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Summary Information

Repository:	Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections
Title:	Lion Locomotive Collection
ID:	SpC MS 1461
Date [inclusive]:	1937-1995
Physical Description:	2 boxes
Language of the Material:	English
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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- Locomotives -- History -- Maine
- Railroads -- History -- Maine
- Lion (Steam locomotive)

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

Collection Inventory

Contents of Boxes

Title/Description	Instances	
Correspondence, 1937-1974 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 1
History <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 2
Glass plate negatives (physically located in a separate Box 2) <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 3
Prints from glass plate negatives <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 4
Photographs <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 5
Illustration of Holmes Hinkley <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 6
Newspaper articles <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 7
Articles, etc. <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 8
Lion commemorative medals, 1995 <u>Language of the Material:</u> English.	Box 1	Folder 9

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