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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Air and Space Museum Archives
Title:	Petersen's American Aerial Navigation Company Circular, Stationery, and Stock Certificate
Date:	1886
Identifier:	NASM.XXXX.1027
Creator:	Petersen, Carl W.
Extent:	0.13 Cubic feet (1 flat box)
Language:	English .
Summary:	This collection consists of a Petersen's American Aerial Navigation company circular, stationery, and stock certificate.
Digital Content:	Image(s): Petersen's American Aerial Navigation Company Circular, Stationery, and Stock Certificate

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Unknown - found in collection, Unknown, Unknown, NASM.XXXX.1027YEAR.####

Processing Information

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Biographical Note

Captain Carl W. Petersen was a mariner, aviator, explorer, and inventor, who proposed to cross the Atlantic in five aerial tacks (risings and lowerings) in an "oblong, horizontal flat reefable gas-vessel" airship propelled by an electric motor, and promising the stability of a sailing ship. He formed and was president of Petersen's American Aerial Navigation Company and received patents for his airship.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of an 8.5 x 11 inch company circular addressed to Mrs. Elisabeth Bender, Stockholder, dated January 1885; a 9 x 12 inch handwritten letter in German addressed to Governor Frederick Bender, dated 8 January 1886; and a 11 x 7 inch stock certificate for five \$2.00 shares dated 3 January 1885 made out to Mrs. Elisabeth Bender.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged at the item level.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Aeronautics
- Transatlantic flights
- USA, Petersen's American Aerial Navigation Co

Types of Materials:

- Correspondence
- Stock certificates