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Photographs of drawings by Robert Ormsby  
Sweeny, made in Minnesota ca. 1852- ca. 1898

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Photographs of drawings by Robert Ormsby Sweeny, made in Minnesota ca. 1852- ca. 1898
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<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.MS4520
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## Administrative Information

### Citation

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### Restrictions

Purchased 1957 from the Minnesota Historical Society, St Paul 1, Minnesota, for reference only. Publication permission as well as additional prints should be obtained directly from the Minnesota Historical Society, which owns these and other originals of drawings of Indians by Sweeny, totaling about 60.

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## Biographical / Historical

Robert Ormsby Sweeny, druggist, born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in 1831; died in Duluth, September 6, 1902. He settled in St Paul in 1852; designed the great seal of the state of Minnesota in 1858; was the first fish commissioner of this state; later removed to Duluth, where for a time he was in charge of the U. S. fish hatchery. This information is from Warren Upham and Rose Barteau Dunlap, "Minnesota Biographies, 1655-1912," Minnesota Hist. Soc. Collns., Volume XIV, St Paul, 1912, page 761. They give their source as follows: 68. History of Ramsey County and City of St Paul, 650 pages, 1881. 94. Pen Pictures of St Paul, and Biographical Sketches, by T. M. Newson, 746 pages, 1886. 237. Minnesota Historical Society Scrap-Books, 68 volumes, 1861-1912, volume 19.

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## Local Note

See full list of captions with prints.

## Local Note

Filed: Dakota original prints. Mounted in album.

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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:

- Indians of North America -- Great Plains
- Photographs
- Sioux
- Sioux

### Cultures:

- Indians of North America -- Great Plains
- Sioux