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Language: English.

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Biographical Note
Edwin and Paul E. Aldrich were businessmen who lived in Woonsocket, Rhode Island. They both had mining interests in Cripple Creek and Silver Plume, Colorado. Their agents in Colorado were Morris W. Smith and James A. Blanton. The Aldrich's owned stock in several companies including The Argentum-Juniata Mining Company, The Colorado City and Manitou Mining and Milling Company, The Creede and Cripple Creek Milling and Mining Company, The Cripple Creek Consolidated Mining Company, The Hart Gold Mining & Leasing Company, The Isabella Mines Company, The Pharmacist Mining Company, and The Portland Mining Company.

Scope and Content
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Arrangement
The collection is arranged chronologically in three boxes, with ephemera filed at the end.

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Indexing Terms
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