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Hobbs Family. Papers, ca.
1850-1935.

Partial Box Listing

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Hobbs family.
Papers, [ca. 1850-1935]
30 cubic ft.

Summary: Correspondence, letter books, order books, accounts, sales catalogs, and other business records of the Ninevah carriage factory established in 1844 by Joseph W. Hobbs and operated by his two sons, George and Charles; daybook of George W. Hobbs (1908-1909); personal accounts and diaries kept by Joseph W. Hobbs (1875-1903) and George W. Hobbs (1868-1894); papers pertaining to Joseph W. Hobbs' law practice, his local political activities (ca. 1868-1900), and his investments, and to the Hobbs brothers' later activities as area real estate brokers and general insurance agents (ca. 1910-1929); and family correspondence. Other papers consist of records of the Afton School District No. 15 (ca. 1850-1930), the Ninevah Sons of Temperance (ca. 1867), the New York Road Hone Company (ca. 1910-1917), the Susquehanna Valley Telephone Company (ca. 1905-1917); and personal, financial, and business papers of Mrs. S.F. Humphreys, who was associated with the Hobbs brothers in their insurance service and other local enterprises.

Indexes: Partial box list.

Described in REPORT OF THE CURATOR AND ARCHIVIST, 1954-58, 1958-62.

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1. Hobbs, Charles. 2. Hobbs, George W. 3. Hobbs, Joseph W. 4. Afton School District No. 15. 5. New York Road Hone Company. 6. Ninevah Sons of Temperance. 7. Susquehanna Valley Telephone Company. 8. Carriage and wagon makers--New York--Ninevah. 9. Insurance--Agents. 10. Law. 11. Temperance--Societies, etc. 12. Real estate business. 13. Afton (N.Y.)--Schools. 14. Nineva (N.Y.)--Commerce. 15. Nineva (N.Y.)--Politics and government. 16. Accounts. 17. Daybooks. 18. Diaries. 19. Businessmen. 20. Lawyers. 21. Real estate agents. 22. Humphreys, S. F.,

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Hobbs Family. Papers, c. 1850-1935.

Correspondence, letter books, order books, accounts, sales catalogues, and other business records of the Nineveh carriage factory established in 1844 by Joseph W. Hobbs and operated by his two sons, George and Charles, from 1868 until about 1915; personal accounts and diaries kept by Joseph W. Hobbs (1875-1903) and George W. Hobbs (1868-1909); papers pertaining to Joseph W. Hobbs' law practice, his local political activities (c. 1868-1900), and his investments in chattel and real estate mortgages, to similar investments made by his sons during their business careers, and to the Hobbs Brothers' later activities as area real estate brokers and general insurance agents (c. 1910-1929); also included is family correspondence for the entire period. Other papers consist of records of the Afton School District #15 (c. 1850-1930), the Nineveh Sons of Temperance (c. 1867), the New York Road Hone Company (c. 1910-1917), the Susquehanna Valley Telephone Company (c. 1905-1917); and personal, financial, and business papers of Mrs. S.F. Humphreys, who was associated with the Hobbs Brothers in their insurance service and other local enterprises. Broome, Chenango Counties. 30 ft. Additional guide on file in accession folder.

Main entry:

Hobbs Family. Papers, c. 1850-1935.

Cross references to main entry:

Hobbs, Charles	Accounts (carriage factory)
Hobbs, George W	Education (school district records)
Hobbs, Joseph W	Insurance
Humphreys, (Mrs.) S F	Investments (mortgages)
Afton, N.Y., School District # 15	Investments (real estate)
New York Road Hone Company	Legal profession
Nineveh Sons of Temperance	(Politics (Chenango County)
Susquehanna Valley Telephone Company	(Politics (Broome County)
Broome County (Nineveh)	Telephone companies
Chenango County (Afton)	Temperance

Broadside added July, 1957: Large poster with advertisements of various businesses in the Chenango County Area. Ca 1885. Broadside No. 3263

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Four items removed from the Hobbs Papers for use in an exhibit on bicycling (Summer 1957); filed separately in manuscript file under # 1641. They include:

Retained in MS. file Box 46

1. ✓ Advertising folder for the Morrow Coaster Brake, manufactured by the Eclipse Machine Company, Elmira, New York, 1904 Model.
2. ✓ Wheel Talk, Vol. II, No. 4, Chicago, Nov. 14, 1895, issued by Morgan & Wright, tire manufacturers.
3. ✓ Columbia & Hartford Bicycles, 1899, catalog of the Pope Manufacturing Company, Hartford, Connecticut.

In fragile condition - separate bond folder.

4. Broadside issued by the Brewster Manufacturing Company, Holly, Michigan: "PRICES CUT IN TWO. LIST PRICE \$100. 1896 Brewster. OUR PRICE \$50. [over] PRICES SLASHED! \$100 High-Grade Bicycles Only \$50. List Price \$100. 1896 Maple Leaf. Our Price \$50.† [NOT IN BR FILE] Transferred to Br. Coll. when MSS. files put in jute folders, 9/62. Br. # 2799. 21½" h.x14" w. Black print on dull light red background.

Card entries:	Cross references:
Bicycling (2 cards)	Brewster Manufacturing Company (Holly, Michigan)
Broadside card:	Eclipse Machine Company (Elmira, New York)
Bicycles (sale of)	Morgan & Wright (Chicago, Illinois)
[refers to items # 4 only]	Morrow Coaster Brake (bicycles)
	Pope Manufacturing Company (Hartford, Connecticut)

Collection # 1737 - Scott Family Papers - removed from this collection
-/-

Three items removed from Br. Coll. and transferred to Trade cards coll., as follows: Ayer's Hair Vigor, Lowell, Mass., n.d. (formerly Br. # 3162)
Ayer's Sarsaparilla, Lowell, Mass., n.d. (" Br. # 3163)
Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, Lowell, n.d. (" " # 3168)

Des. for 1958-1962 Report:

HOBBS FAMILY. Accounts, June 4, 1908-May 1, 1909;
1 vol. This additional daybook [see 1954-1958
Report] deals with the expenditures, income, and
daily activities of George W. Hobbs of the carriage
manufacturing family of Nineveh, Chenango County.
(1641)

Brought in June 14, 1960 by Charles Decker, Afton, N.Y.

NOTE: This item included in main entry card made 7/66; acc. sheet corrected to include it, also.

Partial shelf list

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<u>Box #</u>	<u>Description</u>
9	1904-1905
15	Unsorted 1900-1929
30	1923
31	1924
32	1925
33	1926
34-36	Hobbs Brothers, legal and financial papers
37	1928-1929
38	J. W. Hobbs, <u>legal and financial papers</u>
39	Diaries, 1868-1899
40	J. W. Hobbs, legal and financial papers
41	Hobbs Brothers, legal and financial papers, 1923
42	Susquehanna Valley Telephone Company
43-44	J. W. Hobbs, legal and financial papers
45	Hobbs Brothers, legal and financial papers
46	Afton School District #15, records school record book trustees book, 1854-1875 bond issues, 26-33 register, 1890 budget book, 1876 town tax--evaluation and collection, 1930; perhaps as early as 1927, as late as 1935

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47	J. W. Hobbs, miscellaneous incl. Ninevah, N.Y. material Ninevah Epworth League, 1896-1900 Ninevah Sons of Temperance, 1867 New York State Road Hone Co. 3rd Annual Good Roads Convention, Jan. 28, 1902 Eugenia Hobbs school notebooks (Oswego Normal School) Ninevah Public Library Ninevah Bridge (n.d.: petition and construction--possibly, 1879?) Draft Call Bounty, Civil War, Jan. 3, 1865 J. W. Hobbs Jonas Hobbs: inventions, 1865 (churn dash) ----- marriage license, 1864 copied clippings re Hobbs Brothers
48	Photographs
49	J. W. Hobbs, book of estates settled
50	J. W. Hobbs, legal and carriage
51	Hobbs Brothers, accounts, misc., etc.
52-54	Hobbs Brothers, account books

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[Rough list of remainder of collection]

Loose volumes:

Hobbs Brothers

Acct. book, 1882, 1886, 1893, 1896-97, 1897, 1898
Day Book, 1868, 1876, 1880, 1891-1896
Ledger, 1880, 1891-94, 1874 or 1894
Order book, 1884, 1901-1912

J. W. Hobbs

Acct. book, 1863
2 Day books, 1852 and 1859 (blacksmith)
Diary, 1893-1902
Legal memo, 1891
Misc.: 3 acct. books, one of general items, including
total inventory

Box #

1-3 16" file boxes: letter copy books, 1869-1924

*Number of boxes
containing material
in parentheses*

(2) 4" ms. boxes carriage catalogs

(2) 4" ms. boxes saddle and harness

(1) 4" ms. box "parts" carriage, auto and cycle

(1) 4" ms. boxes J. W. Hobbs: legal and finances--some
carriage (also see boxes 38, 40, 43, 44, 50 on 1st
page)

(1) 4" ms. box Hobbs Brothers: legal and financial
papers (also see boxes 34-36, 41, 45 on 1st page)

Rough list of trade journals:

The Carriage Dealers' Journal--February and May, 1905;
February, March, ^{Apr} May, July, August, 1907; January,
March, April, June, July, August, October, November,
December, 1906.

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(29) 4" ms. boxes correspondence, 1878-1929: Hobbs Bros.

chattel and land mortgages

1902 carriages

1904-05 carriage

1911 carriage

auto bodies

real estate

(?) Mrs. S. F. Humphreys

1918 real estate

general insurance

1924 real estate

insurance

investments in oil (Texas stock)

1929 real estate

general insurance

(2) 4" ms. boxes diaries, memos, etc.:

A. J. W. Hobbs diaries, 1875-1895

G. W. Hobbs diaries, 1868-1894

B. Hobbs Bros.--Memos, cash book, orders, acct., time & address book, bank book

C. J. W. Hobbs--signal and carriage; memo, accts., time book

D. C.H. and J. W. Hobbs--accts. and memos, personal

(also see Boxes 38 and 39)

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