Descriptive Summary
Title: William P. Moore Los Angeles Survey Books, 1854; 1864-1865
Dates: 1854-1865
Collection Number: GC 1199
Creator/Collector: Moore, William P. (1827-1897)
Extent: (Boxes: 2 ms. volumes in 1 letter)
Repository: Seaver Center for Western History Research, Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County
Abstract: Two notebooks with handwritten notes taken in the course of his surveying activities in the nascent American city.
Language of Material: English
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Biography/Administrative History
Moore (1827-1897) was City Surveyor 1857-1860, 1864-1865, 1873-1875. He emigrated from Maine in 1852. After spending time in Napa, California, he set out on foot and arrived in Los Angeles on April 3, 1854. Soon he began his lifelong work as a surveyor and a lifelong association and friendship with George Hansen. As City Surveyor and Superintendent of Streets, he is credited with standardizing, straightening and leveling to uniform grade the city sidewalks.
Scope and Content of Collection
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Indexing Terms
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