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Summary Information

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| Repository: | Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department |
| Title: | Lion Locomotive Collection |
| ID: | SpC MS 1461 |
| Date [inclusive]: | 1937-1995 |
| Physical Description: | 2 boxes |
| Physical Location: | |
| Language of the Material: | English |
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| Abstract: | Contains correspondence about the locomotive, its history and its transfer from place to place. Many letters are to and from W.J. Sweetser, professor of mechanical engineering at the University of Maine, and H.D. Watson, head of the mechanical engineering department. Other letters are from Louis Ibbotson, librarian at the university, John R. Lyman, chair of the mechanical engineering department in the 1970s, and university presidents Arthur Hauck and Howard Neville. The collection also contains information about the history of the locomotive, newspaper and journal articles, and photographs. |

Preferred Citation

Lion Locomotive Collection, SpC MS 1461, [Box No.], [Folder No.], Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department, University of Maine, Orono, Maine

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Historical Note

The locomotive Lion was built by Isaac Hinkley of Boston, completed in 1846. It operated on the Whitneyville and Machiasport Railroad, carrying lumber from 1846 to 1890. Subsequently it was

exhibited at various times in Portland and Orono, Maine, finally residing on the campus of the University of Maine. In 1986, the locomotive became part of the collection of the Maine State Museum, Augusta.

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- Lion (Steam locomotive)
- Photographs
- Signatures (Names)
- Picture postcards
- Whitneyville and Machiasport Railroad
- University of Maine -- History

Other Finding Aids

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Collection Inventory

Contents of Boxes

| Title/Description | Instances |
|--|-----------|
| Correspondence, 1937-1974 | Box 1 |
| | Folder 1 |
| History | Box 1 |
| | Folder 2 |
| Glass plate negatives (physically located in a separate Box 2) | Box 1 |
| | Folder 3 |
| Prints from glass plate negatives | Box 1 |
| | Folder 4 |
| Photographs | Box 1 |
| | Folder 5 |
| Illustration of Holmes Hinkley | Box 1 |

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| | Folder 6 |
| Newspaper articles | Box 1 |
| | Folder 7 |
| Articles, etc. | Box 1 |
| | Folder 8 |
| Lion commemorative medals, 1995 | Box 1 |
| | Folder 9 |

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