

# Eugene Semple papers, 1858-1908

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Semple, Eugene, 1840-1908
<b>Title</b>	Eugene Semple papers
<b>Dates</b>	1858-1908 (inclusive) 1858 1908
<b>Quantity</b>	7.2 cubic feet (18 boxes)
<b>Collection Number</b>	0532 (Accession No. 0532-001)
<b>Summary</b>	Papers of a lawyer, Oregon state printer, and governor of Washington Territory
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## Biographical Note

Eugene Semple came West seeking his fortune in 1863. Semple worked as a lawyer, newspaper editor, amateur engineer and inventor, farmer, and lumberman. Semple also earned appointments to several prominent political offices--Washington Territorial Governor, Washington State Harbor Commissioner and Oregon State Printer. He was also an unsuccessful candidate for Governor of Washington State.

Eugene Semple, the son of a United States Senator from Illinois, was born in 1840. He left Chicago and moved to Portland in 1863, ostensibly to practice law. By temperament, however, he was suited for other things. Semple quickly abandoned law and got involved in Democratic Party politics and journalism. Eventually, with considerable difficulty, he and a local newspaperman, Thomas Patterson, purchased the floundering *Portland Daily Herald* in 1869. Semple became its editor and soon began to wage a spirited editorial campaign that helped return the Democrats to control of the state government in 1870. Following the typical "spoils" policy, Governor Lafayette Grover rewarded the *Herald* with lucrative state printing contracts and appointed Semple State Printer, considering him "the best editor we've got." In 1870, the same year he became State Printer, Semple married Ruth Lownsdale, the daughter of an early Portland settler.

Using profits from the printing contracts and from sales of his wife's real estate, Semple plunged into a variety of land and building speculations in Portland. The Panic of 1873 wiped out these speculative investments. The years ahead were the nadir of Semple's career. Bankrupt, he left Portland with his

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growing family in 1875. The Semples homesteaded in eastern Oregon until Ruth divorced Eugene in 1883 and married another man, leaving Eugene with custody of their four children.

Semple quickly rebounded from the divorce and decided to re-enter politics. Seeking President Grover Cleveland's nomination as Washington Territorial Governor in 1885, Semple mobilized the help of his influential family in the East and his own political connections in the West. The contest for the appointment consumed more than two years, as various political factions deluged Cleveland with petitions supporting Semple or his rivals. The President eventually chose Semple in 1887 to replace Republican Governor Watson Squire.

Semple's two-year term as governor coincided with a period of turbulence and expansive growth in the territory. The population of Washington almost doubled during these two years, reaching more than 250,000 people. Many of the immigrants were miners whose demands for better working conditions and union recognition led to violence in the coal mines of the Cascades. Semple deplored the use of company strikebreakers, but refused to intervene forcefully on the workers' behalf when called upon. He made a sharp distinction, however, between the interests of white workingmen and those of Chinese laborers. Semple thought of the Chinese as members of "a non-assimilating race." During his gubernatorial campaign and his administration, he refused to condemn anti-Chinese rioters in Tacoma and Seattle even though he asserted that the Chinese had a right to remain in Washington if they so desired.

In addition to labor unrest, Governor Semple had to deal with a host of other problems caused by Washington's exploding population. He convinced the United States Congress and Interior Department to fund an expansion of the territory's elementary school system, as well as the construction of a new penitentiary, insane asylum, and school for delinquent youth. Semple also pressed Congress and the territorial legislature to pass laws regulating Washington's overfished waters, but to no avail.

Women's enfranchisement was another major issue during Semple's administration. In 1887, to the chagrin of conservatives, Semple signed a women's suffrage bill passed by the territorial legislature. The Washington Supreme Court, however, declared the law unconstitutional. Washington women did not earn the ballot again until 1909.

Republican victories in the national election of 1888 brought an end to most Democratic appointments in the territories. In April 1889, Semple was replaced by Miles Moore, a Walla Walla banker. But Semple was not yet off the political stage. Enabling legislation had been passed by Congress before Semple left office authorizing the admission of Washington to statehood. In September 1889, Semple was chosen as his party's candidate for governor in the first state election. He lost to Elisha Ferry, another former governor of the territory. This was Semple's last serious projection into politics. Indeed, his two-year stint as governor was really just an interlude in his larger career as a speculator and promoter.

After leaving the governorship, Semple spent his time managing a company he had bought while in office, the Lucia Mill Company in Vancouver, Washington. Unfortunately, the company's profits were consumed in Semple's unsuccessful efforts to interest Eastern investors in buying land in the Skagit Valley in the early 1890s. It was, however, in the economically-depressed Seattle of the mid-1890s that Semple undertook the most ambitious project of his business career--the south Seattle ship canal and harbor improvement scheme. Semple's project was intended to supercede the uncompleted ship canal from Shilshole Bay into Lake Washington with a shorter, more daring route through the tidelands and hills of south Seattle, linking Seattle's harbor directly with Lake Washington. Semple established the Seattle & Lake Washington Waterway Company and persuaded hundreds of Seattle residents to underwrite the south canal enterprise with a \$500,000 subsidy pledge. Work on the south canal began in July 1895.

Semple knew that his project required a more secure form of financing than citizens' donations. He proposed that the state allow companies to sell liens on tidelands that the companies would later reclaim. Semple planned to use the earth removed from the canal route to fill the tidelands. The legislature approved Semple's scheme in 1893, but it did not go into effect until the Washington Supreme Court declared the law constitutional in 1898.. Many companies then entered the tideland business, filling Seattle's tidelands and selling them as sites for waterfront industry and commerce.

The sale of tidelands did not generate enough revenue to allow Semple's company to complete the difficult and expensive work of building the south Seattle ship canal. In addition, the wealthier and more influential backers of the northern ship canal route undermined Semple's efforts to obtain financial backing from the local, state, or federal governments. Semple came to regard his opposition--which was pushing the north canal to completion while financial and legal problems continued to beset the south canal--as a conspiracy of "money kings." Deeply frustrated and nearly bankrupt, Semple resigned as president of the Seattle & Lake Washington Waterway Company in 1903.

During the remainder of his life, Semple attempted to apply his ideas to similar promotions, convinced that he could still become a rich man. The most notable of these later schemes was a plan for bypassing the treacherous bar at the mouth of the Columbia River by digging a large ship canal from Astoria to Seaside, Oregon. Here too he failed, though not for a lack of vivid imagination. Semple lived out his last years on money borrowed from relatives. He died on August 28, 1908.

## Content Description

The Eugene Semple papers are primarily composed of correspondence. The letters describe Semple's editorship of the *Portland Herald*, his work as Oregon State Printer, his administration as Washington Territorial Governor, his numerous financial speculations, and his relations with his family. Correspondence from the gubernatorial period contains a great deal of information on anti-Chinese agitation and on the drive for women's suffrage. Records from various businesses managed by Semple are also found in his papers. The activities of the Lucia Mill Company and the Seattle & Lake Washington Waterway Company are documented in detail.

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## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

Arranged in 2 series:

Personal papers, 1858-1908

## Acquisition Information

The papers of Eugene Semple were received in two installments. The first was deposited by his daughter, Mary Ethel Swanstrom, in 1948; it became Accession No. 0174-001. The second was donated by his granddaughter, Lucy Adair, in 1965; it was designated Accession No. 0532-001.

## Processing Note

Biographical note written by Alan Hynding in 1966 and edited by Michael Reese in 1996. Other notes written by Michael Reese in 1996.

Accession No. 0532-001 initially included the papers of Mary Swanstrom and other members of the Semple family. In 1966, the papers of everyone besides Eugene Semple were formed into a separate Semple family collection, Accession No. 4220-001. At the same time, all of Eugene Semple's papers were processed and merged into a single collection.

## Related Materials

Accession No. 4220-001 consists of papers removed from the Eugene Semple collection in 1966. It measures 3.15 cubic feet and primarily consists of the papers of Eugene Semple's children--Mary Swanstrom, James Semple, and Zoe Semple. They primarily document Mary Swanstrom's work in the Washington State Historical Society and in restoring Fort Simcoe. They also describe the family and business affairs of the Semple children.

Microform and Newspaper Collections at the University of Washington Libraries has three microfilm reels containing Semple's correspondence with the United States Department of the Interior during his term as territorial governor.

Additional papers from Semple's administration can be found in Record Group 1/N of the Washington State Archives in Olympia.

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

### Personal papers

Arranged by type of record.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	<b>Outgoing letters</b> Three volumes of letterpress copybooks and about 2000 unbound letters Letters reflect his legal practice, editorship of the <i>Oregon Herald</i> , work as Oregon State Printer, Democratic Party work in Oregon and Washington, governorship of Washington Territory and general business and family interests.	<b>1865-1907</b>

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Letterpress copybooks		
Box		
5	Volume 1 299 pages	1893 March 20-1893 October 1
5	Volume 2 299 pages Some missing pages.	1895 July 10-1896 November 20
5	Volume 3 409 pages	1896 December 1-1899 June 19
Unbound letters		
Box		
1	1865 February -1889 February	1865 February -1889 February
2	1889 March -1897 October	1889 March -1897 October
3	1897 November -1902 July	1897 November -1902 July
4	1902 August -1906 May	1902 August -1906 May
5	1906 June - 1907 December	1906 June - 1907 December
<b>Incoming letters</b>		
Box		
6	Abbott, M.H. 4 items	1865
6	Abbott, Twyman O. 13 items	1887-1907

Container(s)	Description	Dates
6	Adair, John 18 items	1904
6	American Publishers Association 14 items	1897-1900
6	Ames, Edgar 44 items	1894-1903
6	Ames, Henry 27 items	1893-1905
6	Ames, Lucy 76 items	1863-1902
6	Anderson, Charles Mack 2 items	1888
6	Andrews, E.W. 2 items	1898
6	Ankeny, Levi 1 item	1904
6	Bancroft (A.L.) Company 6 items	1874
6	Barnett, A. M. 3 items	1888
6	Bellingham Bay National Bank 13 items	1892-1895
6	Bingham, N.T. 2 items	1875-1879
6	Blackman, Henry 1 item	1894
6	Blackmer, W.E. 4 items	1888
6	Bowers Seattle-Yukon Dredging Company 5 items	1897

Container(s)	Description	Dates
6	Bradford, Oscar 5 items	1874-1879
6	Brainerd, Erastus 3 items	1894-1902
6	Breckinridge, John Cable 2 items	1887
6	Bridges, Robert 2 items	1897, 1898
6	Brown, Webster 5 items	1893
6	Burke, Thomas 2 items	1902
6	Burke, (Thomas), Shepard, and McGilvra 3 items	1892-1902
6	Burton, Theodore E. 15 items	1902-1904
7	Cadwell, E.P. 3 items	1888-1890
7	Canby, E.L. 5 items	1892-1893
7	Cann, T.H. 5 items	1889
7	Carrier, B.N. 6 items	1887-1888
7	Carroll, Thomas 7 items	1888-1893
7	Cochrane, William 1 item	1889
7	Cushman, Francis W. 3 items	1902

Container(s)	Description	Dates
7	Dawley, J.M. 2 items	1898
7	De Courey, B.W. 12 items	1891
7	Democratic Party, Washington 3 items	1886-1904
7	Dolph, Joseph N. 1 item	1893
7	Duniway, Abigail Scott 2 items	1872, 1874
7	Dutton, Chauncy N. 3 items	1895-1896
7	Eastwick, Philip G. 3 items	1891-1892
7	Egan, John G. 9 items	1893-1903
7	Emery, C.D. 3 items	1888
7	Ernst, B.C. 5 items	1897
7	Evans, Elwood 3 items	1888
7	Fay, James D. 2 items	1870
7	Ferry, Elisha P. 5 items	1894
7	First National Bank, Blaine, Washington 9 items	1890-1895
7	Floyd-Jones, Bel 18 items	1862-1869



Container(s)	Description	Dates
7	Foster, Addison G. 5 items	1902-1904
7	Franklin County, Washington (Miscellaneous offices) 3 items	1888
7	Freemasons 8 items	1883-1908
7	Gatzert, Bailey 1 item	1887
7	Gilfry, Henry H. 3 items	1871-1894
7	Gilman, Daniel Hunt 2 items	1893, 1895
7	Glover, T.B. 3 items	1887-1888
7	Great Northern Railway Company 6 items	1902-1904
7	Greene, Roger Sherman 1 item	1904
7	Griffith (L.H.) Realty and Banking Company, Seattle 4 items	1891
7	Grover, Lafayette 10 items	1868-1874
7	Guineau, Thomas E. 6 items	1894-1897
7	Habersham, R.A. 3 items	1891
7	Hale, Julius F. 13 items	1894-1904
7	Hall, William H. 3 items	1894

Container(s)	Description	Dates
7	Hanford, Cornelius H. 1 item	1889
7	Hemrich, Andrew 3 items	1904-1905
7	Hestwood, J.O. 7 items	1898
7	Heustis, F.D. 4 items	1893
7	Hicks, Gwin 3 items	1888, 1889
7	Hicks, U.E. 2 items	1865
7	Hill, George D. 3 items	1887-1889
7	Himes, George H. 1 item	1903
7	Hulbert, Ellen 4 items	1864-1888
7	Humphrey, William E. 2 items	1903, 1908
7	Isham, A.E. 2 items	1888, 1889
7	Jones, Wesley Livsey 8 items	1902-1904
7	Jones, William Carey 5 items	1894-1906
7	Junger, Aegidius, Bishop of Nisqually 2 items	1887
7	King, John Floyd 3 items	1886

Container(s)	Description	Dates
7	King County, Washington Sheriff 2 items	1889
7	Kittitas County, Washington Sheriff 9 items	1888-1889
7	Knights of Labor, Spokane Assembly 4 items	1884
8	Ladd and Tilton, Bankers, Portland 3 items	1895
8	Lewis, James Hamilton 10 items	1888-1889
8	Lindsay, William 4 items	1893
8	Long, Clark 5 items	1888, 1889
8	Lucia Mill Company 24 items	1895-1900
8	McBride, George W. 2 items	1882, 1896
8	McCammon, Joseph K. 36 items	1889-1903
8	McGraw, John Harte 2 items	1894-1896
8	McNaughton, John 3 items	1898-1899
8	Metcalfe, J.B. 4 items	1887-1888
8	Miller, G.A. 3 items	1890
8	Miller and Stapleton 11 items	1893-1894

Container(s)	Description	Dates
8	Mississippi Valley Trust Company 14 items	1899-1905
8	Mizner, Lansing B. 40 items	1863-1890
8	Montgomery, J.B. 2 items	1893
8	Moody, R.E. 3 items	1900, 1902
8	Moore, James A. 23 items	1906-1908
8	Moore, Miles Conway 5 items	1889-1903
8	Moran, Robert 12 items	1897-1898
8	Morris and Whitehead 13 items	1900-1902
8	Morrison, W.R. 2 items	1893, 1894
8	Mosher, Lafayette 2 items	1873, 1875
8	Muckle Brothers 6 items	1891-1892
8	Mullikin, U. 1 item	1871
8	Munn and Company 39 items	1903-1907
8	Nesmith, James W. 2 items	1870, 1884
8	Newell, William A. 3 items	1888-1897

Container(s)	Description	Dates
8	Northern Pacific Coal Company 2 items	1888
8	Northern Pacific Railroad Company 2 items	1887, 1893
8	O'Conner, M.H. 2 items	1889
8	Oregon Governor 4 items	1873-1887
8	Oregon Improvement Company 3 items	1888-1889
8	Owens, H.K. 2 items	1899, 1900
9	Pacific Coast Company 2 items	1899, 1903
9	Pacific County, Washington Sheriff 2 items	1887
9	Paine, F.W. 6 items	1887
9	Parker, Frank J. 42 items With enclosures	1885-1892
9	Parry, Will H. 21 items	1900-1907
9	Paschall, George M. 13 items	1897-1902
9	Patterson, T[homas] 13 items	1868-1883
9	Perley Brothers 5 items	1892-1893
9	Pigott, Harry H.	1906

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	1 item	
9	Plummer, Fred G. 3 items	1893
9	Powell, Archibald O. 4 items	1906, 1907
9	Prosser, William F. 13 items	1891-1893
9	Puget Sound Bridge and Dredging Company 5 items	1902-1903
9	Ritz, Philip 14 items	1887, 1888
9	Roeder, Henry 4 items	1888
9	Rollins, C.H. 4 items	1900-1904
9	Royal Arcanum 5 items	1904
9	Saleno, Samuel H. 9 items	1897, 1898
9	Scott, Julia Semple 37 items	1864-1874
9	Semple, James 6 items	1865-1866
9	Semple, Mary S. 7 items	1869-1872
9	Semple, Maude 12 items	1883-1903
9	Semple family, miscellaneous 9 items	1864-1884
9	Sharpstein, John L.	1887, 1888

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	2 items	
9	Shiple, T.H.B. 3 items	1865-1868
9	Simpson, Sylvester C. 1 item	1873
9	Spokane City Guard 2 items	1888
9	Squire, Watson Carvosso 6 items	1887-1894
9	Stevenson, Adlai Ewing 1 item	1893
9	Stillaguamish and Sultan Mining Company 4 items	1894, 1895
9	Symons, Thomas W. 33 items	1894-1907
10	Tobin, Henry G. 5 items	1889
10	Tongue, Thomas H. 3 items	1902
10	Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress 8 items	1895-1904
10	Turner, George 3 items	1887-1902
10	Union Patent Investment Company 8 items	1904-1905
10	United States Army Corps of Engineers 20 items	1892-1906
10	United States Department of the Interior 6 items	1889, 1904
10	United States Department of Justice	1887, 1889

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	8 items	
10	United States Department of the Navy 4 items	1902, 1904
10	United States Treasury Department 14 items	1887-1889
10	Vancouver, Washington Mayor 2 items	1892
10	Voorhees, Charles S. 1 item	1887
10	Wahkiakum County, Washington Sheriff 3 items	1887, 1888
10	Washington Attorney General 43 items	1888-1897
10	Washington (Territory) Hospital for the Insane 7 items	1887
10	Washington (Territory) National Guard 42 items	1887-1889
10	Washington Harbor Line Commission 45 items	1890-1893
10	Washington Commissioner of Public Lands 21 items	1892-1906
10	Washington, University of Washington 1 item	1888
10	Washington [Various state government offices] 9 items	1891-1904
10	Washington (Territory) [Various territorial government agencies] 3 items	1887-1889
10	Watson, D.M. 15 items	1888
10	Watson, W.G.	1887-1888



Container(s)	Description	Dates
	6 items	
10	Wells, S.A. 3 items	1887, 1888
10	Western Drilling Company 5 items	1888, 1889
10	White, W.H. 1 item	1885
10	Wickersham, James 5 items	1888-1892
10	Wilson, John M. 5 items	1891-1893
10	Wintermute, J. S. 55 items	1887-1895
10	Women's suffrage associations 6 items	1888
10	Women's Christian Temperance Union 3 items	1888
11	Yakima County and Kittitas County, Washington District Attorney 6 items	1887, 1888
11	Unidentified and incomplete letters 8 items	1891, 1903, 1904, undated
11	Women's Suffrage Bill of 1887 100 items	
11	Letters and petitions recommending Semple for governorship of Washington Territory 11 items	1885-1887
11	Copies of letters and a petition relating to strike at coal mines at Roslyn and Newcastle 13 items	1888
11	Miscellaneous letters to Semple as Governor	1887-1889

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	115 items Mainly concerning patronage, favors, arid sheriff reports.	
<b>Box</b>		
12	Genealogical material and biographical data	<b>undated</b>
13	Telegram code	<b>undated</b>
13	Diary	<b>1887, 1889</b>
13	Date books	<b>1865-1894</b>
	<b>Agreements</b>	
<b>Box</b>		
13	Semple a party	undated
13	Semple not a party	undated
	<b>Court papers</b>	
<b>Box</b>		
13	Semple a party	undated
13	Cases of Lawrence & Semple Law Firm, Portland	1865-1867
13	Relating to Everett, Washington tidelands	1893
13	Miscellaneous	undated
13	Clippings	undated
	<b>Documents</b>	
<b>Box</b>		
13	Relating to bankruptcy of Semple and position as Oregon State Printer	1871-1885
13	Relating to prospective excavation in Tacoma's harbor	1893

Container(s)	Description	Dates
13	Abstracts of Title	1858-1868
13	Act incorporating the University of the Territory of Washington Two certified copies	1888
13	Miscellaneous	undated
13	Patents	undated
<b>Box</b>		
14	Field notes of land surveys	<b>undated</b>
14	Speeches and writings	<b>undated</b>
<b>Financial records</b>		
<b>Box</b>		
14	Relating to expenses as Governor of Washington Territory	undated
14	Stocks and bonds	undated
<b>Box</b>		
14	Legislative Bills	<b>undated</b>
14	Clippings: Newspaper accounts of Semple's career from various newspapers	<b>undated</b>
14	Photographs and sketches	<b>undated</b>
14	Miscellaneous notes	<b>undated</b>
<b>Ephemera</b> Many are annotated		
<b>Box</b>		
14	"Martial Law at Seattle, Washington Territory," by Semple (Vancouver, Washington Territory, 1886)	1886

Container(s)	Description	Dates
14	"Petition and Statements Accompanying Chart of Columbia River..." (Register Printing Office, Vancouver, Washington Territory, 1885)	1885
14	Report of Governor, Washington Territory, to Secretary of Interior	1887
14	Message of the Governor, Washington Territory, to Legislative Assembly	1887
14	Columbia Waterway Convention, Vancouver, Washington Territory	1886 October
14	Miscellaneous	undated
<b>Box</b>		
14	Estate notes	<b>1908, 1926, undated</b>
15	Covers (envelopes)	<b>undated</b>

## Business papers

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Lucia Mill Company, Vancouver, Washington</b>		
<b>Box</b>		
16	Agreements	1883-1885
16	Incoming correspondence approximately 50 items	1893-1899
<b>Bigham (A.J.) Huston Co., Vancouver, Washington</b>		
<b>Box</b>		
16	Outgoing correspondence-- letterbook 300 pages	1884
16	Financial records: ledger	1884

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	218 pages	
<b>Box</b>		
16	Leonard, Harvey Reid: papers relating to a balance wrench patent approximately 50 items	<b>1871-1872</b>
<b>Herald Printing Company, Portland</b>		
<b>Box</b>		
16	Composition book	1869
	Subscription list	1869
<b>Box</b>		
16	Oregon Herald	1869
16	Democratic Party, Oregon	1869
<b>Box</b>		
16	Lincoln Oil and Gas Company, Washington: miscellaneous papers approximately 20 items	<b>1900-1904</b>
16	Snoqualmie Central Development Company 2 items	<b>1895</b>
<b>Bowers Seattle-Yukon Gold Dredging Company</b>		
	Correspondence and other papers approximately 20 items	1897-1898
<b>Box</b>		
16	Bowers, Alphonzo B.	1897-1898
16	Hestwood, James O.	1897-1898
16	Moran, Robert	1897-1898

Container(s)	Description	Dates
16	Paschall, George M.	1897-1898
	<b>Seattle General Contract and Finance Company</b> 7 items	<b>1907</b>
Box		
16	Letters	1907
16	Stock certificates	1907
16	Articles of incorporation	1907
	<b>Washington Harbor Line Commission</b>	
	Papers regarding Semple's work as a Commission member 15 items	1890-1892
Box		
17	Northwestern Lumber Company, Hoquiam	1890-1892
17	Seattle, Lake Shore and Eastern Railway Company	1890-1892
17	Stimson Mill Company, Seattle	1890-1892
Box		
17	Semple and Hale law firm, Portland: docket book 1 volume	<b>1893-1894</b>
	<b>Seattle and Lake Washington Waterway Company</b>	
Box		
17	General correspondence approximately 300 items Major correspondents: Ames, Edgar Brainerd, Erastus Burton, Theodore E. Durie, David E. Ferry, Elisha Peyre Hale, Julius F.	1891-1907

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	<p>Hemrich, Andrew            Jones, William Carey            Parry, Will H.            Paschall, George M.            Symons, Thomas W.</p> <p>See also the Letterpress books, 1893-1899 (3 volumes) in the Personal Papers series, which include both personal and business letters.</p>	
18	Histories of the canal controversy 10 items	undated
18	Prospectuses and proposals 15 items	undated
18	Majority and minority reports regarding location of canal 5 items	1902
18	Court papers 10 items	undated
18	Miscellaneous notes 10 items	undated
18	History of House Bill 349 1 item	1893
<b>Folder:Oversize</b>		
OS folder 1	Map showing proposal of Major Millis 1 item	1903
<b>Box</b>		
18	Financial records 25 items	undated
18	Appraisalment of Seattle Tidelands 1 item	circa 1900
18	Agreements 10 items	undated
18	Specifications and estimates 15 items	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
18	Stock certificates 5 items	undated
18	Clippings 5 items	undated

## Names and Subjects

### Subject Terms :

Banks and banking--Washington (State)--Seattle  
 Businessmen--Washington (State)--Archives  
 Canals--Washington (State)--Seattle  
 Capitalists and financiers--Washington (State)--Archives  
 Chinese--Civil rights--Washington (State)  
 Chinese--Washington (State)--Government relations  
 Governors--Washington (State)--Archives  
 Harbors--Washington (State)--Seattle  
 Journalism--Oregon--Portland  
 Labor disputes--Washington (State)  
 Personal Papers/Corporate Records (University of Washington)  
 Printers--Washington (State)--Archives  
 Strikes and lockouts--Coal mining--Washington (State)  
 Women--Suffrage--Washington (State)

### Personal Names :

Ames, Edgar  
 Ames, Lucy V. S  
 Parker, Frank J  
 Scott, Julia Semple  
 Semple, Eugene, 1840-1908--Archives  
 Symons, T. W. (Thomas William), 1849-1920  
 Wintermute, J. S

### Corporate Names :

Lucia Mill  
 Munn & Co. (New York, N.Y.)  
 Seattle and Lake Washington Waterway Company  
 Washington (State). Harbor Line Commission  
 Washington (State). National Guard  
 Washington (State). Office of Commissioner of Public Lands  
 Washington (State). Office of the Attorney General

### Geographical Names :

Portland (Or.)--Politics and government  
 Roslyn (Wash.)  
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