the pre-Revolutionary period. A merchant, he was an Indian trader, sold provisions to the British, and took as a business partner his nephew Levy Andrew Levy (1734-1829). Simon was involved in land speculation with the Gratz brothers, Franks, and Levy, particularly in the formation of the Illinois Company. The Company purchased land in the Illinois Country from three Indian tribes in 1773. Despite several years of lobbying, its claim was never recognized by the United States government.

Collection Overview

The Gratz-Franks-Simon Papers contains material from two generations of three families. The collection is arranged in four series: Series I, Barnard and Michael Gratz Papers; Series II, Hyman and Simon Gratz Papers; Series III, David Franks Papers; Series IV, Miscellaneous Papers.

Series I, Barnard and Michael Gratz Papers (1752-1806), is arranged in four subseries: Correspondence; Financial Documents; Legal Documents; and Miscellaneous Papers. The material includes both letters and documents that came in to the Gratz brothers as well as those issued by them.

The Correspondence in the series dates from 1759 to 1794. It is primarily with merchants along the East Coast, and is business-related in topic, discussing commerce, financial transactions, and goods. Most of the folders hold single letters; the exceptions are Isaac Adolphus (9 letters), Levy Andrew Levy (7), Elias & Isaac Rodriguez Miranda (7), and Joseph Simon (14). While English is the predominant language used, others appear as well. The Adolphus letters are written partly in Hebrew script, and two of the letters from Elias and Isaac Rodríguez Miranda of Curaçao are in Spanish. The letter from Andreas Groth sent to Barnard Gratz in London, begins in German schrift, quoting a letter that Groth had received from Adam Kimmel. All of the letters are fairly consistent in theme, though a few do stray beyond generic business transactions to reveal the circumstances faced by merchants at the time; some examples follow.

Manuel Josephson, a merchant in New York before he relocated to Philadelphia, wrote in 1771 to warn Michael Gratz about a “young rogue” named Levy Marks who had taken goods on commission from Josephson and was never heard from again. Two New York residents wrote to Michael Gratz about lotteries: Solomon Marache commented on recent and upcoming drawings, and asked Gratz to purchase tickets on his behalf, while Jonas Phillips asked Gratz to redeem a lottery ticket for him in Philadelphia. Thomas Smith, in Richmond, VA, wrote Barnard Gratz an earnest, even obsequious, letter asking for him to favor his area by sending goods, as merchants “as far Eastwardly as Boston” already had.

A letter from Hannah Levy in New York, asks for a list of kitchen furniture. On September 16, 1776, Col. Eneas Mackay wrote to Barnard Gratz at Fort Pitt, requesting an order of blankets; Gratz drafted his reply on the verso of the letter, stating that he would not sell the blankets unless Mackay purchased blue cloth as well. Isaac Martin sent a letter from Savannah to inform that he had shipped barrels of rice and bundles of beaver pelts to Barnard Gratz, and had sold their co-owned tobacco, along with several of Gratz’s “hatts;” he also transcribed the current prices for fourteen commodities including timber, ship bread, kegs of water, tanned leather, sugar, and chocolate. A second letter, penned by Martin himself in New York rather than the amanuensis he employed in Savannah, reveals him to be far less eloquent (and far more phonetic) when writing on his own.

Writing from Kingston, Jamaica, to Michael Gratz, Jacob Melhado asked Gratz to forward an enclosed letter to his brother in St. Eustatius because it was difficult to have mail delivered to the Windward Islands from Jamaica. In gratitude, he offered his assistance in any local matter, and asked that Gratz accept on his behalf (and forward to him) any mail meant for him that Gratz might receive.

The letter from L.S. Hayne, written from Montreal in June 1765, orders four pipes of “a sort of English Brandy” distilled from corn, which he understands is being made in Philadelphia. This appears to be one of the earliest mentions of bourbon being made in the colonies. Though now generally associated with Kentucky, the beverage was brought to that area by early settlers from Pennsylvania.

The Gratz brothers’ cousin Jacob Henry wrote two letters from New York in January 1761 which focus largely on the cold weather; he described his daily routine, commented on Barnard Gratz’s recent marriage, and apologized for his “badwriting,” explaining, “the ink Froze, & very cold.” A letter in Series IV, from Samuel Hart in New York to Jacob Henry, confirms that Henry had returned safely Philadelphia safely; he died a month and a day after Hart’s note was written.

Probably the most startling letter is one written in 1772 by George Nagel of Reading, PA, to Barnard Gratz. In it, Nagel related that he had taken Gratz’s “Negroe George” to Reading to sell

him, but that George had rebelled at the public sale at a local tavern and declared that he would kill anyone who purchased him, "which deter'd the people from bidding." George was jailed, and when he refused to do hard labor while there, was handcuffed and chained. Nagel wrote that he was concerned that George was "now almost naked and if not furnish'd soon with some Cloaths, I fear he'll perish." He ended by asking Gratz what he should do with George. And one of the few amusing letters in the collection is a note from a man named Murphy, written as he was going out to sea; in it he asked Barnard Gratz to send his regards to friends including Mr. Frank, Mrs. Gratz, and "your Brother Mick."

Outgoing correspondence is filed at the end of the subseries. There are twenty-six letters exchanged by Barnard and Michael Gratz during the period 1764 to 1792; most of the time one of the brothers was in New York or Lancaster, but letters also came in from or went out to St. Kitts (1765), London (1770), Carlisle (1773), Albany (1773, 1774), Pittsburgh (1775), Baltimore (1782), and Richmond (1786, 1790). As with the other correspondence in the series, the topics are generally transactions and merchandise, though there are occasional mentions of family matters, such as Michael Gratz's announcement of the birth of his son Simon on January 11, 1773 (not January 1, as stated in Stern's *First American Jewish Families*). Copies of outgoing letters sent by the Gratz brothers to their business associates follow in folder 57; some of the texts appear on individual sheets and others are grouped on pages together, as if part of a letter book; the addressees are listed in the subseries' folder list. The final folder in the subseries holds eighteen letters in Hebrew script, which were sent to the Gratz brothers and other family members. Précis translations are present for three of the letters.

The Financial Documents subseries is arranged in five sections: Accounts; Bills of Lading; Drafts, Promissory Notes, and Bill of Exchange; Invoices; and Receipts. The Accounts section is divided in four parts and filed by merchant. The single bill of exchange originated in St. Eustatius and was issued to John Langdale Jr., who endorsed it to Elias Rodríguez Miranda and Michael Gratz. Invoices are arranged by type of merchandise, with a Miscellaneous folder that holds documents covering purchases of lumber, candles, coal, glass, and sand, etc. Also in the folder are two invoices for personal purchases made by Michael Gratz: one for a saddle and bridle, and another, from Dr. Frederick Phile, for a variety of medications including purging and worm powders. Dr. Phile also billed for inoculations given and "attendance at sundry different times" in 1773 and 1774. Another invoice in that folder documents the Gratz brothers' purchase of "12 Broad Silver Arm Bands" which were to be delivered to Barnard Gratz in Pittsburgh. A folder of Receipts shows the Gratz brothers paying debts as well as exchanging merchandise.

The final sections hold Legal Documents and Miscellaneous Papers. The former holds, among other papers, a power of attorney from Michael Gratz to Barnard Gratz and Moses Franks in London, applicable to the sale of 9,050 acres of land in Albany County, NY. The latter includes certificates for purchases of rum, signed by William Crispin, collector of excise for the city and

county of Philadelphia, and a single leaf with two pages of minutes from a meeting of the Parnas and Junta of Congregation Mikveh Israel in 1789.

Series II, Hyman and Simon Gratz Papers (1804-1831), contains papers related to the two brothers. The material is largely business related, though there are some financial documents that touch on parts of their personal lives. The papers are arranged in two subseries: Correspondence, and Documents.

The Correspondence subseries holds mostly single letters from business contacts made by the brothers; it is generally financial in nature, discussing sums of money to be exchanged without mention of products. Some of the exceptions are the letters from Henry G. Kurtz of Easton, PA, which number nearly a dozen, and show that he was buying reels of yarn and bundles of hemp from the Gratzes in 1823 and 1824. Several of the merchants were located in Kentucky, including John N. Lee in Flemingsburg, who asked for shipments of gunpowder, Spanish float indigo, and Hison tea. Samuel Leedom went by to say farewell before leaving "for the westward," but not finding the brothers available wrote a note to thank them, and to offer his assistance if he can render them any services in Lexington. Also of interest is a printed circular letter from Thomas Lockhart and David Arrott announcing their new commission merchant firm in New Orleans, dated March 1823, and the seven sets of letters (original and duplicate, one sent by mail and another sent with the goods) of letters from Lowry & Myers in La Guayra (La Guaira), Venezuela. Dating from July to December 1823, they contain a few invoices and bills of lading, plus one four-page printed Prices Current for imports to and exports from that port. The classifications include Sundries (largely agricultural products), and Canton, India, German, French and English goods (all textiles), and the sheets are annotated with figures and remarks on trade wants and current sales conditions.

The Documents subseries contains financial records describing business transactions made by either of the Gratz brothers, or their companies. There are more than thirty printed bank checks from 1826, primarily drawn on the Schuylkill Bank in Philadelphia. The Invoices are arranged by types of goods and services; Hardware is primarily nails. Personal/household includes invoices for repairs to shoes, umbrellas, bathtubs, trunks, etc., as well as for shaving and dressing Simon Gratz and his father. Also filed here is a bill from the German Society for the Gratz brothers' rent (and fines for not attending meetings), and a receipt from the Library Company of Philadelphia for Hyman Gratz's annual dues. Publications holds receipts for subscriptions to the *Philadelphia Price Current*, *The Port Folio*, and from Conrad Zentler for the German "American Observer," as well as for advertising placed by the Gratzes. Also filed here is an invoice for the firm's 1809 purchase from the publisher James Humphreys of J. Jepson Oddy's *European Commerce, Showing New and Secure Channels of Trade with the Continent of Europe* (2 vol.), and invoices for wrapping paper. Services includes payments made for hauling, weighing, inspecting, packing, branding, storing, painting, and brokering; also filed here are two invoices for a year of service by a shochet who performed shechita, the Jewish religious and humane method of slaughtering animals and poultry for food. The folder Petty Cash Book

holds twelve slender papers that record accounts between Simon Gratz & Co. and J. Johnson; there are only numerical figures on the sheets. The final document in the subseries is a legal letter sent between participants in a hearing related to the estate of Michael Gratz.

Series III, David Franks Papers (1757-1778), primarily contains material concerning the provisioning of prisoners of war during the Revolution. Several of the letters were addressed to Patrick Rice, who served as Franks' clerk; Rice also signed off on Simon's accounts with Franks, found in Series IV. He appears to be no relation to the Philadelphia bookseller Patrick Rice, who did not arrive in the United States until the 1780s. The remainder is related to Franks' activities as a merchant: a receipt for fabrics for mourning clothes charged to the estate of Mrs. Hazell, and an agreement for a Philadelphia chandler.

Series IV, Miscellaneous Papers (1761-1803), holds just a few pieces of correspondence, financial documents, and an indenture relating to the Henry brothers and Joseph Simon.

Box Folder

SERIES I. BARNARD AND MICHAEL GRATZ PAPERS

1752-1806

Arranged in four subseries: Correspondence; Financial Documents; Legal Documents; and Miscellaneous Papers. Gratz brothers outgoing correspondence is filed at the end of the Correspondence subseries.

Correspondence

1	1	Adolphus, Isaac, New York	1764-1769
	2	Adolphus, Moses, Kingston, Jamaica	1771
	3	Baggs, W.	1764 Apr 28
	4	Barnet, Jacob, London	1773 Feb 16
	5	Beale, Samuel, Williamsburg See also: Box 1, folder 57	1778 Dec 11
	6	Butler, John, Jr., Bordentown	1760 Jul 1
	7	Cohen, Solomon Myers, New York	1783
	8	Cohen Henriquez, J., Curaçao	1766 Jan 8
		Cornell, Samuel See: Box 1, folder 57	
	9	Croghan, George, Lancaster See also: Box 1, folder 57	1779 Mar 15
	10	Cummings, James, Quebec	1766 Jul 5
	11	Curson, Samuel, New York	1788 Feb 14
	12	De Lyon, Isaac, Savannah	1760 Sep 24
	13	Downer, John, Lancaster County	1768 Oct 21
	14	Emerton, William, London See also: Box 1, folder 57	1771
	15	Etting, Simon, Lancaster	1783 Feb 11
	16	Finley, John, Alexandria	1776 Apr 8

Box Folder

SERIES I. BARNARD AND MICHAEL GRATZ PAPERS, cont.

Correspondence, cont.

[1]	17	Franks, David, Philadelphia	1763 Jun 12
	18	Groth, Andreas Henry, Philadelphia and Exeter	1770 Oct 24
		Hamilton, Mrs. A. See: Box 1, folder 57	
	19	Hart, Isaac, New York	1771 Apr 10
	20	Hart, Myer, Easton	1773 Dec 29
	21	Hayne, L. S., Montreal	1765 Jun 22
	22	Henry, Jacob, New York	1760-1761
	23	Henry, Solomon, Philadelphia	1760 Nov 17
	24	Isaacs, Isaiah, Richmond	1777 Mar 26
		Johnson, William, Johnstown, NY See: Box 1, folder 57	
	25	Josephson, Manuel, New York	1771 Jul 17
	26	Kemble, Samuel, Brunswick	1771
	27	Lauman, Ludwig, Lancaster	1766 Nov 11
	28	Levy, Hannah, New York	1788 Sep 29
	29	Levy, Levy Andrew, Lancaster See also: Joseph Simon	1768-1794
	30	Levy, Myre, Spotswood, NJ	1760 Jul 16
	31	Livingston, Peter R., New York	1767 Nov 27
		Logan, Mr. See: Box 1, folder 57	
	32	MacKay, Eneas, Fort Pitt	1776 Sep

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SERIES I. BARNARD AND MICHAEL GRATZ PAPERS, cont.

Correspondence, cont.

[1]	33	McMordie, Robert	1763 Mar 17
	34	Marache, Solomon, New York	1769 Mar 6
	35	Martin, Isaac, Savannah and New York	1760
	36	Melhado, Jacob, Kingston, Jamaica	1770 Aug 22
		Mercer and Burling See: Box 1, folder 57	
	37	Meredith, William	undated
	38	Moses, Isaac, New York	1767 Nov 26
	39	Murphy, [Francis?]	undated
	40	Myers, Joseph M., Reading and Philadelphia	1768, 1771
	41	Nagel, George, Reading	1772 Mar 2
	42	Phillips, Jonas, New York	1763 Oct 20
	43	Phillips, L., for Joseph Simon	undated
	44	Rice, John	1763 Jul 8
	45	Rodríguez Miranda, Elias and Isaac	1764-1767
	46	Sample, Samuel, Pittsburgh	1773 Jul 4
		Simon, Joseph, Lancaster See also: L. Phillips	
	47	To Barnard Gratz	1760-1777
	48	To Michael Gratz	1769-1783
	49	Simson, Sampson and Solomon, New York See also: Box 1, folder 57	1771 Aug 15

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SERIES I. BARNARD AND MICHAEL GRATZ PAPERS, cont.

Correspondence, cont.

Smith, C.

See: Box 1, folder 57

[1]	50	Smith, Thomas, Richmond	1781 Nov 18
	51	Trent, William, Trenton	1778 Sep 24
	52	Unidentified correspondent from Richmond, re: Law of 1790	1793 Aug 5
	53	Unidentified notes to and from Gratz	undated
		Gratz family outgoing correspondence	
	54-55	Between Barnard and Michael Gratz	1764-1792
	56	From Michael Gratz to Marion Simon Gratz	1778 Jul 15
	57	From Gratz brothers to business associates	1763-1787, undated
	58	Letters in Yiddish and Hebrew script	1752, undated

Financial Documents

Accounts

B. & M. Gratz

2	59	Sales of sundry goods sent consigned to William Murray of the Illinois	undated
	60	With Miles & Wister	1774 Mar 5
	61	With David Franks	1774 Jun 20
	62	With Joseph Simon	1777-1796
	63	With William Trent	1784
		Barnard Gratz	
	64	With David Franks	1756-1760

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SERIES I. BARNARD AND MICHAEL GRATZ PAPERS, cont.

Financial Documents, cont.

Accounts, cont.

Barnard Gratz

[2]	65	For sales of gin	1771-1772
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Michael Gratz

66	With Joseph Simon	1768-1803
67	With Estate of Andrew Hamilton	1768-1787
68	With Mark Bird	1772 Sep 4
69	With Elijah Dow	1773-1775
70	With Samuel Burge	1775
71	With Charles Matheson	1777
72	With Nathan Bush	1780
73	With Estate of Charles Willing	1783-1786
74	With Hayman Levy	1784-1785
75	Simon & Gratz, with Neave, Harman and Lewis	1777
76	Bills of Lading to and from Isaac and Moses Adolphus, Elias and Isaac Rodríguez Miranda, and Preston Paine	1760-1771
77	Drafts, promissory notes, and bill of exchange to and from John Campbell, Mathew Ernest, John Langdale, Hyman Levy, James Lyon, James McKee, Samuel Reily, Conner Ross, Johan Smith, and [?] Urbino [?]	1764-1778
Invoices		
78	Flour	1770 Nov
79	Food	1761-1785

Box Folder

SERIES I. BARNARD AND MICHAEL GRATZ PAPERS, cont.

Financial Documents, cont.

Invoices, cont.

[2]	80	Rum and other alcoholic beverages	1763-1776
	81	Services (wharfage, hauling, etc.)	1763-1782
	82	Textiles, clothing, shoes	1761-1781
	83	Miscellaneous	1761-1776
	84	Receipts to and from Thomas Blandford, Michael Carril, William Edwards, Barzillai Haines, James James, Lewis Hansford, James Mcree, John Pindar, Charles Richmond, John Sudbury, George Taylor, Burton Wallace, and Willing, Morris & Co.	1763-1789

Legal Documents

	85	Bond, between Andrew Ring and Michael Gratz	1767 Jan 7
	86	Bond, between M. Gratz and owners of the brig <i>Dolphin</i>	1777 Sep 7
	87	Power of attorney, M. Gratz to B. Gratz and M. Franks	1770 May 14
	88	Summons for execution of will of George Croghan	1786 Jun 10

Miscellaneous Papers

	89	Certificates for rum bought from Michael Gratz	1775-1776
	90	Receipt for land office certificates received from M. Gratz	1783 Jun 25
	91	Memorandum of sale of lands	1804-1806
	92	Notes from meeting of Congregation Mikveh Israel	1789 Nov 8
	93	Joseph Simon to John Marshall, draft copy (to B. Gratz?)	1791 Mar 25

Box Folder

SERIES II. SIMON AND HYMAN GRATZ PAPERS

1804-1831

Arranged in two subseries: Correspondence, and Documents.

Correspondence

[2]	94	Baring Brothers, London	1828 Mar 29
	95	Blair, Alex, Taylor's Creek, KY	1816 Dec 31
	96	Fetter & Hughes, Louisville, KY	1817 Jun 30
	97	January & Sutherland, Maysville, KY	1823 Mar 25
	98	John N. Lane & Co., Lancaster	1823 Jan 7
	99	Jones, David, Union Town, PA	1823 May 10
	100	Karthaus, Peter A., Baltimore	1823 Dec 10
	101	Keating & Bell, Cincinnati	1823 Oct 30
	102	Keen, Sanford, Lexington, KY	1823 Sep 25
	103	Keiff, Daniel	1823 Jun 8
	104	Kirkpatrick & Co., Lexington, KY	1824 Feb 7
	105	Kurtz, Henry G., Easton	1823-1824
	106	Landis, John, Lancaster	1823 Mar
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