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There are no restrictions.

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Historical Information

The Richmond Wood Ware Manufacturing Company were contractors and builders specializing in builders' supplies, woodware, and tin and metal ware for household goods. The company was founded in April 1894, but after being plagued by business and financial problems the company closed its doors in October 1894. Officers for the company included John T. Terrell, president; J. L. Dickinson, vice president; and C. W. Honegger, secretary and treasurer.

Scope and Content

The Richmond Wood Ware Manufacturing Company Business Records, 1894, consists of a minute book, letter book, account book, daybook, and cashbook.

Minute Book, 1894, records meetings of the company's board of directors and stockholders. Early entries document the formation of the company and the creation of its by-laws. Other meetings discussed stock sales, profit and loss statements, and various construction projects. The final entries include accusations of financial mismanagement and neglect against the company's president and secretary.

Letter Book, 1894, provides a record of out going correspondence related to the company's business activities. Letter topics include lumber and machinery purchases, construction projects, the company payroll, and stockholder and customer accounts.

Account Book, 1894, records the shipments of lumber and machinery supplies received. Information in each entry includes, date, name and quantity of items received, name of company or individual sending the items, and amounts owed.

Daybook, 1894, documents business activities on a daily basis as they occurred. Entries include date, account name, type of transaction, and monies debited or credited. Transactions recorded include merchandise accounts, bills receivable, real estate, and customer purchases.

Cashbook, 1894, records cash received and cash disbursed. Transactions were listed chronologically as they occurred. Entries document monies debited and credited for such activities as bills receivable, stock purchases, taxes, and sales. Company expenses were recorded for such things as employee salaries, lumber and machinery supplies, and office supplies.

Index Terms

Corporate Names:

Richmond Wood Ware Manufacturing Company (Richmond, Va.).

Subjects:

Lumber--Virginia--Richmond.

Lumber trade--Virginia--Richmond.
Stock companies--Virginia--Richmond.
Treenware--Virginia--Richmond.
Wood products--Virginia--Richmond.

Geographical Names:

Richmond (Va.)--History--19th century.

Genre and Form Terms:

Business records--Virginia--Richmond.
Cashbooks--Virginia--Richmond.
Daybooks--Virginia--Richmond.
Ledgers (account books)--Virginia--Richmond.
Letter books--Virginia--Richmond.
Letters (correspondence).
Local government records--Virginia--Richmond.
Minute books--Virginia--Richmond.
Minutes--Virginia--Richmond.