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**American Fur Company**  
**Letterbooks, Ledger, and Calendar, 1803-1851**

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### Box 1

Folder 0. "The Papers of the American Fur Company: A Brief Estimate of their Significance," article Grace L. Nute, 1927

#### Calendar Typescript Pages

This calendar of correspondence and other papers held at the New-York Historical Society was published in 1944 in the *Annual Report of the American Historical Association*.

Folder 1. Calendar pp. 1-250

Folder 2. Calendar pp. 250-500

Folder 3. Calendar pp. 501-750

Folder 4. Calendar pp. 751-1000

Folder 5. Calendar pp. 1001-1250

### Box 2

Folder 6. Calendar pp. 1251-1500

Folder 7. Calendar pp. 1501-1750, Index begins on page 1698

Folder 8. Calendar pp. 1751-1942, Index continues from page 1698

#### Letterbook I & II Photostat Copies

The letterbooks were kept by Ramsay Crooks and Robert Stuart, factors of the American Fur Company at Mackinac. These records were acquired in 1916 from the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, which had borrowed the letterbooks from Mackinac to copy the volumes.

Folder 9. Letterbook I, December 18, 1816 – December 18, 1817

Folder 10. Letterbook I, January 10, 1818 – September 22, 1818

Folder 11. Letterbook I, September 26, 1818 – June 22, 1819

Folder 12. Letterbook I, July 8, 1819 – December 30, 1819

Folder 13. Letterbook I, January 21, 1820 – May 30, 1830

### Box 3

Folder 14. Letterbook I, June 9, 1820 – August 14, 1820

Folder 15. Letterbook II, June 21, 1820 – December 17, 1820

Folder 16. Letterbook II, January 26, 1821 – September 1, 1821

Folder 17. Letterbook II, September 1, 1821 – December 28, 1821

Folder 18. Letterbook II, December 28, 1821 – April 30, 1822

Folder 19. Letterbook II, April 30, 1822 – October 17, 1822

Folder 20. Letterbook II, October 18, 1822 – January 9, 1823

Folder 21. Letterbook II, January 16, 1823 – July 29, 1825

### Microfilm Reel 1

Mackinaw Island ledger of the John Jacob Astor Fur Company, 1803-1851

This ledger records accounts held by the Fur Company with individuals from 1803-1851. The microfilm copy was acquired in 1970 from Northwestern Michigan College.