

# John C. Ainsworth papers, 1858-1911

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Ainsworth , J. C. (John Commingers)
<b>Title</b>	John C. Ainsworth papers
<b>Dates</b>	1858-1911 (inclusive) 1858 1911
<b>Quantity</b>	25 linear feet, (28 containers)
<b>Collection Number</b>	Coll 250
<b>Summary</b>	John Commingers Ainsworth (1822-1893) was the major founder of the Oregon Steam Navigation (OSN) Company, the most powerful transportation monopoly in the Pacific Northwest. Ainsworth was also involved in a number of other ventures, including the Northern Pacific Railroad (NPRR) and various gold, silver and coal mining operations. The John Commingers Ainsworth Papers contain Ainsworth's diaries, autobiography, personal correspondence, photographs, and the business records of the Oregon Central Railroad, Oregon Steam Navigation Company, Northern Pacific Railroad Company, and various mining, building and shipping enterprises.
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## Historical Note

John Commingers Ainsworth was born in Springsboro, Ohio on June 6, 1822. His parents died when he was young, and with only two years of formal schooling he went to work for his uncle, a merchant. They became partners in a business selling trade goods from boats along the Ohio River, but soon young Ainsworth split from his uncle and bought a store with a partner, which they sold at a good profit after a successful year. He married a young woman, Josephine Augusta Kendall, who died fifteen months later. Ainsworth was not yet twenty.

In 1844 he bought a steamboat with his uncle and for the next five years they ran a successful packet service along the upper Mississippi. When the Gold Rush hit in 1849, Ainsworth sold his share of the

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business and went to California. Failing to find wealth or even interesting work, he took a job piloting a steamer on the Willamette River in Oregon. In 1851 he married the daughter of Judge S.S. White, and built his Greek Revival-style house in Oregon City (it is open to the public and listed in the National Register of Historic Places). Over the next few years Ainsworth purchased several steam boats, becoming a central figure in the fiercely competitive river transportation industry.

In late 1860, Ainsworth and a group of investors incorporated the Oregon Steam Navigation (OSN) Company. The OSN Company controlled the shipping routes of steamers, railroads, and freight lines, and under Ainsworth's direction, quickly became the most powerful transportation monopoly in the Pacific Northwest. By 1869 the OSN Company had consolidated its control over the Columbia River transportation market. In 1872, Ainsworth bartered a controlling interest in OSN to Northern Pacific Railroad (NPRR) in exchange for capital and NPRR bonds. When NPRR bonds dropped from \$0.90 to \$0.10, Ainsworth involved himself in the company's affairs, traveling to the East Coast and helping oversee the completion of their railroad. In April 1879, Henry Villard purchased the OSN Company for its full capitalized value of \$5 million. Ainsworth retired to Oak Lawn, California after the sale.

While in Oregon Ainsworth had become a Freemason, and eventually the third Grand Master of the Oregon Masonic Lodge. After retiring to California he wrote his autobiography, addressing it to his children George, John, Harry and Daisy. Ainsworth died in California in December 1893.

## Content Description

The Ainsworth Papers are divided into nine groups, housed across 27 boxes and 32 loose volumes. The loose volumes primarily consist of bound correspondence and are listed within the series appropriate to the content of the volume. The collection contains Ainsworth's diaries, autobiography, personal correspondence, and the business records of the Oregon Central Railroad, Oregon Steam Navigation Company, Northern Pacific Railroad Company, and various mining, building and shipping enterprises.

The Diaries group contains Ainsworth's diaries and his autobiography, and may be found in the first five folders of Box 1.

Personal Correspondence from family, friends and associates, arranged alphabetically by the sender's last name, fill the rest of Box 1 and most of Box 2. Documents relating to the Freemasons—mostly correspondence but including some official papers—are in folder 8 of Box 2 and the first eight folders of Box 3. Notable correspondents in this group include Evans S. McComas.

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Oregon Steam Navigation Company correspondence and business records may be found in Boxes 5 through 9, and in the first three folders of Box 10.

Northern Pacific Railroad Company correspondence and business records begin in folder 4 of Box 10 and run through folder 2 of Box 15. Notable correspondents in this group include Hazzard Stevens.

Mines and Mining and Other Corporate Enterprises (except shipping and Portland Hydraulic Elevator Company) correspondence and documents begin in Box 15, volumes 6 and 7 and folder 3, and run through volume 32 and folder 2 of Box 18. While most of the businesses are mining operations (gold,

silver and coal), Ainsworth's enterprises also included two mills (Ainsworth Mill Co. and Cabinet Steam Sawmill), and the Oregon Steam Brewery.

Records of Barks Alden Besse, Coloma, and Kate Davenport, owned by J.C. Ainsworth, CM. Noyes, Allen Noyes, and others (1879–1888), are housed in volumes 35 through 37, and folder 3 of Box 18 through Box 21.

Records of Building and House Construction, Portland (1880–1883) are housed in the first nine folders of Box 22.

Personal Finance and Corporate Records are housed in volume 38, and in folder 10 of Box 22 through Box 27.

Photographs consists of 78 black and white copy prints of ships, shipping personnel, and Oregon landmarks.

## Use of the Collection

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## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

Collection is organized into the following series: Diaries; Personal correspondence; Oregon Central Railroad Company; Oregon Steam Navigation Company; Northern Pacific Railroad Company; Mines and mining and other corporate enterprises; Records of Barks Alden Besse, Coloma, and Kate Davenport; Records of building and house construction, Portland; Personal finance and corporate records; and Photographs.

## Processing Note

Collection processed by staff.

This finding aid may be updated periodically to account for new acquisitions to the collection and/or revisions in arrangement and description.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Diaries

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
1	1	Diaries	1858, 1860, 1861
1	2	Diaries	1865, 1866, 1872
1	3	Diaries	undated
1	4	Autobiography	1877

### Personal correspondence

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
1	5	Ackerson, John W. Tacoma land for sale	February 8, 1875
1	5	Adams, W.L. (William Lysander). Sale of farm	December 1, 1871; December 11, 1871
1	5	Ainsworth, Andrew (uncle). Family news	August 31, 1875

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1	5	Ainsworth, C.W. Inquiry about reformatory job	October 7, 1875
1	5	Ainsworth, George J. (son). News from school at Oakland, CA (includes list of accounts)	September 28, 1872
1	5	Ainsworth, William G. Request for loan	[January?] 8, 1877
1	5	Albright, William G., Jr. Inquiry on immigration; request for job	December 21 1874; February 8, 1875
1	5	Allen, W.A. Request and thanks for aid	February 4, 1879; February 10, 1879
1	5	Anderson, B.P. Request to locate missing person	December 5, 1874
1	5	Armstrong, C.H. Invitation to invest in "Oleomargaine" process	March 11, 1874
1	5	Alvord, Benjamin. Comment on political affairs	November 3, 1864; November 7, 1864
1	6	Babbitt, E.B. Situation in Buffalo, NY	November 27, 1872
1	6	Ball, Mrs. A.H. Advice on Portland investments	April 2, 1879
1	6	Bank of California (J. Dunn). Acknowledgements of receipts	January 5, 1875; November 8, 1875; December 24, 1875
1	6	Barnes, G.A. and Co. Land tax matters in Washington 10 letters	February 6, 1874-November 24, 1879
1	6	Barney, Chas O. & Co. Resale of stocks of Western Land Association	May 7, 1880
1	6	Bayley, J.R. Sale of property and note payments	July 28, 1879

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1	6	Bell, J.W. Rental of store rooms in Masonic Temple Building, Portland	October 18, 1876
1	6	Blackwell, William B. Thanks for donation; subscription to <i>Forest and Stream</i>	December 29, 1874; February 4, 1875
1	6	Bleakmore, J.B. Recommendation of Orion Kinnerly	October 11, 1875
1	6	Booth, A.R. Promise to pay debt	February 4, 1876
1	6	Booth, Robert. Asks about job opportunities for his son	April 15, 1879
1	6	Bross, Miss Jessie L. Thanks for hospitality	September 1869?
1	6	Bross, William. Recommendation of ex-Governor Marcus L. Ward, NJ	July 30, 1874
1	6	Brown, A.D. Road work due on property	June 28, 1879; July 11, 1879
1	6	Brown, F.R. Inquiry on price of property	May 6, 1880
1	6	Brown, Mart V. Requests extension of mortgage	July 22, 1879
1	6	Brown, R./G. Payment of William T. Shanahan's bond (encl. letter from W.T. Shanahan, October 15, 1874)	December 22, 1874; January 5, 1875
1	6	Brush, Geo. E. Road tax work order	January 24, 1880
1	7	Calhoun, Lucia Gilbert. Thanks for hospitality	September 12, 1869
1	7	Carlile, D. Payment of H. Green Mortgage	August 9, 1880; August 12, 1880
1	7	Cartie, L.F. Sending bond for completion	April 15, 1867

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1	7	Caton, N.T. Proposal to start newspaper at Walla Walla, W.T.	November 20, 1878
1	7	Cayton, W.W. Inquiry about Capt. Babbit	March 16, 1878
1	7	Chadwick, S.B. H.C. Owen affairs	January 20, 1876
1	7	Chipman, N.P. Reports on Eastern Washington Territory	November 12, 1878
1	7	Clark, Frank. Land purchase 5 letters	October 23, 1876-May 27, 1879
1	7	Colfax, Schuyler. Thanks for favors received	September 2, 1871; October 24, 1871
1	7	Cooke, H.D. Recommendation for Frank T. Dodge	January 4, 1873
1	7	Corbett, H.W. Suggestions for internal improvements	January 14, 1868
1	7	Cornwall, P.B. Sale of Steamer Great Republic	July 31, 1878; September 5, 1878
1	7	Cress and Bowley. Harness purchase	May 27, 1878
1	7	Crook, George. Recollections of Pacific Coast days	December 15, 1875
1	8	Daniels, W.B. Portland city politics	January 26, 1877
1	8	Davis, Jef. C. Introduction of R.D. Burnett	September 29, 1874
1	8	Dawson, Jas. J. Thanks for favors	January 9, 1875
1	8	Death, H.J. Recollections of childhood days	April 7, 1866

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1	8	Denny, O.N. Reminder of package on call	February 14, 1876
1	8	Dimon, Chas. Damaged shipment of boxes from Italy	August 9, 1878
1	8	Dolph, Joseph N. Masonic hall business	June 28, 1879
1	8	Dwight, H.W. Inquiry on land purchase	December 12, 1879
1	8	Egbert, Augustine. Thanks for favors	January 2, 1878
1	8	Eliot, Thomas Lamb. Thanks for support of church and friendship	June 1869; May 18, 1874; January 20, 1880; April 10, 1876; July 6, 1874
1	8	Evans, Elwood. Asks for favors and advice [See also Masonic letters]	June 2, 1868; June 4, 1868; December 9, 1875; September 5, 1878; October 17, 1878
2	1	Failing, Henry. Thanks for sympathy regarding the death of Failing's wife	July 21, 1870?
2	1	Farrow, Edward S. Prosecution of "Young Lane"	June 1, 1879
2	1	Fishburne, George J. Re: school tax, Cornelius, Oregon	March 14, 1879
2	1	Freeman, C.A. Asks for work	December 31, 1875
2	1	Froman, D. Mortgages, Albany, Oregon 7 letters	1879-1880
2	1	Fry, J.D. Introduction for T.J. Hay	July 2, 1879
2	1	Gammie, George. Livestock report from a farm on Bachelors Island	April 16, 1879; November 25, 1881



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2	1	Gardiner, J.J. Property purchases, Oakland, California 16 letters	1879-1880
2	1	Geary, Edward R. Asks favor for Albany College; re: accounts	January 27, 1867; April 2, 1876
2	1	Gibbs, George. Asks Ainsworth to talk with Livingston Stone, United States Fish Commission agent	August 10, 1872
2	1	Goddard & Co., San Francisco. Shipment of iron works	March 11, 1866; August 25, 1866
2	1	Gradon, Herman D. Ainsworth elected as an Honorary Member, Alumni Association of the Portland High School	
2	1	Grover, L.F. Support of bills in Congress	September 22, 1876; January 10, 1879; February 18, 1879
2	2	Hallock Charles. Fishing tackle	May 1, 1875; May 3, 1875
2	2	Harland, C.W. Site for schoolhouse, Lewis County, W.T.	June 8, 1879
2	2	Hawley, E.A. House rent	April 26, 1876
2	2	Hayden, James R. Greetings and congratulations on the building of the N.P.R.R.	February 10, 1876; March 24, 1879
2	2	Hiller, Mrs. D.A. Estate settlement 5 letters, documents	1879-1880
2	2	Hine, Louis. Introduction, asks for job	November 6, 1878
2	2	Hixon, J.M. Land opportunity in California	April 14, 1880
2	2	Hodges, Henry C. Appointment of Ed Weeks to West Point	September 23, 1878

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2 2	Holbrook, Willard A. Asks for a job as a "watchman"	January 25, 1875
2 2	Holman, Fred V. Receipt for money	December 9, 1874
2 2	Holt, H.H. Pails for transporting fish	May 1, 1879
2 2	Ingalls, E.G. Tacoma politics	May 17, 1877
2 2	Ingalls, Rufus. Promotion of Senator Nesmith	August 21, 1866
2 3	Jackson, Edward. Oregon articles in London paper	October 12, 1874; October 17, 1874
2 3	Johnson, P.B. Explanation of relations with Walla Walla <i>Union</i> newspaper; asks to be appointed resident attorney	June 5, 1878; November 7, 1878
2 3	Johnson, Robert. Recollections of old days and request for favor	May 1, 1875
2 3	Kast & Co. (Fashionable Shoe Store, San Francisco). Boot order	June 3, 1878
2 3	Kearney, E.S. Political news	February 6, 1875; January 19, 1876; January 21, 1876; February 14, 1876; May 19, 1876
2 3	Kimball, George P. Wagon payment	June 29, 1868
2 3	Knight, P.S. Public lectures	November 13, 1878; November 20, 1878
2 3	Knights, Templar, Oregon Commandery No. 1. Ainsworth selected an honorary member	October 11, 1876

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2 3	Latham, Milton S. Promotion of Senator Nesmith	May 11, 1866; May 30, 1866
2 3	Lewis, D.C. Land list, Columbia River South (Oregon) side	November 10, 1879
2 3	Life Association of America. Form letters to policy holders	December 24, 1879
2 3	Lincoln, E. Change of address	December 22, 1879
2 3	Linderman, Dell. Inquiry about Mrs. Col. Weeks	April 4, 1880
2 3	Linton, Susan A. Family member-asks for information on the West	February 12, 1875
2 4	McCann, H. Farm reports, Lakeview, Oregon 7 letters	1878-1880
2 4	McCann, James and John. Lot for sale, Astoria, Oregon	May 26, 1877
2 4	McCartney, H.M. Thanks for favors	September 24, 1879
2 4	McCaver, M.M. Description of the sife of Tacoma	October 4, 1869
2 4	McComas, E.S. Land for sale, Eastern Oregon	January 27, 1872; March 8, 1872; March 18, 1872
2 4	McCracken, J.M. Sales of ship <i>Coloma</i>	June 3, 1879; October 29, 1879; November 8, 1880
2 4	McElroy, J.F. Gift of peaches	October 3, 1879
2 4	McKerchner, D.C. Payment on note	November 3, 1869
2 4	McKinlay, Archibald. Re: shipment of marten skins	May 15, 1866

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2 4	Macleary, Donald. Introducing William Reid, American Vice Consul to Dundee, Scotland	April 14, 1874
2 4	McMicken, W. Personal and political news	November 12, 1876; July 25, 1877; November 25, 1878; April 11, 1879
2 4	Marys, F.W.D. Asks to borrow a printing press to publish a paper in Walla Walla, W.T., "in the interests of Christianity"	April 30, 1878
2 4	Meeker, Ezra. Property for sale, Lake view station, W.T.	December 24, 1875
2 4	Miller, W. Railroad prospects	July 23, 1874; August 26, 1874
2 4	Mills, O.O. Land purchases	June 28, 1871
2 4	Min, John. Sale of property to Captain R.R. Thompson	March 17, 1876
2 4	Mitchell, John N. Major Weeks affairs	February 1, 1876
2 4	Morgan, H.B. Tax matters, Hillsboro, Oregon	January 3, 1878; January 9, 1878
2 5	National Metropolitan Bank, Washington, DC. Inquiry re lost check	March 8, 1875
2 5	Nesmith, James M. Political and railroad matters 7 letters	1864-1868
2 5	New York Life Insurance Co. Acknowledgements and bills 10 documents	1872-1878
2 5	Nordhoff, Charles. Inquiry re: Aurora Colony for article for <i>Harper's Magazine</i>	January 14, 1878
2 5	Noris, William. Introducing Frank Shilbauer	June 26, 1878
2 5	Noyes and Fairweather. Charter of ship <i>Coloma</i>	July 10, 1879

Container(s)		Description	Dates
2	5	O'Brien, R.G. Re: Edward Giddings	February 22, 1875
2	5	Ogden, W.B. Introducing George Wright	December 11, 1875
2	5	Owen, H.C. Swamp lands	September 29, 1876; April 23, 1877; April 25, 1877
2	5	Paige, H.C. Receipt for tax payment	February 2, 1879
2	5	Palmer, Joel. Appreciation for political honor	April 9, 1870
2	5	Parker, J.G. Note for endorsement	March 7, 1874
2	5	Pierce, E.G. & Co., San Francisco. Re: shipment	June 25, 1878
2	5	Plummer, C.B. University of Washington job; notes due	April 5, 1879; April 27, 1879; April 29, 1879; May 17, 1879
2	5	Porter, David W. Bond signature request	February 9, 1863; August 26, 1863
2	5	Pratt, Henry K. Introducing S.L. Bayles, Keokuk, Iowa	September 4, 1878
2	6	Ralston, A.J. Introduction of bearer	April 10, 1879; April 27, 1879; April 29, 1879; May 17, 1879
2	6	Ralston, W.C. Personal, steamboat, and railroad news 10 letters	1862-1874
2	6	Ranbeg, Alexander. Re: Major Weeks	May 24, 1880
2	6	Reeves, R.J. Proposed bank in Portland	August 25, 1875

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2	6	Sanford, John F. Personal news, invention of The Sanford Safety Lamp	November 2, 1869
2	6	Sawtelle, C.S. Payment of room rental	September 30, 1878
2	6	Sharpstein, B.L. Political favor request	October 25, 1874
2	6	Smith, Hiram. Asks for Ainsworth to hold note for sale of Masonic Temple	June 11, 1879
2	6	Smith, John H. Loan request	April 9, 1879
2	6	Somerville, Thomas. Church affairs	September 23, 1869
2	6	Stark, Benjamin. Railroad and political news	December 11, 1867-June 3, 1875
2	6	Stebbins, Horatis. Offers medical treatment	June 11, 1879
2	6	Steinberger, Justus. Personal and political news	February 3, 1866; September 9, 1866
2	6	Stone, Livingstone. Re: fish	November 23, 1875
2	6	Strickler, J.H. Inquiry for a good attorney in Seattle	March 9, 1876
2	6	Sturt, H. Evelyn. Money borrowed and owed	November 17, 1874; January 5, 1875; April 19, 1875
2	6	Sutton, H.M. Land investment in Chehalis county, W.T.	October 16, 1876
2	7	Train, George Francis. Furs sent	August 6, 1869
2	7	Troy, J.D. Mining properties	November 21, 1875

Container(s)		Description	Dates
2	7	Turrlt, B.B. Application for job	February 26, 1875
2	7	Underwood, J.B. Stock owned; money owed	May 17, 1869; May 25, 1869; May 30, 1879
2	7	Valentine, John J. Inquiry re: H.C. Paige	November 15, 1876; December 6, 1876
2	7	Waggener, Willis. School tax due	February 25, 1878
2	7	Wagner, Charles William. Notes due and overdue	October 6, 1875; October 30, 1876
2	7	Weekes, T.J. Loan request	May 10, 1879
2	7	Weeks, George A. Personal and financial matters	May 20, 1876; April 13, 1878; March 9, 1880; April 17, 1880
2	7	Wells, Guy. Introducing S.L. Bayles and William Linderman; acknowledged receipt of steamboat history	September 14, 1878; September 16; 1878; March 18, 1879
2	7	Whitcomb, J.B. Land purchase in California	June 16, 1880
2	7	White, Nettie M. Business inquiry	May 4, 1875; July 7, 1879
2	7	White, S. S. Tacoman lots for sale	October 15, 1878
2	7	Whittlesey, J.H. Thanks for personal favors; news 9 letters	1864-1867
2	7	Wilkerson, S. Land for sale, American Lake, W.T.	May 16, 1878
2	7	Williams, J.C. Payment of taxes	January 23, 1875; April 30,

Container(s)		Description	Dates
			1879; May 2, 1879
2	7	Wingard, S.C. Identification of fish	March 29, 1879
2	7	Woodcock & Baldwin, Corvallis, Oregon. Receipts	August 8, 1879; February 18, 1880
2	7	Wright, George. Job application	March 22, 1879
2	7	Wygant, Theodore. House location and construction	May 24, 1879

## Freemasons (Oregon and Washington)

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
3	1	Documents and Form letters	
3	1	Mortgage assignments; Receipt books (4)	
3	2	A.G.Enos case	1872-1876

### General correspondence

Box	Folder		
3	3	Apperson, J.T.	November 10, 1871
3	3	Austin, James M.	July 29, 1870
3	3	Bayley, James R.	December 6, 1871; January 16, 1872
3	3	Carter, L.F.	October 17, 1870; October 28, 1870; October 31, 1870



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3	3	Caswell, Thomas H.	May 7, 1874; March 30, 1879
3	3	Coburn, C.A.	June 21, 1879
3	3	Fechheimer, L.W.	September 26, 1864
3	3	Gillian, W.H.	May 22, 1872; September 4, 1872; September 18, 1872
3	3	Hayden, James R.	December 4, 1872; August 22, 1875
3	3	Hungary Grand Orient	April 22, 1872
3	3	Lawson, James S.	September 17, 1872
3	3	Learned, A.F.	November 14, 1872; November 26, 1872; December 19, 1872
3	3	McCraaken, J.	March 8, 1875
3	3	McGrotty, E.P.	July 22, 1876
3	3	Meier, Thomas T.	April 15, 1876
3	3	Morrice, H.C.	March 28, 1871
3	3	Patton, Thomas McF.	August 27, 1872; May 30, 1874
3	3	Reed, F.M.	August 24, 1875
3	3	Robbins, G. Collier	March 23, 1871

Container(s)		Description	Dates
3	3	Schenck, John S.	December 9, 1871; May 28, 1874
3	3	Shaw, E.H.	August 30, 1866; November 26, 1869
3	3	Sherman, Edwin A.	May 17, 1872; October 21, 1872
3	3	Thibado, A.J.	May 22, 1872; September 4, 1872; September 18, 1872
3	3	Wilkerson, Samuel Jr.	December 1, 1874
3	3	Woodcock & Baldwin	August 18, 1880
3	4	Chadwick, Stephen F.	1871-1876
3	5	Evans, Elwood	1872-1873
3	6	Mackey, A.G.	1871-1874
3	7	Pike, Albert	1870-1879
3	8	Webber, Fred	1870-1872
<b>Volume</b>			
1		Letters sent	1865-April 8, 1874
2		Letters sent	April 11, 1874-1880

## Oregon Central Railroad Company

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
3	9	Incorporation papers	1867-1869
3	10	Legislative bills, reports, remonstrances	1868-1870
4	1	Mortgages, agreements, contracts	1868-1869
4	2	Monthly accounts	November 1868- April 1869
4	3	Bills, vouches for construction work	1868
4	4	Cash statements	1868-1869
4	5	Inventory	November 1, 1868
4	6	Deeds, memoranda	1868-1869

#### Letters Received, General

Box	Folder		
4	7	Bayley, J.R.	July 13, 1868
4	7	Brinck, P.C. (National Iron Company)	March 30, 1869; August 6, 1869
4	7	Chadwick, Stephen F.	June 20, 1893
4	7	Cornelius, T.R.	February 3, 1870
4	7	Holladay, Ben	November 28, 1870; December 7, 1870
4	7	Lodd, J.W.	April 7, 1869
4	7	McKay, Henry	March 4, 1869; March 6, 1869; March 8, 1869; March 9, 1869

Container(s)		Description	Dates
4	7	Nesmith, J.W.	April 4, 1870
4	7	Newby, W.T.	February 17, 1868; March 2, 1868; July 18, 1870
4	7	Olney, Cyrus	December 22, 1869; December 25, 1869; December 30, 1869
4	7	Ralston, W.C.	May 2, 1868; June 24, 1868; July 8, 1868
4	7	Reed, S.G.	February 7, 1869; February 10, 1869; March 7, 1869; March 11, 1869; September 26, 1869
4	7	Russell, Edwin	November 4, 1868
4	7	Smith, J.S.	December 6, 1870
4	7	Thompson, R.R.	October 14, 1868
4	8	Applegate, Jesse	1869-1870
4	9	Gaston, Joseph	1866-1868
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5	1	List of stockholders. Form letters and memoranda re: OSN Stock	1880
5	2	Boat accounts and memoranda	
5	3	Indentures, agreements (including Union Transportation Company)	
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5	5	Ainsworth accounts with OSN Commissary	1879-1880
5	6	Miscellaneous	
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5	7	Adams, John. Pass request	February 26, 1879
5	7	Allen, J.B. Reduced rate and pass request	February 26, 1879
5	7	Andrews, John E. Request for work	March 18, 1875
5	7	Andrews, William H. Explanation of deal with Mr. Kimball of Walla Walla	June 26, 1875
5	7	Ammon, Caspai & Co. (San Francisco). Trade in Puyallup coal	March 5, 1877
5	7	Apperson, A.J. Warning of competition	November 9, 1878; November 13, 1878
5	7	Bacon, Edward T. Introducing	April 4, 1870
5	7	Badollet & Co. (Astoria, OR). Rates for salmon shipment	January 26, 1876; February 3, 1876

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5	7	Bailey, G.W. Proposition for telegraph service, Pendleton, OR	March 2, 1877
5	7	Baker, M. Connection, LaGrande railroad with OSN	November 12, 1872; December 9, 1872
5	7	Ball, Charles A. Offer to lobby in Salem against bill "antagonistic" to OSN	September 23, 1878; October 8, 1878
5	7	Barnard, J.L. Request for job	December 30, 1875
5	7	Barnes, W.L. Inquiry re: building a railroad linking Walla Walla and Wallula	March 3, 1876
5	7	Barney, Charles D. & Co. (Bankeas and Brokers, Philadelphia, PA). Stock transactions 7 letters	1875, 1879
5	7	Barnwell, R. Inquiry re: value of OSN stock	May 6, 1875
5	7	Baughman, E.W. Complaint about rates; report on Willow Creek landing, Wallula	November 3, 1876; April 22, 1877
5	7	Beezley, Joseph.	March 9, 1875
5	7	Bell, M.H. Request for bond signature	September 6, 1874; September 11, 1874
5	7	Blinn, Marshall. Transfer of OSN stock	December 25, 1875
5	7	Boughmer, A.B. Request for job	October 3, 1875
5	7	Boyd, W.H. OSN stock offer	March 16, 1877
5	7	Brazee, J.W. Comment on railroad building at Cascades	March 29, 1877
5	7	Brittan, Holbrook & Co. (San Francisco). Receipt	December 24, 1875

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5	7	Brooks, George S. Request for job	July 24, 1874
5	7	Brown, M.V. Request for boat charter	May 6 (year unknown)
5	7	Brown, William T. Construction bid	December 24, 1879
5	7	Burnside, D.H. Land purchase offer	February 26, 1879
5	7	Bywater, C.M. Request for job	June 20, 1879
5	8	Campbell, W.E. Request for job; asks for information steamboats	November 6, 1876; May 12, 1877
5	8	Caan, Thomas H. Warning of competition	October 30, 1876
5	7	Cardingley, George. Inquiry re: value of OSN stock	
5	8	Can, C.E. Request for job	December 14, 1876
5	8	Carr, T.S. Complaint, wharfage charge; request to expect (flag staff)	October 27, 1876; December 9, 1876
5	8	Caton, N.T. Damaged flour shipment	October 11, 1876
5	8	Chadd, R.V. Requests pass to investigate newspaper prospects upriver 4 letters	1879
5	8	Chadwick, S.B. Job request for friend	February 15, 1876
5	8	Chenoweth, F.A. Explanation of Jacobs & Neugass troubles	May 21, 1877
5	8	Church, Charles P. Sale of Oregon Iron Works Property	March 22, 1878

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5 8	Clark, Frank C. Sale of steamer New World; tax matters	June 25, 1874
5 8	Clark, Samuel A. Request for pass for Board of Centennial Commission agents	January 9, 1875
5 8	Cole, George E. Request for pass for his daughter Ella	July 20, 1878
5 8	Coleman, Edward T. Thanks for pass	October 24, 1869
5 8	Collins, M.T. Deed to property	May 27, 1878
5 8	Conklin, E. Requests OSN underwrite of his book <i>Picturesque North-West</i>	December 6, 1878-December 20, 1879
5 8	Corbett, H.W. Is sending a copy of Henry Villard's letter	October 2, 1879
5 8	Crandell, R.W. Lumber for sale	December 13, 1875
5 8	Creamer & Newhall, Philadelphia. Request value of OSN stock	February 14, 1874
5 8	Crosley, W.F. and Crosby, N. Re: Captain Finch suit	November 12, 1875
5 8	Curtis, James. Advertising for Baker City <i>Weekly Herald</i>	February 10, 1875
5 8	Dancy Hyman & Co., New York. Inquiry re OSN dividends	December 20, 1875
5 8	Davenport, John C. Inquiry, freight charges	April 10, 1876
5 8	Denio, John H. Inquiry, value of OSN stock	November 23, 1876
5 8	Dickens, John W. Request for job	February 24, 1877
5 8	Dolph, J.N. Re: Stock	July 9, 1879



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5	8	Douglas, James. Thanks for pass	March 24, 1875
5	9	Eagan, H.W. Special freight rate	June 30, 1876
5	9	Effinger, W.H. Damage claims to the Beaver (ship)	September 24, 1874
5	9	Evans, Elwood. Thanks for pass	February 8, 1876
5	9	Fairweather, H.W. Value of new stock; consolidation of officers	January 19, 1880; March 4, 1880
5	9	Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, New York. Transfer of OSN stock 4 letters	1879
5	9	Ferguson, H.B. Request for pass	April 12, 1879
5	9	Ferry, E.P. Request for pass	July 24, 1873
5	9	Finch, D.B. Sale of the Olympia (boat)	November 27, 1872
5	9	Fitzgerald, E.P. Rate complaints	July 25, 1874; July 28, 1874
5	9	Flint, Edward A. Requests advice for steamers on Lake Titicaca, Peru	September 20, 1876
5	9	Fraizer, J.M. Requests legal aid	March 1, 1877
5	9	Freeman, C.A. Request for job	December 10, 1874
5	9	Gamble, James. Advertisement for Frear Stone Co., San Francisco	May 17, 1872
5	9	Geer, T.T. Request for pass	April 25, 1876
5	9	Grostein & Binnard, Lewiston, I.T. Shipment of merchandise	June 12, 1875

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5 9	Grover, L.F. Rebate request	February 18, 1879; June 13, 1879
5 10	Hale, C.H. Sale of steamer New World	November 19, 1867
5 10	Hamilton, Joel. Building a wharf at Columbia City	October 27, 1874
5 10	Handley & Sinnett. (New Umatilla House), The Dalles, OR. Freight rate complaint	July 20, 1874
5 10	Hedges, Cornelius. Inquiry about character of S. Warner	October 15, 1878
5 10	Hegeman Portable Folding Boat Co., Ballston Spa, NY. Advertisement	187?
5 10	Hodgon, W.A. Requests back pay	November 3, 1873
5 10	Holmes, A.H. Requests net earnings of OSN for September	October 4, 1879
5 10	Holt, W.W. Asks for another shipment of trout eggs to replace spoiled shipment	March 25, 1879
5 10	Howes, S.C. Wants to buy pigeons from OSN	February 2, 1874
5 10	Huelutz, Septimus. Apology for remarks	May 30, 1876
5 10	Humason, Orlando. Formation of steamboat company; plan for support of the Dalles <i>Mountaineers</i> ; reports on end of firm Moody & French	August 26, 1866; August 29, 1874; February 4, 1875
5 10	Hume, Joseph (&Co.) Eureka W.T. Complaint of boat service	May 18, 1877
5 10	Hunt, Noah. Inquiry, value of stock	December 3, 1875
5 10	Hunter, George. Inquiry, freight charges	April 12, 1876

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5 10	Huntley, C.C. Introduces Judge L. Homser	August 13, 1872
5 10	Ireland, D.C. Report on support of <i>Weekly Astorian</i>	June 7, 1877
5 10	Irving, John. Needs as a pilot	April 28, 1880
5 10	James, W.S. Advertising for Baker City <i>Herald</i>	March 6, 1875
5 10	Jennings, ?. Report on legislation	October 7, 1878; October 15, 1878
5 10	Johns, J.M. Freight rates on wheat	March 20, 1876
5 10	Johns, James W. Inquiry, land for sale in Salem	
5 10	Johnson, P.B. Inquiry, freight rates	October 26, 1874
5 10	Johnson, McCown & Macrum (lawyers), Oregon City, OR. Case against W.F. Canal & Loack Company	January 12, 1876; May 14, 1879
5 10	Jones, Samuel B. Report on condition of boat; wages supplies	July 18, 1868; October 2, 1874; May 3, 1878
5 10	Jordan, William H. Request for pass	June 30, 1877
6 1	Kamm, Jacob. Stock transactions, boat purchases, OSN 7 letters	1867-1869
6 1	Kellogg, A.H. Inquiry, value of OSN stock	May 13, 1875
6 1	Kelly, W.A. Inquiry, steamboating on Snake Rivers	November 21, 1874; December 14, 1874
6 1	Kimball, W.F. Immigration pamphlets	May 25, 1875; June 18, 1875; February 10, 1876

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6 1	Kingston, H.T. Price of boats	June 14, 1869
6 1	Kinney, Aug. Offers land for sale; service complaint	July 20, 1874; September 19, 1876
6 1	Kirkman, J.C. Request for pass	February 25, 1878
6 1	Kunzie, J.H. Service complaint, Umatilla	
6 1	Lamb, F.H. Needs list of OSN officers and employees to issue passes	December 12, 1876; March 9, 1877
6 1	Leahy, D.F. Complaint about M.D.H. Schenck	July 22, 1874
6 1	Leinenweber, C. Sale of Astoria land; report on steamboats	October 1, 1874; November 12, 1875
6 1	Leng and Ogden, New York. Inquiry, value of OSN stock	May 27, 1875
6 1	Lewis, D.C. Report, anti-OSN legislation	October 8, 1878
6 1	Lewis, Edwin M. Requests OSN proxy	December 13, 1876
6 1	McCall, A.E. Inquiry, freight rates	February 22, 1875
6 2	McDonald, Calvin B. Request for pass	May 13, 18[75]
6 2	McDonald, Mark L. Announcing Pacific Telegraph Company service	March 22, 1877
6 2	McGregon, A. Inquiry, service from Lewiston to Wallula	February 24, 1875
6 2	MacLean, Samuel R. Inquiry, value of stock	November 9, 1876
6 2	McNulty, John. Discharge of Thomas Masters	February 4, 1876

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6 2	Marsh, F.H. Complaint about conduct of OSN employees	June 28, 1872
6 2	Matheny, J.N. Inquiry, freight rates	January 26, 1876
6 2	Miller, J.D. Inquiry, boat purchases; request for pass	November 21, 1876; December 10, 1876
6 2	Minay (?), A.P. Inquiry, telegraph connection	May 8, 1875
6 2	Mitchell, John H. Removal of Mr. Schenck	October 20, 1874
6 2	Mix, James D. Inquiry, freight notes	November 9, 1875
6 2	Moberly, Walter. Inquiry, types of river boats for navigating rivers west of the Rocky Mountains	June 27, 1875
6 2	Moore, C. Freight billing methods	March 17, 1879
6 2	Morse, H.C. Flotsam (railroad items) for sale	July 10, 1876
6 2	Mulvane, J.R. Inquiry, value of OSN stock	December 28, 1875; January 25, 1876
6 2	Mumford, George H. Thanks for pass	January 22, 1875
6 2	Nicholson, A.S. Charter for the Oneonta	June 7, 1874
6 2	North Western Satge Company, Boise City, I.T. Passes	January 1876
6 2	Odd Fellows, OR. (J.M. Bacon, Grand Secretary). Inquiry about fares	March 31, 1875
6 2	O'Neill, Daniel. Asks for pass for Mr. Abernethy	January 9, 1876
6 3	Paine Bros. & Moore, Walla, Walla. Inquiry, rates on machinery	April 20, 1876

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6 3	Painell, William R. Special rates for a church bell for St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Walla Walla	February 7, 1877
6 3	Peabody, ?. Stockholders meeting, WWRR Co.	January 2, 1880
6 3	Pearson, C.F. Inquiry, wages due	July 12, 1878
6 3	Pentecost, William C. Immigration fare	July 5, 1875
6 3	Pratt, W.E. Encloses letter from A.J. Appearson to Henry Warren re steamboating on the Willamette River	December 2, 1878
6 3	Preston, Powell & Co., Wailsburg, W.T. Inquiry, freight rates	March 2, 1876
6 3	Pusey, Jones & Co., Wilmington, DE. Estimate, cost of steamer	October 13, 1875
6 3	Range, J.W. Inquiry, Immigrant fares	November 24, 1872
6 3	Renady, G.W. Freight reduction for church bell	June 28, 1875
6 3	Reynolds, A.H. Reduction, freight rates	July 9, 1874
6 3	Richards, D. Signal methods	November 14, 1878
6 3	Ritz, Philip. Payment on note; request for pass	November 23, 1874; August 28, 1875
6 3	Rosenthal, G. Inquiry, freight rates	June 4, 1875
6 3	Russell, Charles. Freight bill payment	November 3, 1874
6 3	Russell, Edwin. Land for sale, Oregon Iron Works	October 7, 1876; October 21, 1876
6 4	Salem Flouring Mills Co., Salem, OR. Inquiry, freight rates	August 10, 1874

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6	4	Savage, O. Political action on behalf of OSN	May 25, 1875
6	4	Sawtelle, C.S. Thanks for pass	May 23, 1878
6	4	Safer, George A. Henry Villard matters	October 10, 1879; October 21, 1879; November 25, 1879
6	4	Schwabacher Bros., Walla Walla. Inquiry, freight service	March 29, 1876; May 6, 1876
6	4	Semple & Jones, Pittsburgh, PA. Inquiry, value of OSN stock	September 20, 1876
6	4	Sheat, James B. Sale of steamers City of Galveston and Carondelet	January 8, 1876
6	4	Slocum, C.W. Offer of wood	July 17, 1875
6	4	Smith, Allenson. Legal questions	May 24, 1874
6	4	Smith, E.L. Offer, land for sale; pass request	December 3, 1875; April 6, 1876
6	4	Smith, E.S. Political warnings	October 27, 1874; December 26, 1875
6	4	Smith, W.H. Landing facilities and docks, Astoria 5 letters	1874-1876
6	4	Smitch and Hatch, New Tacoma, W.T. Bill for lumber	December 16, 1878
6	4	Squire, W.C. Inquiry, value of OSN stock	November 15, 1879
6	4	Starbuck, W.H. Proposed sale, OSN to Villard 5 letters	1879

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6 4	Starr, L.M. P.O. Dept. check	October 22, 1874
6 4	Stern, R.H. Inquiry, OSN River boat and service	May 13, 1876
6 4	Stewart, Daniel. Complaint, freight charges	April 20, 1876
6 4	Stone, A.H. Apology for drinking; Opinion on J.H. Slater's proposed railroad. Includes copy of letters to and from Slater, Dec. 7, 1875; Dec. 10, 1875	October 13, 1874; December 10, 1875
6 4	Stuart, A.H.H. Requests support of Washington immigration pamphlet	January 20, 1876
6 4	Stuart, Granville. (to Col. Joseph Ruckles). Inquiry, property of Charles P. Stewart	December 24, 1864
6 4	Stump, Thomas J., Jr. Resignation	June 5, 1876
6 4	Sutton, H.M. Offer, real estate service	September 28, 1876
6 4	Swan, S.J. Job application	June 30, [1876]
6 5	Taylor, A.C. Request for pass	August 26, 1872
6 5	Taylor, W.H. Inquiry, sale of the steamer Otter	May 28, 1875
6 5	Thomas & Shoemaker, Philadelphia, PA. Inquiry, value of OSN stock	November 1, 1878
6 5	Troup, J.W. Agreement on employment	August 24, 1875
6 5	Trowbridge, CA. Request, status of OSN on behalf of NPRR	February 26, 1865
6 5	Trumble, George A. Inquiry, freight rates	November 9, 1876
6 5	Tull, Victor E. Request for pass	January 11, 1875
6 5	Turnbull, Mary. Request for pass	April 14, 1876



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6	5	Tyndale, Troilus H. Acknowledges favor for Mr. Villard	December 5, 1879
6	5	Van Bergen, J.O. Application for captaincy	November 23, 1875
6	5	Van Dusen, A. Negotiations, Astoria property	September 17, 1874; September 19, 1874
6	5	Vogt, M. Shipment to the Dalles	December 15, 1874; December 19, 1874
6	5	Wait & Matzger. Inquiry, freight rates	February 10, 1876; February 20, 1876
6	5	Walker, A.H. Job application	December 28, 1877
6	5	Warren, Shep. Report, Matters at Pend Oreille Lake	March 1, 1875
6	5	Washburn, B.M. Pass requests	March 16, 1875; August 24, 1875; August 28, 1875
6	5	Washington State Grange. Inquiry, railroad from Walla Walla to Wallula	April 14, 1876
6	5	Watson, W.P. Report, Hood River affairs	July 22, 1872
6	5	Wheat, John R. Request for pass	February 26, 1875
6	5	Whitehouse, B.G. Reports, discharge of driver	August 29, 1872
6	5	Whitson, W.C. Request, table of rates	March 25, 1875
6	5	Williams, George H. Comment, cases before Department of Justice 4 letters	1872-1874

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6	5	Wingard, S.C. Request for pass; note collections	April 29, 1872; May 26, 1872; March 11, 1874
6	5	Wood, Mrs. J.F. Request for pass	June 1, 1878
6	5	Wright, G.B. Request, freight rate list	February 11, 1875
6	5	Wright, George. Job request	September 20, 1876
6	5	Wright, Thomas A. Purchase of machinery from steamer Wenat	January 25, 1875
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6	7	Bradford, Daniel F. Portage railroad; OSN affairs; Owyhee mines	1864-1869, 1875, 1877
6	8	Burr, Platte. Telegraph company and OSN	1875-1876
6	9	Cooke, Jay (Estate of Jay Cooke & Co., in Bankruptcy). Bankruptcy; holdings and disposal of OSN stock	1874-1878
6	10	Danforth Cooke & Co., Patterson, NJ. Engine purchases by OSN <a href="#">[view]</a>	1865
7	1	Goldsmith, Bernard. Willamette River Transportation Company	1875-1877
7	2	Hayward, Alvinza. Financial matters	1866-1879
7	3	Holladay, Ben. Miscellaneous.	1865, 1874, 1878
7	4	Jeffries, Noah L. Washington, DC, lobbying	1874-1879

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7	5	Kelly, James K. Astoria land; legislation in Congress	1874, 1877
7	6	Ladd, John W. Steamer purchases; sales	1866-1869, 1874, 1878-1880
7	7	Merry, Thomas B. Establishment of newspaper in the Dalles	1876-1879
7	8	Oregon State Board of Immigration. William Reid; immigration to Oregon vis OSN	1874-1876
7	9	Reed, Simeon G. Miscellaneous	1869, 1872, 1874, 1875, 1878-1880
7	10	Schenk, John S. OSN agent, The Dalles	1874, 1875, 1878
7	11	Strong, William. OSN attorney	1875, 1876, 1879
7	12	Thompson, Robert R. Miscellaneous	1866, 1878-1880
8	1	Tilton, Charles E. Miscellaneous	1866, 1871, 1876, 1878, 1879
8	2	U.S. Government (Engineers Office, Post Office, Railway Mail Service, Treasury Department). Miscellaneous	1874-1877
8	3	Villard, Henry. Miscellaneous	1876-1880
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9	7	Profit and Loss Statements	January 1871-June 1871
10	1	Profit and Loss Statements	July 1871-September 1871
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10	8	Inventories: Equipment and Shop Material	January 1, 1875
10	9	Resolutions	
11	1	Land Department Documents and Maps	
11	2	Puget Sound Construction and Transportation Company. Articles of Incorporation and Documents Incorporated by J.C. Ainsworth, S.G. Reed, and C.H. Lewis	March 18, 1873
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11	4	E.W. Clark & Co., Philadelphia. Quotation, NPRR stock	October 20, 1879
11	4	Beebe, E.R. Transfers of bonds	July 22, 1876; August 29, 1876
11	4	Bingham, E.W. Jan. 31, 1874; Feb. 7, 1874. Note, Oregon Iron Works; Mr. Montgomery's creditors notes	January 31, 1874; February 7, 1874
11	4	Carr, Job. Land purchase; cooperation in Puyallup area	July 2, 1873; December 28, 1874
11	4	Chapman, W.W. Requests interview about political matters	November 23, 1874
11	4	Cooke, Pitt. Location of Cooke Boys in business. Pacific Northwest	March 16, 1874
11	4	Dart, P.C. Cost of shipping locomotives, San Francisco to Kalama	June 28, 1873
11	4	Failing, Henry. Stop purchase order	November 29, 1873
11	4	Fallows, B. Coal situation at Wilkeson, W.T.	April 16, 1879
11	4	Ferry, P. Re: Major Hibbord	September 1, 1875
11	4	Finch, D.B. Mail contract, Puget sound	December 2, 1873
11	4	Garfield, S. Mail contract, Puget sound	April 23, 1874
11	4	Girard National Bank, Philadelphia. Stock transfers	July 18, 1879; August 7, 1879; November 1, 1879
11	4	Goodwin, John W. Health of Hayward; Rolling mill	November 3, 1873; July 14 (no year listed)

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11	4	Greene, Roger S. Clover Creek Trust Fund; Land grant for Baptists	February 9, 1874; February 21, 1874
11	4	Hall, S.W. Inquiry, bonds for sale	November 3, 1875
11	4	Hatch, Rufus. Steamer service on North Coast (Pacific Mail Steamship Company)	March 23, 1874
11	4	Henry, Samuel. Bill for bunkers and trestle at Wilkerson, W.T.	March 24, 1879
11	4	Houghton, J.H. Land sale and taxes, Pierce Co., W.T.	November 19, 1878
11	4	Howard, William A. Land	March 8, 1873
11	4	King, W.S. Re: Cass	February 20, 1873
11	4	Lane, William. Notifies Ainsworth of his election as Director of NPRR	September 23, 1878
11	4	Lewis, D.C. Requests payment of wages; Reference to HB 27, Oregon Legislature	December 19, 1873; September 19, 1878
11	4	McMicken, W. Tire contracts	December 18, 1879; December 22, 1879
11	4	Morris, Thomas B. Trestle Work; payment of workers	November 3, 1873; April 6, 1874
11	4	Montgomery, J.B. Payment of note	February 12, 1876
11	4	O'Brien, R.G. Taxes in Tacoma	January 7, 1876; January 19, 1876; January 25, 1876

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11 4	O'Neill, James	March 1, 1875
11 4	Ritz, Philip. Bid log supply; prospects in Eastern Washington	September 7, 1873; June 1, 1878
11 4	Routt, John S. Mail service, Kalama to Tacoma	March 10, 1874
11 4	Sell, W.E. Inquiry, Col. A. Haywards NPRR stock	December 10, 1878
11 4	Stan, Lewis M. Proposition, sale of the steamers South Pacific, Alida, and Isabel	undated
11 4	Stone, John H. Credit of Mr. Montgomery	December 13, 1873
11 4	Tarbell, F. Request for job	November 22, 1873
11 4	Theobald, William W. Job application, land agent	undated
11 4	Thielsen, H. Engineering questions	July 10, 1879; November 24, 1879
11 4	Tower, C. Inquiry, legality of Tacoma Land Company in Pennsylvania	October 22, 1873; November 17, 1873; November 24, 1873
11 4	War Department, Washington City. Re: assignment of Major George H. Weeks	
11 4	Wheat, John R. Land propositions near Tacoma	January 9, 1873; October 30, 1873; March 30, 1874
11 4	Wheeler, George Burnett. Job application	April 16, 1874
11 4	Wright, George B. Inquiry, steamer for Otter Tailor Red River, Minnesota	October 4, 1873



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11	6	Belknap, Robert Lenox. Treasurer, NPRR	1879-1880
11	7	Billings, Frederick. Miscellaneous NPRR matters	1873-1877
11	8	Billings, Frederick. Miscellaneous NPRR matters	1878
12	1	Billings, Frederick. Miscellaneous NPRR matters	1879-1880
12	2	Black, Samuel A. Miscellaneous NPRR matters	1877-1879
12	3	Canfield, Thomas H. Lake Superior and Puget Sound Co., New York	1869-1875
12	4	Cass, George W. Miscellaneous NPRR matters	1872-1875
12	5	Cooke, Jay. Miscellaneous NPRR matters	1872-1873
12	6	Cooke, Jay. Miscellaneous NPRR matters	1874-1875
13	1	Hibbard, George B. Tacoma Land Company	1873-1876
13	2	Hosmer, Theodore. Tacoma Land Company	1873-1879
13	3	Jacobs, N.P. Assistant land commission, NPRR	1873
13	4	Nettleton, A.B. Trustee's agent, NPRR	1874
13	5	Pitchland, A.L. Treasurer, NPRR	1874-1875
13	6	Rice, Richard D. Vice President, NPRR	1872-1875
13	7	Roberts W. Milnor. Engineer, NPRR	1869, 1872-1874, 1878
13	8	Sargent, H.E. General Manager, NPRR	1878-1879

Container(s)		Description	Dates
13	9	Schulze, Paul. Land department, O & C Railroad	1874-1875
13	10	Smith, E.S. Political factors, NPRR	1873-1875
13	11	Smith, Isaac W. Laying out Tacoma Sprague, J.W. General Superintendent, Pacific Division, NPRR	1874
13	12	Sprague, J.W.	1872-1873
13	13	Sprague, J.W.	1874
14	1	Sprague, J.W.	1875-1876
14	2	Sprague, J.W.	1877-1880
14	3	Stark, George. Vice President, NPRR	1877-1879
14	4	Stevens, Hazzard. Miscellaneous NPRR matters	1873-1874
14	5	U.S. Post Office Department. Mail contracts	1874
14	6	Wilkeson, Samuel. Secretary, NPRR	1873-1879
14	7	Wright, Charles B. Vice President/President, NPRR	1873
14	8	Wright, Charles B. Vice President/President, NPRR	1874
14	9	Wright, Charles B. Vice President/President, NPRR	1875
15	1	Wright, Charles B. Vice President/President, NPRR	1876-1877
15	2	Wright, Charles B. Vice President/President, NPRR	1878-1880
<b>Volume</b>			
4		Letters sent	1873-February 1875
5		Letters sent	March 1875-1880

## Mines and Mining and Other Corporate Enterprises (except shipping and Portland Hydraulic Elevator Company)

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Companies</b>		
	Ainsworth Mill Company. Incorporated Portland, OR by J.C. Ainsworth, Daniel F. Bradford. In Nov. 1870 the mill site was sold to Putney F. Bradford	July 2, 1864
<b>Volume</b>		
6	Corporate records	1864-1870
7	Stock Certificates (most are black)	1864
<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	
15	3	Checks, drafts, vouchers
	Bannock Gold and Silver Mining Company. Incorporated Portland, OR by Edward A. Temple, Daniel F. Bradford, R.R. Thompson, Lloyd Brooke, J.C. Ainsworth. At meeting Mar. 25, 1864, claims were transferred back to the original claimants	October 23, 1863
<b>Volume</b>		
8	Corporate records	1863-1864
9	Stock ledger	1864
	Blue Gulch Flume Company. Incorporated Portland, OR by R.R. Thompson, J.C. Ainsworth, E.M. White. Last recorded meeting was February 15, 1865	February 6, 1865
<b>Volume</b>		
10	Corporate records	1865-1867
	Capay Ledge, Baker County, OR. (Mine). Undivided 1/2 interest owned by J.C. Ainsworth and Josiah Myrick	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Volume		
11	Day Book, Journal, and Ledger	1883-1885
	Crane and Driggs Gold and Silver Mining Company. Incorporated Portland, OR by J.C. Ainsworth, Thompson Lloyd Brooke. Original stockholders included Daniel F. Bradford, George E. Driggs, W.B. Crane. Last recorded meeting held was Feb. 20, 1871, authorizing President Josiah Myrick to transact all necessary business	February 19, 1864
Volume		
12	Corporate records	1864-1871
13	Stock journal	1864-1870
14	Stock ledger	1864-1869
15	journal	1864-1869
	Forest Hill Mining Company. Incorporated Portland, OR by R.R. Thompson, J. Myrick, and J.C. Ainsworth	February 27, 1872
Box	Folder	
15	4 papers	1872
	French Gulch Flume Company, Auburn, OR	
Box	Folder	
15	4 papers	1862-1864
	Gambrenus Gold and Silver Mining Company. Incorporated Portland, OR by Edward A. Temple, Daniel F. Bradford, R.R. Thompson, J.C. Ainsworth. Shareholders included Lloyd Brooke. Final meeting of record was held March 25, 1864	March 24, 1864
Volume		
16	Corporate records	1864

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	Morning Star Gold and Silver Mining Company	
Volume		
17	Stock Certificates	1864-1865
	Shoeshone Gold and Silver Mining Company. Incorporated Portland, OR by R.R. Thompson, Daniel F. Bradford, Lloyd Brooke, J.C. Ainsworth. Stockholders include Josiah Mynick. Final meeting of record was March 12, 1864	November 3, 1863
Volume		
18	Corporate records	1863-1864
19	Stock journal	1864
20	journal	1864
Box	Folder	
15	6 papers [contents missing]	
	Cabinet Steam Sawmill. Portland?, OR	
Volume		
21	Day Book	1866
22	Cash Book [in Box 15]	1866
	Puyallup Valley Coal Company. Incorporated Portland, OR by J.C. Ainsworth, R.R. Thompson, S.G. Reed. Final meeting of record was May 4, 1875	December 10, 1874
Volume		
23	Corporate records	1875
24	Stock Book	1875

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	[in Box 16]	
	Oregon Steam Brewery	
<b>Volume</b>		
25	Day Book	1871-1872
26	Cash Book	1871-1872
25	Ledger	1871-1872
<b>Account Books</b>		
	Bed Rock Flume. J.C. Ainsworth & R.R. Thompson, owners	
<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	
16	1	Accounts 1864
16	2	Memorandum of Money paid on account of mining interests for 1864 1864
16	3	Cash Book. J.C.A. per L.L.H. October 1879-March 1881
16	3	Cash Book. J.C.A. per L.L.H. 2 volumes March 1881-January 1882
<b>Volume</b>		
28	Cash Book of J.C. Ainsworth's Private Business [in Box 16]	March 1880-January 1882
29	Ledger of J.C. Ainsworth's Private Business [in Box 16]	March 1880-January 1882
30	Day Book & Journal of J.C. Ainsworth's Private Business [in Box 16]	March 1880-April 1881
31	Day Book & Journal of J.C. Ainsworth's Private Business [in Box 16]	April 1881-January 1882

Container(s)	Description	Dates	
32	Memorandum Ledger of Property owned by J.C. Ainsworth	June 1, 1874	
Box	Folder		
17	1	Papers relating to "Surplus Oro Fino ground"	
<b>Letters Received, General</b>			
Box	Folder		
17	2	Baugh, T.E.	March 11, 1867
17	2	Coe, L.W.	January 25, 1866; February 9, 1866; August 1, 1874; March 18, 1875
17	2	Green, J.W.	March 19, 1871
17	2	Grenzebach, August	May 4, 1866
17	2	Harbet, J.W.	July 24, 1866
17	2	Mirvay?, A.P.	October 6, 1868
17	2	Raymond, R.W.	August 29, 1869
17	2	Robbins, G.C.	December 6, 1868; July 12, 1869
17	2	Wallridge, W.D.	November 12, 1868; April 10, 1869
17	2	White, S.S.	June 29, 1866
<b>Letters Received</b>			
Box	Folder		
17	3	Bradford, Putney F. Ruby City, Owyhee, Silver City, I.T.	1864-1873

Container(s)	Description	Dates
17 4	Brook, Lloyd. "Camp Siberia," Silver City, I.T. [contents missing]	1864
17 5	Crane, W.B. Silver City, I.T.	1863-1867
17 6	Larabee, C.N. Ruby City, I.T.	1866
17 7	Leonard, R.H. Sinker Creek, Ruby City, Silver City, I.T. [contents missing]	1866; 1869
17 8	Myrick, Josiah. Silver City, Jem City, I.T.	1866-1880
18 1	Webb, Edward. Silver City, I.T.	1867-1869
18 2	White, Elijah M. Auburn, OR	1866-1873

**Records of Barks *Alden Besse*, *Coloma*, and *Kate Davenport* owned by J.C. Ainsworth, C.M. Noyes, Allen Noyes, and others, 1879-1888**

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Volume</b>		
35	Day Book	1885-1888
36	journal	1879-1884
37	Ledger	1879-1882
	<b>Ship Accounts. Includes ship articles, manifests, vouchers, bills, and correspondence from captains or masters</b>	<b>1879-1888</b>
<b>Box Folder</b>		
18	3-4 Title papers and charter papers for <i>Alden Besse</i> , <i>Coloma</i> , and <i>Kate Davenport</i>	1879-1887
19	1 <i>Alden Besse</i> . Voyage #1. To Hong Kong. Captain: Allen Noyes	October 1879- July 1880



Container(s)	Description	Dates
19 2	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #2. To Hong Kong. Captain: Allen Noyes</i>	August 1880- June 1881
19 3	<i>Alden Besse and Coloma. Voyage #2. Vouchers</i>	
19 4	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #3. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes (also in Folder 5)</i>	November 1881- June 1882
19 5	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #3. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes (also in Folder 4)</i>	November 1881- June 1882
19 6	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #3. General vouchers and bills</i>	
19 7	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #4. Vouchers</i>	
19 8	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #5. To Hong Kong. Captain: Allen Noyes (also in Folder 9)</i>	October 1883- June 1884
19 9	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #5. To Hong Kong. Captain: Allen Noyes (also in Folder 8)</i>	October 1883- June 1884
19 10	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #5. Vouchers</i>	
19 11	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #6. To Hong Kong. Captain: John O'Brien</i>	September 1884-June 1885
19 12	<i>Alden Besse, Coloma, Kate Davenport. Voyage #6. Vouchers</i>	
19 13	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #7. To Hong Kong. Captain: John O'Brien</i>	October 1885- June 1886
19 14	<i>Alden Besse, Coloma, Kate Davenport. Voyage #7. General accounts</i>	
19 15	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #8. To Hong Kong. Captain: John O'Brien (also in Box 20, Folder 1)</i>	June 1886-July 1887

Container(s)	Description	Dates
20 1	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #8. To Hong Kong. Captain: John O'Brien</i> (also in Box 19, Folder 15)	June 1886-July 1887
20 2	<i>Alden Besse. Voyage #9. To Hong Kong. Captain: John O'Brien</i>	October 1887-July 1888
20 3	<i>Alden Besse, Coloma. Voyage #9. General accounts</i> (also in Folder 4)	
20 4	<i>Alden Besse, Coloma. Voyage #9. General accounts</i> (also in Folder 3)	
20 5	<i>Coloma. Voyage #1. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes</i>	October 1879-July 1880
20 6	<i>Coloma. Voyage #2. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes</i> (also in Folder 7)	August 1880-June 1881
20 7	<i>Coloma. Voyage #2. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes</i> (also in Folder 6)	August 1880-June 1881
20 8	<i>Coloma. Voyage #3. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes</i>	November 1881-June 1882
20 9	<i>Coloma. Voyage #3. General vouchers and bills</i>	
20 10	<i>Coloma. Voyage #4. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes</i> (also in Folder 11)	November 1882-July 1883
20 11	<i>Coloma. Voyage #4. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes</i> (also in Folder 10)	November 1882-July 1883
20 12	<i>Coloma. Voyage #4. Vouchers</i>	
21 1	<i>Coloma. Voyage #5. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes</i> (also in Folder 2)	October 1883-June 1884
21 2	<i>Coloma. Voyage #5. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes</i> (also in Folder 1)	October 1883-June 1884
21 3	<i>Coloma. Voyage #5. Vouchers</i>	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
21 5	<i>Coloma</i> . Voyage #7. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes	August 1885-June 1886
21 6	<i>Coloma</i> . Voyage #8. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes (also in Folder 7)	June 1886-July 1887
21 7	<i>Coloma</i> . Voyage #8. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes (also in Folder 6)	June 1886-July 1887
21 8	<i>Coloma</i> . Voyage #9. To Hong Kong. Captain: C.M. Noyes	October 1887-July 1888
21 9	<i>Kate Davenport</i> . Voyage #3. To Melbourne - Hong Kong. Captain: E.B. Mallet	November 1881-September 1882
21 10	<i>Kate Davenport</i> . Voyage #3. General vouchers and bills	
21 11	<i>Kate Davenport</i> . Voyage #4. To Melbourne. Captain: E.B. Mallet	November 1882-April 1883
21 12	<i>Kate Davenport</i> . Voyage #4. Vouchers	
21 13	<i>Kate Davenport</i> . Voyage #3. To Hong Kong. Captain: E.B. Mallet	October 1883-June 1884
21 14	<i>Kate Davenport</i> . Voyage #5. Vouchers	
21 15	<i>Kate Davenport</i> . Voyage #6. To Hong Kong. Captain: J.E. Howland	December 1884-June 1885

## Records of Building and House Construction, Portland, 1880-1883

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box	Folder	
22 1	New brick. 3rd and Oak Streets. Clinton Day, architect (also in Folder 2)	1882-1883
22 2	New brick. 3rd and Oak Streets. Clinton Day, architect (also in Folder 1)	1882-1883

Container(s)	Description	Dates
22 3	Rebuilding burnt brick building. 1st and Front Streets. Justus Krumbein, architect; F.W. Lewis, contractor	1883
22 4	Stores. 2nd and E Streets, couch addition. Ainsworth and Thompson, owners. Improvement	1880
22 5	Ainsworth House. 6th and Yamhill Streets. Phillips & Abell, architects	1880
22 6	O.B. Bird House. 6th near Yamhill Street. Phillips & Abell, architects	1880
22 7	J.C. Hill House. 7th and Yamhill. Phillips & Abell, architects	1880
22 8	Building records: Bird, Hill, and Ainsworth Houses	
22 9	Leases	

## Personal Finance and Corporate records

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Volume</b>		
38	Personal ledger	1882-1887
<b>Portland Hydraulic Elevator Company</b>		
<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>	
22	10	Statements 1883
22	11	Statements 1884
22	12	Statements 1885
22	13	Statements 1886
22	14	Statements 1887
22	15	Statements 1888

Container(s)		Description	Dates
22	16	Statements	1889
22	17	Statements	1890
22	18	Statements	1891
22	19	Statements	1892
22	20	Vouchers	1885
22	21-22	Vouchers	1886-1887
22	23	Vouchers	1888
23	1	Vouchers	1889
23	2	Vouchers	1890
23	3	Vouchers	1891
23	4	Vouchers	1892
23	5-10	Miscellaneous Vouchers	
23	11	Miscellaneous papers	
23	12-13	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1883
23	14	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1884
24	1	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1885
24	2-3	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1886-1887
24	4	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1888
24	5	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1889
24	6	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1890
24	7	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1891

Container(s)		Description	Dates
24	8	Miscellaneous Vouchers (Not G. R. M. Vessels)	1892
24	9	Sailboat, <i>Belle Ainsworth</i>	1883
24	10	Bills Paid	1866-1867
24	11	Bills Paid	1869
24	12	Bills Paid	1870
24	13	Bills Paid	1871
24	14	Bills Paid	1872
24	15	Bills Paid	1873
24	16	Bills Paid	1873-1874
24	17	Bills Paid	1874-1875
24	18	Bills Paid	1877
24	19	Bills Paid	1878
25	1	Bills Paid	1879
25	2-3	Bills Paid	1880
25	4-5	Bills Paid	1881
25	6	Bills Paid, Atkinson & Wakefield	1875
25	7	Bills Paid, Atkinson & Wakefield	1876
25	8	Bills Paid, Atkinson & Wakefield	1877
25	9	Bills Paid, Atkinson & Wakefield	1878
25	10	Bills Paid, Atkinson & Wakefield	1879
25	11	Bills Paid, Atkinson & Wakefield	1880

Container(s)		Description	Dates
25	12	Bills Paid, Atkinson & Wakefield	1881-1882
25	13	Miscellaneous Bills Paid, Atkinson & Wakefield	
25	14	Cancelled Checks	1872-1873
25	15	Receipt Book	1857-1876
25	16	Ainsworth National Bank	1885-1886
25	17	J.A. Devlin and Co., Astoria, OR. Advances by Ainsworth	1875-1880
25	18	Pacific Land Company	1873
25	19	Portland Cable Car Railway Company. Cancelled Bonds. No. 1-10, 390-400	August 1, 1887
25	20	School District No. 1, Portland, OR	1877-1878
26		Financial Memoranda Books 13 volumes	1859-1881

**Statements, Ainsworth account with Atkinson and Wakefield**

Box	Folder		
27	1	Miscellaneous Notes, Receipts, Legal Documents, Power of Attorney (also in Folder 2)	1863-1867
27	2	Miscellaneous Notes, Receipts, Legal Documents, Power of Attorney (also in Folder 1)	1863-1867
27	3	Ainsworth Estate papers (also in Folder 4)	1893-1811
27	4	Ainsworth Estate papers (also in Folder 3)	1893-1811

**Photographs (PH002), 1845-1915**

Ainsworth , J. C. (John Commingers)

John C. Ainsworth papers, 1858-1911

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Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
1	PH002_001: Agent for steamer "Multnomah," later employed by Oregon Steam Navigation company. 1 photographic print	1851
	PH002_002: Purser on the "Mary" between Cascades and The Dalles 1 photographic print	1856
	PH002_004: Alonzo Vickers, engineer of the "St. Claire". 1 photographic print	1852
	PH002_005: John H. Couch and John Gates, First U. S. inspectors for the Port of Portland 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_008: Old time steamboats of an early vintage at Oregon City. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_017: Portland, First and Stark streets looking west, 1873. Shows Ladd, Reed & Co. building. Streets flooded. 1 photographic print	1873
	PH002_018: Joseph-Elgin stage at the Canyon House, Wallowa Canyon, Oregon 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_019: Ladd and Tilton bank, First and Stark streets, Portland. Looking west. 1873. 1 photographic print	1873
	PH002_020: Astoria in infant days [1880?] 1 photographic print	1880?
	PH002_021: The Dalles court house 1 photographic print	1870?
	PH002_022: R. R. Thompson, J. C. Ainsworth, and S. G. Reed, chief operators of the O.S.N. company. 1 photographic print	undated



Container(s)	Description	Dates
	PH002_023: R.R. Thompson, J.C. Ainsworth, and S.G. Reed, chief operators of the O.S.N. company. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_026: Oregon steam navigation company terminal at The Dalles. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_027: Laying of corner stone of Masonic temple, Third and Alder, Portland, 1871. Building became Portland post office. 1 photographic print	1871
	PH002_028: First and Pine street. Portland, during flood of 1876. 1 photographic print	1876
	PH002_029: Livery stable, south side of Salmon street, Portland, 1872. 1 photographic print	1872
	PH002_034: The "Hassalo" passing over the Cascade locks in May, 1888 under charge of Capt. James Troup. 1 photographic print	1888 May
	PH002_035: The "John Gates" of 1878 negotiating Priest rapids. 1 photographic print	1878
	PH002_037: Steamer "Beaver" built by the Willamette Locks transportation company in 1873. Captain Basil Miller, master. 1 photographic print	1873
	PH002_038: Early day shipping scene, exploiting river, rail and ocean. As viewed front opposite Alaska dock, Portland, 1873. 1 photographic print	1873
	PH002_039: The Dalles court house of pioneer days. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_040: Georgia Oakes of 1892, on Coeur D'Alene Lake. 1 photographic print	1892
	PH002_041: Cascades portage engine, type used in 1875. 1 photographic print	1875

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	PH002_042: Odd Fellows procession at First and Washington streets, Portland, 1872. Celebrates dedication of new temple. 1 photographic print	1872
	PH002_045: Odd Fellow's temple, and Portland's famous clock at corner of first and Alder, 1873. Crowd in street in watching expulsion from saloon of women from temperance organization. 1 photographic print	1873
	PH002_049: First street, Portland, in 1873. Buchtel's Gallery and First National Bank on left. 1 photographic print	1873
	PH002_053: Simeon G. Reed, 1853. Office of the Oregon steam navigation company. Benefactor of Reed College. 1 photographic print	1853
	PH002_054: James W. Troup, 1855. Pilot on various Oregon rivers. 1 photographic print	1855
	PH002_055: John McNulty, 1852. Steamboat pilot. 1 photographic print	1852
	PH002_056: One of the most noted pursers on river boats. 1 photographic print	1853
	PH002_057: E.W. Baughman, Columbia river pilot 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_058: J.W. Babridge, pilot, owner, and captain of river boats. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_059: Purser on Columbia river boats. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_060: Daniel O'Neil, Purser on Columbia river boats. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_061: Owner and builder of Oregon river boats. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_062: Sebastian Miller, Oregon river pilot. 1 photographic print	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	PH002_063: Dedication of Masonic temple, Portland, corner Third and Alder, June 1872. 1 photographic print	1872 Jun
	PH002_063: Willamette Falls showing original contour. 1 photographic print	1865
	PH002_064: City jail, Portland, Second and Oak. Crowd gathered to witness jailing body of society women arrested for praying in a saloon for Temperance. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_065: Ladd, Reed and company building, looking west from corner first and Stark, 1873. 1 photographic print	1873
	PH002_067: Baptist church, Portland, corner of First and Alder. [1880?] 1 photographic print	1880?
	PH002_068: Ainsworth residence, Portland, between Oak and Ash street, on Third street. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_068: John H. Couch and John Gates, first United States inspectors appointed for the Portland district. 1864. 1 photographic print	1864
	PH002_070: Occidental hotel, Portland. Also known as the Western hotel. Corner of First and Morrison. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_071: Oak street, Portland, from second street to the river during flood of 1876. 1 photographic print	1876
	PH002_072: Foundation of Portland post office, under construction in 1873. Lutheran church and old wooden courthouse in background. 1 photographic print	1873
	PH002_073: The "Messenger" of 1891 at Clatskanie on Beaver slough. 1 photographic print	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	PH002_077: The Ainsworth wharf, and steamboat Elmore, Portland harbor, 1895. 1 photographic print	1895
	PH002_079: Old cable road to Portland, Heights. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_080: Hotel Flavel, Flavel, Oregon. Famous seaside resort. [1915?] 1 photographic print	1915?
	PH002_083: First Central school house, Portland. Block now occupied by Portland hotel. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_085: Steamer "Almota" at Wawawai landing, Snake River. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_087: Steamboat engineer. Part owner of the steamer "Elk." 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_088: Leonard White, one of the first men to navigate steamboats in Oregon river. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_089: Steamboat captain, partner with Ainsworth and Kamm in building of the Carrie Ladd. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_090: Steamboat master and engineer. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_091: Steamboat captain, connected for many years with Oregon steam navigation company. 1 photographic print	CN92
	PH002_092: Engineer, for many years in charge of building steamers for Oregon steam navigation company. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_093: R.R. Thompson, steamboat captain on Oregon river boats. 1 photographic print	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	PH002_094: Steamboat captain on Willamette river boats. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_096: Wallowa of 1904, a dredger on the Columbia and snake rivers. 1 photographic print	1904
	PH002_097: Williams, Richard. Steamboats owner, later president of First National Bank of Portland. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_099: Oregon steamboat master, later inspector of hulls for government. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_104: Captain Thomas Doig. Steamer Great Republic. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_105: Portland's first mayors. A.C. Bonnell, 1852; Josiah Falling, 1853; Hugh D. O'Bryant, 1851; W.S. Ladd, 1854; George W. Vaughn, 1855. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_106: Samuel R. Thurston 1 photographic print	1847
	PH002_107: William Green T'Vault. Postmaster general of Oregon 1 photographic print	1845
	PH002_108: E. B. Comfort. 1852. Postmaster of Portland. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_110: E. G. Randall. 1865. Postmaster of Portland. 1 photographic print	1865
	PH002_113: Old Portage track at the Cascades. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_125: First street in 1873. South of Washington. (Portland, Oregon) buchtel's Gallery and First National Bank on right. 1 photographic print	1873

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	PH002_129: Willamette Theatre, April 18, 1873. Emmett Guards at General Canby's funeral. 1 photographic print	1873 Apr 18
	PH002_130: First U.S. Post office west of Rocky Mountains. 1 photographic print	1847
	PH002_130: Oregon's first custom house. Astoria, 1852. 1 photographic print	1852
	PH002_131: Portland as viewed from Front Street in 1854. 1 photographic print	1854
	PH002_144: First Bank of Portland: Ladd and Reed. Looking north on Front. 1 photographic print	undated
	PH002_152: Oak Street Canyon, looking to the west. 1 photographic print	1910?
	PH002_162: Willamette Engine Company Number One on Morrison near Second Street 1 photographic print	1873

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