

# Guide to the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Files

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## **Collection Overview**

**Repository:** Archives Center, National Museum of American History

Title: Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Files

**Date:** circa 1835-1928

undated

Identifier: NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Files

Creator: Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969

**Extent:** 0.47 Cubic feet (consisting of 1 box, 1 folder.)

Language: English .

**Summary:** A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly

fifty years. The *Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Files* 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**

Files 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 .

- 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**

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# **Scope and Contents**

This subject category- Files consists primarily of invoices, receipts, correspondence, business cards and import/ export documents from manufacturers and dealers in files, mostly of cast steel. These companies often sold rasps and other tools as well. The material dates from 1835 to 1928, but the bulk of it is from the late nineteenth century. The materials are organized by name of company.

# Names and Subject Terms

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

Types of Materials:

Business ephemera Ephemera

# **Container Listing**

Business Records, Marketing Material, and Other, circa 1835-1928, undated

Subseries 1: Manufactures and Dealers in Files, circa 1835-1928

Box 1, Folder 1	Abbotson, & Dillon, Union File Works, Amesbury, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 1	Adams & Chute, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 1	American File Company, Pawtucket, Rhode Island
Box 1, Folder 1	American Star Works, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 2	Ashworth, S., and Company, Lowell, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 2	Auburn File Works, Auburn, New York
Box 1, Folder 3	Bailey, Charles, Buffalo, New York
Box 1, Folder 3	Barnett, G. and H., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 3	Black Diamond File Works, Location Unknown
Box 1, Folder 4	Brohm, B., Location Unknown
Box 1, Folder 5-6	Chatterton, George, Also known as George Chatterton & Company, Providence, Rhode Island
Box 1, Folder 7	Carr, J. Riley, New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 7	Chambers, A. & Son, Pawtucket, Rhode Island
Box 1, Folder 7	Claremont File Works, Claremont, New Hampshire
Box 1, Folder 7	Collet, Job, Bangor, Maine
Box 1, Folder 7	Collinson, Thomas, Worcester, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 7	Congreve, Charles and Son, New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 7	Cordis, Corton, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 7	Culley, Eli, Fitchburg, Massachusetts

Box 1, Folder 7	Day, William H., Amesbury, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 8-9	Disston, Henry and Sons, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Notes: Catalogue and price list, 1919
Box 1, Folder 10	Eagle File Works, Middletown, New York
Box 1, Folder 10	Earle, Smith and Company, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 10	Empire File Company, Waterbury, Connecticut
Box 1, Folder 10	England, John, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 10	Everhart, James, Scranton, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 11	Fisher, G., Sheffield, England
Box 1, Folder 11	Fox's, R.G., File Factory, Troy, New York
Box 1, Folder 12	Gray, H. and Company, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 12	Greaves & Sons, Sheffield, England
Box 1, Folder 13	Hart, William, Springfield and Worcester, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 13	Hayes & Aldred, Lawrence, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 13	Heller Brothers Company, Newark, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 13	Heller, L.B. & Sons, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 13	Hess, J. C., Philadelphia File Works, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 14	Henssler, Christian, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 15	Hiscox File Manufacturing Company, West Chelmsiford, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 16	Hoffman, Charles, Frankford, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 17	Horner, James & Company, New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 18	Hubbell, C.B., Arcade File Works, Sing Sing, New York
Box 1, Folder 19	Johnson & Brother File Company, Newark, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 16	Kearney and Foot Company, New York, New York

Box 1, Folder 17	Marshes and Shepperd, Sheffield, [England ?]
Box 1, Folder 18	McCaffrey and Brother, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 18	McClellan File Company, Saginaw, Michigan
Box 1, Folder 19	Maischoss Brother, Chicago Street File Works, Buffalo, New York
Box 1, Folder 19	Martin, John, Sheffield, England
Box 1, Folder 19	Morris & Reith, Cincinnati, Ohio
Box 1, Folder 19	Murcott and Campbell, Williamsburg, New York
Box 1, Folder 20	New American File Company, Pawtucket, Rhode Island
Box 1, Folder 20	New England File Company, Taunton, ?
Box 1, Folder 20	New York File Works, Poughkeepsie, New York
Box 1, Folder 21	Nicholson File Company, Providence, Rhode Island Notes: Catalogue, 1885
Box 1, Folder 22	Nutt, James, St. Johnsbury, Vermont
Box 1, Folder 23	Pennsylvania File Works, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Notes: See also McCaffrey & Brother
Box 1, Folder 23	Philadelphia File Works, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 23	Pruyn, Wilson & Vosburgh, Albany, New York
Box 1, Folder 24	Scheifele, Jacob, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 24	Sheffield File Works, Location Unknown
Box 1, Folder 24	Shortridge, Howell & Jessop, Sheffield, England
Box 1, Folder 24	Simonds Saw & Steel Company, Fitchsburg, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 24	Smith, J. Barton, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 24	Steiger, F. & Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 24	Steinbeck & Brother, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 24	Stokes Brothers Manufacturing Company, Freehold, New Jersey

Box 1, Folder 24	Spencer, J. R. & Company, Sheffield, England
Box 1, Folder 25	Spencer, Walter and Company, Rotherham, England
Box 1, Folder 26	Taylor, L.A. & S., Frankford and Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 26	Tower, H. R., Holyoke, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 27	Wall, Henry, New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 27	Walsh and Coulter, New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 27	Western File Works, Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 27	Wheeler, Clemson & Company, Middletown, New York
Box 1, Folder 27	Wilson, Hawksworth, Ellison, Sheffield, England
Box 1, Folder 28	Whipple File Manufacturing Company, Location Unknown

# Subseries 2: Related Information, 1842-1888

Box 1, Folder 29	Re-cutters and Sharpeners of Files
Box 1, Folder 30-31	Import/export Documents
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