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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	James Lithgow Ewin Patents
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0051
Date:	1873, 1874, 1879.
Extent:	1 Cubic foot (1 box)
Creator:	Ewin, James Lithgow (inventor)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Collection donated by James Lithgow Ewin, March 13, 1894.

Ownership and Custodial History

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Scope and Contents

This collection includes an English patent paper #2126 for improved vulcanizable water-proof gum, 1873, to Benjamin Joseph Barnard Mills; a U.S. patent paper #151,109 for improvement in the art of manufacturing horseshoes, 1874; and an English patent paper #1194 for improvement in street-lighting apparatus.

Names and Subject Terms

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Subjects:

- African American music -- 20th century
- African American musicians
- Blues musicians
- Horseshoeing
- Inventions -- 1870-1880
- Inventors -- 1870-1880
- Popular music -- Publishing and writing
- Rhythm and blues music
- Street-lighting apparatus
- Vulcanization

Types of Materials:

- Articles -- 1950-2000
- Correspondence -- 1970-2000
- Newsletters -- 20th century
- Notes
- Patents -- 1870-1880
- Press releases