L.B. Ely and Brother Account  
(C0723)

Collection Number: C0723

Collection Title: L.B. Ely and Brother Account

Dates: 1877

Creator: L.B. Ely and Brother (Carrollton, Mo.)

Abstract: The collection contains an account of Mrs. Austin with a general merchandise store in Carrollton, Missouri.

Collection Size: 0.02 cubic feet  
(1 folder)

Language: Collection materials are in English.

Repository: The State Historical Society of Missouri

Restrictions on Access: Collection is open for research. This collection is available at The State Historical Society of Missouri Research Center-Columbia. If you would like more information, please contact us at columbia@shsмо.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Historical Note:

L.B. Ely was born in Kentucky in 1825. He married Martha Herndon in November 1849 in Carroll County, Missouri. They had several children, including Smith, Elizabeth, Annabelle, Herndon, and Mattie. His wife died in 1862.
When he was 13, Ely’s family moved to Missouri. A few years later he became a store boy at Captain William Hill’s business, which later moved to Carrollton, Missouri. William Hill died in 1862, and Ely, having already been made a partner in the business, purchased Hill’s business interest. He continued running the general merchandise store until the late 1870s.

In October 1875, he became a financial agent of William Jewell College and he traveled all over the state to raise money for the institution. In 1892, he was chosen as president of the board of trustees of William Jewell College. He served in that role until his death on June 18, 1897.

**Arrangement:**

The collection has been maintained in its original order.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The collection contains an account of Mrs. Austin with a general merchandise store in Carrollton, Missouri, in 1877.

**Container List:**

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