

Pensacola Railroad Company Collection (MC 334)

Organizational Note

The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company was incorporated in 1850.

The Alabama & Florida Railroad Company of Florida was incorporated in 1853, and later sold to the Pensacola & Louisville Railroad Company (created in 1868). This in turn was sold to the Pensacola Railroad Company (created in 1877), which was eventually transferred to the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company.

The South & North Alabama Railroad Company was incorporated by an act of the Alabama Legislature in 1854. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company purchased most of its stock.

The Selma & Gulf Railroad Company, incorporated in 1858, subsequently became the Pensacola & Selma Railroad Company, and its stock was transferred to the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company.

The Pensacola & Atlantic Railroad was chartered in 1881. The official groundbreaking ceremonies in Pensacola on August 22, 1881 brought into focus the importance of the West Florida enterprise and its relationship with the expanding Louisville & Nashville Railroad. The Pensacola & Atlantic Railroad ceased operating as an independent line on July 1, 1885 when it was incorporated into the Louisville and Nashville system.

Scope and Content

This collection consists of annual reports and charters of various interrelated railroad companies and an annual report of the American Railway Master Mechanics Association.

1870s-1880s 1 box (.3 l.f.)

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Box and Folder List

Box 1

Folder 1 - American Railway Master Mechanics' Association, Twelfth Annual Report (1879)

Folder 2 - Charters of the Selma & Gulf Railroad Company...Pensacola & Selma Railroad Company...Pensacola Railroad Company, and its Predecessors, Commencing with the Alabama & Florida Railroad Company (1879)

Folder 3 - South & North Alabama Railroad Company, Annual Report (1881)

Folder 4 - Rail Road Commissioners of Alabama, First Annual Report (1881)

Folder 5 - An Act to Incorporate Pensacola & Atlantic Railroad Company, including text of previous Acts, and By-Laws of Pensacola & Atlantic Railroad Company (March 1881)

Folder 6 - Address by the president of the Pensacola & Atlantic Railroad Company (July 1881)

Folder 7 - Pensacola & Atlantic Railroad Company, First Annual Report (1882)

Folder 8 - W. D. Chipley (General Manager Pensacola R.R.), Pensacola (The Naples of America) and its Surroundings Illustrated (1882[?])

Folder 9 - Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, Annual Report (1881)

Folder 10 - Legislative History of the Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company (post-1880)

Folder 11 - Lands Granted Railroads, Letter from the Secretary of the Interior, in response to a resolution of the House of Representatives relative to lands granted by the government to certain railroads (March, 1882)