

# Gammans Store Day Book

## Special Collections Belfast Free Library Belfast, ME

### Summary Information:

**Collection Title:** Gammans Store Day Book

**Collector:** James Gammans

**Date of Collection:** 1826-1835

**Box Number:** B2

### Administrative Information:

**Accession Number:** 99.13.B2

**Provenance:** Gift of Mrs. Fred Holmes

**Processor:** Terry Cole

**Date Processed:** Oct. 1999

**Restrictions:** No Restrictions

### Biographical/Historical Information:

James Gammans, one of the early residents of Belfast, owned the Gammans Store in the City Point district of Belfast, Maine. James was married to Rebecca Bailey. Their son, Albert, clerked in the store as a boy and succeeded his father in the business. Albert married Martha Jane Littlefield. They were the parents of Maud Gammans and James Albert Gammans. Mr. Fred Holmes, husband of the donor, was a cousin of Maud and James Albert.

### Scope and Contents:

This book contains a day to day accounting of items purchased in the store. Items purchased are typical of a general store of the day, molasses, sugar, tobacco, rum, coffee, fish, corn, salt, boots, cups and saucers, knitting pins, soap, nails, buttons, candles, and fabric. Few cash payments are noted, but credit is often given for labor performed (generally hauling goods, wood or manure) or goods procured (wood or lumber).

### Arrangement:

Chronological in ledger.