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Guide to the Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Organs

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Warshaw Collection of Business Americana Subject Categories: Organs
Date:	undated 1830-1923
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Organs
Creator:	Warshaw, Isadore, 1900-1969
Extent:	0.98 Cubic feet (consisting of 2 boxes, 1 folder, 2 oversize folders, 1 map case folder, plus digital images of some collection material.)
Language:	English .
Summary:	A New York bookseller, Warshaw assembled this collection over nearly fifty years. The <i>Warshaw Collection of Business Americana: Organs</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

Organs 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](#)
- [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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Types of Materials:

Business ephemera
Ephemera

Container Listing

Business Records, Marketing Material, and Other, undated

Subseries 1: Manufacturers and Distributors

Box 1, Folder 1	Aeolian Company Notes: Manufacturers of Musical Instruments New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 1	Orgues [catalog], 1898 1 Item (8-3/8" x 5-3/8" (21.1 x 13.6 cm.)) Publisher: Alexandre Père & Fils Language: French. Notes: Organs [catalog]. CATALOGUE-ALBUM / des / Orgues d'ALEXANDRE Pere & Fils / 81, Rue La Fayette, 81 / PARIS. Unrestricted research access on site by appointment. However, this fragile item needs to be handled with extra caution. 40 pp. plus cover, black ink except for "Alexandre" printed in red on the cover. Descriptions and illustrations of organs for sale. Includes organs suitable for churches and various other types and styles. According to the cover, the Alexandre Pere & Fils company was founded in 1829. Very fragile, pages loose, edge chips. Topic: Musical instruments Musical instrument makers Organ (Musical instrument) Genre/Form: Catalogs
Box 1, Folder 1	American Automatic Organ Company Notes: Dealers in Organinas Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 2-3	Beatty, Daniel F. Notes: Organ and Pianoforte Catalogue, 1883-1884 Washington, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 4	Beethoven Piano Organ Company Notes: Manufactory of Reed Organs Washington, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 5	Bell, William, & Company Notes: Organ Catalogue, 1880

Guelph, Ontario, Canada

Box 1, Folder 6	Bilhorn Brothers Notes: Manufacturers of Folding Organs Chicago, Illinois
Box 1, Folder 7	Bloomfield Organ Company Notes: Bloomfield, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 8	Bowlby, C.P. Notes: Manufacturer of Cabinet, Chapel and Parlor Organs Washington, New Jersey
Box 1, Folder 9	Bridgeport Organ Company Notes: Organ Catalogue, 1899 Bridgeport, Connecticut
Box 1, Folder 10	Burdett Organ Company Notes: Limited Catalogue, 1869 Erie, Pennsylvania
Box 1, Folder 11	Cabinet Pipe Organ Company Notes: Catalogue, 1874 Syracuse, New York
Box 1, Folder 12	Carhart & Needham Notes: Manufacturers of Melodeons New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 13	Carpenter, E.P., Company Notes: Manufacturers of Organs Brattleboro, Vermont
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Box 1, Folder 16	Clough & Warren Organ Company Notes: Detroit, Michigan
Box 1, Folder 17	Cornish Organ & Piano Factory Notes: Washington, New Jersey

Box 1, Folder 17	Ditson, Haynes & Company Notes: Mechanical Organette Catalogue, undated Boston, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 18	Dyer & Hughes Notes: Manufacturers of Organs Foxcroft, Maine
Box 1, Folder 18	Earley, H.G. Organ House Notes: Northville, New York
Box 1, Folder 19	Erben, Henry Organ Builder Notes: New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 20-24	Estey, J., & Company Notes: Catalogues, 1871, 1873, 1880-1881, 1896 Brattleboro, Vermont
Box 1, Folder 25	Farrand and Votey Organ Company Notes: Catalogue, undated Detroit, Michigan
Box 1, Folder 26	Foley & Williams Manufacturing Company Notes: Cincinnati, Ohio
Box 1, Folder 27	Fort Wayne Organ Company Notes: Dealer in Packard Organs Fort Wayne, Indiana
Box 1, Folder 28	Hamill, S.S. Notes: Manufacturer of Church Organs Cambridge, Massachusetts
Box 1, Folder 28	Hanford, G.R., & Company Notes: Dealer in Burdett Organs Watertown, New York
Box 1, Folder 28	Hearne & Company Notes: Publisher of Soper's Guide to Piano and Organ New York, New York
Box 1, Folder 29	Hickok, J.H., Music Stores Notes: Poughkeepsie, New York
Box 1, Folder 30	Ithaca Organ Company Notes: Price List, 1878-1879

Ithaca, New York

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| Box 1, Folder 30 | Jagger, David W.
Notes: Dealer in Pianos and Organs
Newburgh, New York |
| Box 1, Folder 31 | Jewett & Goodman
Notes: Organ Price List, 1874
Cleveland, Ohio |
| Box 1, Folder 32 | Kilgen, George, and Son
Notes: Builders of Church & Parlor Pipe Organs
St. Louis, Missouri |
| Box 1, Folder 32 | Kinetic Engineering Company
Notes: Manufacturers of Organ Blowers
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania |
| Box 1, Folder 33 | Knauff, H., & Son Organ Manufactory
Notes: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania |
| Box 1, Folder 34 | Lawrence Brothers
Notes: Manufacturers of Parlor Organs
Easton, Pennsylvania |
| Box 1, Folder 34 | Lawrence 7 Octave Organ
Notes: Reading, Pennsylvania |
| Box 1, Folder 35 | Lehr, H., & Company
Notes: Manufacturers of Lehr Piano-Style Organs
Easton, Pennsylvania |
| Box 1, Folder 35 | Lichty's, C.H., Music House
Notes: Reading, Pennsylvania |
| Box 1 | Lyon & Healy of Chicago, Illinois, undated |
| Box 1 | Mason & Hamlin, page 26 of Mason & Hamlin cabinet organ catalog showing case 124 (style 510) chapel organ, 1881-10 |
| Box 2, Folder 5 | Pagett, T.A.
Notes: Dealer in Pianos, Organs and Sheet Music
Elmira, New York |
| Box 2, Folder 6 | Patterson, James T.
Notes: Manufacturers of Patterson Organ |

Bridgeport, Connecticut

Box 2, Folder 7	Peloubet & Company Notes: Manufacturers of Standard Organ Bloomfield, New Jersey
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Box 2, Folder 9	Pilcher's, Henry, Sons, Incorporated Notes: Manufacturers of Church Organs Louisville, Kentucky
Box 2, Folder 10	Piercy & Company Notes: Dealer in Pianos & Organs Troy, New York
Box 2, Folder 11	Prescott & Brothers Notes: Successors to A. Prescott & Son Concord, New Hampshire
Box 2, Folder 12	Prince, George A., & Company Notes: Melodeon Factory Buffalo, New York
Box 2, Folder 12	Ramos, Manly B., & Company Notes: Dealer in Pianos, Organs, Music and Musical Supplies Richmond, Virginia
Box 2, Folder 13	Raymond, F.L. Notes: Manufacturers of United States Organ Cleveland, Ohio
Box 2, Folder 14	Rider, J.T. Notes: Dealer in Pianos & Organs Hudson, New York
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Box 2, Folder 16	Sawyer, T. & E. Notes: Dealer in Melodeons, Seraphines, Reed Organs, Harmoniums, &c.

Nashua, New Hampshire

Box 2, Folder 17 Schuelke & Steinert
Notes: Manufacturers of Church Organs
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Box 2, Folder 18 Shoninger, B., Organ Company
Notes: Catalogue, 1882-1883
New Haven, Connecticut

Box 2, Folder 19 Simmons, William B.D., & Company
Notes: Manufacturers of Church Organs
Boston, Massachusetts

Box 2, Folder 20 Smith American Piano and Organ Company
Notes: Boston, Massachusetts

Box 2, Folder 20 Soule Piano and Organ Investment Company
Notes: New Bedford, Massachusetts

Box 2, Folder 20 Spargo, William
Notes: Music Dealer
Mahanoy City, Pennsylvania

Box 2, Folder 21 Steere, J.W. , & Sons
Notes: Builders of Church Organs
Springfield, Massachusetts

Box 2, Folder 22 Sterling Organ Company
Notes: Also known as E.H. McEwen & Company Catalogue, 1882
Derby, Connecticut

Box 2, Folder 23 Story & Clark Organ Company
Notes: Chicago, Illinois

Box 2, Folder 24 Taber Organ Company
Notes: Worcester, Massachusetts

Box 2, Folder 25 Taylor & Farley Organ Company
Notes: Worcester, Massachusetts

Box 2, Folder 26 Thomas Brothers
Notes: Dealer in Cabinet-Style Organs
Catskill, New York

Box 2, Folder 26 Towle, George F.

Notes: Dealer in Pianos & Organs
Canton, Maine

Box 2, Folder 27 Union Organ Company
Notes: New Bedford, Massachusetts

Box 2, Folder 28 Waterloo Organ Company
Notes: Waterloo, New York

Box 2, Folder 29 Waters, Horace, & Sons
Notes: Organ Catalogue, 1876
New York, New York

Box 2, Folder 30 Weaver, J .o.
Notes: Manufacturer of York Cottage Organ
York, Pennsylvania

Box 2, Folder 31 Weaver Organ & Piano Company
Notes: York, Pennsylvania

Box 2, Folder 31 Wendell, C .E.
Notes: Dealer of Organina
Albany, New York

Box 2, Folder 32 Western Cottage
Notes: Dealer of Organs
Ottawa, Illinois

Box 2, Folder 33 Whitney, Raymond & Company
Notes: Manufacturers of United States Organ
Price List, undated
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Box 2, Folder 34-36 Wilcox & White Organ Company
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Box 2, Folder 40	Woodward, C.F. Notes: Jobber and Dealer in School and Chapel Organs Rockford, Illinois
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Subseries 2: General Works

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Subseries 3: Related Publications

Box 2, Folder 45	The Church Choir, 1899 Notes: Published by George F. Rssche & Company Chicago, Illinois
Box 2, Folder 46	Organ Voicing and Tuning, 1881 Notes: Published by John Church Company Chicago, Illinois
Box 2, Folder 47	The Temple Organ, 1900 by George W. Walter Notes: Published by W.W. Kimball Company

Chicago, Illinois

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