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Abstract

The Basic City Mining, Manufacturing, and Land Company Records, 1890-1892, comprise one folder of financial records documenting the activities of Augusta County's Basic City Mining, Manufacturing, and Land Company.

Creator

Basic City Mining, Manufacturing and Land Co.

source

Tim Abbott Americana

Extent

0.08 cubic feet 1 folder

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Administrative History

Jacob Reese, an industrialist from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, purchased land (including Lithia Spring) near what is now Waynesboro, Virginia and on December 6, 1889, in partnership with several other developers, incorporated as the Basic City Mining, Manufacturing, and Land Company. The company owned more than 2,000 acres on both sides of the South River and east to the Blue Ridge Mountains. Basic City, Virginia was incorporated as a town on March 3, 1890 at the approval of the Virginia General Assembly. The town purchased land from Basic City Mining for \$25,000. Samuel Forrer (1838-1916) served as the company's president with J. A. Wise as treasurer, M. A. Booker as secretary, Edward McMahon as first vice president, C. A. Holt as second vice president, and Edward Echols as third vice president.

The town of Basic City merged with Waynesboro in 1924 at the recommendation of the state legislature's Committee on Counties, Cities, and Towns.

Scope and Content

The Basic City Mining, Manufacturing, and Land Company Records, 1890-1892, comprise one folder of financial records documenting the activities of Augusta County's Basic City Mining, Manufacturing, and Land Company. Documents include invoices; receipts; cancelled checks; a prospectus of the Basic City Mining, Manufacturing, and Land Company; and other assorted financial records. As treasurer of Basic City Mining, J. A. Wise frequently received and/or signed the aforementioned documents. Billheads for Basic City Mining, Manufacturing, and Land Company and Basic City Iron Works are included.

Keywords

Receipts (financial records)

Prospectuses

Invoices

Checks (bank checks)

Financial Records
Billheads
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Waynesboro (Va.) -- History
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Arrangement

The documents are housed in one folder.

Description of Subordinate Components

Basic City Mining, Manufacturing, and Land Company Records

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