

## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Library Company of Philadelphia
<b>Creator</b>	Leiper, Thomas, 1745-1825
<b>Title</b>	Thomas Leiper and family business records
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1771-1947
<b>Extent</b>	47.0 volumes
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Abstract</b>	<p>Thomas Leiper (1745-1825) was introduced into the business of tobacco shortly after his arrival in Virginia in 1763. Within several years, he moved to Philadelphia where he opened a tobacco shop. During the Revolutionary War, Leiper became the principal tobacco provider in Philadelphia. In 1776, Leiper purchased land in Delaware County that included a mill at a waterfall on the Crum Creek. He established snuff mills and later purchased a stone quarry. The Thomas Leiper and family business records include correspondence, country estate records, and business and financial records of the family's paper, lumber and wood working businesses, quarry business, and tobacco business dating from 1771 to 1947.</p>

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