

MS-6 Cincinnati, Hamilton, & Dayton Railroad Records

Introduction

The Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad Records cover the years 1840-1877. The records were purchased for the Wright State Special Collections and Archives in 1974 from Renee L'H. Latty a relative of S.S. L'Hommedieu the second President of the railroad. The collection also contains articles taken from the American Railroad Journal 1847-1855.

Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 1

Number of Hollinger Boxes: 2

Biographical Sketch

The Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad began construction in the Miami Valley in 1846. The railroad was originally constructed to connect Cincinnati and Hamilton, Ohio but was soon stretched onward to Dayton. By the end of the nineteenth-century the company controlled over 640 miles of track. In 1917 the railroad was acquisitioned by the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

The compiler of the collection, S.S.L'Hommedieu who was elected the second president of the company in 1848. L'Hommedieu also was a delegate from the First District of Ohio to the first Whig party convention in 1848.

Scope and Content

The material contained in this first box is from a scrapbook dating 1840-1877. Newspaper clippings, circulars, documents, and business letter make up the majority of material in this portion of the collection. Not all of the clippings concern the railroad, however, there are many articles on special events and excitement in the Cincinnati area during the time period. The circulars range from the very first information concerning the breaking of ground for the railroad to other stockholder news. Also contained in these series is an original first passage ticket for the railroad.

The second series of material contained in box two, contains Xeroxed copies of articles taken from the American Railroad Journal dealing with other railroads, including the Bellefontaine and Indiana, Columbus, Piqua, Indiana, Cincinnati Dayton, Columbus Xenia, Dayton Michigan, Dayton Western, Greenville, and Springfield Rail companies in the Miami Valley area from 1847-1855. This material is to supplement the original source documents of the Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad Records.

Container List

Box	Folder	Contents	Date
1	1	Two Broadsides-One Stock Certificate	
	2	Business Letters	1855- 1862
	3	Notices and Circular	
	4	"Statement of existing controversy between the two lines of railroads from Cincinnati to Lake Erie"	June 26, 1854
	5	"Explanatory letter to the stockholders of the Little Miami Railroad Company"	July 18, 1854
	6	Clippings (1) Opening of Great Miami Railroad in Cincinnati Letters from Indian country correspondent	1847- 1877
	7	Clipping (2) Opening in Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad in Dayton from the <u>Railroad Advocate</u>	1851- 1858
	8	Clipping (3) Stockholder meetings Excursion to Dayton from Cincinnati Excursion to Chicago	1858- 1860
	9	Clipping (4)	1856- 1861

	Contracts	
	Legislation	
	List of Railway Presidents	
10	Clipping (5)	1840- 1860
	Railroad Conventions	
	Obituaries	
11	Clippings (Xerox) 1-of folders 6-10	
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13	First and Refunding Mortgage	
2	1 Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton Railroad	
	2 Bellefontaine and Indiana Railroad, Ohio	
	3 Columbus, Piqua, and Indiana Railroad	
	4 Cincinnati and Dayton Railroad	
	5 Columbus and Xenia Railroad	
	6 Dayton and Michigan Railroad	
	7 Dayton and Western Railroad	
	8 Greenville and Dayton Railroad	
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	13 Mad River and Lake Erie Railroad	
	14 Ohio Public Works-Canals	
	15 Ohio Railroads and Miscellaneous Information	
	16 Springfield and Mansfield Railroad	
	17 Springfield, Mt. Vernon and Pittsburg Railroad	