



American Iron Mountain Company Records (R0003)

Collection Number: R0003

Collection Title: American Iron Mountain Company Records

Dates: 1849-1855

Creator: American Iron Mountain Company

Abstract: The American Iron Mountain Company Records contain the shipping records for the American Iron Mountain Company located in Sainte Genevieve, Missouri. Included are accounts of pig iron received from Iron Mountain and shipments to buyers, and a tally book of ore delivered to the company over the plank road.

Collection Size: (1 roll of microfilm)

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 - Rolla](#). If you would like more information, please contact us at rolla@shsmo.org. Collections may be viewed at any research center.

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Donor Information: The records were donated to the University of Missouri by Ron Thomure on May 9, 1980 (Accession No. RA0003). An addition was made on March 22, 1984 by the Sainte Genevieve Museum (Accession No. RA0212).

Other Finding Aid: A list of merchants and commission agents who received iron from Sainte Genevieve was microfilmed in front of volume one and is also available in the administration folder.

Related Materials: Additional materials related to the American Iron Mountain Company Records can be found in the following collections:

American Iron Mountain Company Metal Hauling Records (R0439)

Sainte Genevieve, Iron Mountain, and Pilot Knob Plank Road Company Records (R0747)

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Historical Note:

The American Iron Mountain Company acquired the Iron Mountain property in St. Francois County, Missouri in 1845 following the demise of the Missouri Iron Company. The new firm, headed by James Harrison of Chouteau, Harrison and Valle of St. Louis, build cold blast furnaces at Iron Mountain in 1846 and 1850, and added the first hot blast stacks west of the Mississippi River in 1854. The furnaces produced only pig iron, which was hauled by wagon from Iron Mountain east through Farmington to the shipping point at Sainte Genevieve. This heavy traffic stimulated construction of the Iron Mountain, Pilot Knob, and Sainte Genevieve Plank Road in 1858. The American Iron Mountain Company operated at Iron Mountain until 1893.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged in its original order in two folders.

Scope and Content Note:

The American Iron Mountain Company Records contain the shipping records for the American Iron Mountain Company located in Sainte Genevieve, Missouri. Volume 1 is a 'pig iron account' containing chronological entries for the amounts of iron delivered by various hauled at Sainte Genevieve. Shipments of iron to buyers and commission merchants are also recorded, and include the names of the steamboats and barges, which took the iron from Sainte Genevieve. Chouteau, Harrison and Valle were the primary recipients, but there were several shipments of metal to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and Louisville, Kentucky. Volume 2 is a tally book or ledger containing daily entries of the amount of iron ore delivered by haulers for the company.

Container List:

Roll 1	v. 1	Pig iron account, 1849-1853
	v. 2	Tally book, 1852-1855

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