

C Pearson Family, Papers, 1822-1941  
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#### INTRODUCTION

Papers of Isaac Pearson (1810-1895), of the mercantile firm of Boon, Pearson, and Smith of Fayette, Missouri, and miscellaneous writings of his grandson, Ben S. Pearson of St. Louis.

#### DONOR INFORMATION

The papers were deposited with the University of Missouri by Ben S. Pearson on 17 March 1943 (Accession No. 21). Additions were made by Ben S. Pearson on 3 May 1943 (Accession No. 30) and 12 August 1943 (Accession No. 42).

#### BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Isaac Pearson, a pioneer merchant was born in England and came to Boon's Lick country before 1820. At the time of the Civil War he had a large and successful mercantile house in Glasgow. His building and stock were destroyed at the time of the Battle of Glasgow, losses amounting to over \$50,000.

#### FOLDER LIST

- f. 1-4 Pearson, Isaac, Papers, 1822-1864
  - f. 1 Notes, 1861-1864. Three promissory notes and one receipt concerned with the firm of Boon, Pearson and Smith of Fayette, Missouri.
  - f. 2-3 Account Books, 1858-1864. Mercantile records of the firm of Boon, Pearson and Smith of Fayette, Missouri, listing orders, accounts and miscellaneous items.
  - f. 4 Geometry Book, 1822, 61 pp. Copy book prepared by Pearson, Kendal, Westmorland, England, containing problems in carpentry, plumbing, bricklaying, surveying, etc.
- f. 5-6 Pearson, Ben S., Books, 1905-1941. Written by a St. Louis resident about his grandfather, Isaac Pearson; his aunt Flora Lee Muccioli, an Italian countess, Fayette, Missouri; and a battle at Glasgow, Missouri during the Civil it War.
  - f. 5 "Picturesque Fayette," 1905. Illustrated book giving the history, progress, advantages, and business interests of Fayette, Missouri in 1905; "My Grandfather's Clock," 1939. Concerned with the acquisition in 1830 and preservation of a family clock. Brief history or Isaac Pearson and his descendants around Fayette, Missouri. Picture of Isaac Pearson and his Fayette home.
  - f. 6 "My Aunt Flora Lee," 1940. Description of Pearson's aunt who lived in the Vatican as an Italian countess for 40 years. Eleven

letters between Countess Muccioli and Pearson, 1938-1940.  
Brief history of Robert E. Terry, the father of Flora Lee;  
“Journey to Fayette,” 1941. Description of a journey to Fayette,  
Missouri visiting St. Mary’s Church, Central College, Isaac  
Pearson’s farm and Huntington Hall, Pearson’s birthplace. Also  
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