

INDIANA COTTON MILLS RECORDS, 1849-1948

Collection #
M 0156
OM 0125

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 manuscript box, 1 oversized file folder and 34 visual images

COLLECTION DATES: 1849-1948

PROVENANCE: gift of Miss Sidney K. Field, New York, New York

RESTRICTIONS: None

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ALTERNATE FORMATS: None

OTHER FINDING AIDS: None

RELATED HOLDINGS:

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1965.1202

NOTES:

HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Indiana Cotton Mills were founded in 1848 at Cannelton, Perry County, Indiana, by an act of the Indiana State Legislature. The original name of the company was Cannelton Cotton Mills. Its business involved the carding of cotton and the manufacture of cloth, particularly cotton sheeting. The mill was sold in 1946, and the company dissolved a few years later.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The collection consists of business correspondence (1852-1883); order from customers (1871); deeds, mortgages, and maps of Cannelton, Indiana, (1849-1940); treasurer's reports (1886-1907); a notebook containing a record of sheeting made (1859-1862); notes, clippings and other materials related to the company's history (1857-1903); miscellaneous financial records, advertising material, legal papers, and reports for the mills; and photographs. Among the visual images are photographs of the Indiana Cotton Mills plant and equipment, photographs of the plant during the floods of 1907 and 1937, and an undated postcard of Indiana Cotton Mills. The collection also includes a copper plate for stock certificates ca. 1900 and a printed example of the stock plate.

BOX AND FOLDER INVENTORY

Box 1

Folder Contents

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| 1 | Business correspondence, 1843-1902 |
| 2 | Business records, 1854-1876 |
| 3 | Treasurer's reports, 1886-1907 |
| 4 | Corporate records: coal production, property sales, stock certificates |
| 5 | Deeds, mortgages, 1849-1855 |
| 6 | Deeds, mortgages, 1870-1940 |
| 7 | City plans [see also OM 0125] |
| 8 | Articles of incorporation for new charter, 1897. Copy of Indiana House bill no. 450 |
| 9 | Articles of incorporation, 1905-1928 |
| 10 | Quit claim deeds, abstracts, 1934-1948 |
| 11 | General history, 1853-1903 |
| 12 | Printed items, 1910-1925 |
| 13 | Employee wage schedule, advertising for employees, letter to employees. |
| 14 | Stocks and proxies |
| 15 | Business records, cost of production |
| 16 | Business correspondence, 1852-1881 |
| 17 | Product orders, 1871 |
| 18 | Newcomb-Buchanan Co. bankruptcy records, 1882-1884 |
| 19 | Miscellaneous receipts and records, n.d. |

- 20 (OM 0125) Maps--1) Plan of lots in Cannelton (lithograph of Milne and Bruder, Louisville, KY), n.d.; 2) Lots deeded to Indiana Cotton Mills by H.D.N. (on linen), n.d. [see also folders 1 and 7]
- 21-27 (vc) Photographs
- 21 1 black and white photograph, mounted on board, of the Machine shop, 1908;1 black and white photograph of the Engine Room with a 600 HP Greene Engine, and Fred Kerser (yard boss), 1906
- 22 1 black and white photograph of the Indiana Cotton Mills during the flood of 1907
- 23 13 black and white photographs from different angles of the Indiana Cotton Mills during the 1937 flood
- 24 11 black and white photographs of the Indiana Cotton Mills from different angles, n.d.
- 25 5 black and white photographs, mounted on boards, of unidentified machinery and men
- 26 1 postcard of the Indiana Cotton Mills
- 27 1 black and white photograph mounted on a board of the Indiana Cotton Mills (Stored in OVA)
- 28 (Art) Indiana Cotton Mill Stock Certificate #500 (see artifact Box 36, 4th floor, shelf A240B)
- 29 (Art) Indiana Cotton Mills Stock Copper Plate ca. 1900's (see artifact Box 36, 4th floor, shelf A240B)

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Stocks and proxies END