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The addendum of 2017-07-05 contains microfilm copies in 17 reels of dispatches from United States Ministers to Mexico for period 1879-1885; also includes microfilm copies in 2 reels of dispatches from the United States Consuls in Mexico, Mexico City, for period 1875-1906. These copies are from the US National Archives; they were were apparently acquired by Stealey for the research he conducted in order to write and edit "Porte Crayon's Mexico: David Hunter Strother's diaries in the early Porfirian era, 1879-1885".

The Antebellum Kanawha Salt Business and Western Markets (1993) explores the rise and decline of the Great Kanawha salt industry and allied Ohio Valley agricultural business including the efficiency of industrial slavery, the development of technology, the evolution of legal combination and contract law to control production and markets, and external market forces such as international trade in salt, tariff policy, and

internal improvements.

Kanawha Prelude to Nineteenth-Century Monopoly in the United States (2000) presents and contextualizes the foundational legal documents for the salt industry in western Virginia in the antebellum era.

Porte Crayon's Mexico: David Hunter Strother's Diaries in the Early Porfirian Era, 1879-1885 presents the comprehensive observations and activities of the observant artist and writer who was United States Consul General that encompass all aspects of Mexican political, commercial, and social life in an important formative period. It contains an extensive introduction, explanatory notes, and appendices of identification and of all reports and most official correspondence from Mexico City.

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