Preliminary Guide to the E. Howard Clock Company Records

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The collection was donated by Verna Blackwell, October 2008.

Available Formats


Processing Information

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Biographical Note

E. Howard Clock Company was established in Boston in 1842 by Edward Howard. The business originally limited itself to the building of clocks, but soon expanded to watches, and later to tower and street clocks.

Scope and Content Note

Business records of the E. Howard Clock Company, 1862-1930.

Arrangement

The records are arranged into ten series.

Series 1, Stockholders and Directors Meeting Minutes, 1900-1930
Series 2, Watches, 1862-1869
Series 3, Watches (N Size), 1870-1904
Series 4, Watches (J Size), 1891-1904
Series 5, Watches (L Size), 1869-1904
Series 6, Watches (G Size), 1874-1893
Series 7, Clock Orders, 1871-1899
Series 8, Clocks and Watchmans, 1904-1918
Series 9, Tower Clocks, 1888-1905
Series 10, Customer Lists for Clocks

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:
- Clock and watch makers
- Clock and watch making
- Clocks and watches

Types of Materials:
- Business records--1860-1930
Names:

Blackwell, Dana
Container Listing

Series 1: Stockholders and Directors Meeting Minutes, 1900-1930

Box 17  Stockholders and Directors Meeting Minutes, April 25, 1900-January 30, 1930
Box 18  Stockholders and Directors Meetings, June 17, 1919 - January 30, 1930
Series 2: Watches, 1862-1869

Box 1  [Volume] (Serial Numbers 18,201 - 23,270), September 2, 1868 - November 17, 1869

Box 1  [Volume] (Serial Numbers 3,301-8,960), December 1862 - January 30, 1866
Series 3: Watches (N Sizes), 1870-1904

Box 2  [Volume] (Serial Numbers 23,301-32,800), 1870 January 05-1872-January 30
Box 3  [Volume] (Serial Numbers 32,251-38,200), 1872 February 9-1874 October
Box 9  Volume 8 (Serial Numbers 206,011-212,000), June 5, 1886 - February 4, 1888
Box 3  [Volume] (Serial Numbers 38,201-44,170), 1873 November-1878
Box 4  [Volume] (Serial Numbers 44,171-49,999), 1878 May-1883 September 20
Box 9  Volume 6 (Serial Numbers 200,001-206,010), 1883 September 29-1885 December 12
Box 10 Volume 9 (Serial Numbers 212,001-218,000), 1888 February 4-1889 May 18
Box 10 Volume 10 (Serial Numbers 218,001-225,380), 1889 May 24, 1889-1893 February 25
Box 11  [Volume] (Serial Numbers 225,381-250,010), 1893 June 17-1904 April 4
Box 11 Volume 7 (Watch-Open Face) (Serial Numbers 300,001-305,970), 1884 May 3-1891 July 17
Box 12 Volume 12 (Serial Number 305,971-310,00), 1891 July 9-1903 August 14
Box 12  [Volume] (Serial Numbers 400,001-405,000), 1890 January 28-1894 April 6
Series 4: Watches (J Size), 1891-1904

Box 13 [Volume] (Serial numbers 500,001-501,400), 1891 August 6-1899 March 30
Series 5: Watches (L Size), 1869-1904

Box 5  [Volume - with Index] (Serial numbers 50,021 - 55,980), 1869 September 2-1875 February

Box 6  [Volume] (Serial numbers 56,101-), 1878 February- 1887 January

Box 7  [Volume] (Serial numbers 61,741-68,670), 1886 December 18-1891 May 9
       *Serial numbers 61,741-68,670*

Box 8  Volume 11 (Serial numbers 68,671-70,300), 1891 May 9-1896 March 16

Box 8  Volume 11 (Serial numbers 700,001 - 701,330), 1895 May 29-1905 December 28

Box 13 [Volume] (Serial numbers 816,363-816,390), 1904 January 8-1904 January 22
Series 6: Watches (G Size), 1874-1893

Box 8 [Volume] (Serial Numbers 100,001-105,200), January 11, 1874 - February 11, 1893
Series 7: Clock Orders, 1871-1899

14 volumes

Box 19  
Volume, 1871 April 22-1874 May 5  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.01)  
View Digitized Material

Box 19  
[Volume], 1874 May 1-1876 April 19  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.02)  
View Digitized Material

Box 19  
Volume 3, 1876 April 25-1878 September 28  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.03)

Box 19  
Volume 4, 1878 October 1-1880 December 13  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.04)  
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Box 19  
Volume 5, 1882 April 28-1883 August 10  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.05)  
View Digitized Material

Box 19  
Volume 6, 1882 April 27-1883 August 10  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.06)  
View Digitized Material

Box 19  
Volume 6 (addendum), 1883 August-1886 August  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.07)

Box 19  
Volume 7 (Addendum), 1886 August-1888 March  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.08)

Box 13  
Clock Orders, 1888 February 1-1889 November 1  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.09)

Box 14  
Volume 9, November 1, 1889 - April 1, 1891  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.10)

Box 14  
Volume 11 (includes time locks), November 14, 1892 - September 14, 1894  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.11)

Box 15  
Volume 12, 1894 September 17-1896 December 29  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.12)

Box 15  
Volume 13, 1897 January 14-1899 January 10  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.13)

Box 17  
[Volume] (New York Office), 1881 December 14-1884 November 11  
1 volume (AC*0776.07.14)
Series 9: Tower Clocks, 1888-1905

Box 20
Volume 1, 1888 March-1901 December
1 volume (AC*0776.09.01)
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Box 16
Volume 2 (Serial numbers 18,787-24,2361), circa 1900
1 volume (AC*0776.09.02)
View Digitized Material
Series 10: Customer Lists for Clocks, undated

Box 17  
Clocks, Customer Lists, Undated
1 volume (AC*0776.10.01)

Box 17  
Clocks, Customer Lists, Index, Undated
1 volume (AC*0776.10.02)