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Subject Names

Denegre, James D.
Jacobs, Charles A., merchant
Spangenberg, L.
Toby, Thomas
Thomas Toby & Brothers (Firm)
Krafft, John H.
Morgan, Thomas A., merchant

Subject Topics

Merchants--Pennsylvania--Philadelphia.
Philadelphia (Pa.)--Commerce
Merchants--Louisiana--New Orleans.

Document Types

Bills of lading
Bills of sale
Invoices
Insurance policies
Receipts (financial records)
Letters

Biographical/Historical Notes

John Britton Budd was born in Philadelphia around 1798, and operated as a merchant/grocer and a commission merchant in the city for more than forty years. Budd was listed in the 1820 federal census as a resident of the North Mulberry Ward of Philadelphia, and made his first appearance in the 1821 city directory as a merchant in partnership with Jacob R. Train. By the time of the 1860 census, he was reported as holding \$20,000 in real estate with a \$50,000 personal estate; at that point the Budd household numbered twelve, including his wife Anna, seven children and a domestic staff of three. According to the city's "Death Records Register" (page 39), Budd died at his home on Spruce Street in early February 1868; his death was not reported in the local newspapers.