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R.R. Account Book, 1851-1899

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Location	Wks. Not Reported	Wks. Not Paid	Wks. Not Other Pk.	Total Wks.	Total of Report	Total
MALDEN	520	50864		51384	1771.24	
WORCESTER	52220	50	225	52295	1828.24	
PAWTUCKET	11224	5725	102	11326	423.21	
GEN. TAYLOR	1824	3222	52	1978	622.24	
GEN. FERRY	1724	322		2046	727.11	
GEN. ALLEN	2224	422		2646	922.22	
UNIONVILLE	2224	172		2396	827.11	
DECAT TAYL.	112	172		284	112.22	
Total						11927

Item	Amount	Total
Expense of repairing Locomotives for ordinary wear and tear	5041.91	
Expenses of repairing Passenger Cars for ordinary wear and tear	3221.30	6263.21
Expense of repairing Freight Cars for ordinary wear and tear	4171.55	
Expense of repairing Freight Cars for extra work		4171.55
Expense of repairs for engine cars on Section 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100	977.10	
Cost of repairs of Buildings, Mails and such as are in Freight Cars, work done for other work, new work		1211.40
Cost of repairs of Buildings, Mails and such as are in Freight Cars, work done for other work, new work		1211.40
Amount of work on hand in Repair Shop at present date	1011.24	
Total amount of repairs and work on hand	1011.24	
Total amount charged on Passenger's Receipts to Repair Shop	14127.54	

Item	Amount	Total
Oil Account		
Oil by Locomotives	5012	
Oil by Passenger Cars	101	
Oil by Freight Cars	501	
Other Expenses	501	
Total Balance	11024	11024

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Providence and Worcester R.R. Account Book
Date:	1851-1899
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0154
Creator:	Providence and Worcester Railroad Company (Creator)
Source:	National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Transportation
Extent:	0.15 Cubic feet (1 volume)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Immediate source of acquisition unknown.

Provenance

Collection transferred to the Archives Center from the Division of Transportation (now Division of Work and Industry) through the American History Library), May 1982.

Processing Information

Collection processed by Robert Harding, 1985

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Biographical / Historical

Like many of the early railroads in the United States the Providence and Worcester Railroad was built, as were most of the early turnpikes and canals, to serve nearby and local needs.*

*Taylor, Geroge Rogers and Neu, Irene D. The American RR Network, 1861-1890 Cambridge, Massachusetts: Harvard University Press, 1956, p.4.

Scope and Contents

This log book of the Providence, Rhode Island repair shop records the annual summaries of repair costs by various divisions of the Railroad for 1851-1854, as submitted by John B. Winslow, Master Mechanic. It also includes entries recording miscellaneous repairs (mostly minor) and overhauls to locomotives for 1880-1899.

Arrangement

This collection is arranged chronologically.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Locomotives
- Railroads -- 19th century
- Railroads -- Rolling-stock
- Repairing

Types of Materials:

- Account books -- 19th century

Names:

- National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Transportation

Places:

- Rhode Island

Container Listing

Repair Shop Account Book, 1851-1854, 1880-1899

Box 1 (Shared Box),
Folder 1

[\[Locomotive repair expenses account book\], 1851 to 1854](#)

1 Item (Ink on paper.; 11.8" x 9.6".)

Creator: Providence and Worcester Railroad Company

Language: English.

Notes: AC0154-0000001 (AC scan no.)

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Expense page for 11 months ending November 30, 1852 scanned.

Topic: Railroad companies
Locomotives

Genre/Form: Account books