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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

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Unit Date

1879-1902

Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

Abstract

This collection includes the accounts and correspondence of West Iron Gate Land Company (successor of Hileman, Waring & Company), a pig iron manufacturer in Clifton Forge (Alleghany County), Virginia.

Creator

West Iron Gate Land Company (Clifton Forge, Va.)

Extent

1.0 Cubic Feet 3 boxes

Repository

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

Administrative Information

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Source of Acquisition

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Administrative History

The West Iron Gate Land Company, which operated Callie Iron Furnace in Botetourt County, Virginia, had its origins in Hileman, Cook and Company. The latter company was established during the late 19th century and was dissolved on April 1, 1881, when D. S. Cook and Harris Wilton sold their interest in the company to J. B. Hileman, O. T. Waring, E. J. Waring, and O. Hileman. Under this partnership, the company was reorganized as Hileman, Waring and Company. The new company continued to operate Callie Furnace and was in turn reorganized as the West Iron Gate land Company in 1890.

Scope and Content

This collection contains ledgers of the West Iron Gate Land Company a Clifton Forge (Alleghany County), Virginia manufacturer of pig iron. Included in the collection are three letter books, all containing letters apparently written by Octavius Hileman on behalf of various incarnations and subsidiaries of the West Iron Gate Land Company. In addition to a letter book from West Iron Gate Land Company, there is a volume from its predecessor, Hileman, Waring and Company; and from Hileman and Colburn, which seems to have managed the company's land sales. The collection also contains a ledger recording the payment for lots sold at Iron Gate and an account book for Callie Furnace, detailing income and expenditures.

Related Archival Materials

See the following related collections at VT Special Collections and University Archives:

Octavius Hileman Papers, Ms2008-085

Hileman, Cook and Company Account Book, Ms1989-0082

Keywords

Alleghany County (Va.)

Ledgers (account books)

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Description of Subordinate Components

Letter book (Hileman, Waring and Company)

Unit Date 1885-1892

box 1

Container 1 (item)

Letter book (West Iron Gate Land Company)

Unit Date 1890-1892

box 1

Container 2 (item)

Letter book (Hileman and Colburn)

Unit Date 1889-1902

box 2

Container 1 (item)

Iron Gate lot sales accounts

Unit Date 1890-1893

box 3

Container 1 (item)

Callie Furnace account book

Unit Date 1879-1900

box 3

Container 2 (item)