Guide to the Jesse Beene letters
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Summary Information

Repository
W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama

Creator
Beene, Jesse, d. 1845

Title
Jesse Beene letters

Date [inclusive]
1839-1841

Extent
0.1 Linear feet (2 items)

Language
English

Abstract
Two letters written from Cahawba, Alabama, to R. G. Hazard in Peacedale, Rhode Island. The first, dated 14 July 1839, orders shoes for Beene's sixty-eight slaves -- includes list of slaves, measurement of feet in inches. In the second, dated 16 December 1841, Beene expresses dissatisfaction with both shoes and prices.

Preferred Citation
Jesse Beene letters, W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama.
Biographical/Historical note

Alabama slaveowner.

Scope and Contents note

This collection consists of two letters from Beene, written from Cahawba, Alabama, to R. G. Hazard of Peacedale, Rhode Island. The earlier of the two, dated 14 July 1839, consists of an order to Hazard for shoes for Beene's slaves, listing each slave by name and providing also the length of each's foot in inches. Beene was evidently a prosperous slaveholder, as he listed the names of no fewer than sixty-eight slaves, divided between two plantations. The second letter, dated 16 December 1841, complains of the inferior quality of the shoes furnished by Hazard, and states that Beene will not pay the price charged, as "I can now purchase a better article for less money in this country [i.e., Alabama]...."
None

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Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

• Correspondence
• Letters (correspondence)

Geographic Name(s)

• Dallas County (Ala.)

Subject(s)

• African Americans
• Alabama
• Business
• Civil Rights and Human Rights
• Slave records--Alabama
• Slaveholders--Alabama
• Slavery--Alabama
• Slaves--Alabama--History--19th Century
# Collection Inventory

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