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## George W. Brown Papers

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	George W. Brown Papers
<b>Date:</b>	1897-1935
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.1527
<b>Source:</b>	National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Mechanical and Civil Engineering
<b>Creator:</b>	Brown, George W. (Civil engineer)
<b>Extent:</b>	.25 Cubic feet (1 box)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	Papers relating to the work of civil engineer George Williams Brown including a logbook, photograph album, and correspondence.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Collection donated by Mabel L. West, niece of George W. Brown, March 1963.

### Provenance

Collection transferred to the Archives Center from the Division of Work and Industry, February 2022.

### Related Materials

#### **Archives Center, National Museum of American History**

Warshaw Collection of Business Americana, Subject Categories: Canals, NMAH.AC.0060.S01.01.Canals

William R. Hutton Papers, NMAH.AC.0987

Nicaragua Canal Collection, NMAH.AC.1550

### Processing Information

Collection processed by Vanessa Broussard-Simmons, archivist, 2023.

### Preferred Citation

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## Content Description

Papers relate to the work of civil engineer George Williams Brown. Among the materials is a one hundred-and thirty-three-page logbook of his trip to Nicaragua dating from 1897-1898. There are also letters from Brown to his family primarily discussing his work, especially in Nicaragua and at the Dry Tortugas during 1897. In addition, there is a photograph album created by Brown dating from 1898 and his later description of it in 1935. The papers are arranged in chronological order.

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## Arrangement

Collection is arranged in one 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:

- Canals
- Civil engineering

### Types of Materials:

- Correspondence
- Maps -- 20th century
- Photographs -- 20th century
- Typescripts

### Names:

- National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Mechanical and Civil Engineering

### Places:

- Nicaragua.

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## Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1	Private Log Book of a Little Trip to Nicaragua by George W. Brown, 1897-1898
Box 1, Folder 2	Correspondence, 1897-1905
Box 1, Folder 3	Photograph album, 1898-09-27
Box 1, Folder 4	Information relating to photograph album, 1935