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Collection Overview

Repository:	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title:	Correspondence and Memoranda
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Administrative Information

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Access Restriction

Deteriorating letterpress affects legibility; record unit partially microfilmed.

Descriptive Entry

This record unit consists of outgoing correspondence from the Office of the Secretary.

Researchers should use the microfilm copy of this correspondence.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Museums -- Administration
- Museums -- Collection management

Types of Materials:

- Letterpress copybooks
- Manuscripts
- Microfilms

Names:

Baird, Spencer Fullerton, 1823-1887
Goode, G. Brown (George Brown), 1851-1896
Rathbun, Richard, 1852-1918
Ravenel, W. de C. (William de Chastignier), 1859-1933
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