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Business papers, correspondence, legal papers, Natomas Company papers, scrapbooks.

Biography

Amos P. Catlin was born in New York January 25, 1823, where he studied law and came to California in 1849. He formed a law partnership in Sacramento with John Currey in 1850. In 1851, he organized the Natomas Water and Mining Company to provide water from the American River for agriculture and mining. In 1852, he was elected State Senator for Sacramento and was instrumental in permanently locating the state capital at Sacramento. He helped to defeat a scheme to extend the waterfront of San Francisco 600 feet further into the bay. In 1863, he argued the Leidesdorff ranch case before the United States Supreme Court and won the case. He was a friend of Theodore D. Judah and defended his reputation in articles appearing the the *Sacramento Union*. He subsequently served as editor of the *Sacramento Union* and a judge of the Superior court. He died in Sacramento on November 8, 1900.

Currey, John E. B.
Cutler, Luther C.
Judah, Anna
Arrowsmith, A. J
Brooks, L. B.
Catlin, George, 1796-1872
Clark, B. F.
Crocker, E. B.
Denman, Charles L.
Egbert, J. D.
Faulkner, Charles. D.
Gass, J. H.
Harmon, John B.
Hill, C. H.
Horton, A. J.
Huntington, Collis Potter, 1821-1900
Jenkins, Charles M.
Judah, Theodore D. (Theodore Dehone), 1828-1863
Kellum, H. F.
Kent, Jno.
Kneass, Dallas A.
Leaky, W. B.
Lorry, W. S.
McDowell, Thomas.
Meek, Washington
Messinger, W. L.
Mequillet, D.
Miller, William
Mills, Edgar
Mitchell, Charles
Nichols, C. P.
Poole, E. A.
Reilly, W. T.
Taylor, Frank F.
Thompson, H. A.
West, George R.
Woodford, E. L.
| Box Box 149 | Business papers 1850-1855; legal papers 1850-1853, copy of Leidesdorff land grant, Natomas Company materials 1851, and San Francisco water lot materials. |
| Box Box 150 | Correspondence 1850-1855. |
| Box Box 500 | Theodore D. Judah materials 1854-1866; Anna F. Judah letters 1889-1892, and two Catlin scrapbooks of newspaper clippings about land cases and California politics 1874-1880. |