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

Preferred Citation

Restrictions on Access
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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)
National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Transportation