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W. T. Smedley papers

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	W. T. Smedley papers
<b>Date:</b>	1884-1932
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.smedw
<b>Creator:</b>	Smedley, W. T. (William Thomas), 1858-1920
<b>Extent:</b>	138 Items ((on 3 partial microfilm reels))
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Material on reel 1207 lent for microfilming 1977 by Elsie Williams. Material on reels 1255 and 1271 lent for microfilming 1977 by Mr. H.G. Huntington. Williams's and Huntington's relationship to Smedley is unknown.

### Location of Originals

Originals returned to respective lenders, H.G. Huntington and Elsie Williams, after microfilming.

### Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 1207, 1255, and 1271 available for use at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

### Restrictions

The Archives of American art does not own the original papers. Use is limited to the microfilm copy.

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## Biographical / Historical

Portrait painter and illustrator; New York, N.Y.

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## Scope and Contents

A sketchbook, photographs, scrapbook, and printed materials.

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REEL 1207: 58 letters most responding to an invitation for a dinner, given in honor of Smedley, 1892; 13 photographs of Smedley, a painting, unidentified people, and a house; 21 clippings; an autographed menu; a catalog of drawings by Smedley; and a ticket to the New Orleans Chess, Checkers, and Whist Club.

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REELS 1255 and 1271 (photographs): A sketchbook; 41 photographs of portraits painted by Smedley; and a scrapbook containing letters, personal photographs, photographs of art work, and memorabilia.

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Portrait painting

Occupations:

Illustrators -- New York (State) -- New York

Portrait painters -- New York (State) -- New York