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Shelf list.

- 1. - Box 3 - Misc. RR, 1850's
- Box 8 - Misc RR 1858-1865, Misc. Law 1845-47
- Box 10 - Misc. Business 1867-1872
- Box 11 - Erie RR, NC RR
- Box 13 - Misc Business 1873-75, 77-79, 1881
- Box ~~18~~ 18 Misc. Business + Corr 1872-1887
- Box 21 - NC RR c 1870
- Box 23 - General + ~~Hist~~ 1836-1898 Family His.
- Box 24 - Misc.
- Box 26 - Misc Corresp. <sup>1822</sup> ~~1822~~ - 1861
- Box ~~25~~ -
- Box 25 - Misc. Private Bus. 1873-83
- Box 27 - Misc Law
- Box 30 - Misc. Law
- Box 32 - Misc. Law
- Box 33 - Erie RR
- Box 34 - Erie RR
- Box 36 - NC RR
- Box 35 - NC RR
- Box 38 - Genova Law <sup>Cases</sup> & Vols 12-14
- \* Box 37 - Lehigh Valley RR
- Box 39 - Misc. Law
- Box 40 - Law Cases vol. 5-7
- \* Box 41 - Lehigh Valley RR
- \* Box 42 - Misc. Maps & Printed Matter
- Box 44 - Misc. Law
- Box 43 - NC RR

Box 46 - Penn RR

Box 45 - Vols (?) 1863-69

Box 48 - Penn RR

Box 47 - Erie RR

Box 50 - NC RR

Box 49 - Penn RR

\* Box 52 - Lehigh Valley RR

Box 51 - NC RR

Box 54 - Post 1921

Box 53 - Vols. 9-11

Box 56 - Misc. Law

Box 55 - Misc. Law

Box 57 - Post 1921

Box 58 - Misc. Law

Box 59 - Misc. Law

Box 60 - NC RR

\* Box 61 - Letter Books 1869-1900

Box 62 - NC RR

Box 65 - NC RR

Box 64 - Post 1921

Box 66 - Letter Books 1879-1888

Box 68 - NC RR

Box 69 - Misc

Box 70 - NC RR

NC RR = North Central Railroad

Box 72 - Post 1921

Box 71 - Misc. Law

Box 73 - Misc. Law

B. Hutt, 5-3-7

Box 74 - Misc. Law

Diven Family #2231 Box Listing for Boxes 76-93 (3 inch boxes)

- Box H-1<sup>76</sup> Political Military correspondence 1845-January 28, 1858
- Box H-2<sup>77</sup> " January 29~~xx~~-August, 1858
- Box H-3<sup>78</sup> " WSeptember, 1858-March 18, 1859
- Box H-4<sup>79</sup> " March 19, 1959-March 18, 1861
- Box H-5<sup>80</sup> " March 19, 1861- ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~
- Box H-6<sup>81</sup> " July 23, 1861
- Box 7<sup>82</sup> " MJuly 24, 1861-December 9, 1861
- Box 8<sup>83</sup> " December 10, 1861-January 23, 1862
- Box 9<sup>84</sup> " January 24, 1862-March 21, 1862
- Box 10<sup>85</sup> " March 22, 1862-June 13, 1862
- Box 11<sup>86</sup> " June 14, 1862-1862(undated)
- Box 12<sup>87</sup> " January 2, 1863-March 17, 1863
- Box 13<sup>88</sup> " March 18~~x~~,1863-1866 and 17 small note-  
books with names especially from  
Tompkins County
- Box 13<sup>88</sup> 2 folders:railroad papers and correspondence(no names or dates) 2 folders  
legal papers and correspondence(no names or dates); 1 folder legal papers  
for individual family members.
- Box 14<sup>89</sup> Maps
- Box 15<sup>90</sup> Maps and printed material
- Box 16<sup>91</sup> Printed material
- Box 17<sup>92</sup> Legal and Business papers of Alexander S. Diven I, George M. Diven,  
and Alexander S. Diven II. material not arranged
- Box 18<sup>93</sup> Family papers: especially letters to Alexander Diven II; 1 folder covers  
the 1890's; rest in 1920's

94 Private & Family Correspondence 1845-1861

95 Business Correspondence - 1862-1866

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BOX LISTING

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BOX A work as solicitor for Northern Central Railroad (NCRR is part of the Pennsylvania Railroad system) cases, Brief, taxation question, property evaluation. c.1896-1902. especially George M. Diven.

BOX B: ~~Box B~~ Misc. law. briefs, complaints, 1860's-1880's.

Box C: case files (correspondence) c. 1909-1911.

letters c. 1901 relating to land sales

insurance policy

case documents

case made's

mortgages, deeds wills c. 1900-1910

Box D: Legal files- mostly patent matters 1920's-1930's

some files on general law cases

Box E: Legal practice of George M. Diven c. 1867-1901.

a large variety of different clients and interests including Guardian Life

Insurance ~~xxxxxx~~

wills of Amanda Diven and Julia Diven

Box F: Estate cases with Alexander S. Diven in 1920's administratrix appointed by

Surrogate Court

"General Accident Fire and Life" c. 1931-1934 & folders concerning cases with Diven

& Diven representing claimants

→ ? ~~Box G: has been reboxed in Hollinger boxes 13-18.~~

Box H: file on John M. Diven estate c. 1925

file on Supreme Court Appellate Division, 3rd Judicial District, Committee on Character and Fitness (Alexander Diven is a member) 1930-1941

Estate of Sarah W. Tompkins, 1929-1933

A.S. Diven Personal correspondence Jan. 1937-Dec. 1946

Box I: Private correspondence of Alexander S. Diven II in 1930-1940's-still in envelopes

~~organized with a shovel~~ + *not organized*

Box J: Northern Central RR: legal papers briefs, etc. 1870's-1890's mainly work of George M. Diven. law firm Diven and Reifield

~~Box K: c. 1844-1921~~

~~A.S. Diven II - personal correspondence~~

~~G.M. Diven - legal practice~~

~~A.S. Diven - legal practice~~

*no box K*

- Box L: Letterbooks, GM Diven 6 volumes 1869-1900 mostly legal
- Box M: Alexander S. Diven II correspondence-legal practice-1920's  
3 notebooks financial statements-Arnot-Ogden Hospital in Elmira in  
mid-1930's  
Newtown Battlefield Reservation Commission 1923-1925
- Box N: Diven & Diven correspondence 1934-1940  
personal file 1925-1927  
AS Diven II correspondence 1920's-1930's  
etc.
- Box O: Chemung County Bar Association, minutes etc. roll c.1910-1920  
Prof Edward Danforth-Mary E. Page correspondence c, 1885-1888  
case ~~xxxxx~~ files Diven & Diven c. 1930-1942(?)
- Box P: case files of Diven & Diven-3 volumes  
vol 12-14 State Supreme Court -Appellate Division  
mainly railroad cases especially involving Northern Central RR
- Box Q: Vol ~~9xx10xx11~~ 9-11 Diven law cases from SC-Appellate Division
- Box R: vol. 15-17 Diven Law cases from SC-Appellate Division
- L VRR  
Box S: 4 large folders of ~~xxxxxx~~ <sup>correspondence</sup> dealing with law practice probably  
Eugene Diven-especially railroad work' c. 1905-1913 Lehigh Valley Railroad  
1/2 the box more legal papers and correspondences seems to be Eugene <sup>Diven's</sup>  
c. 1900
- Box T: box of unorganized material-~~xxxxxx~~-basically legal material c. 1890
- Box U: George M. Diven-legal papers concerning the Northern Central RR  
from c. 1868-1896 -subjects include property, court cases, taxes, etc
- Box V: general legal papers of ~~GM~~ GM Diven c. 1870-1896  
will of Isaac Roe of Elmira  
property sales and mortgages for GM Diven  
1928 correspondence on a debt of \$20 for some client of the Divens
- Box W: 6 letter books -mostly legal of GM Diven  
April 1869-July, 1869-only fair shape  
1872-3; 1886-1888; December, 1900-February, 1906

- Box X: 1 packet of property settlements -AS Diven I c. 1835-1845  
some local real estate holdings of GM Diven in the 1890's  
1877 will of Hon. Asa Packer(~~is~~ is printed) and correspondence. Packer  
was a large stockholder in the Lehigh Valley RR  
mainly papers of GM Diven c. 1870's-1890's
- Box Y: full box of legal matters for the Northern Central RR-taxes, accidents  
and the correspondence concerning each case in a packet; land  
purchase papers  
c. 1866 to 1902
- Box Z: legal papers of Lehigh Valley RR c. 1870-1900:injury cases, property  
general law
- Box AA: 6 letter books GM Diven(?)  
Sept., 1878-April, 1879 -business  
May, 1879-February, 1880 - business  
July 1881-January, 1883 - business  
December, 1884(?) -July, 1886- business  
December, 1884-November, 1887- law and business  
Feb., 1885-November, 1885-law and business
- Box BB: legal correspondence for Lehigh Valley RR in file folders  
land purchases c. 1908-1912  
few loose papers
- Box CC: Pennsylvania RR correspondence in file folders  
Assessments for Penn RR 1930's and 1940's  
Diven and Diven bill to Penn RR for expenses Sept, 1912-Jan., 1930
- \*\*\*\*\* taken out: 1 packet of private correspondence for AS Diven II  
1 folder-article and speech by ASBII-in Box 18
- Box DD: Erie RR 1861-1883  
mostly cases dealing with Erie, but also some loose correspondence  
to AS Diven I about the operation of the Erie. for example Norman  
Loansberry application for route agent, Feb. 1861.
- Box EE: Pennsylvania RR: correspondence with AS Diven II in 1920's; some in  
file folders; 1 directory of legal staff for Penn RR; tax assessments  
c. 1919-1943(mostly in 1920's)
- Box FF: Pennsylvania RR: legal correspondence c. 1901-1914(some back to 1880's)  
motions and briefs, some in file ~~folders~~  
FOLDERS



- Box GG: Lehigh Valley RR c. 1894-1905 (mostly 1903-5) land purchases, cases great deal on Daniel O'Shea vs the LVRR
- Box HH: Lehigh Valley RR 1880's and 1890's correspondence-legal  
1 packet Pennsylvania RR-1947- out of place
- Box II: General law practice 1864-1892
- Box JJ: General law practice 1863-1903  
some papers on La France Steam Engine Co and other family property  
\*(real estate) holdings
- Box KK: legal papers and correspondence for the Erie RR 1860's and 1870's  
especially GM Diven
- Box LL: legal papers  
agenda of cases for GM Diven 1868-part of 1870  
titles for Northern Central RR property 2 for 1867, 1866, 1859  
papers relating to contracting company-Diven, Staircliff(?) and Co in  
1850's and 1860's  
~~Box~~ real estate papers of GM Diven c. 1860-~~1880~~1890's-mortgages, leases+titles
- Box MM: correspondence between GM Diven and Northern Central RR 1870-1902-legal  
few legal papers too
- Box NN: papers dealing with Erie RR 1846-late 1860's, records of payments for  
services to AS Diven I for 1846  
cash book for 1847  
Printed: 3 addresses to the Public by the Board of Directors of the  
Erie-1844, 1845, 1847  
first annual report of the Erie, 1835  
local newspaper reaction 1872 to the state legislature's attempt to  
control the Erie after Gould and Fisk were in operation  
map of the Erie 1853  
small book about the Erie by George Crouch, 1869-reaction to Gould
- Box OO: Papers concerning legal matters of the Northern Central RR, 1898-1908
- Box PP: legal papers for the Northern Central RR 1905-1913: most in file  
folders, several folders on taxes for the RR, papers on a couple  
of injury cases, 1 envelope of material on the Lehigh Valley RR
- Box QQ: legal correspondence and papers 1880's-1900: real estate matters of  
Miss Addie Danforth of Elmira-1890's, inventory of personal property  
of Edward Danforth, 1888, financial dealings of GM Diven-LaFrance  
Fire Engine Co. 1 envelope of Lehigh Valley RR material

- Box RR: legal <sup>P</sup>papers and correspondence Northern Central RR 1871-1901
- Box SS: private and business correspondence in 1860's-AS Diven I and GM Diven  
the material has been sorted and a-ranged in folders
- Box TT: 1903-1905 mainly GM Diven  
personal financial records of GM Diven, some business correspondence  
letters from GM Diven to son (ASDII?)  
phone and gas bills  
~~stuff separated~~ by year-no further organization  
*sorted*
- Box UU: 1910-19~~21~~21-private correspondence and some financial records (checks  
and some income tax statements\* from Eleanor Wasburn to AS Diven II-  
a cousin)  
some business correspondence scattered through  
~~sort of separated by years~~ *some arrangement by years*  
~~some separation~~
- Box VV: 1892-1895 mainly ~~GM~~ GM Diven  
business correspondence and legal  
~~some private correspondence to AS Diven II~~  
some trial balance records for 1895
- ✓ Box WW: business records and correspondence for AS Diven I and GM Diven  
1867-1872  
1872 \* income tax ~~xx~~ form for GM Diven  
material arranged by year
- Box YY: legal and business correspondence ~~1846-1854~~ 1846-1854; 1858-1865  
material not very well arranged by years
- Box ZZ: 2 folders of genealogy material\* 1836-1931  
private business material March, 1832-July 1870  
nearly arranged in folders
- ✓ Box AAA: private correspondence 1828-December, 1861 (1 letter for 1828 then jumps  
to September, 1845)  
1 folder for 1871- not in chronological order  
are 47 folders and a piece count done-and in chronological order
- Box BBB: 1873-1883 business, legal correspondence, etc. receipts for GM Diven \*  
1873  
financial records  
~~hardly~~ arranged-not in folders, but separated by years and that is ~~messed~~
- ~~Box CCC: Railroad correspondence 1850's-1901~~

- Box CCC: Railroad Correspondence 1830's-1901  
charter for Williamsport and Elmira RR-1832(AS Diven I is president  
in 1850's?)  
printed railroad mortgages  
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correspondence in 1890's with Edward H. Harriman  
real estate documents
- BoxDDD: railroad correspondence c. 1870-~~early~~ 1890's  
a lot from Edward Danforth of Elmira and his railroad, the Thomasville,  
Tallahassee and ~~the~~ Gulf RR in Florida(Danforth is also connected  
to the National Education ASSoc in 1880's-corresponding secretary)
- BoxEEE: unsorted correspondence c. 1870-1880's especially George M. Diven  
private and business  
abstract title of the premises of GM Diven descendents
- Box FFF: legal correspondence with Erie RR in 1870's  
" " with Northern Central RR in 1880's
- Box GGG: business correspondence and records 1888-1891  
GM Diven's receipts for 1888  
some railroad correspondence  
material is sorted roughly by years
- Box HHH business and financial records 1901-1902  
monthly trial balances receipts 1902  
checks and checkbook Diven and Biven and George M. Diven  
~~material separated~~ by years  
*arranged*
- Box III Misc. law 1850-1865  
material ~~separated~~ by years  
*arranged*
- Box JJJ: law cases GEorge M. Diven volumes 1-4. bindings are ~~broken~~ broken
- Box KKK: legal papers relating to ERie RR c. 1864-1874; 1 folder 1910; 1 folder  
1933
- Box LLL: Diven law cases volume 5-8; GM Diven
- Box MMM: some business and some private correspondence and records  
c. 1874-1890's  
~~material is in no order~~ *unorganized*
- Box NNN: 1906-1909-private correspondence and records especially AS. DivenII  
*material sorted by year*  
*arranged*

- Box 000: misc. railroad and private correspondence 1860's-1926, including letter from Liberty Hyde BAiley--he was too busy to look at the Diven's trees but he would send a professor
- Box PPP: business and private records and correspondence 1896-1899
- Box QQQ: misc. railroads correspondence 1845-1857  
Erie correspondence 1856-1865  
material roughly sorted by year
- Box RRR: ~~M~~Northern ~~R~~Central RR legal papers and correspondence c. 1906-1910  
material is in decaying file folders which are numbered. #87 has a history of Diven & Diven's relation to NCRR back to 1863-list of caes, salary, etc.  
about 15 folders and some loose paper
- Box SSS: Erie RR legal correspondence c. 1871-1874  
Northern Central RR-1901-1910 realestate and other legal correspondence  
1901-1910-14 folders of legal correspondence-NCRR
- Box TTT: legal documents for Northern Central RR 1887-1901: real estate, injury claims against NCRR, tax papers
- Box UUU: general legal papers and correspondence 1862-1896 especially GM Diven
- Box VVV: packets of family real estate papers 1872, 1901, 1903, 1907  
papers relating to estate of Alden S. Brown , died 1877-inventory of his esxtate(see box UUU for further papers relating to Brown)  
about 20 more estates and their papers- 1920's-1940's  
wills of Mary and Louis Diven of Vermont(brother of AS Diven II)
- Box WWW: assorted business correspondence and records 1873-75,1877-79, 1881  
especially GM Diven  
material roughly sorted by year
- Box XXX: local tax papers ~~for~~for Northern Central RR c. 1896-1920
- ~~3 boxes of Political-Military correspondence has been reboxed into Hollinger boxes together with material from a box labelled Maps, Clippings, Pamphlets, Misc. the Hollinger boxes are numbered 1-18;~~
- Box 94 → 1 box of private correspondence 1862-1870 in folders with piece count
- Box 95 → 1 box business ~~is~~correspondence 1845-c. 1855 especially AS Diven I-material roughly in years and some in folders.
- Box 48 → Box YYY-Lehigh Valley Railroad-legal correspondence c.1890-1905

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I. Legal Papers

A. Railroads-legal papers

- 1. Northern Central Railroad-Boxes 1-19
- 2. Lehigh Valley Railroad- Boxes 20, 21, 22, 23, 31, 48
- 3. New York and Erie Railroad-Boxes 17, 24-28, 74
- 4. General -Boxes 3, 28, 35, ~~43~~ 88

B. General Legal Practice

- 1. Estates- Boxes 23, 36-41
- 2. Real estate Boxes 23, 32, 39, 42
- 3. Legal Organizations Boxes 37, 61
- 4. Miscellaneous(?) Boxes 3, 29, 30, ~~31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60~~ 40, 43-60

Diven Family Private Papers

A. Alexander S. Diven I

- 1. Political Military Papers ~~76-87~~ 76-87
- 2. Railroads (especially the New York and Erie)-24 28 32 62 63
- 3. General
  - a. Commercial-10 64-66 ~~72, 95~~ 92, 95
  - b. Private Correspondence before 1861-67
  - c. Genealogy-Box 66

B. General Family Papers arranged chronologically from 1860-1940, s . . . . .

- 1. Property ~~Boxes~~
  - a. 1860-1870 Boxes 10 57
  - b. 1870-1880 Boxes 10 38 41 57
  - c. 1890-1900 Boxes 10 38 39 41 57
  - d. 1900-1910 Boxes 41 57
- 2. Commercial
  - a. 1860-1870 Boxes 57 63 64
  - b. 1870-1880 Boxes 55 57 63 68 69 70
  - c. 1880-1890 Boxes 23 34 55 57 68 69 70
  - d. 1890-1900 Boxes 23 34 57 58 70 71
  - e. 1900-1910 Boxes 23 57 73
  - f. 1910-1920 Boxes 72
  - g. no date Boxes ~~92~~ 92
- 3. Private Correspondence
  - a. 1860-1870 Boxes 35, 67, 94
  - b. 1870-1880 Boxes 35 69 70
  - c. 1890-1900 Boxes 35 58 70 71 ~~93~~ 93
  - d. 1900-1910 Boxes 35 ~~73~~ 73 74.
  - e. 1910-1920 Boxes 35 ~~72~~ 72
  - f. 1920-1930 Boxes 35 51 ~~93~~ 93
  - g. 1930-1946 Boxes 38 75

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- 4. Estates
  - a. ~~19~~ 19 Century Box 47
  - b. 20 century Box ~~37~~ 37
- 5. General ~~88~~ (no dates) 88

NOTE: Boxes 1-75, 94, 95 are 16" boxes; Boxes 76-93 are 3" boxes.

Railroads Mentioned in the Diven Papers

1. Canal R. R. Co. (at Elmira)
2. Canandaigua & Corning R. R.
3. Canastota R. R. Co.
4. Catawissa and Erie R. R.
5. Catawissa, Williamsport and Erie R. R.
6. Chemung R. R.
7. Delaware, Lackawanna and Western R. R.
8. Elmira and Canandaigua R. R.
9. Elmira Connecting R. R. Co.
10. Elmira, Cortland and Northern R. R.
11. Elmira, Jefferson and Canandaigua R. R.
12. Elmira and Lake Ontario R. R.
13. Elmira and Seneca Lake R. R.
14. Elmira Transfer R. R. Co.
15. Elmira Water, Light and R. R. Co.
16. Elmira and Williamsport R. R.
17. Geneva, Ithaca and Athens R. R.
18. Geneva, Ithaca and Sayre R. R.
19. Geneva and Van Ettenville R. R. Co.
20. Genoa and Lansing R. R.
21. Hudson Suspension Bridge and New England R. R.
22. Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway Company
23. Lehigh Valley R. R.
24. Lorain, Wooster and Perry County R. R. Co.
25. Michigan Central R. R. Co.
26. Middlesex Valley R. R.

27. New York, Auburn and Lansing R. R. Co.
28. New York Central and Hudson River R. R.
29. New York, Lackawanna and Western R. R.
30. New York, Ontario and Western R. R.
31. New York and Oswego Midland R. R. Co.
32. Northern R. R. of New Jersey
33. Pacific R. R.
34. Pennsylvania and New York Canal R. R. Co.
35. Pennsylvania and New York Canal & R. R. Co.
36. Philadelphia and Reading R. R.
37. Reno, Oil Creek and Pithole Railroad
38. Seneca Lake R. R.
39. Sodus Bay and Southern R. R.
40. Sodus Point and Southern R. R.
41. Southern Central R. R.
42. State Street R. R. Co.
43. <sup>[Far+]</sup> T. A. Worth and Denver R. R. Co.
44. Texas and Pacific R. R.
45. Thomasville Railroad Co.
46. Tioga Railroad Co.
47. Utica, Ithaca and Elmira R. R.
48. Warren and Franklin, Farmers and Oil Creek R. R.

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