

**R. VIENER AND COMPANY ACCOUNT BOOKS**

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**SUMMARY**

<b>Size.</b>	494 manuscript volumes and 9 printed volumes
<b>Geographic locations.</b>	Natchez, Mississippi
<b>Inclusive dates.</b>	1880-1936
<b>Bulk dates.</b>	1893-1930
<b>Language.</b>	English
<b>Summary.</b>	Business records for a wholesale grocery, feed, flour, and paper firm of Natchez, Mississippi.
<b>Organization.</b>	Volumes arranged by type, then chronologically.
<b>Restrictions on access.</b>	If microfilm is available, photocopies must be made from microfilm.
<b>Related collections.</b>	N/A
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<b>Citation.</b>	R. Viener and Company Account Books, Mss. 518, Louisiana and Lower Mississippi Valley Collections, LSU Libraries, Baton Rouge, La.
<b>Stack location(s).</b>	K:1-33

**BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL NOTE**

R. Viener and Company was a wholesale grocery, feed, flour, and paper firm of Natchez, Mississippi. The company was succeeded by F. R. Blankenstein. R. Viener was also the treasurer of the B'nai Israel Congregation of Natchez.

**SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

R. Viener and Company account books include cashbooks (1893-1936); daybooks (1893-1935); journals (1894-1926); invoice books (1898-1933); ledgers (1893-1929); letter books (1895-1905); a railroad claim book (1912-1913); record books (1903-1933); stock books (1901-1917); and trial balance books (1909-1911). Two cashbooks (1902-1934) record accounts of the B'nai Israel Congregation of Natchez. Printed volumes include commercial and mercantile reference books, books related to cotton buying, and a telegraphic code book. See collection description for full volume listing.

## COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

<u>Vol. #</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Contents</u>
1-30	1894-1930	30 volumes: Cashbooks containing cash sales, accounts payable and receivable (entries copied from penciled entries of work books).
31-108	1896-1936	78 volumes: Cashbooks and work books (penciled entries).
109-110	1893-1936	2 volumes: Cashbooks concerning Scott and Gunning.
111-112	1907-1909, undated	2 volumes: Cashbooks concerning the Hamilton Store.
113	1922	1 volume: Cashbook containing cash sales.
114	1924-1925	1 volume: Checkbook concerning New Orleans Bank and Trust Co.
115-231	1893-1910	117 volumes: Daybooks containing sales.
232-276	1896-1936	45 volumes: Receiving books
277-280	1899-1907	4 volumes: Daybook containing cotton sold.
281	1918-1920	1 volume: Daybook containing cotton sold.
282-287	1904-1912, 1916-1919	6 volumes: Daybook containing cotton received.
288-293	1905-1932	6 volumes: Daybooks containing cotton received.
294-302	1913-1931	9 volumes: Daybooks containing orders.

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<u>Vol. #</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Contents</u>
303	1897-1899	1 volume: Daybook concerning A. B. Flood.
305-349	1904-1935	45 volumes: Daybooks containing transfer sheets.
350-399	1898-1933	50 volumes: Invoice books.
400-405	1894-1918	6 volumes: Journals concerning merchandise.
406	1912-1926	1 volume: Journal containing purchases.
407-415	1893-1903	9 volumes: Ledgers containing accounts receivable and 1 index.
416-418	1917-1923	3 volumes: Ledgers containing accounts receivable.
419-423	1894-1908	5 volumes: Ledgers containing merchandise.
424-434	1898-1929	11 volumes: Ledgers containing yearly expenditures.
435-441	1902, 1917-1923, 1926	7 volumes: Ledgers containing warehouse stock listed under product.
442	1898	1 volume: Ledger concerning Scott & Gunning.
443-448	1889-1906	6 volumes: Anonymous ledgers.
449	1907-1909	1 volume: Ledger concerning Hamilton Store.
450	1902-1903	1 volume: Ledger concerning Clover Mound Store
451	1903	1 volume: Ledger containing sales and purchases of cotton.

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452-456	1923, undated	5 volumes: Anonymous ledgers
457-465	1906-1928	9 volumes: Transfer books
466-468	1895-1905	3 volumes: Letter books
469	1912-1913	1 volume: Railroad claim book
470-476	1907-1933	7 volumes: Record books concerning outstanding city and country accounts.
477	1903-1904	1 volume: Record book containing cotton sold.
478	1907-1909	1 volume: Record book of cotton ginned.
479	1919-1920	1 volume: Record book of cotton sold.
480	1932-1933	1 volume: Record book containing tobacco stamps.
481-483	1901-1919	3 volumes: Stock books containing yearly inventory.
484-488	1906-1922	5 volumes: Stock books concerning warehouse stores.
489-490	1916-1917	2 volumes: Stock books concerning lower warehouse stores.
491-492	1909-1911	2 volumes: Trial balance books
493-494	1902-1917, 1929-1934	Miscellaneous: Congregation B'nai Israel, R. Viener, treasurer 2 Cashbooks

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		<b>Printed Materials</b>
495	1909	Bradstreet, <i>The Book of Commercial Ratings</i> . 1909
496	1913	Dun, R. G., <i>The Mercantile Agency Reference Book</i> . 1913.
497	1917	Dun, R. G., <i>The Mercantile Agency Reference Book</i> . January 1917.
498	1917	Dun, R. G., <i>The Mercantile Agency Reference Book</i> . July 1917.
499	1897	Hall, M. G., <i>The Cotton Buyers' Lightning Calculator</i> . 1897.
500	1880	Lehman Brothers, <i>Telegraphic Cipher Code</i> . 1880.
501	undated	Marshall, B. F., Jr., <i>Marshall's Grain Tables</i> . Undated.
502	undated	Murray, Wilbur H. Manufacturing Co., <i>Catalog No. 30</i> . Undated.
503	1908	Schilling, A., <i>Our Local Partner</i> . 1908.



**INDEX TERMS**

Account books.

Blankenstein, F. R.

B'nai Israel Congregation (Natchez, Miss.)

Cashbooks.

Feed industry--Mississippi.

Flour industry--Mississippi.

Grocers--Mississippi.

Grocery trade--Mississippi.

Journals (accounts)

Ledgers (account books)

Merchants--Mississippi.

Natchez (Miss.)--History.

Paper industry--Mississippi.

R. Viener and Company.

Viener, R.

**CONTAINER LIST**
**Stack**
**Location**
**Contents (with dates)**

K:1-5	114 volumes: Cashbooks (1893-1936, n.d.)
K:5-22	135 volumes: Daybooks (1893-1936)
K:22-28	50 volumes: Invoice Books (1898-1933)
K:28	7 volumes: Journals (1894-1926)
K:28-32	59 volumes: Ledgers (1893-1928)
K:32	3 volumes: Letter Books (1895-1905)
K:32	1 volume: Railroad Claim Book (1912-1913)
K:33	11 volumes: Record Books (1903-1933) 10 volumes: Stock Books (1901-1922) 2 volumes: Trial Balance Books (1909-1911) 2 volumes: Congregation B'nai Israel Cashbooks (1902-1917, 1929-1934) 9 printed volumes