Guide to the Baldwin Locomotive Works Scrapbooks

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Collection Overview

Repository: Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title: Baldwin Locomotive Works Scrapbooks
Identifier: NMAH.AC.1181
Date: 1867-1929.
Extent: 1.5 Cubic feet (4 volumes)
Creator: Baldwin Locomotive Works.
          Transportation, Division of, NMAH, SI.
          Work and Industry, Division of, NMAH, SI
Language: English

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition
Collection donated by James C. Macinnes.

Ownership and Custodial History
Transferred to the Archives Center in 2009 from the Division of Work and Industry.

Processing Information
Collection unprocessed.

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Biographical Note

The Baldwin Locomotive Works was started as a sole proprietorship by Matthias W. Baldwin in 1831. The company was the largest railroad engineering plant of its kind in the world. It is now out of business.

Scope and Contents

Four scrapbooks containing items relating to the Baldwin Locomotive Works, including: blueprints, photographs, examples of company letterhead and blank company forms, clippings and articles, business records such as contracts and specifications, trade literature, and miscellany.

Arrangement

1 series.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:
  Locomotive industry -- Pennsylvania
  Railroads
  Transportation

Types of Materials:
  Articles
  Blueprints
  Business records -- 1860-1930
  Clippings
  Contracts
  Letterheads
  Photographs -- 19th century
  Photographs -- 20th century
  Scrapbooks
  Specifications
  Trade literature

Names:
  Baldwin, Matthias W. (industrialist)
  Transportation, Division of, NMAH, SI.
  Work and Industry, Division of, NMAH, SI