

**James Archbald Papers**  
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**James Archbald Biography (1793-1870)**

James Archbald was born in Ayrshire on the west coast of Scotland on March 3, 1793. He grew up on Little Cumbray Island on the sheep farm of his parents, James and Mary Ann Woodrow Archbald, and at age fourteen immigrated to America with his parents.

In 1817 Archbald became a contractor on the Erie Canal, building the section that ran through the family farm. Chief engineer John Jervis, impressed by the young man, offered him a position. After completion of the Erie, Jervis took on the task of building the Delaware and Hudson Canal, first as an assistant to Benjamin Wright in 1825, then as chief engineer from 1827 to May 1830. He remained as a consultant for another year. Jervis appointed Archbald as an engineer on the D&H canal, which was opened in October 1828. Archbald moved to Carbondale in 1828 to continue work as a civil and mining engineer for the D&H; he subsequently became superintendent of works. He played a prominent role in the engineering of the gravity railroad and in coal mining operations, while Russel Lord became chief engineer on the canal.

When the Pennsylvania Coal Company began designing its gravity railroad during the second half of the 1840s, Archbald was hired to survey the route in 1848 then supervise its construction in 1849 and 1850. From this point until his resignation from both the D&H and the PCC at the end of 1853, he worked for both companies. After his resignation "from the fatigue of business," he went west. He was appointed a vice president of the Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad, working for his old boss, John Jervis. Archbald remained with the MSNI for two years, building a stretch of road from Toledo to Indianapolis.

In 1856 Archbald became general agent and chief engineer of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad (DL&W), where he supervised the construction of the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg branch. He remained with the DL&W the rest of his life and died on August 26, 1870, at the age of 77.

Archbald was a high-ranking official with the four companies he was predominately involved with and was intimately involved in policy making. Archbald was married and had children.

### **Scope and Content Note (1826-1925, bulk 1842-1855 with significant gaps)**

The James Archbald Papers contain predominately Letters Received by Archbald relating to his employment with the Delaware and Hudson Co. from 1826 through the early 1850s, the Pennsylvania Coal Company from the late 1840s to the early 1850s, The Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad from 1852 through 1855, and, in much smaller quantity, from the Delaware, Lackawanna, and Western Railroad from 1854 and 1855. The Papers also contain personal financial documents and some personal correspondence to and from family members. The papers are contained in three record boxes and one manuscript box and are arranged in seven series, although the series designations are not included on the folders.

The type of material in the collection is very important for documenting company policy during the 1840s and 1850s. Archbald received letters from high-ranking officials within the companies for which he worked including substantial correspondence with company presidents. The D&H material has a substantial amount of incoming correspondence from President John Wurts, the PCC material has substantial incoming correspondence from two company presidents, Irad Hawley and John Ewen. The presidential correspondence contains substantive material on company policy concerning labor, technological innovation, quality control, finances, and competition within the industry. During the late 1840s Archbald became involved with the Washington Coal Association which eventually became the Pennsylvania Coal Company. The PCC formed with the involvement of numerous D&H officials some of whom became hostile toward their previous employer, as disagreements and conflict between the two companies arose. Since Archbald's outgoing correspondence is not available is difficult to discern his loyalties. However, he became more involved with PCC affairs in the late 1840s and gradually separated himself from the D&H, although incoming letters from John Wurts indicate that Archbald was still considered loyal to that company and he remained employed by both firms. At the same time, however, incoming correspondence from PCC officials also indicate that Archbald was privy to that company's growing hostility to the D&H. As misunderstandings and antagonism grew between the two companies, Archbald left both companies, and the area, and took a position with his mentor John Jervis as vice president of the MSNI. Archbald was in charge of the construction of stretch of road from Toledo to Indianapolis and the 11 folders concerning the MSNI are full of construction details and information concerning company affairs, including many letters from John Jervis. In early 1855 the correspondence concerning the Michigan Southern ends and there is one folder concerning Archbald's employment by the DL&W. Archbald would spend the rest of his career with this Railroad but his papers only document his first couple years with the firm.

There is also a substantial amount of material concerning Archbald personal finances including real estate documents. Because the Delaware and Hudson was constrained by Pennsylvania law from owning more than a certain amount of coal land, company officials often purchased land in their own name and then sold the land at a loss reserving access to underground mineral rights for the D&H. Consequently, some of the real estate documents may be important for tracing D&H real estate maneuvers. Within these folders there are also some documents that are clearly related to his employment with the D&H and the PCC. There is a small amount material related to the Lackawanna Institute and correspondence with George Catlin, primarily relating to James Archbald's estate. There is a folder with a substantial amount of personal correspondence addressed to Augusta Archbald (Archbald's daughter). Finally, there is one envelope with a substantial number of railroad passes from a wide variety of railroads.

The original arrangement of the papers has been substantially retained. The papers were grouped chronologically in bundles. Consequently, since Archbald worked for the D&H and the PCC at the same time, there is some mixing of correspondence. Likewise, some company

documents are mixed in with personal financial material. Time limitations, as well as a concern about disrupting internal evidence, prevented a more thorough rearrangement of the material.

**Series Description**

Series 1 Delaware and Hudson Co., Box 1 Folders 1-23, Box 2 Folders 7, 8, 18, 19, 23, 25. There also assorted individual documents in other folders.

Series 2 Washington Coal Association. Box 1 Folders 24-29.

The Washington Coal Association eventually became the Pennsylvania Coal Company, consequently there is correspondence relating to the construction of the Washington Coal Association infrastructure as well as the Pennsylvania Coal Company in these files.

Series 3 Pennsylvania Coal Company. Box 2 Folders 1-6, 9-17, 20-25.

Series 4 Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad. Box 2 Folders 26-36.

Series 5 Delaware, Lackawanna, & Western Railroad. Box 2, Folder 37

Series 6 Personal, Financial, and Real Estate Documents 1830s-1880s, 1925. Box 3, Folders 1-33, Box 4, Seven Account Books.

The series contains material related to Archbald personal finances and real estate holdings as well as a mixture of business related documents. There is also one folder related to the Lackawanna Institute and one folder of personal correspondence received by Archbald's daughter, Augusta. There is material related to Archbald's estate, including letters received by George Catlin, Archbald's son-in-law. Finally there are account books from the 1860s and early 1870s. There is one item discussing family genealogy from 1925.

Series 7 Railroad Passes. Box 4, One Envelope.

## Box and Folder List

### Box 1

Box 1 contains predominately Letters Received by Archbald from Delaware and Hudson Company officials from 1826 to 1850, with the bulk of the material from the 1840s. There are very few outgoing letters from Archbald and these are in the form of drafts. The incoming correspondence details company finances and policies. There is also a substantial amount of information concerning Archbald's supply requests for railroad construction and mine operation. There are substantial gaps in the correspondence, in fact almost entire years are missing. Numbers in parentheses indicate the number of items in the folder. This was not done for all folders. The summaries give some indication of the authors and topics included in the folder but should not be considered definitive.

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| Folder 1 | 1826-27 (5 items)<br>3 letters (1 from Wm Wurts) and two D&H receipts.  |
| Folder 2 | 1828-29 (6 items)<br>6 letters: Charles Cook defending contracting work, Isaac Platt, 2 Russell Lord: flood and repairs, 2 Wm Wurts letters of intro for job applicants.  |
| Folder 3 | 1831-33 (18 items) 2 torn in half.<br>letters: Hugh Brown, 3 John Wurts letters of intro stockholders, Edward Miller about gravity railroad, response from Archbald, Samuel Reynolds, Hugh Brown, J. Williams/Jonathan Steele, Jonathan Steele. Other items: mine account (men, horses, cost), 1831-32 miner payroll, 1832 D&H toll rates, 1833 tolls, 1833 mining and coal transport costs, other receipts.  |
| Folder 4 | 1835-38 (13 items)<br>John Smith drawing and proposal for rail car door fastenings from Little Schuylkill, John Rodger, Bouch?, Wm. Frothingham. Assorted receipts and accounts.  |
| Folder 5 | 1835, 1849-50 (5 items)<br>four letters from P. Hastie, 1835 about canal construction, 4 from 49-50 concern his health and recovery in the Caribbean.   |
| Folder 6 | 1841 (3)<br>letter from J. William D&H treas. 2 from A.G Hazard & Co. concerning powder.  |
| Folder 7 | Dec 1841-Nov 1842, Jan 1843 (36) John Wurts<br>letters from John Wurts on D&H letterhead. Land purchases, financial matters, on-going concern about rope and its cost, and about manilla versus Italian hemp. Railroad iron, sizes, prices. Many of the letters respond to unavailable letters from Archbald and reply to Archbald's specific material requests. 5-30 comments about whale oil purchases and imported mine road iron which must be laid down by 3-43 so they can provide the "laying down certificate" also concern about the very dull coal trade. 7-5 coal market poor "working now for the benefit of miners and boatmen." Other labor items and state of coal trade. 8-11 Lord plans for canal expansion in 43. |

- Folder 8 Jan 1842-June 1842 (27)  
Letters from Lord about iron. Wm. Wurts about land purchases. Maurice Wurts about land and coal sizes. Treas. J. Williams about purchases. Winthrop & Loftin Powder. A&G Hazard: powder and fuses, worried about losing D&H business. Hendriks: supply shipments. Masters Swift & Co powder. Slocum: deed. Jacob Loomis: powder.
- Folder 9 Feb 1842- Dec 1842 (30)  
Hazard: powder. Hendriks: railroad iron. Williams: purchases. Irad Hawley report: Schuylkill mining conditions. Shipping lists/bills from Von Beck and from Masters Swift & Co (powder) and from J. Hendricks. Earl Wheeler: canal damage claim. Maurice and Williams letters about stranded railroad iron. Stillman & Co.: engines. A.G. Hazard & Co. powder.
- Folder 10 Feb 1844-Nov 1844 (22) John Wurts  
Letters from John Wurts. Petitions against D&H. Platt becomes VP. Rope evaluations. Railroad work. Local political problems. Nepotism. Breaking coal. Labor trouble at the mines. Court case. Coal prices and labor market. Copy of letters from Battin concerning coal breaker license. Coal field laborer strike. Lawsuit. Copies of letters of Charles Ellet concerning atmospheric railroad with comments by Wurts.
- Folder 11 Dec 1843-April 1844 (13)  
Deed. Lord. E. Kingsbury: political situation and hearing in Harrisburg, as well as local meeting in Carbondale with drunk miners. Loomis: powder. J. Williams. M. Wurts with letter from Battin: breaker. Pitkin: powder.
- Folder 12 May 1844-August 1844 (24)  
Wm Dimmick concerning lawsuit. J. Williams accounts. Samuel Pitkin powder. J. Hendriks: powder. A. H. Pomroy letter of intro for W. Henry Perkins who is taking over account for deceased Samuel Pitkins. Seymour Sec'y: supplies. Pitkin: powder! Loomis, Swift & masters powder. Isaac Platt V.P.: ropes/Tucker Cooper & Co. Platt iron and Schuylkill/Lehigh strike. Platt: land deal. Platt: labor and coal market. A. Sculler/Fuller? Platt: engines, coal market. M. Wurts and Lord: iron delivery.
- Folder 13 September 1844-December 1844 (32)  
Lafins & Smith powder. Hendriks supplies. Pitkin powder. Platt favorable results from Senate investigation, reduction of price of oil and powder to miners, supplies, stats, Lackawanna Iron Co. M. Wurts: transportation and breaker. Lord: J. Wurts schedule. Loomis, Swift & Masters powder. Platt: rope and boilers. Lord legal matters. Lord: breaker? W.H. Dimmick politics. Seymour: finances. Seymour, Lackawanna Iron, coal shipments.
- Folder 14 January 1845-December 1845 (34)  
Handbill for coal sales. Platt: local banks and need for property inventory. J. Wurts: banks, rail iron, and labor. Platt supplies. J. Wurts concerned that Archbald has too much responsibility and it will affect his health. Wurts:

Archbald's health and coal sizes. A.H. Pomroy: Sam'l Pitkin estate. Platt: mine wages. Patt: ordering rail iron from Lackawanna Iron co. Platt: brisk coal sales and higher wages, J and M Wurts both in poor health. Wurts: brisk demand for coal and how much more can Archbald supply. Agreement concerning lands Archbald bought and holds for D&H use (D&H has limit: property it can own). Stock enlargement notice. Wurts: labor rumors, land purchases. Copy of letter from John R. White to Wurts concerning labor in Schuylkill. Copy of M. Wurts: Schuylkill and Beaver Meadows wages. More: wages. Platt: miners leaving D&H. Strike at Rondout. Survey of coal lands. Wurts: Cobb's Gap railroad. M. Wurts: Cobb's Gap railroad.

- Folder 15      January 1845-november 1845 (No March or December) (27)  
All from Treasurer Seymour.  
Archbald accounts. Deed info. Purchases. Sending bank drafts. Coal shipments. 8-6 towpath breach. Drought affecting business. Rope. Spring steel. Steam boilers. Powder. M. Wurts becomes paymaster.
- Folder 16      January 1845-December 1845 (12)  
Pomroy: Pitkin estate. Hendriks: Lackawanna Iron. Burrows bill. Horatio Allen: plates. S. Meylert: property. Hendriks: rope and drought. Wetworth: bolts. Bill from Beldent & Co. Woodward & McClintock letter of recommendation for Bowman.
- Folder 17      January 1845-December 1845 (12) Powder  
A.E. Douglass, sec'y. Laflins & Smith. Loomis, Swift & Masters. A. G.Hazard. C.G. Taylor.
- Folder 18      1846 (2)  
Platt, land purchase for Washington Coal Co. Platt: concerns about Washington Coal.
- Folder 19      January, August-December 1847 (12)  
M. Wurts: land purchases. W. Wurts: coal land purchases for the Association. Platt rope order. C. Wurts: coal property purchases. Hagarty: lands purchases. Lord water power.
- Folder 20      1847-1849 William Griffith (14)  
Letters from Griffith concerning property purchases, local opposition to D&H, PA Coal Co., political intelligence concerning possible PA senate investigation of D&H. Comments: recommended engineers, Roebing etc. Details: coal seams. One letter from J.P. Morris & Co. to Griffiths concerning an engine.
- Folder 21      January-April 1848 (28)  
J. Wurts: gathering political info and land. Seymour: land and canal expansion. M. Wurts: land. Lofgren's personal plight. J. Wurts: handbills and legislative investigation. Lord: investigation. E.M. Townsend & Co: new wire rope factory in Trenton. W. Lukman: senate investigation and bribery. J. Wurts: senate and hostile Benedict. Fells Porter: Cobb's Gap railroad. Seymour: supplies. Lathrop: grain problem. J. Wurts: new trouble in Harrisburg. J.: distributing broadsides. J.: iron, rope, etc.

- Folder 22      May-August 1848 (44)  
 Renwick blast furnace. W. Wurts travel plans. J.: coal delivery delays due to loading problems at Honesdale due to lack of rope. Seymour supplies. J.: property account for state. J.: ropes. Habicht: Lofgren. W. H. Dimmick: court. Burk complaining of coal quality with J. note pointing out the problem to Archbald. Stephen Torrey?: property survey. David Wetmore importing iron. J. considering retirement. J.: concern about D&H image in Wilkes-Barre. A.G. Stout?: Renwick. Wetmore: iron. Lord: press strategy. Archbald: property. V.P. John Ewen: tax sale property and rope machine. Platt: tax sale property. J. Wurts: tax sale property apparently Wm Wurts fault. (Apparently, the company forgot to pay taxes: some parcels of coal land. Wm Wurts was to pay the taxes but didn't in time and the property was sold to outside interests. The D&H was able to buy the property back, but J. dismissed Wm. And ordered a complete list of properties drawn up so it wouldn't happen again.) Seymour: supplies. Ewen: Tucker, Cooper rope. M. Wurts: "languid" coal market. Loomis, etc: powder. Stillman & Co.: engines. Land survey.
- Folder 23      September-December 1848 (28)  
 Ewen: Cooper rope problems. W. Wurts: taxes and properties. Charles Dupuy: wire screens. Headley & Co.: iron. Henry Dart: rowdy tenants. Dimmick: damage claim. Dupuy: coal sizes and screens at Rondout. Ewen: finances and rope. Loomis, Swift & masters: powder. Dupuy with sketch of earth hoisting machine. Headley & Williams Co: reusing old wire rope. J. Wurts concern over loading machinery and Honesdale and coal market. Tucker, Cooper: rope. Lord: taxes. H. Hayes: reserving basin lot. Andrew McClintock: Washington Coal co. right-of-way. Lord: telegraph line. Wm Griffith: right-of-way.
- Folder 24      1848-1849 Washington Coal Co. and/or Pennsylvania Coal Co.(33)  
 Assortment of accounts, bills, and contracts relating to lawsuits between the Washington Coal Co. and/or the Pennsylvania Coal Company with James O'Brian, Robert Eaton, Patrick Johnson, Franklin Blair.
- Folder 25      1848 Washington Coal Co. (14)  
 Flour and Pork Purchases.
- Folder 26      1848-49 Washington Railroad Section Construction Bids (38)  
 Combination of filled-in bid forms and letters, a few drawings included.
- Folder 27      Undated Washington Railroad Section Construction Bids (70)  
 Mostly filled-in bid forms and a few letters.
- Folder 28      1848 Washington Coal co. Bills, Receipts, Work statistics.(27)
- Folder 29      1849 (12)  
 Henry Drinker: property, finances, and banking. Letter from Archbald about resident engineer job description. Andrew McClintock: deed. Henry Marmie?: iron. Irad Hawley: financial moves necessary to complete new road, supplies, and office building. Seymour: supplies.





**Box 2**

Box 2 contains Letters Received by Archbald from Delaware and Hudson Company officials, Pennsylvania Coal Company officials, Michigan Southern and Northern Indiana Railroad Company Officials, and a small selection of material concerning the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad. The D&H material is rather limited since Archbald had begun devoting most of his time to the PCC. The PCC material is similar to D&H material in that Archbald was receiving letters from company officials concerning policy and finances. There is also substantial documentation of his supply requests. In 1852 Archbald began work with the MSNI and eventually ceased his arrangements with the D&H and PCC. The material included in the MSNI files is similar to that from his previous corporate affiliations. Finally, there is a small amount of material from Archbald's career with the DL&W.

- Folder 1            January-February 1850 (33)  
 Boundary line drawing of a PA Coal Co. parcel. Hawley: wire rope, road costs, powder. Habicht: lost wire rope. J. Howarth: iron and right-of-way dispute. W.R. Maffett: construction. Hawley: calculating new toll schedule. Hawley: Wyoming Coal Association. Hawley: immigrant labor. David Lloyd: mining progress. Maffett: mining and Lloyd's drunken dance. Howarth: mining. Nash: mail delivery. Maffett railroad construction progress. Maffett: lawyers, D&H enemies, worker housing, and Lloyd's drinking. Griffith: Pa Coal Co.
- Folder 2            March 1850 (30)  
 C. Carroll Smith Pa. Coal Co. sending bill for iron to Archbald. Hawley: Roebling wire rope. C. Smith note appended to letter from Hawley: Roebling rope. Hawley: coal market. Archbald: railroad progress. Hawley: bill to repeal charter of Honesdale bank. Wm Silkman wondering why he was fired. Maffett: hiring new men. Hawley: screening coal and boating season. Charles Cambell to J. Mead concerning Archbald and Maffett. S.D. Ward: run: Honesdale bank. Hawley: canal improvements and banking. Hawley: tolls. Smith with PA Coal iron bill. Maffett: construction. Hawley: finances and Lloyd the drunk. Jason Allabach: shaft platform placement problem. Hawley: tolls for people using their own cars: part of the road, as permitted by charter. Hawley: boat rentals. Hawley analysis of road charter.
- Folder 3            April 1850 (27)  
 Wm. Wurts about eviction. Hawley: canal construction and breaking coal. Hawley: finances and coal. John Ewen: advertising for boatmen. Hawley: tolls and boats. Hawley: Archbald's confusion over tolls. Maffett: plane construction. Ewen: renting boats for the season. Ewen and Hawley both discuss Roebling wire rope. Hawley: problems with Moffat.
- Folder 4            January-April 1850 (23)  
 Seymour: wire rope delivery. Tracy concerning telegraph stock. Cornell about telegraph. Wm. Mott concerning job. Seymour: iron transport. Harry Hackty coal land offer. Dimmick about deed. L.A. Sykes: boat rentals and sales. Flyer: coal sale conditions. J.J. Lefever: old rope. Thomas Gannon seeking a job. Lord: arranging toll collection. M. Wurts: need for coal to keep boatmen employed. C.

S. Wurts: sale of coal lands and: keeping the acting pres. out of the negotiations. Seymour: need for coal at Roundout. Lord: schedule for first coal shipments of season.

- Folder 5      May and September 1850 (18) PA Coal Co. related  
 Hawley: boat rentals. Hawley: why Maffett fired Depuy. Hawley: Roebling failing to deliver ropes: time. Ewen: belting delivery. Hawley: need for more coal and buying coal from other operators to keep boats employed. Hawley: Archbald's position in both D&H and PCC. Many letters: coal shortage. Archbald appointed PCC Inspector of Election. Martin Green commenting: Archbald's recovery. Sixteen of these items are from May, 2 from Sept, incl. the letter from Green.
- Folder 6      October-December 1850 (31) PA Coal Co. related  
 Ewen: Maffett's termination. Wm Griffith: Mofat, Archbald had been: crutches. Dimmick: liens. Hawley with lots of questions. Hawley: Maffett. Hawley: details of plane construction; blames Maffett and his inefficient engineers for many blunders, includes drawing of plane. Ewen: coal quality and plane. Hawley: billing problem. Ewen: breakers. Hawley: screening capacity and Archbald's health. Matthew Kennedy looking for a job. Hawley long letter: many topics, incl poor quality Roebling wire. Maffett looking for recommendation from Archbald. Butler seeking job. E. H. Fish: operational matters. 12-26 Hawley applying to legislature for PA Coal to but out Washington Coal Assoc. lands. E. J. Hawley to C. Wurts about railroad iron. Ewen: coal shipments.
- Folder 7      May-August 1850 (16) D&H related  
 Loonis, Swift & Masters powder invoices. Seymour: supplies. J. Wurts: sluggish coal market and labor costs. J. Wurts: High Falls and screens. J. Wurts: trying to get accurate info from PA Coal. Laflins & Smith: powder. E. Cornell: telegraph.
- Folder 8      September-December 1850 (21) D&H related  
 Seymour: Archbald selling D&H stock to pay off Pennsylvania and Wyoming Coal stock. Dimmick: Stanton deed. J. Wurts: C. Wurts salary. A. G. Hazard: improvements to his powder plant. J. Wurts: buying coal from Hollenback and screens at Hawley. Seymour: land purchase. A. E. Douglass: powder. Laflins & Smith: powder. Lord: land trade. J. Wurts: selling PA Coal coal. Dupuy: mules and harnesses. Lord: supplies.
- Folder 9      1851 Letters from E. J. Hawley Ass't treasurer PA Coal Co. (10)  
 Drunken fights and need for temperance society in Hawley. Rubber pipe and Roebling wire. Lard oil until cold weather and sperm whale oil in winter for engine lubrication. Irad Hawley ill but recuperating. Rubber pipe. Powder. Wyoming Coal transfers assets to PA Coal.
- Folder 10     1851 John Roebling Letters (2)  
 Archbald's illness and wire rope. Wire rope comparison.
- Folder 11     January-February 1851 Irad Hawley letters (18)

Purchasing problems, mining. Land purchases. Cold weather problems. Evaluating mines. Detailed questions: track layout. Coal and boat production, tension with D&H. discussion of size of work force. Rock cutting should be advertised to lower cost thru competition, cost of meals. Freight transport and contract. Accounting procedure for paying runners by ton. Archbald's resignation from D&H.

- Folder 12      March-April 1851 Irad Hawley (19)  
Farnham's saw mill. Roebing wire. Lard oil. Mine accident and breakers. Mules. Breakers. Tolls. Mine labor. Breakers and coal quality—long. Quality of coal and ferry use. Roebing vs Hablicht wire. Freight tolls.
- Folder 13      May-June 1851 Irad Hawley (18)  
Mixing Dunmore coal with Pittston to even out quality. Weighing freight and steamer coal. Should PA Coal contract out its mines? Bad coal complaints. Coal market and need to cut costs. Labor cuts, land sales, wire rope. Land transfers.
- Folder 14      July-August 1851 Irad Hawley PCC (4)  
Land transactions. Coal production. Powder.
- Folder 15      January-July 1851 John Ewen PCC (27)  
Need to produce 350,000 tons of coal this year. Coal, cars, and breakers. Wages and breakers. 3-24 Archbald appointed chief engineer. Pittston or Hawley for breaker. J.B. Smith: railroad injury. Coal quality & D&H concerns. Use of bituminous by PCC. Coal quality, shipment schedules and land purchases. Breakers. Coal production and delivery. D&H complaints over bad PCC coal.
- Folder 16      August-December 1851 Mostly John Ewen PCC (19)  
Tunnel at Pittston. Marketing and quality. Breaker in operation mentioned 8-26. Cost of mining and transport. Limiting use of poor Dunmore coal. Buckey coal sales contract. Cutting expenses and men. Waste involved in breakers. Theodore Strong: coal land for sale. Poor quality contract coal, better to only ship PCC mined coal. Apprehension about next season's business. Complaints about Haggerty and other personnel problems. Boating problems; water and assignment of boats. Coal quality, breakers. Pittston mine production. Pumps. Breaker foundation being laid 12-30.
- Folder 17      1851 Letters Received, Many Correspondents (35)  
Howarth, ??? & Co, pipe proposal. Andrew McClintock: rumor that Archbald is financing a PCC office building. Ralin: Penn Hospital discharge of Patrick McLean. Wm. H. Alexander: pipes. Dupuy?: property survey. J. B. Smith: boiler repair. John Hosie: Thomkins mineral rights. Pastor E. Edward: petition for lot for Welsh Baptist church. J. R. Bloom: opening coal veins. John Torrey: account mix up. Hosie: powder. P. Reaves: quantity of coal archbald wants broken, he is loading 456 tons daily. W. & J. Howarth: proposal for castings. Alexander: property taxes. Loomis, Swift & masters: damaged powder. C. S. Wurts: timber clearing costs. Wilbur Patmore: freight cost at Dunmore. Atty. George Woodward threatening lawsuit for timber removed from land of Thomas Clark. Isaac Platt: transfer of Wyoming Coal Assoc stock to PCC and concern about absentee management. Response to Platt from Archbald concerning proposal that

he move to Hawley. Platt response. Hancock & Foley: flat rails. E. Weston: lowering coal costs. James Bayes: grease. Anonymous note accusing PCC manager Hagerty of being a gambler. Charles Daniels: hiring and discharging practices. E. Weston complaining about his salary and other employees' poor performance. Anson Miller inquiring after land. Wright & Jenkins suing PCC for damages to Houghton Robinson's cellar. Hancock & Foley: rails. James Searle: will PCC pay doctor bill for deceased brother-in-law killed on job. McClintock: Robinson damages.

- Folder 18      January-May 1851 Mostly D&H (32)  
 Seymour: Supplies. H. G. Nash: oats. L.A. Sykes: friction clutching. Wm. Musgrave to Lewis Pugh: freshet damage. Musgrave: request price for Archbald coal property. Circular from Townsend's Depot locomotive manufacturer. Martin Green of the NY & Harlem Albany Extension needs another copy of a reference letter. Wm. Musgrave: coal rights and quantity of coal to break for the year. Musgrave: Archbald's resignation. Lathrop: grain. Archbald to Musgrave: resignation. M. Wurts: defending Lackawanna coal for boilers. Musgrave: Archbald resignation. Dupuy: drawing of proposed new boiler arrangement. Wurts: property deal. Musgrave: proposal for subcontracting toll collection, Patmore petition for toll reduction. Lathrop: grain. Musgrave: purchase of Clarkson and Archbald coal lands, Archbald's resignation still being considered. Dimmick: claim against company for goods destroyed by fire at Honesdale D&H storehouse. Patmore: fire claim. Musgrave: fire claim. Musgrave: scope of investigation by PA Legislature, land purchases, whether PA should take over canal as allowed by charter, whether D&H has forfeited charter by unauthorized acts. Dimmick/Archbald: contract with Seth Eaton to build dam. Musgrave: coal rights, bad quality coal from Hawley. Loomis, Swift, & Masters: powder. Dimmick: fire claim. Sykes: coal contracts. Musgrave: Hollenback proposal to sell coal detailed.
- Folder 19      June-November 1851 (18) Mostly D&H  
 Archbald: Hollenback concerning proposal to sell coal. Loomis, Swift & Masters: powder. Musgrave: lands held in trust for D&H by Archbald. Wm. Dimmick: Jenkins contract, Keen's mill. Dimmick: McGrinnell claim. Musgrave: Hollenback proposal. Sykes: copy of rail iron order to Coalbrookdale Co. Hollenback: accepting changes to proposal. Musgrave: Mason coal land offer, hold until outcome of State investigation. J. Wurts: coal waste and increased cost of rail transport. Archbald?: notes on cost of increasing railroad capacity to 600,000 tons. J. Wurts: Mason land offer. Wm. Wurts to John Smith: deeds. D&H state & county tax bill, 1851.
- Folder 20      1849, 1851-1852 Check Rolls and Purchases PCC (7)  
 Seven check rolls and purchase accounts. One marked Pa Coal CO. Check rolls include names and job titles. Purchases include company and product.
- Folder 21      Nov-Dec 1852 (2) PCC  
 ????: mining problems. John Ewen: breakers, coal for steamers.
- Folder 22      January-March 1853, PCC, many John Ewen (48)

A. Nelson: deed. 63 questions on state of industry. Roebling: rope recommendations. Ewen: reject D&H proposition to mine coal for PCC, best to keep control over company even if it costs more; lans to increase winter coal production; coal land purchases; legislative maneuvers; Pittston Coal Co tunnel. Fuller: land offer. Hacktey: land offer. Ewen: not pleased with Harlan's roposals for dumping plane machinery, may fire him; wire ropes; dividends; deteriorating relations with D&H. Ewen: Harlan; steam ship machiery. Hawley: dividend payment. Ewen: Dunmore machinery moving forward; try to exclude Dunmore coal from steamer coal; coal quality. Ewen: Nash's hotel; coal land purchases; proper screen size for steamer coal. E. J. Hawley: shipment delays. M. Warne: damage claim for Greenville tannery. Ewen: hotel; Stuart axles; coal purchase contract. McClintock: Dolph reservoir survey.

Ewen: steamer coal and Dunmore coal; coal quality; coal land purchases; Phoenix iron & Coal Co.; legislative bill being opposed; Archbald to Scranton & Platt: change needed on a delivery bill. Scranton & Platt: will make change.

Ewen: coal size and quality must be carefully controlled; attempting to keep Stuart working at the iron foundry; legislative maneuvers; comment that PCC is perceived to be a "cloak" to extend D&H power. Ewen: contract cover letter. E. h. Mead: hardware. John Wurts: requesting estimate on D&H coal production cost; fire in mine. Ewen: D&H repudiates contract with PCC; legislative maneuvers. Ewen: legislative maneuvers; land purchases; canal measurements. Gardiner & Van Deburgh: paying a bill. Ewen: Pittston coal contract and circular for the season. Ewen: petition concerning opposition to PCC, comments that opposition comes from D&H. Ewen: coal production plans. John Wurts: coal and sales estimate and comments on restricting production to raise rates, labor problems possible. Ewen: legislation and route for a new road. J> Wurts on labor. J. Wurts: D&H can't afford inclined plane expansion proposed by Archbald. Ewen: suit with D&H. Wm. Musgrave: change in a distribution contract with Cornell on D&H. Ewen: labor concerns, opposition from Cooper/Hewitt to bill in Trenton. E. J. Hawley: legislative update. Ewen: coal tracts and contracts, failure of NJ bill. Ewen: Cornell freight contract. J. R. Priestly Co.: Julius Rider tract. Ewen: need to increase mine production, amendment to contract with D&H in court, bill in NY to extend road. Ewen: coal production, Hewitt and NJ expansion strategy. E. J. Hawley: iron plates, Pittston Coal contract, very brief summary of D&H case. Andrew McClintock: land deal. E.H. Mead: dividend.

## Folder 23

April-June 1853 (33) PCC & D&H

Wm. Warne: damages to tannery by PCC. Wm. Musgrave: request for Archbald to explain why D&H per ton railroad transport expenses are rising. Ewen: coal and land, PCC wins suit with D&H. A. H. Sandford: wire rope. Ewen: need for clean coal. E. J. Hawley: powder, D&H trying to kill PCC bill in NY. T. J. Beckwith: bill. Ewen: storehouse, D&H suit aftermath, Cornell contract. John Cran: railroad repair. Ewen: Townsend pig iron. Ewen: delay in completing screens at Dunmore. Ewen: screen delay will embarrass PCC. McClintock: land assessments. Ewen: screens, wages, roduction. J. Wurts: railroad cost increases. Ewen: boats on the way to be filled, land purchases. Scranton & Platt: coal order. Dickson & Weston: planning to build a sawmill. J. Wurts: Archbald to investigate rail repair expenses—too light iron for the weight of the cars one suspect. Ewen: boats arriving, new contract dispute with D&H brewing. E. J.

Hawley: lard, oil. Ewen: concern over low coal production at Pittston. Ewen: coal production and shipment. Ewen: possibility of strike to be met with wage increase. Ewen: low coal production at Pittston. Ewen: labor and wages, turnout. Ewen: turnout over, wage increase, dirty coal from Dunmore. Musgrave: D&H lumber contract. J. Wurts: Mary Boyer land claim. E. H. Mead: Roebling response to rope order in hand. J. Wurts: James Clark land offer. Scranton & Platt: re bill for hauling iron. Joseph Benjamin: loans, mortgage, insurance.

## Folder 24

July-September 1853 (39)

Ewen: Archbald hurt arm in accident, screening fine coal, miner's housing. Mead: sending canvas, Scranton iron account. Benjamin: Loom affair. Seymour: D&H—wants same iron as PCC from Tuckerman. Dimmick: land sale. Benjamin: leases. Alonzo Phelps: interest in starting school. Andrew McClintock: deeds. Dimmick: subpoena for Archbald. Spencer: locals upset that PCC coal dust is filling up eddies of Lackawaxen. Ewen: PCC might be embarrassed because sales were based on expected coal production and it has fallen short. Seymour: D&H wire and iron purchases. Ewen: coal inspections, contracts. Charles Smith & Co.: samples of coal screens and grates. Loomis, Swift, & Masters: apologizing for late powder shipment. Ewen: in NJ surveying railroad, increase coal production. Ewen: concern over construction costs (see note on back). Ewen: construction account, survey, coal quality. Waller: re judgment against Stone. Ewen: shaft at Pittston not working due to lack of pumps, NJ survey engineer, coal production up. Ewen to Severy: survey results. Wm. Musgrave: response to Archbald. Seymour: confirming Archbald request to see his D&H stock. Ewen: railroad construction costs, bridge over Lackawaxen. A. Severy to Ewen: NJ survey. Ewen: coal production up. Ewen: NJ survey, coal shipping. Ewen: coal production by contractor. Wm. Musgrave: replacing Mr. Clarkson at mines (supt?). W.H. Dimmick: notice to produce letters of ??? Ewen: NJ survey, coal shipments and contracts. Ewen: coal shipments. Ewen: hotel and boat lawsuits, coal production, canal enlargement savings controversy with D&H (will lead to major lawsuit). Ewen: coal shipments. C.F. Lowry: letter enclosed concerning storehouse. Wm. Henry to Wm. Griffith: problems (theft) at Port Griffith storehouse. Ewen: shaft boilers, new road along Bushkill to survey. Ewen: pig iron, boring machine.

## Folder 25

October-December 1853 (19) PCC & D&H

Archbald to Ewen: shaft location, boilers, plan to withdraw from both D&H and PCC to withdraw from the fatigue of business. McClintock: land negotiations. Farnham/Archbald's promissory note. G. A. Hoyt: powder. Ewen: survey for tunnel, qualifications for new mine superintendent, copper prices. Ewen: coal shipments, production, and mine improvements. J. Wurts: quantity of coal to be mined next year considering the destruction by fire of the boatyard contracted to build D&H boats. Ewen: need for more coal from Pittston. Ewen: coal production. E. H. Mead: bellows availability. J. Wurts: uncertainty over Wentz' complaints about D&H and question about who his allies are, concern about impact of Archbald's resignation and request for him to stay. Wm. Musgrave: Benjamin coal tract. Ewen: coal production. Wm. Dimmick: Archbald land purchase. J. Wurts: trying to set up a meeting with Archbald. Howland Fish: Archbald's D&H resignation and his Michigan properties. Scranton: re mid-year account with D&H (account not included). J. Wurts: hope that Archbald can find

Horatio Dupuy a job during Archbald's trip out west. Beckwith Druggists: Insurance.

- Folder 26 1852 & 1853 MSNI (41)  
 Michigan Southern & Northern Indiana Railroad. James Bayes & Co: Through Freight tarriff broadside 1852, MSNI. Supply account, 8-52. Railroad grease manufactures 1852 advertisement and 2 business cards. MSNI board to VP Archbald: VP to hire secret agents to test honesty of conductors. Hugh White: to S. Michigan Telegraph Co. concerning their bid for telegraph contract. Agreement between S. Michigan Telegraph Co. and MS&NI. Hugh White to Joseph Moore: re telegraph contract. H. h. Dodd & Co.: wheat bill. Dodd to Moore: re bill. S. Ming to Moore: re Dodd bill. Rice to Ming: difference between hogs. Bulkley to Rice: hogs. Sisson: hogs. Wm. Hunt: broadside General Regulations of the Road Dept., MS&NI. Geo. Allen, MS telegraph to Jervis: telegraph operational. Allen to White: MS Telegraph agrees to proposition. Allen to Jervis: considerations on telegraph agreement. Wm. Barber, Dayton and MI RR to Jervis: attempt to schedule a meeting. Barber to Jervis: meet to discuss Dayton use of "Middle ground." J. M. Hopkins: board meeting resolution to buy locomotives from B. Folson & Co. hopkis: board resolution appointing Archbald VP 12-2-53. Perkins: land offer in Clayton to build warehouse. Allen & Co. to Cole: build warehouse in Clayton. Geo. Foot: installing air chambers on NY Central cars. Archbald to Jervis: meeting with Barber re Middle ground, barber disappointed. Jervis: re following letter that should be published "of course without names." Jervis: Erie mob, line through PA? List of engines, cost, weight, and miles. Schedules. Menu. Handwritten travel schedule. Jervis: build house. Field: wheel manufacture agreement. Cuyahoga river pontoon dock & drawbridge. Unsigned note: M. Clements to do business. Ticket report form. J.J. McGilvra: attorney business card. Circular: Davenport & Bridges, patent lateral motion car truck.
- Folder 27 January 1854 (22) MS&NI  
 Sheffield Coal & Transportation Co. account. MS&NI: James Archbald account for services rendered. Jervis: Toledo business. Savage: list of vouchers. D&M, line layout. Wells: conductor complaining about transfer. Joseph Linitt?: concerns about impact of railroad construction on his job of draining swamps. Jervis: freight, wood deliveries, Central (newspaper clipping included re Manhattan Railroad Co.) Archbald to McGilord: Young damages case. Jervis: platform cars. Jervis: land fill.....
- Folder 28 February 1854 MS&NI (6)  
 ? to Stuart ?, 2/2/54; Dunning to Jervis, 2/2/54; Jervis to Archbald, 2/6/54; Archbald to Cole, 2/9/54; Noyes to Archbald with draft reply to Archbald, 2/6/54.
- Folder 29 March 1854 MS&NI (27)  
 ? to Moore, 3/6/54; Dodd to Moore, 2/28/54; Dunning to Jervis, 3/13/54; Morton to Archbald, 3/13/54; Jervis to Archbald, 3/16/54; Jervis to Fifield, 3/16/54; Jervis to Raynor, 3/18/54; Stanley to Archbald, 3/23/54; Shaffer to Jervis, 3/24/54; Phelps to Cole, 3/30/54; Jervis to Archbald, 3/25/54; Whitney



and Viele to Archbald (with note insert by Archbald), 3/27/54; Jervis to Dennis, 3/29/54; Jervis to Archbald, 3/29/54; Jervis to Gray, 3/30/54; Richards to Archbald, 3/30/54; Jervis to Archbald, 3/31/54.

- Folder 30 April 1854 MS&NI (42)  
 Jervis to Archbald (3), 4/1/54; Jervis to Cole, 4/3/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/4/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/5/54; Pastor Limbacker to Archbald (with note by Archbald), 4/5/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/6/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/7/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/8/54; Lee to Archbald, 4/10/54; Draft - Jervis to Cole, 4/10/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/11/54; Calvin? to Archbald, 4/11/54; Jervis to Kinney, 4/11/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/12/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/13/54; Dism ? to Porter ?, 4/13/54; Lee to Cole, 4/14/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/14/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/15/54; Jervis to Dennis, 4/15/54; Jervis to Archbald, 4/17/54; Woole ? to Archbald, 4/18/54; Litchfield to Gantley, 4/19/54; Kinney to Stryker (attached note from ? to Archbald 5/22), 4/21/54; Brown to Jervis, 4/21/54; Griswold to Litchfield (attached note - Litchfield to Archbald 5/13), 4/24/54; Draft - Forbes to Cole, 4/27/54; Draft - Forbes to Disbrow, 4/27/54; Draft - Forbes to Moore, 4/28/54; Draft - Disbro to Forbes, 4/28/54; Draft - Moore to Forbes, 5/1/54.
- Folder 30 May 1854 MS&NI (33)  
 Carrole to Jervis, 5/1/54; Forbes to Jervis, 5/3/54; Rannell to Jervis, 5/4/54; Dailing to Cole, 5/4/54; Gove to Cole, 5/4/54; Jervis to Archbald (3), 5/5/54; Jervis to Archbald (2), 5/6/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/8/54; Jervis to Tilton, 5/9/54; Tilton to Jervis, 5/9/54; Dennis to Jervis, 5/9/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/9/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/10/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/11/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/13/54; Thresher to Archbald, 5/13/54; Blits ? to Archbald, 5/13/54; Hopkins to Archbald, 5/15/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/13/54; Jervis to Archbald (reply from Archbald ? 5/16), 5/11/54; Ford to Archbald, 5/16/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/16/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/17/54; Jervis to Archbald, 5/21/54; Gove to Archbald, 5/25/54; Gove to ?, 5/26/54; Hopkins to Archbald, 5/26/54; Gove to Jervis, 5/31/54.
- Folder 32 June 1854 MS&NI (15)  
 Draft - Hayes to ? 6/1/54; Hopkins to Archbald, 6/1/54; Porter to Oatman, 6/1/54; Hopkins to Archbald, 6/3/54; Young, agent to Archbald (responce from McGilvin - no date given); Wirth to Moore (response to Moore from ?), 6/12/54; Jervis to Archbald, 6/15/54; Agent to Archbald, 6/17/54; Jervis to Archbald, 6/17/54; Jervis to Archbald, 6/18/54; Ford to Archbald, 6/21/54; Porter to Archbald, 6/29/54.
- Folder 33 July 1854 MS&NI (16)  
 Emmery to Waite, 7/1/54; Veile ? to Whitney with diagram (2), 7/3/54; Edwards to Jervis, 7/5/54; Olney to Jervis, 7/6/54; Truax to Archbald, 7/10/54; Hastie to Archbald, 7/10/54; Jervis to Archbald, 7/10/54; Jervis to Archbald, 7/15/54; Jervis to Archbald, 7/17/54; Jervis to Archbald, 7/18/54; Smith, agent to Archbald, 7/19/54; Phillips to Archbald, 7/26/54.
- Folder 34 August 1854 MS&NI (30)  
 Jervis to Archbald, 8/11/54; Morris to Archbald, 8/15/54; Damak to Archbald, 8/19/54; Jervis to Archbald, 8/22/54; Litchfield to Archbald, 8/22/54; Sargent to

Archbald, 8/23/54; Sargent to Archbald, 8/24/54; Jervis to Archbald, 8/24/54; Jervis to Sargent, 9/4/54; Jervis to Archbald, 9/8/54; Jervis to Archbald, 9/12/54; Jervis to Archbald, 9/14/54; Sargent to Archbald, 9/16/54; Jervis to Archbald (2), 9/18/54; Jervis to Archbald, 9/20/54; Jervis to Moore, 9/22/54; Jervis to Archbald (2), 9/22/54; Jervis to Archbald, 9/25/54; Jervis to Moore, 9/25/54; Jervis to Archbald, 9/26/54; Jervis to Archbald, 10/5/54; Hopkins to ?, 10/6/54; Jervis to Archbald, 10/9/54; Jervis to Archbald, 10/11/54; Jervis to Archbald, 10/12/54.

## Folder 35

November 1854 MS&NI (37)

Jervis to Archbald, 11/15/54; Hopkins to Archbald, 11/20/54; Jervis to Archbald, 11/20/54; Jervis to Archbald, 11/27/54; Jervis to Archbald (3), 11/29/54; Miller to Archbald (added note from Hollenback), 11/30/54; Jervis to Emmons, 12/1/54; Draft - Jarvis to Moore, 12/1/54; Jervis to Gardner, 12/2/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/2/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/4/54; Draft - Jervis to Moore, 12/4/54; Bowman to Archbald, 12/4/54; Hubbard to Archbald, 12/5/54; Jervis to Archbald (2), 12/6/54; Daniels to Archbald, 12/8/54; Hopkins to Archbald, 12/9/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/9/54; Jervis to Archbald/ 12/10/54; Bowman to Archbald, 12/11/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/15/54; Jervis to Sargent, 12/15/54; Hopkins to Archbald, 12/19/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/20/54; Dickson to Cole, 12/21/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/21/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/27/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/28/54; Jervis to Archbald, 12/30/54.

## Folder 36.

January 1855 MS&NI (16)

Anderson to Archbald, 1/2/55; Jervis to Archbald, 1/3/55; Jervis to Archbald, 1/6/55; Jervis to Archbald, 1/8/55; Jervis to Archbald, 1/11/55; Jervis to Archbald, 1/15/55; Hastie to Archbald, 1/29/55; Jervis to Archbald, 2/1/55; Jervis to Archbald (2), 2/19/55; Jervis to Archbald, 2/21/55; Jervis to Archbald, 3/14/55; Jervis to Archbald, 3/15/55; Jervis to Archbald, 3/20/55; Hastie to Archbald, 11/22/55; Jervis to Archbald, 3/20/55.

## Folder 37

Drafts or Copies of Letters Sent December 1854-1855 DL&W (23)

Iron for Humphrey. To George Phelps: trestling to Factoryville is safe, land fills. To Phelps: SM&NI wants to buy 15,000 tons of coal for steam boats. 16 point analysis of Dotterer's annual report. To Phelps: need to make coal calculations. Suggestions relating to coal business. To Phelps: coal contractor problems, Belleview shaft alterations, question about uniformity of coal quality across different basins. To Phelps: comments on treasurers report. To Phelps?: Belleview progress, rail chairs and charcoal iron. To Phelps: new coal contract with Rutkins? And Co. To Phelps: change in coal shipment schedule. To Phelps: B.F. Sawyer's coal road location. To Phelps: plans for mining and railroad improvements for the near future. To Phelps: securities, purchases of houses. To Phelps: detailed answers to a series of questions from Phelps, but letter with questions is not in collection. to Jason Parker: unlikely that DL&W will deliver coal west of Syracuse. To Phelps: great mistakes made in Summit to Ithaca line, need to expand boat docks, steam boats. To Phelps: response to questions, railroad chairs, hollow axles. To Phelps: making coal cars in Ithaca, Ithaca real estate valuation, right of way in NY, type of engines needed, cast iron strength testing machine completed, Belleview mine. To Phelps: concern about safety of safe in Ithaca office. To Phelps: mining business delayed for want of cars

because of boats delayed by weather in Ithaca, demand for lump coal. To Moses Taylor: report of damage done to PCC railroad by DL&W at Dunmore. To Phelps: problems with Engine Lehigh, Moosic considered 1<sup>st</sup> rate engine, rail chairs. Construction estimate grading sec. 9.

**Box 3**

Box 3 of the Archbald papers contains primarily personal material and personal financial material. Nonetheless, occasional company documents appear and a number of Archbald's financial and real estate transactions might be business related.

**Folder 1 Personal, Financial, and Real Estate Documents 1830s-1870s**

This folder contains a wide-ranging selection of documents predominantly concerning real estate transactions with a mix of financial documents and occasional business correspondence. Of particular note is a Plan and Profile of the Philadelphia & Sunbury Railroad and a hand drawn map of the George Hollenback tract. Also of note are a number of deeds and property surveys related to the Delaware and Hudson Co. including an 1847 survey of company lands and an 1848 statement concerning the cost of D&H property. There is an 1845 letter from Archbald concerning estimates made by Hawley, and an 1847 report by Archbald concerning the physical development of the D&H Railroad, and an 1845 account of testimony given by Archbald to the Senate of Pennsylvania concerning D&H involvement with merchandising, and a discussion of the contract between the D&H and the Pennsylvania Coal Co. concerning canal toll payments. (These company related documents probably should be moved to relevant places within the business correspondence).

**Folder 2 Personal Correspondence 1840s-1860s (including Dunmore Cemetery Association Bylaws)**

This folder contains an assortment of personal correspondence from the 1840s through the 1860s with the bulk being from the 1850s. There are many letters addressed to My Dear Brother from J.C. Van Alstyne as well as a few letters from Mary Fisher, to and from Attorney James Wilson, and a few letters from J. D. Gardner and at least two addressed My Dear Cousin from Jane or Lane Woodrow. There is also one letter to Dear Sister Augusta from Your Brother William. There are a couple letters addressed My Dear Aunt. Finally, There is an 1870 Charter, Bylaws, and Regulations of the Cemetery Association of Dunmore.

**Folder 3 Letters Received from William Frothingham, 1847. (3 Items)****Folder 4 Lackawanna Institute, 1849-1852 (13 items)**

Correspondence and accounts relating to the Lackawanna Institute.

**Folder 5 Letters Received 1855 (9 Items)**

Incoming correspondence concerning business, personal business, and real estate. Letters from Joel Evans, Howland Fish, property transfers from William Maxey, and unsigned letter concerning the DL&W and one outgoing letter to Mr. Seymour.

**Folder 6 Letters Received 1856 (12 Items)**

Incoming correspondence concerning business, personal business, and the DL&W along with accounts. Most of the correspondence is from Howland Fish. One letter concerning a nuisance caused by the D&H.

**Folder 7 Letters Received 1854-1861 (24 Items)**

Letters, receipts, and accounts concerning rental properties handled by E. Richardson for Archbald.

- Folder 8 Letters Received 1857-1859 (21 Items)  
Letters and accounts concerning real estate and personal business. Most of the letters are from A. H. Wagner.
- Folder 9 Letters Received and Tax Documents 1830-1868  
Receipts for taxes on land in Michigan 1830s-1850s. Letters from P. W. Archbald concerning family business and mortgages 1866-1868?
- Folder 10 Letters Received and Financial Documents 1831-1850s  
Financial accounts and correspondence concerning real estate including an 1839 transfer of power of attorney to James Archbald from Philip Hone concerning sale of stock in the Carbondale and Blakely Turnpike Road.
- Folder 11 Invoices, Promissory Notes, Financial Documents, 1852-1853. Seven Items  
Documents relating to the purchase of a piano forte and promissory notes and bond statements.
- Folder 12 Invoices, Receipts, Grocery Bills, Expenditures, Information on Archbald's Work on the Erie Canal Enlargement 1837-1838, Miscellaneous, 1829-1850s.  
An assortment of invoices, receipts, bills, expenditures on a variety of topics both personal and professional including material concerning the Delaware and Hudson, the Pennsylvania Coal Co., and Archbald's work on the enlargement of the Erie canal in the late 1830s.
- Folder 13 Invoices, Receipts, Expenditures, 1830s-1850s  
An assortment of invoices, receipts, bills, expenditures on a variety of topics both personal and professional.
- Folder 14 Invoices, Receipts, Expenditures, 1830s-1850s  
An assortment of invoices, receipts, bills, expenditures on a variety of topics both personal and professional.
- Folder 15 Expenditures, Accounts, Property Transactions 1830s-1850s  
An assortment of expenditures, accounts, and documents concerning property transactions.
- Folder 16 Invoices, Receipts, And Other Accounts for Postage, Newspapers, Etc. 1841-1866.
- Folder 17 Personal Finances and Local Taxes 1846-1857.
- Folder 18 Bills and Receipts, Letters Received, Property Transactions, 1855, 1857.  
Bills, receipts, property transactions including Delaware and Hudson property 1855, 1857.
- Folder 19 Bills and Receipts, Personal and D&H, 1856, 1858
- Folder 20 Mortgages, Property Transfers, Legal Papers. 1848-1869.  
Assortment of documents concerning property and legal concerns including a letter from Archbald to the president of the Lackawanna and Bloomsburg Railroad Co. Stephen

- Torrey. Mortgages and bonds concerning Abel Bennett, late 1850s.
- Folder 21 Documents Relating to Archbald's Residence in Michigan the 1838-1870s.  
Receipts, bills, correspondence, and other documents relating to Archbald's Michigan properties and residence. Some personal correspondence included and at least one DL&W item.
- Folder 22 Bills and Receipts Etc. 1860s.
- Folder 23 Bills and Receipts Etc. 1860s.
- Folder 24 Bills and Receipts including DL&W material. 1865.
- Folder 25 Income Taxes, Finances, Property Transactions, Insurance Documents. 1859-1860s  
Financial papers mostly property, insurance, and tax related from the 1860s one 1859 personal letter from Van Alstyne. One DL&W related item.
- Folder 26 Personal Letters Received James Archbald, Augusta Archbald, Inventory of Art Works. 1860s, 1925  
Assortment of personal correspondence addressed to James Archbald and mostly to Augusta Archbald (Gussie Archbald), and others from R. Thomas, M. P. Stafford, and mostly from J. N. Hoadly. Also included is "Grandmothers Book of Paintings" which appears to be an inventory. Also included is a 1925 correspondence (two pieces) between Thomas J. Frothingham and James Archbald discussing family genealogy.
- Folder 27 Personal and Business Letters Received James Archbald, Augusta Archbald. 1850s-70s  
Assortment of business and personal correspondence received by James Archbald and family members from the late 1850s through 1874. The business correspondence relates to the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, including an 1856 bill for three locomotives. Also included are a couple 1870 letters from Samuel Sloan, DL&W President. The personal correspondence includes letters to Mrs. Archbald from L.A. Marsh and to Augusta from Frothingham and William Archbald and others. Also included is a sermon given on the third Sabbath after Mrs. Archbald died of and one 1881 deed.
- Folder 28 James Archbald Estate Information, 1871-1874  
Correspondence concerning insurance policies, bank accounts, and stock sales after Archbald's death.
- Folder 29 George Catlin Letters Received, James Archbald Estate, 1880s  
Letters received by George Catlin mostly business oriented some concerning James Archbald's estate. Multiple letters from Adrian Muller. Some tax documents.
- Folder 30 Deeds and Property Documents 1790s-1860s
- Folder 31 Deeds and Property Documents 1800s
- Folder 32 Checks Signed by Mrs. James (Sarah) Archbald 1871

Folder 33 Checks Signed by Sarah Archbald 1872

Folder 34 Checks Signed by Sarah Archbald 1873-1874

**Box 4**

Box 4 contains personal account books from the 1860s and 1870s. There is also a substantial collection of Railroad pass cards.

James Archbald Account Book 1860-1863

The account book contains salary and expenses.

James Archbald Account Book 1860-1864

The account book is kept in a leather folding booklet titled "Diary, 1856."

James Archbald Account Book 1868-1870

The account book contains salary and expenses as well as receipts and a few folded pieces of correspondence.

National City Bank of New York, James Archbald Account Book 1865-1869

First National Bank of Scranton, James Archbald Account Book 1865-1870

City Bank of New York, 1868 James Archbald Bank Book

First National Bank Scranton, Account Book Mrs. James Archbald 1870-1872

One envelope with a substantial collection of Railroad pass cards.