Israel Whitney "I.W." Lyon Family Papers

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Israel Whitney "I.W." Lyon Family Papers
Dates: 1790-1910
Collection Number: Consult repository.
Creator/Collector: Lyon, Israel Whitney, 1827-1907.
Extent: 125 Items
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Abstract: This collection contains the papers of the family of Israel Whitney "I.W." Lyon.
Language of Material: English
Access
Collection is open for research.
Preferred Citation
Israel Whitney "I.W." Lyon Family Papers. Mills College
Acquisition Information
Gift of Horace D. Lyon, Mrs. Ralph Lyon, Dr. Romola Lyon
Scope and Content of Collection
The papers of Israel Whitney Lyon (1827–1907) include the diary he wrote aboard the Flying Cloud in 1851 when the ship broke the speed record on the trip from New York to San Francisco, the diaries and account books he kept as a dentist during the Gold Rush years in California, personal and family letters, photographs and documents, as well as papers relating to the establishment of his toothpowder business. The records of the firm, I.W. Lyon and Sons (makers of Dr. Lyon's toothpowder) are in the Baker Library of the Harvard School of Business. The collection includes one letter written by Reverend Hendrickus Dow in 1790.
Indexing Terms
Clipper-ships.
Passenger ships -- Pacific Coast (North America)
California -- Social life and customs -- 19th century.
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