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## Guide to the G.W. Aimar Drug Company Records

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	G.W. Aimar Drug Company Records
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.0810
<b>Date:</b>	1864-1972
<b>Extent:</b>	350 Cubic feet
<b>Creator:</b>	Aimar, George W. Aimar, Harold Aimar, G.W., Drug Company Science, Medicine and Society, Division of (NMAH, SI).
<b>Language:</b>	English

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Collection donated by Harold and George W. Aimar.

### Ownership and Custodial History

Gift of Harold and George W. Aimar. The contents of the store were purchased by the Smithsonian in 1978, and the Aimar brothers donated the archival materials, which were transferred to the Archives Center in 2002.

### Processing Information

Collection is unprocessed.

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

A pharmacy established in 1852 which operated in Charleston, South Carolina for over 100 years. During the Civil War the store served as an official dispensary for the Confederate States of America, and the top three floors were converted to a hospital. The store remained in the family and in business until 1978.

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## Scope and Contents

The day-to-day business records of a Charleston, South Carolina pharmacy, including day books, ledger books, cash books, prescription books, invoices, letterpress copybooks, and formula books.

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## Arrangement

Divided into 8 series.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Drugstores  
Medicine  
Pharmacies

Types of Materials:

Business records -- 19th century  
Business records -- 20th century  
Cashbooks  
Daybooks  
Formulae, chemical  
Invoices  
Ledgers (account books)  
Letterpress copybooks -- 19th century  
Letterpress copybooks -- 20th century  
Prescriptions  
Prescriptions -- 19th century

Names:

Science, Medicine and Society, Division of (NMAH, SI).

Geographic Names:

Charleston (S.C.)  
South Carolina