J. Stuart Blackton Collection on Vitagraph Company of America

1897-1947
Descriptive Summary
Title: J. Stuart Blackton Collection on Vitagraph Company of America
Dates: 1897-1947
Collection Number: GC 1091
Creator/Collector: Blackton, J. Stuart
Extent: (Boxes: ½ letter, 2 ov folders)
Repository: Seaver Center for Western History Research, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County
Abstract: Collection relating to Vitagraph Company and its founder.
Language of Material: English
Access
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Biography/Administrative History
James Stuart Blackton (1875-1941) was a pioneering filmmaker. He founded the Vitagraph Company in 1900 along with Albert E. Smith.
Scope and Content of Collection
Collection relating to Vitagraph Company and its founder. Images include Blackton's own artwork of the American Vitagraph trademark, his illustrated recollection of the first Vitagraph open air studio in New York, and photographic scenes from "The Battle Cry of Peace". (1897 - 1933) Folders 18 through 21 (1939 - 1947) contain biographical items in the form of clippings; also there is correspondence from museum curators' files. Noteworthy is a strip of ten film frames from an early color and stereoscopic experiment by Mr. Bailey, an associate of Blackton.
Indexing Terms
Motion picture industry.