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## James E. Gerrell Notebook

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	James E. Gerrell Notebook
<b>Date:</b>	1842-1847.
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.0056
<b>Creator:</b>	Gerrell, James E. (lead pipe contractor)
<b>Extent:</b>	0.15 Cubic feet (1 folder )
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	Collection consists of a notebook containing copies of letters.
<b>Container:</b>	Box 1 (Shared box)

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## Administrative Information

### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Collection donated by H.S. Thomson.

### Provenance

Transferred to the Archives Center from the Division of Electricity, May 27, 1983.

### Other Finding Aids

Inventory available; contact the Archives Center for more information.

### Processing Information

Collection processed by Robert Harding, 1983

### Preferred Citation

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## Scope and Contents

Notebook of James E. Gerrell, lead pipe contractor for S. B. Morse's Washington-Baltimore Telegraph of 1842, and city surveyor of New York, 1845-1847: contains copies of letters from the New York Tribune about Morse's Electro magnetic Telegraph; a letter from N. L. Griswold to Gerrell requesting a survey of property near the Atlantic Dock, Brooklyn; notes on various surveying jobs in New York City; and a receipt from the State of New York for services rendered.

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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:

- Electric machinery
- Electrical engineering
- Pipe, Lead
- Surveying and surveying instruments
- Telegraph, Wireless

### Types of Materials:

- Notebooks -- 1840-1850

### Names:

- Griswold, N. L.
- Morse, Samuel Finley Breese, 1791-1872

### Occupations:

- Lead pipe contractors

### Places:

- Brooklyn (N.Y.) -- 1840-1850
- New York (N.Y.) -- 1840-1850