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Title HENRIQUES FAMILY. PAPERS

Approximate inclusive dates 1725-1834; bulk dates, ca. 1775-1820

Date of receipt January 21, 1965

Received from Hickory Ledge Bookshop

Volume on arrival 1 carton

Number of boxes (after reboxing) 2½ AB, 2 FB (containing vols.), 2 vols.,  
1 brown leather box (2.25 l.f.)

Condition Fair: Some documents torn; iron gall ink eating through some documents;  
some volumes worm-eaten and partially covered with inactive mold.

Restrictions None

Description

See attached sheets

Special Formats  Photographs  Maps  Audio Tapes  Films  Graphics  
 Artifacts  Machine-readable records  
 Other (list) 2 mss. on vellum

Temporary catalog card added entries

Building - New York (N.Y.) - History, 18th century  
Theater - New York (N.Y.) - History, 19th century  
Education - New York (N.Y.) - History  
Medicine - Formulae, receipts, prescriptions  
Merchant ships  
Merchants - New York (N.Y.)  
Merchants - Canada - Nova Scotia  
Practice of law - Great Britain

Henriques family  
Renton family

Dissenters, religious  
Single women

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Date January 12, 1989

This is an unusual group of papers, representing five generations of a family with ties in Portugal, England, Scotland, Holland, Nova Scotia and the United States (especially in New York City.)

A brief account of the relationships shown will clarify description: Jacob Lopes Henriques (also known as Jacob de David Lopez Henriques, evidently the son of David Henriques) is represented by a 1732 power of attorney to his son David Lopes Henriques, as well as by other papers. David Henriques was an attorney practising in London and later moved to Durham and then to Newcastle, where he died in 1775--- his will and a number of other papers are present. He married Janet Fish, widow of Robert Home and younger sister of Mrs. John Renton of Eyemouth, Scotland. Mrs. David Henriques is represented in the collection, as are John Renton, his sons James and David, and several others of that family. From the legal papers of Jacob Lopes Henriques and David Henriques it seems quite clear that this family were originally members of the Portuguese (Sephardic) Congregation of Jews in London. Upon David's marriage to Janet (Fish) Home, after Jacob's death, the family evidently became Dissenters, for we find Jane Henriques and her brother Philip both members of Dissenting sects.

Many of the papers are letters written to or by Jane Henriques (1754-1794) who lived with her aunt and uncle, the John Rentons, to whom she paid £16 p.a. for board and lodging. Many papers concern her father's estate and its settlement: she was the chief beneficiary.

The person on whom our interest centers is Philip Henriques. He was evidently a feckless and unfortunate soul, probably born in Hampstead and probably a bit younger than his sister Jane, who did not hesitate to lecture him in her letters.

Philip was evidently trained as a book-seller. Following some sort of trouble he left England and went to America, where we first hear of him in his father's will (1775). David left his son £100 and his clothes; the balance of the estate (about £500) went to Jane, with the exhortation not to lend her brother any money.

Jane tried to locate Philip but did not hear from him until 1778, when he was a sergeant in the British forces on Staten Island, as a member of Lt. Col. Buskirk's Company, 4th Batt., New Jersey Volunteers, Brig. Gen. Skinner's Brigade. In 1784-85 we find Philip in Parr and Halifax, Nova Scotia, where he engaged in the import-export trade with the help of John Renton.

In 1786 Philip was school-teaching in the Hudson Valley at "Middle Patten" (Patent) and Stanwick. (These may not be in the Hudson Valley, however, but may refer to Middle Paxton in Dauphin Co., Pa., and Stanwick in Burlington Co., Pa.---the point is difficult to establish.)

Philip married successively Fanny, Jane (1806), and Mary (1832?). Fanny bore him Philip Jr. (1788-1808). Another son, David, died of yellow fever in 1800 and a third, William, died in 1829---Philip Sr. was evidently left to educate William's son, John. There was also a daughter named Jenny, after Philip's sister. Jenny died in 1831. Another daughter named Fanny may have existed.

Most of the papers, as the following schedule will show, concern Philip Henriques of Hampstead (England), New Jersey, Staten Island, Nova Scotia, the Hudson Valley (or Pennsylvania), and New York.---He was in New York from 1789 or 1790 until 1833. The papers show him as school-master, accountant, grocer, builder, news distributor, theatre assistant and churchman. He was an industrious, unfortunate and paper-thrifty man. His "Nachlass" gives us a good view of a middle class New Yorker in the first quarter of the 19th century.

The economic life of the Philip Henriques family can be closely followed and there are numerous sidelights on other endeavors, the most exciting

of which is William Dunlap's theatrical ventures from 1800 until 1805.

David Henriques. Daily expense record, 1 July 1768 to 25 July 1772.

Two 12mo notebooks, one disbound. A meticulous and extremely detailed record.

Bank Book. David Henriques with Gislingham Cooper, 3 Dec. 1743-10 Dec.

1748; another bank book, 1748-1761; another bank book, 1762-4 July 1764.

Bank Book. David Henriques with Bell, Cockson, Carr, Widdrington and Saint (Newcastle), 1774-1776 (closed out by Jane Henriques after her father's death.)

Will of David Henriques of Newcastle, on 2 folio skins of vellum, 10 Mar. 1775; proved at Durham, 11 Nov. 1775. Notes that his son Philip has "lately gone to America"; leaves bulk of his estate to his daughter Jane. Poor condition.

David Henriques. Accounts and legal documents, letters, notes on law cases, drafts of legal papers, power of attorney of Jacob Lopes Henriques (father), 15 Dec. 1732, estate documents (including inventory of D.H.'s effects, 20 Oct. 1775.) Ca. 1720-1775. In all, 46 items.

David Henriques and Janet (Fish Home) Henriques. Notes for and rough draft of will of Esther Lumbrozo De Mattos, legal bills, notes on law and law cases, papers connected with Janet's property in Scotland (Fleemington) and John Renton's work on her behalf. Ca. 1730-1775. In all, 42 items.

David Henriques. Business papers: bills from Charles Cutcliffe and Adam Martin, scribes, Exchequer Office, to Darley and to Darley and Henriques of New Inn--1739-Hilary Term 1757. Earlier scrivener's bill from William Jones to Henriques (1733). The material gives a good view of an attorney's business in this period. In all, 26 items.

Jane Henriques. Financial papers, rent receipts, insurance papers, letters and receipts connected with settlement of her father's estate (including notes and letters of James Murray, Newcastle, and Thomas Hugall, Durham, the executors.) Ca. 1775-1790. In all, 70 items.

Jane Henriques and others. Business papers, chiefly clothing bills of Jane, 1759-94, with merchants in Eyemouth, Dunse, Berwick, etc. Inventory (15 Feb. 1796) of Jane's wearing apparel, to be sent to her brother Philip in New York. (John Renton felt Jane was "profuse in her dress.") A very full view of the personal expenses of a rural spinster in this era---price records, identification of items, sociological information. In all, 44 items.

Jane and Philip Henriques. Letters mentioning Philip: Jane to her trustees about Philip's affairs, Jane to her brother Philip in New York, John Renton to Philip on Jane's death and her estate. These letters are full and informative: comments on Philip's military career, financial affairs, vaccination, diet of children, the French revolution ("that rascal Paine") etc. In all, 22 items.

David Henriques--estate papers. Matters bearing on George Potts, captain of the ship "Isabella & Dorothy," and bottomry for the vessel; Pott's share of £100 in the ship. Also, information on D.H. estate. Ca. 1775 and later. In all, 23 items.

David Henriques---insurance papers. Covering ships in which he had a financial interest. Ca. 1765-1775. In all, 12 items.

Philip Henriques--Nova Scotia papers. Reflecting business activities, 1784-1785. He was a general merchant, importing goods from Scotland (where his relations bought for him at auction) and selling at auction and direct in Parr and Halifax. In all, 21 items.

Philip Henriques--papers about education. Receipts as a schoolmaster, contracts, school bills for his own children in New York City, 1796-1813. Ca. 1786-1813. In all, 23 items.

- Philip Henriques--New York bills (general) and references. Character references (3), 1796-98. Pension from proprietors of the New York Gazette (1816), receipts and bills from the late 1780's to the early 1830's, covering all types of merchandise for sale (cloth, finished goods, books, liquors, groceries) and for his family's use. Receipts for newspaper collections and for subscription publications. In all, 119 items.
- Philip Henriques--"Shop Account." 1796-97. In his grocery store at Suffolk and Eagle Streets he appears to have sold mostly spirits, tea, sugar, molasses, and piece goods. He was also a news agent. In all, 18 items.
- Philip Henriques--New York building receipts. Construction of a house and shop at Suffolk and Eagle Streets (7th Ward), built in 1796 (42 receipts, giving a complete cost picture on a small building.) Receipts for workmen, furnishing and repair. (In August 1803 Austin Adams billed P.H. for "Boarding sink fixing Privy &c," including the item, "Childs seat stuf nails and Labor--3/6d.") Ca. 1796-1834. In all, 86 items.
- Philip Henriques---Legal papers, New York real estate. Agreements and mortgages, rental agreement, a petition to the mayor about a public fire hazard in the Hester Street area (1818). 1796-1820. In all, 7 items.
- Medical Bills and recipes.
- David Henriques, 1750 and 1771 (2)
  - Jane Henriques and family, Scotland, 1776-1792 (5)
  - Philip Henriques and family, New York (14)
  - Medical recipes and prescriptions, London, Scotland, New York (19)  
(It should be noted that in this collection is material showing that Philip Henriques collected bills for Dr. James Bard.) The recipes are an interesting and informative file. In all, 40 items.
- Miscellaneous papers, chiefly from Philip Henriques: report of a dream, two poems, one prayer, one receipt. In all, 4 items.
- Decorated bill-heads, London and Scotland. In all, 10 items.
- Leather box and contents (Philip Henriques):
- Sunday School cards, Philip Henriques Jr. and (1) William Henriques, 1795-1825. Bedford Street Methodist Church, New York City. Text cards given out quarterly---interesting examples of job printing.
  - Two engraved watch-papers, 1817 and 1818.
  - Four lottery tickets, New York City, 1821.
  - Burial documents, Henriques family, New York City, 1829-31 (3).
  - Notebook, 1796, for hardware costs of Philip Henriques' Suffolk Street house.
- Philip Henriques--Ledgers, account books, cash books, journals, etc.
1. Cash book, 12 Dec. 1795-1816. Sets up an account for receipts from his sister's estate; he builds a house with a shop, New York City.
  2. Cash book and journal, 1796 on. Store accounts and household expenses, rent receipts, charges to William Dunlap for "attendance" at theatre, with notes of performances, opening and closing dates, 1800-1804. Henriques also sold the New York Price Current for James Oram and distributed the Gazette.
  3. Account book, 1823-25.
  4. Waste book and journal, Feb.-Oct. 1802. At the end is a list of book-keeping rules.
  5. Account book, 1806-1831 (200 pp. used) Charges for distributing Gazette (Lang and Turner), for keeping Peter Coruth's books, rental accounts, building, collecting bills for a number of people, repairs (property on Suffolk, Grand, and Hester Streets is indicated.)
  6. Accounts of money received for Lang and Turner (Gazette) 1805-1806.

Philip Henriques Jr. and William Henriques.

1. Navigation notebook (sm. 8vo), probably Philip Henriques Jr.'s. Poor condition.
2. Arithmetic book, with the problems worked by Philip Jr. Commercial problems.
3. Navigation problem book, Philip Jr. Also contains journal of a voyage from New York to Nantes, 20 Dec. 1804 to 12 April 1805, on the ship "Lovely Nancy". Philip was mate.
4. Philip, Jr. and David Henriques the younger---geometry problem book, ca. 1800.

New York business records.

1. Waste book and journal---perhaps that of Peter Coruth, or of John Simonds (Simmons ?), importer-exporter, for whom Philip Henriques posted books. 1800 on. At end, poem on the Last Judgement.
2. William Henriques' ciphering book, used at end by his father Philip as a ledger, 1800 on, probably for the accounts noted in the item directly preceding.
3. Import-export cash books, perhaps for the business of Peter Coruth, 1802 on.

## HENRIQUES FAMILY PAPERS

### Description

The Henriques family was a mercantile family that originated in Portugal and lived in England, Scotland, Nova Scotia, and the United States. Four generations of the family are represented in this collection: 1) Jacob Lopes Henriques (a.k.a. Jacob de David Lopes Henriques), the son of one David Henriques; 2) Jacob's son, David Lopes Henriques (d. 1775), a London attorney who married Janet Fish Home; 3) David and Janet's children, Jane (1754-1794), a spinster, and Philip, a soldier, school teacher, and merchant; and 4) Philip's children-- Philip, Jr. (1788-1808), David (d. 1800), William (d. 1829), and Jenny (d. 1831).

The Henriques Family Papers span the years 1725 to 1834, with the bulk dating from ca. 1775 to 1820. They consist of handwritten and printed documents, including correspondence, legal papers, cash and account books, receipts, newspaper clippings, tracts, writings, and other documents.

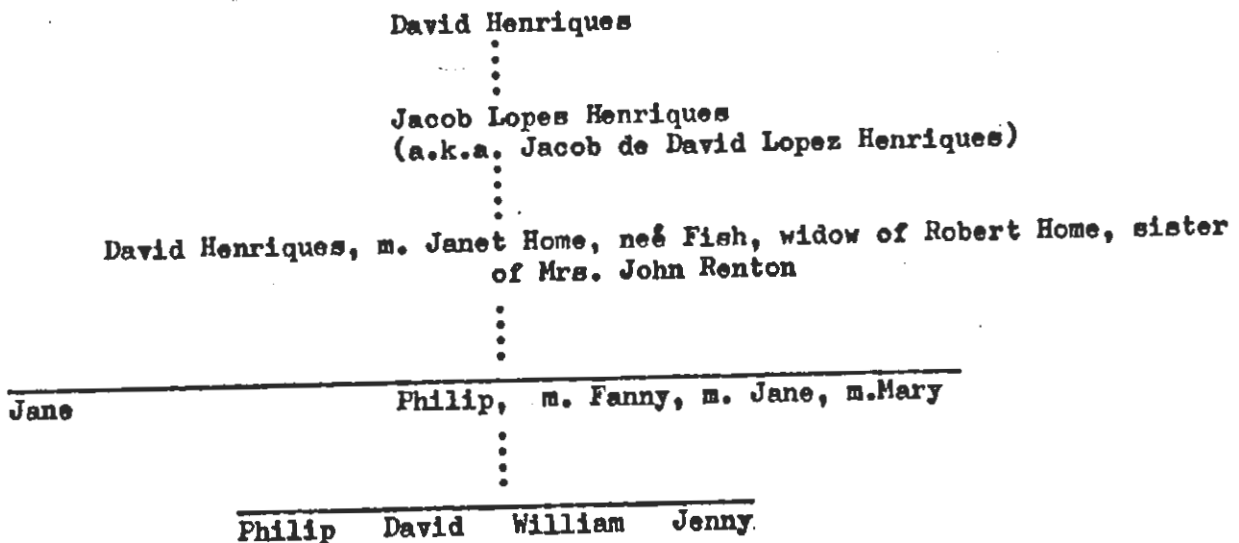
The bulk of the papers are Philip Henriques's (1775-1834) and pertain to his various business ventures in Nova Scotia and New York City, as well as his membership in the Methodist Church.

The correspondence in the collection (1740-1831, n.d.) is mostly between Jane Henriques, the principal heir to the estate of her father, David Lopes Henriques, and attorney James Murray or between Jane and her brother, Philip. There is some correspondence between Philip and other individuals.

Jacob Lopes Henriques is represented by a handful of papers (1725-1732). David Lopes Henriques's papers (1732-1777) consist of estate papers, ship insurance policies, and other documents. Janet Henriques's papers (1745-1759) are primarily legal papers. Jane Henriques's papers (1759-1796), aside from the aforementioned correspondence, are receipts for clothing and other goods.

The collection also includes medical recipes and prescriptions for the family and school and navigation books belonging to Philip, Jr., and William. A detailed container list, family history, and item enumeration follow.

### Family Tree



Henriques Family Papers

<u>Box No.</u>	<u>Contents</u>
1	<u>Correspondence, 1740-1831, n.d.</u>
2	<u>David Henriques</u> Estate papers, 1775-1777, n.d. Insurance policies for ships insured by and partly owned by David Henriques, 1765-1774. Insurance policy for his home in Garden Court, Middle Temple, London, Oct. 10, 1759. 'Memoriall for Mr. Henriques' concerning his wife, the debts of her deceased father, and lands in Flemington, Oct. 10, 1752. Messers Darley & Henriques, Attorneys-at-Law, 1732-1775. Probate from the Prerogative Court of the Archbishop of Canterbury of the Will of Mr. David Henriques, March, 10, 1775. Miscellaneous papers. Bank Books, 1743-1776. Petty Cash Books, 1768-1772. <u>Jacob Lopes Henriques (also known as Jacob de David Lopez Henriques) Papers, 1725-1732</u> <u>Jane Henriques Papers, 1759-1796 (Receipts)</u> <u>Janet Henriques Papers, 1745-1759 (Legal papers)</u> See also: David Henriques Home-Renton Families
3	<u>Philip Henriques</u> Accounts, bills, and taxes, 1775-1834. Accounts of grocery business in New York City, 1796, 1797. Accounts received for Lang & Turner, 1803, 1806. Clippings from New York City newspapers, c.1830s. Mortgages, and leases, 1796-1820. Nova Scotia Papers, 1784, 1785, 1788, n.d. Papers related to Philip Henriques's career as a schoolmaster, 1786-1834. Receipts for construction of a house and shop at Suffolk and Eagle streets, New York City, and for other building work, 1796-1834. Report of a dream; poem; prayer.

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Contents

Philip Henriques (continued)

Waste-book and journal, 1800.

Miscellany. Includes tracts, Methodist literature.

Philip Henriques, Jr.

Arithmetic and commercial work-books.

Navigation note-book.

Family Medical Bills and Prescriptions, 1750-1832

Home-Renton Families Receipts

See also: David Henriques

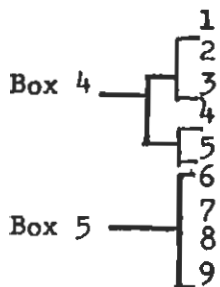
Janet Henriques

Wills and Estate Papers

Miscellaneous Related Papers

Bills, bonds, etc.

Vol. No.



Bound Volumes

Philip Henriques - Cash Book, 1795-1816.

" " - Cash Book, 1796-1806

" " - Cash Book, 1802.

" " - Waste-book and journal, 1802.

" " - Account Book, 1806-1831.

" " - Account Book, 1823-1825.

Philip Henriques, Jr. - Navigation Note-book, c.1800.

" " - Navigation work-book, c.1804-1805.

William Henriques - Arithmetic Work-book, 1811;

Philip Henriques Cash Book, 1800-1814.