Wells Fargo & Company Express collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Wells Fargo & Company Express collection
Dates: 1884-1944
Collection Number: MS 81
Creator/Collector:  
Extent: 1 oversize box + 1 half-box
Repository: California State Railroad Museum Library and Archives
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Abstract: The collection consists of business records of the Wells Fargo & Company Express.
Language of Material: English

Access
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Acquisition Information
Gift of Leroy T. Deise, 1992 and miscellaneous donors

Biography/Administrative History
The Wells Fargo Company was launched as a joint stock enterprise on March 18, 1852 by Henry Wells and William G. Fargo. Wells Fargo was created to serve as an express and banking business and served Gold Rush California.

Scope and Content of Collection
The collection consists of business records of the Wells Fargo & Company Express and include an employee instruction book, collection books, directories, tariff books, circulars specifying instructions for the shipment of specific items, employee information, and miscellaneous receipts, memorandums and reports.