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Collection Overview

Repository: Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title: Washington Augustus Roebling Papers
Identifier: Record Unit 7152
Date: 1885-1926
Extent: 0.25 cu. ft. (1 half document box)
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Historical Note

Washington Roebling (1837-1926) was a civil engineer and industrialist. He assisted and succeeded his father, John A. Roebling, in the family firm and is probably best known for his completion of the Brooklyn Bridge. Roebling was an avid collector of minerals and left his collection of over 15,000 specimens to the Smithsonian Institution on his death.

Descriptive Entry

These papers document Roebling's interest in mineralogy, and consist of correspondence with geologists and mineralogists including William F. Foshag, R. B. Gage, Samuel G. Gordon, William F. Hillebrand, George Frederick Kunz, Charles Palache, Samuel Lewis Penfield, Waldemar Theodore Schaller, Earl V. Shannon, Edgar Theodore Wherry, and Herbert Percy Whitlock. Most of the correspondence concerns the sale or acquisition of mineral specimens by Roebling. The correspondence is arranged alphabetically by correspondent.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:
Mineralogy
Types of Materials:
Manuscripts

Names:
Foshag, William F. (William Frederick), 1894-1956
Gage, R. B.
Gordon, Samuel George, 1897-1952
Hillebrand, W. F. (William Francis), 1853-1925
Kunz, George Frederick, 1856-1932
Palache, Charles, 1869-1954
Penfield, Samuel Lewis 1856-1906
Roebling, John A.
Roebling, Washington Augustus, 1837-1926
Schaller, Waldemar T. (Waldemar Theodore), 1882-
Shannon, Earl V. (Earl Victor), 1895-
Wherry, Edgar Theodore, 1885-
Whitlock, Herbert P.

Geographic Names:
Brooklyn Bridge (New York, N.Y.)
Container Listing

Box 1


Box 1 of 1  Folder 2 Hamilton - Royal Ontario Museum of Mineralogy. Correspondents include: William F. Hillebrand, 1885, 1904-1906; George Frederick Kunz, 1903, 1923, 1926; Charles Palache, 1914, 1923-1926; Samuel Lewis Penfield, 1895-1897.

Box 1 of 1  Folder 3 Schaller, Waldemar Theodore, 1911-1926

Box 1 of 1  Folder 4 Seeber - Zambonin. Correspondents include: Earl V. Shannon, 1922-1926; Edgar Theodore Wherry, 1926; Herbert Percy Whitlock, 1910.

Box 1 of 1  Folder 5 Unidentified correspondence