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Collection Overview

Repository: Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title: John Evans Papers
Identifier: Record Unit 7198
Date: 1854-1856, 1860
Extent: 0.25 cu. ft. (1 half document box)
Creator: Evans, John, 1812-1861
Language: Language of Materials: English

Administrative Information

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Historical Note
John Evans (1812-1861) joined David Dale Owen's survey of Wisconsin, Iowa, and Minnesota following his graduation from St. Louis Medical College, circa 1848. In 1851, he was appointed by the Secretary of the Interior to survey the Washington and Oregon territories, and in 1853 joined Isaac Stevens' Pacific Railroad Survey. He was also geologist to the Isthmus of Chiriqui Expedition to Central America in 1860.

Introduction
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Descriptive Entry
These papers include a journal for Evans' tenure with the railroad survey, covering the period July to September 1854. They also include journals for Evans' journeys in the Port Orford region of Oregon in 1855-1856, and one page of Evans' journal for the Isthmus of Chiriqui Expedition of 1860.
Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:
  Geology
  Railroads -- Surveying

Types of Materials:
  Diaries

Names:
  Evans, John, 1812-1861
  Isthmus of Chiriqui Expedition (1860)
  Owen, David Dale
  Pacific Railroad Survey of the 47th and 49th Parallels
  St. Louis Medical College
  Stevens, Isaac I.

Geographic Names:
  Central America
  Port Orford (Or.)
## Container Listing

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