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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Seth Thomas Clock Co. Records
Date:	1835-1928
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0627
Creator:	Seth Thomas Clock Co. (Creator)
Extent:	0.5 Cubic feet (3 boxes)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Immediate source of acquisition unknown.

Processing Information

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Biographical / Historical

In 1809, Seth Thomas joined with Eli Terry and Silas Hoadley in a partnership in the manufacture of clocks in Plymouth Hollow, Connecticut. After one year, Thomas and Hoadley bought out Terry's interest in the business. In 1812, Thomas sold his interest to Hoadley and opened his own shop in Plymouth Hollow. It was successful. The Seth Thomas company was incorporated in 1855.

Scope and Contents

Five volumes of the Seth Thomas Clock Company's records, including a journal, two minute books, a sales and cash receipts record book, and a stock record book.

Arrangement

1 series.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Clocks and watches

Types of Materials:

Business records

Minute books

Container Listing

Box 2	Journal, 1835-08-31-1843-08-11
Box 3	Minute Book, 1853-04-16-1893-05-30
Box 1	Minute Book, 1893-06-26-1928-03-06
Box 3	Sales and Cash Receipts Record Book, 1879-1922
Box 3	Stock Record Book, 1892-1911