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Guide to the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Lightning Rods

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Lightning Rods
Date:	circa 1854-1931
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Lightning
Creator:	Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969
Extent:	0.23 Cubic feet (consisting of .5 box.)
Language:	English .
Summary:	A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly fifty years. The <i>Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Lightning Rods</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

Lightning Rods 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

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

Preferred Citation

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Scope and Contents

This material consists primarily of bills/receipts and printed advertisements from manufacturers of lightning rods. Some of these companies also manufactured stoves. The materials date from 1854 to 1931 but the bulk is late nineteenth century.

Arrangement

Materials are organized by name of company. There are two folders of material grouped by type: related books and miscellaneous items.

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 1854-1931

Box 1, Folder 1	American Lightning Rod Company Notes: Girard, Erie County, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 2	Cleveland Lightning Rod Company Notes: Cleveland, Ohio
Box 1, Folder 3	Delaware & Chester County Lightning Rod Company Notes: P. B. Green—Proprietor, Edgmont Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 4	Demorest, D. W. Lightning Rod and Pump Manufacturer Notes: Newark, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 5	Hubbard and Company Notes: Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 6	Lyon Lightning Rod Manufacturing Company Notes: New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 7	New York Star Lightning Rod Company Notes: South Shaftsbury, Vermont
Box 1, Folder 8	Reyburn & Hunting Lightning Rod Works Notes: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 9	St. Louis Lightning Rod Company Notes: St. Louis, Missouri
Box 1, Folder 10	Related Publications
Box 1, Folder 11	Miscellaneous Items

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