Temple Oil Company Records: Finding Aid

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Overview of the Collection

Title: Temple Oil Company Records
Dates (inclusive): 1873-1910
Collection Number: mssTemple Oil records
Creator: Temple Oil Company.
Extent: 137 items in 1 box.
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Abstract: This collection contains business records of the Temple Oil Company of Los Angeles, California, dating from 1873-1910. Prominent participants include Thomas Robert Bard, Prudent Beaudry, the Southern Pacific Railroad Company and Francis Pliny F. Temple.

Language: English.

Access
Open to qualified researchers by prior application through the Reader Services Department. For more information, contact Reader Services.

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Provenance
The collection was purchased from W. P. Hammon, July 31, 1963.

Historical Note
The Temple Oil Company was located in Los Angeles County. It was also known as the Temple Oil Boring Company and the Temple Oil Well Boring Company. C. Cabot was president and paymaster in the 1870s.

Scope and Content
The Temple Oil Company Records are comprised of ephemera, invoices, leases, deeds, letters of resignation, financial documents, receipts, proxies and resolutions. Prominent participants include Thomas Robert Bard, Prudent Beaudry, the Southern Pacific Railroad Company and Francis Pliny F. Temple.

Arrangement
Arranged alphabetically by document type.

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Huntington Library's Online Catalog.

Subjects
Temple Oil Company.
Oil fields -- California -- Los Angeles County.
Petroleum -- California.
Petroleum industry and trade -- California, Southern -- History -- 19th century -- Sources.

Forms/Genres
Business records -- California -- 19th century.
Business records -- California -- 20th century.

Additional Contributors
Bard, Thomas Robert, 1841-1915.
Beaudry, Prudent.
Temple, Francis Pliny F., 1821-1880.
Southern Pacific Railroad Company.

**Indexing: Added Entries**

Bard, Thomas Robert, 1841-1915.
- Author of notes in “Miscellaneous Financial Documents” (1875). Box 1 (9).

Beaudry, Prudent.
- Participant in receipt in “Paymaster Receipts” (1875). Box 1 (11).

Southern Pacific Railroad Company.
- Participant in invoice in “Invoices” (1874-1875). Box 1 (2).

Temple, Francis Pliny F., 1821-1880.
- Participant in receipt in “Paymaster Receipts” (1875). Box 1 (11).

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**Box 1: Documents**

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<td>Folder 1</td>
<td>Ephemera (1906-1910). 4 items.</td>
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<td>Folder 2</td>
<td>Invoices (1874-1875). 41 items.</td>
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<td>Folder 3</td>
<td>Lease with E. A. Edwards and John C. Gregory (1894). 2 items. One copy is torn; in fragile condition.</td>
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<td>Lease with John C. Gregory (1892, Oct. 15). 1 item.</td>
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<td>Lease with J. F. Holbrook and John C. Gregory (1896, June 12). 1 item.</td>
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<td>Lease with Slocan Oil Company (1898-1899). 2 items.</td>
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<td>Lease with Charles M. Thayer and H. J. Wilkins (1901). 2 items.</td>
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<td>Letters of resignation: J. W. Haversack and G. W. Hughes (1897-1901). 2 items.</td>
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<td>Folder 9</td>
<td>Miscellaneous Financial Documents (1874-1901). 7 items.</td>
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<td>Resolutions of the Stock Holders [undated]. 2 items. Two copies of one resolution.</td>
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