



## Caspar Wistar estate book 2146

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Manuscripts and Archives
<b>Creator:</b>	Wistar, Caspar, 1696-1752
<b>Title:</b>	Caspar Wistar estate book
<b>ID:</b>	2146
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1752-1765
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1 volume(s)
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .
<b>Abstract:</b>	Caspar Wistar (1696–1752) was a German-born Philadelphia merchant and brass button maker. He also founded the first glassworks in America near Salem, New Jersey, in 1739. The single volume contains a cash book of receipts of Wistar's estate (1752-1765).

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## Biographical Note

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Caspar Wistar (1696–1752) was a German-born Philadelphia merchant and brass button maker. He also founded the first glassworks in America near Salem, New Jersey, in 1739. Born, Caspar Wuster in Hilsbach, near Heidelberg, Germany, on February 3, 1696, and died in Philadelphia on March 21, 1752. The Anglicized form "Wistar" was recorded on his naturalization papers and adopted by his descendants. Wistar arrived in Philadelphia on September 16, 1717, and eventually became a successful merchant and glassmaker.

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## Scope and Content

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The single volume contains a cash book of receipts of Wistar's estate (1752-1765), including transactions with his son and principal heir, Richard Wistar (1727-1781). There is a separate list of bonds belonging to his widow, Catherine Jansen Wistar (1703-1786).

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- Decedents' estates
- Receipts (Financial records)