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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Birds
Date:	1738-1940
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Birds
Creator:	Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969
Extent:	0.94 Cubic feet (consisting of 2 boxes, 2 folders, 3 oversize folders.)
Language:	English .
Summary:	A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly fifty years. The <i>Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Birds</i> forms part of the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana, Subseries 1.1: Subject Categories. The Subject Categories subseries is divided into 470 subject categories based on those created by Mr. Warshaw. These subject categories include topical subjects, types or forms of material, people, organizations, historical events, and other categories. An overview to the entire Warshaw collection is available here: Warshaw Collection of Business Americana

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Birds is a portion of the Business Ephemera Series of the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana, Accession AC0060 purchased from Isadore Warshaw in 1967. Warshaw continued to accumulate similar material until his death, which was donated in 1971 by his widow, Augusta. For a period after acquisition, related materials from other sources (of mixed provenance) were added to the collection so there may be content produced or published after Warshaw's death in 1969. This practice has since ceased.

Materials in the Archives Center

Archives Center Collection of Business Americana (AC0404)

Forms Part Of

Forms part of the [Warshaw Collection of Business Americana](#) .

Missing Title:

- [Series 1: Business Ephemera](#)
- [Series 2: Other Collection Divisions](#)
- [Series 3: Isadore Warshaw Personal Papers](#)
- [Series 4: Photographic Reference Material](#)

Processing Information

In 2016, with funding provided by the Smithsonian Institution's Collections Care and Preservation Fund, the Archives Center at the National Museum of American History implemented the use of minimal level processing standards to increase information about and facilitate access to more of our collections. A large portion of stored material from the original acquisition received minimal level processing, which resulted in additions to this Subject category. This effort included basic arrangement and replacement of non-archival housing for long-term stability, but staples and other fasteners have not all been removed. Revisions to the encoded finding aid were made to reflect the added content in context to the previously processed material.

Minimal level processing and enhancement of the machine-readable finding aid completed by Nicole Blechynden, September 2017.

Preferred Citation

Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Birds, Archives Center, National Museum of American History, Smithsonian Institution

Restrictions

Collection is open for research. Some items may be restricted due to fragile condition.

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Scope and Contents

This collection consists primarily of images of birds including photographs, lithographs and engravings. Images of eagles, owls, and parrots make up the majority of illustrations. There are sets of cards printed in a series with images of birds on the front and a description on the back. These cards were published by manufacturers and dealers of products such as soap, tobacco, and baking soda. There are images that are not associated with a particular company or have descriptions on the reverse side. Also, some blank advertising cards with merchants names and locations, act as a form of advertising. A large portion of the material is from importers, breeders, and dealers of birds and manufacturers of bird supplies. Bird supplies include bird cages, food, medicine, and whistles for training birds. The material includes catalogues, scattered correspondence on letterhead stationery, bills, receipts, patents, postcards, newspaper clippings, and books. Bird dealers often sold other products including fish shells, animals, naturalists, zoologists, and taxidermist's instruments, flower seeds, aquariums, baskets, gravel, pictures, and frames. There is also a substantial amount of material from bird clubs and associations devoted to saving birds.

Arrangement

Subseries 1 and 2 are organized alphabetically by name of company. Subseries 3 and 4 are organized by type. Subseries 5 is arranged alphabetically by name of animal.

- Subseries 1: Dealers of Birds and Supplies
- Subseries 2: Clubs and Associations
- Subseries 3: Publications
- Subseries 4: Related Materials
- Subseries 5: Images, undated

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Animals
- Birds

Types of Materials:

- Business ephemera
- Ephemera

Container Listing

Dealers of Birds and Supplies

Box 1, Folder 1	American Bird Bazaar, Brooklyn, New York
Box 1, Folder 2	Bagot, Brooklyn, New York Notes: Seller of Aquarium Stock, Goldfish, Shells, and Corals
Box 1, Folder 2	Bartel's, New Orleans, Louisiana
Box 1, Folder 2	Bird Food Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 3	Bradley, Thomas H., Washington, D.C. Notes: Manufacturer of Bird Swings
Box 1, Folder 4	Campbell's Picture Frames and Bird Store, Manchester, New Hampshire
Box 1, Folder 4	Connell and Hotchkiss, Syracuse, New York Notes: Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Imported Canary Birds
Box 1, Folder 5	Cugley and Mullen Company, Pet Shop, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 6	Drew, M., Brooklyn, New York Notes: Wholesale and Retail Dealer in Birds and Cages
Box 1, Folder 7	Foster, Stevens and Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan Notes: Manufacturers' Agents of Bird Cages
Box 1, Folder 8	Geisler, Max, New York, New York Notes: Importers and Dealers in Birds and Dogs
Box 1, Folder 9	Gennerich and Von Bremen, New York Notes: Wholesale Grocers and Dealers in Bird Food
Box 1, Folder 10	Goodale, Frank C., Lowell, Massachusetts Notes: Manufacturer of English Song Restorer
Box 1, Folder 10	Green, Thomas P., Woodbury, New Jersey Notes: Proprietor of Royal Blue Line Lofts
Box 1, Folder 11	Greenleaf, George J. And Company, Boston, Massachusetts Notes: Importers and Jobbers of Birds, Cages and Sea Shells
Box 1, Folder 12	Haller's Bird Food and Remedy Company, St. Louis, Missouri
Box 1, Folder 12	Haight, Charles C., East Homer, Cortland County, New York

Notes: Dealers in Native and Foreign Song Birds

Box 1, Folder 13	Hoag, Benjamin, Stephentown, New York Notes: Naturalists, Oologists, and Taxidermists Instruments and Oological Specimens
Box 1, Folder 14	Hoffman's Bird Store, Mrs. B. Hoffman, Proprietor, Cleveland, Ohio
Box 1, Folder 15	Holden, George, New York Notes: Bird Importer
Box 1, Folder 16	Horne's Zoological Arena Company, Kansas City, Missouri Notes: Wild Animal Importers
Box 1, Folder 16	Hunsberger Brothers, Chestnut Hill Homing Pigeon Lofts, Chestnut Hill, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 17	Iowa Seed Company, Des Moines, Iowa
Box 1, Folder 18	Jacobs Bird House and Manufacturing Company, Waynesburg, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 19	Jewett, John C. And Sons, Buffalo, New York Notes: Manufacturers of Bird Cages
Box 1, Folder 20	Kampfmuller, William, Brooklyn, New York Notes: Bird and Gold Fish Depot and Sportsman's Emporium
Box 1, Folder 20	Lanphear, W.K., Baltimore, Maryland Notes: Manufacturer and Dealer in Animal and Bird Calls
Box 1, Folder 20	Lindemann, O., and Company, New York Notes: Manufacturers of Japanned and Patent Bright Metal Bird Cages
Box 1, Folder 21	McClunie Brothers, Hartford, Connecticut Notes: Bird Store
Box 1, Folder 21	McCoy Roller Canaries, San Francisco, California
Box 1, Folder 21	Murphy, P. J., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Notes: Dealer in Birds and Cages
Box 1, Folder 21	Murphy and Broom, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Notes: Successors to Samuel Pavonarius; Bird Cage Manufacturers
Box 1, Folder 21	New Haven Bird Store
Box 1, Folder 21	New Orleans Bird Store, New Orleans, Louisiana Notes: Sole Manufacturers of Osborn's Cages

Box 1, Folder 22	Osborn Manufacturing Company, New York
Box 1, Folder 22	Ostrich Farm, Hot Springs, Arkansas
Box 1, Folder 23	Philadelphia Bird Food Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 24	Pratt, Samuel Notes: Importers of Rare Animals, Fancy Fowls, Birds, and Sea Shells
Box 1, Folder 25	Reiche, Charles and Brother
Box 1, Folder 26	Rosenstein, Louis and Company, New York
Box 1, Folder 27	Schardt, John, Near Wayne Avenue Notes: Importer of Birds, Cages and Bird food
Box 1, Folder 27-28	Schmid's Bird and Pet Emporium, Washington, D.C.
Box 1, Folder 29	Silvertone Bird Cages, Incorporated, New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 29	South Pasadena Ostrich Farm, South Pasadena, California Notes: Dealer of Feathered and Fur Bearing Pets and Supplies
Box 1, Folder 30	Wood, John C., Spring Valley, New York Notes: Dealer in American and foreign birds, bird cages, bird and flower seed, gold fish, globes and aquariums, hanging baskets, steel engravings, chromos, photographs and lithographs
Box 1, Folder 30	Vahle, H.W., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 30	Verrinder, William, Jersey City, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 31	Zickel, Henry L., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Notes: Dealer in Birds, Cages, Seeds and Gravel

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Subseries 2: Clubs and Associations

Box 1, Folder 37	Audubon Societies, Birds of America Notes: Catalogue of separate plates
Box 1, Folder 41	Audubon Societies
Box 1, Folder 39	Kumlien Club, bird list

Box 1, Folder 38	Jack Miner Migratory Bird Foundation
Box 1, Folder 34	National Federation of American Homing Pigeon Fanciers Notes: Ticket, 1899
Box 1, Folder 35	National Federation of American Homing Pigeon Fanciers Notes: Correspondence
Box 1, Folder 33	National Wildlife Conservation Stamps
Box 1, Folder 40	Natural Science Association of America
Box 1, Folder 36	New York Academy of Sciences, invitation for the unveiling of the Audubon Monument

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Subseries 3: Publications

Box 1, Folder 42	Materials from publishers of books pertaining to birds
Box 1, Folder 43	Early newspaper clipping, 1750
Box 1, Folder 46-50	Related bird publications
Box 1, Folder 20	Book
Box 1, Folder 5-6	Books, published by Allen and Ginter

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Subseries 4: Related Materials

Box 1, Folder 45	Penny Magazine, 1835
Box 1, Folder 44	Patents
Oversize 84, Folder 5	Calendar, Singer Manufacturing Company, 1899 Notes: Images of birds
Box 1, Folder 32	Programs for bird song recitals

Box 1, Folder 51 Miscellaneous

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Subseries 5: Images, undated

Box 2, Folder 7-13 Birds

Box 2, Folder 5 Ducks

Box 2, Folder 16-17;
Oversize 84, Folder 5 Eagles

Oversize 84, Folder 5 "Feathered Aristocrates", image by Eresil Carlson

Oversize 8, Folder 3 Golden Robin

Oversize 84, Folder 5 "Kingfisher", lithograph, Church and Dwight Company

Oversize 84, Folder 5 "Magpie" lithograph, Church and Dwight Company

Oversize 84, Folder 5 "Osprey" lithograph, Church and Dwight Company

Box 2, Folder 14-15 Owls

Box 2, Folder 2 Cards, series created by Charles E. Marsh and Company, manufacturers of soap

Box 2, Folder 3-4 Cards

Box 2, Folder 18-19 Photocopies of materials from other subject categories

Box 2, Folder 1 Postcards

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Genre, 1871, undated

Box SUPP 5, Folder 4 Images, 1871, undated
Notes: Cards and other printed material featuring a variety of birds. One piece of correspondence (retained for the eagle) and an unrelated envelope (empty) for a bird emporium business.

Box ADD9, Folder 3 Images, undated

Notes: Dual sized card featuring outdoor scenes with birds.

Map-folder 14

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