

R & J Habersham business letters

Descriptive Summary

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Biographical/Historical Note

R & J Habersham were cotton factors and commission merchants in Savannah, Georgia. Comprised of Robert Habersham and Joseph Habersham, Jr., the firm was in operation from circa 1806 until circa 1826.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists of business letters to R & J Habersham. Those of 1823 are in regard to selling cotton, rice, etc. Correspondents are R. Powell, William Spencer, Benjamin Savage, William Savage, John R. Toomer, Allen Sweat, Benjamin S. Screven, R. Richardson, Alexander Telfair, Benjamin F. Scott, David Turner, Jonathan Robinson, James Smith, Jacob Waldburg, Thomas Young, Samuel Wilkins, Mary H. Wells, Charles C. Watson & Sons, Nicholas Ware. The collection also contains a bill of sale, 1806, to John Meigs for a keg of butter bought by Joseph Habersham.

Index Terms

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R & J Habersham (Savannah, Ga.)
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Administrative Information

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Unknown.

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Container List

Item 1: Bill for household expenses of Joseph Habersham, Savannah, Ga., 1806 December 15 (1.0 p.)

Bought a keg of butter from John Meigs.

Item 2: R. Powell to R & J Habersham, Savannah, Ga, 1823 May 2 (1.0 p.)

Regarding delivery of cotton.

Item 3: William Spencer to R & J Habersham, 1823 May 9 (1.0 p.)

Giving instructions to sell cotton.

Item 4: Benjamin Savage to R & J Habersham, Elizabethtown, N.J., 1823 May 19 (1.0 p.)

Regarding business interests in Savannah which the Habershams were managing for him.

Item 5: William Savage to R & J Habersham, 1823 May 21 (1.0 p.)

Regarding sale of cotton and an order for flour and a horse.

Item 6: John R. Toomer to R & J Habersham, 1823 May 21 (1.0 p.)

Request for order of bacon fat.

Item 7: Allen Sweat to R & J Habersham, 1823 June 5 (1.0 p.)

Request for a wagon load of corn.

Item 8: Benjamin S. Scriven to R & J Habersham, Beaufort, S.C., 1823 June 5 (1.0 p.)

Request for 50 bushels of corn in trade for a bag of cotton.

Item 9: R. Richardson to R & J Habersham, New Orleans, La. (1.0 p.)

Almost illegible.

- Item 10: Alexander Telfair to R & J Habersham, Philadelphia, Penn., 1823 July 10 (2.0 p.)
Regarding personal news and business matters the Habershams were handling for him.
- Item 11: Benjamin T. Scott to R & J Habersham, Oak Forest, 1823 July 16 (1.0 p.)
Request for corn in trade for 50 bushels of cotton.
- Item 12: David Turner to R & J Habersham, Beaufort, S.C., 1823 July 26 (1.0 p.)
Turner is writing for Mrs. Maria Cook, regarding the estate of her late husband Captain John Cook and any debts he might have owed the Habershams.
- Item 13: Benjamin T. Scott to R & J Habersham., 1823 August 1 (1.0 p.)
Request for cotton bagging.
- Item 14: Alexander W. Telfair to Robert Habersham, New York, 1823 August 3 (3.0 p.)
Regarding personal news and general business trends.
- Item 15: Benjamin T. Scott to R & J Habersham, Oak Forest, 1823 August 15 (1.0 p.)
Request for 25 bushels of corn in trade for 2 bales of cotton.
- Item 16: Benjamin Savage to R & J Habersham, Elizabethtown, N.J., 1823 August 18 (1.0 p.)
Request for a loan on his next shipment of cotton.
- Item 17: John Robinson to R & J Habersham, Creek Agency, Ga., 1823 August 24 (2.0 p.)
Request for correction of a mistake made in a business transaction.
- Item 18: Alexander Telfair to R & J Habersham, Bristol, Penn., 1823 August 25 (3.0 p.)
Personal news of an illness in the Habersham family and business requests.
- Item 19: James Smith to R & J Habersham, Darien, Ga., 1823 August 29 (2.0 p.)
Request for money owed him.
- Item 20: J. Waldburg to R & J Habersham, St. Catherines Island, Ga., 1823 December 8 (1.0 p.)
Regarding shipment of cotton
- Item 21: Thomas Young to R & J Habersham., 1823 December 8 (1.0 p.)
Regarding African American people to help with the planting.
- Item 22: Samuel Wilkins to R & J Habersham., 1823 December 12 (2.0 p.)

Regarding unsatisfactory freight service

Item 23: Charles C. Watson & Sons to R & J Habersham, Philadelphia, Penn., 1823 December 13 (1.0 p .)

Regarding delivery of a box of clothing.

Item 24: Mary H. Wells to R & J Habersham, Oakatee, 1823 December 13 (1.0 p.)

Regarding sale of her cotton.

Item 25: Samuel Wilkins to R & J Habersham., 1823 December 26 (1.0 p.)

Regarding sale of rice.

Item 26: J. Waldburg to Robert Habersham, St. Catherines Island, Ga., 1823 December 29 (3.0 p.)

Re sale of cotton and other business transactions.

Item 27: Nicholas Ware to R & J Habersham, Charleston, S.C., 1823 December 31 (1.0 p.)

Regarding payment for a bottle of wine.

Item 28: Charles C. Watson & Sons to R & J Habersham, Philadelphia, Penn., 1823 December 31 (1.0 p .)

Copy of accounts owed them by the Habershams.