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Object ID	3.001.288	Accessn/Loan	2015.424	
Object Name	Manuscript	Source	Hiram E. Deats Bequest	
Other Name		Catalog Date	10/20/2025	
Other No		Cataloged by	Rotunno, Ann	
Old No		Date		
Title	B.A. Sorby Collection	Year Range	1857-1967	
Location	Archives Building: A: 17			
Description	Contains mostly photographs, and two paper items; with principal photographic subjects being Flemington residences, churches and street scenes, and principal paper items being stocks from Flemington companies, Amwell Presbyterian Church transcription of subscriptions. This collection would be of interest to people interested in Flemington residential and commercial architecture and churches of the period.			

Identity Statement & Context

Name of Creator	Reference Code	NJFLHI5380
Other Creators		
Creator Added Entry		
Dates of Creation	Administrative Biographical History	This collection was created by then-director, Berthold A. Sorby, from photographs curated from the Hiram E. Deats bequest of 1963, and from documents he collected.
Dates of Accumulation	Archival History	
Extent and Medium of The Unit of Description	Event	
Site		
Additional Sites		

Structure & Conditions of Access

Appraisal Destruction & Scheduling Information	System of Arrangement	Other
Accruals	Disposition date	
Conditions	Disposition	
Access conditions: Manuscript		

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LanguageEnglish

Finding AidsIn Vertical File

Allied Materials & Description Control

Existence and Location of Originals

Existence and Location of Copies

Archivist's Name

Archivist's Notes

Rotunno, Ann

Removed photo of R.S. Kuhl residence that had been missing from Photo collection.

Related Units of Description in this Repository

Associated Materials in other Repositories

Rules or Conventions

Date(s) of Descriptions

June of 2025

Container List

Location	Container	Folder	Title	Description	Date
A17	01	01	Flemington Stock Certificates	Two certificates from the Flemington Water Company (five shares to George A. Evans and two shares to Lambert Boeman) and one for 60 shares in the Flemington Industrial Improvement Company to John B. Hopewell.	1860-1902
A17	01	02	Amwell Presbyterian Church Papers	Transcriptions of papers regarding the church's subscriptions and other matters	1753-1851
A17	01	03	Photo of Early Sketch of Flemington		1800
A17	01	04	Photo of Amwell German Baptist Church	White church building, two men standing in front next to a low stone wall. On verso: "See Democrat-Advertiser Oct. 17, 1901 articles by J.M. Hoppock. Amwell German Baptist Church, 1733-1901. Building shown here erected in 1856. In 1733 settlers from Germantown PA settled near Headquarters (now Grover) forming 2nd denomination of this denomination in America. ... constituting the first organized religious body in what is now known as Delaware Township."	1901

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A17	01	05	Photo of Unknown Society of Men	24 men posing in three rows. All wear winter coats and hats over suits. Text on verso: Lucius Wakeley Chicago O. Warner ... Chicago W.W. King ... Chicago J. Wilson ... Chicago F. W. Irving ... Boston H. D. Badgeley ... Detroit, Mich. S. B. Sanford ... Toronto, Canada J. Simpson ... Peoria, Ill. F. C. Tapping ... New York W. C. Longharty ... Columbus, O. H. O. Webb ... Council Bluffs M. M. Marshall ... Council Bluffs H. E. Keller ... Allentown, Pa. H. D. Macks ... Rock Island E. D. Sadd ... Chicago A. H. Gancey ... St. Paul J. H. Bennet ... St. Paul F. Weatherald ... Schenectady F. H. Griggs ... Chariton, Iowa H. J. Kenyon ... St. Paul R. H. C. Smith ... Cleveland, Ohio J. F. McElroy ... La Crosse, Wis. J. C. Bloward ... Minn. J. D. Ten Broeck ... East Albany	n.d.
A17	01	06	Hunterdon County Clerk's and Surrogates' Offices	Photocopy of photo in folder 18	n.d.
A17	02	07	Photo of Deats Building	Three-story brick Federal-style building, ground floor contains Flemington Reform Club and Nevius and Pedrick Clothiers.	n.d.
A17	02	08	Photo of Hunterdon County Court House	Courthouse with several men sitting and standing outside on steps and leaning out of third-story windows.	n.d.
A17	02	09	Photo of Baltis Pickel Residence	Victorian/Queen Anne home with wrought iron fence. Woman in striped dress on porch holds up a cat for the camera. Several other people stand on the lawn around the house.	n.d.
A17	02	10	Photo of Flemington Junction Train Depot	Train station with several men outside	ca. 1895
A17	02	11	Photo of Evans Building	Three-story brick building housing John M. Hyde Furniture on ground floor.	n.d.
A17	02	12	Photo of Henry A. Flack Residence	Three-story Victorian with picket fence, snow on the ground and covering the branches of two trees in front of the house.	n.d.
A17	02	13	Main Street, Flemington	Main Street looking north, Evans building with John Hyde Furniture closest to photographer.	n.d.
A17	02	14	Photo of Blackwell Row	Long, two-story wooden building with several shops on first floor, including Kinney's Restaurant.	1897
A17	02	15	Flemington from Mullen Hill	Two views of Flemington from Mullen Hill.	1876

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A17	02	16	Photo of W.E. Emery Residence	Long driveway leads to large three-story home with gardens. Church steeple visible behind the residence.	n.d.
A17	02	17	Photo of Theodore Bellis Residence	Several people pose on the porch of a two-story home surrounded by trees.	n.d.
A17	02	18	Photo of Hunterdon County Clerk's and Surrogates Offices	Men pose on the steps and sidewalk in front of the two-story brick building. Dentist sign on right side of building.	n.d.
A17	02	19	Photo of a Print of the Presbyterian Church	Photograph of a drawing or painting of a white church with tall spire.	1857
A17	02	20	Photo of Capt. John Shields Residence	Two-story home with columns and a front porch sits behind a circular garden and rows of trees.	n.d.
A17	02	21	Photo of Lambert Humphrey Residence	Three-story Victorian home with wrap-around porch. Young trees on the lawn.	n.d.
A17	02	22	Photo of Methodist Episcopal Parsonage	Three story home sits behind church building. A man stands next to a bicycle outside the fence surrounding the home, and a woman inside the fence holds a child on the corner fence post. Another woman sits on the porch.	n.d.
A17	02	23	Photo of Lake's Hotel	Hotel building with porches on first and second floors. Many men, women, and children stand on the first-floor porch. Bellis & Hill Groceries at far left of frame.	1896
A17	02	24	Photo of Methodist Episcopal Church	Methodist Episcopal Church in Flemington.	n.d.
A17	02	25	Photo of Presbyterian Church	Stone church with spire surrounded by wrought-iron fence and many trees.	n.d.
A17	02	26	Photo of Rev. F.L. Chapell Residence	Rather sprawling three-story home with outbuildings. A man leans on a tree in the large yard in front of the house, near a white flagpole.	n.d.
A17	02	27	Photo of W.E. Emery Residence	Manicured lawns and circular paths in front of a three-story Victorian home with porches. A carriage with two horses and a driver stands outside.	n.d.
A17	02	28	G. Barrett Fishmonger in London, England	Ad for Humphrey Gas Lamps featuring a fishmonger lit up at night. Several men and women stand outside and behind the counter.	n.d.

Appraisal

Minimum value 0.00

Maximum value 0.00

Valuation Date

Acquisition Value 0.00

General Appraisal Processing Priority: High

Notes

Date	Appraiser	Reason	Min. Value	Max. Value	Description
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Condition

Condition		Condition date	
Display Value			
General Condition			
Notes			
Maintenance interval	Never	Maintenance Start Date	07/08/2015
Maintenance Due	Invalid date		
Maintenance Notes			

Lexicon

	Object Name	Object Name 2	Object Name 3
Object Name	Manuscript		
Category	08: Communication Objects		
Classification	Documentary Objects		
Sub-Classification	Other Documents		
Primary	Manuscript		
Secondary			
Tertiary			
Other Names		Nomenclature 2 Legacy Information	
		Category	
		Subcategory	

Location

Last Inventoried by	Last Inventoried		
Home Location			
Building	Archives Building	Shelf	
Room	A	Drawer	
Wall	17	Container	
Cabinet		Other	
Latitude	Longitude	Azimuth	Dataset

Location History

Type	Date	From	Until	Location	By
Home	10/20/2025 7:37 PM			Archives Building: A: 17	Karen Riedeburg
Home	11/05/2023 7:48 AM			A9.4	Unknown

People, Subjects, Classification, Search Terms

People	Sorby, B.A. "Bert"; Shields, John (Capt.); Bellis, Theodore; Pickel, Baltus; Fluck, Henry A.	Classification	No Data
Subjects	Architecture, Domestic--United States.; Flemington (N.J.)--History--20th century--Pictorial works.; Churches; Financial records; Buildings	Search Terms	Amwell Presbyterian Church; Blackwell Row; Lake Hotel (Flemington); Mullen Hill; George A. Evans Building; Hunterdon County Courthouse

Source

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