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Container List

Correspondence, Receipts, Statements, etc., of the Rives Family, chiefly of William Cabell Rives, Sr. and his wife Judith Page Walker Rives, and their children Ella Rives, Amelie Rives, Francis Rives, William Cabell Rives, Jr., and Alfred Landon Rives, covering the years 1800-1855.

Container Box I

Correspondence, Receipts, Statements, etc., of the Rives Family, including some material shedding light on William Cabell Rives, Sr.'s opinion of secession and the Civil War, covering the years 1856-1874.

Container Box II

Correspondence, Receipts, Statements, etc., of the Rives Family, including will and settlement of the estate of William Cabell Rives, Sr.(1868), covering the years 1868-1874.

Container Box III

Correspondence, Receipts, Statements, etc., of the Rives Family, including the will and settlement of the estate of Judith Page Walker Rives(~ 1882), autobiography of Judith Page Walker Rives, papers re: Grace Church(1882- n.d.), covering the years 1875-1889.

Container Box IV

Business and Personal Correspondence of the Rives Family, chiefly the correspondence of Alfred Landon Rives as General Superintendent of the Panama Railroad Company, mainly with E. L. Oppenheim, and correspondence between Alfred Landon Rives and T. R. Allen regarding investments in Washington state. His interests Railroad Stocks and Mining Stocks. Material pertaining to the economy of Peru. Last Will and Testament of Ella Rives. Last Will and Testament of Sadie C. Rives (wife of Alfred Landon Rives). Covering years 1887-1890.

Container Box V

Business and Personal Correspondence of the Rives Family, chiefly Alfred Landon Rives and his connections with Panama Railroad Company, the Panama Canal, the Veracruz to Pacific Railroad, the Maryland Trust Company, and T. R. Allen in Washington state, covering the years 1891-1898.

Container Box VI

Correspondence, invitations, calling cards, and other undated material, chiefly of the Rives women, particularly during their various stays in Paris.

Container Box VII

The original manuscript of the Life and Times of Madison, by William Cabell Rives, Sr., a 3-Volume work published by Little, Brown and Company in 1859 and 1868, ca. 1000 pages.

Container Box VIII, parts A and B

Miscellaneous literary manuscripts, chiefly of Judith Page Walker Rives (Mrs. William Cabell Rives Sr.), including poems, short stories, essays, and translations from French.

Container Box IX

An empty scrapbook. William Cabell Rives Ledger 1820-1827. 4 Alfred Landon Rives notebooks.

Container Box X

Architecture and Engineering Texts and Notes of Alfred Landon Rives, mainly in French.

Container Box XI

Architectural notes, textbooks, and drawings of Alfred Landon Rives, mainly in French.

Container Box XII

Architecture and Engineering Blueprints of Alfred Landon Rives.

Container Box XIII

Plans and Achievements of the Interoceanic Canal at Panama, mainly in French, and Alfred Landon Rives's ideas on them.

Container Box XV

Oversize Architectural Drawings of Alfred Landon Rives

Scope and Content

Note: This is a preliminary listing of Rives' drawings in Oversize Tray 40 (folders I -III) and Oversize Tray 41 (folders IV -VIII). For the most part, these are tracings of drawings he made while in Europe in the 1850's as the best examples of bridges employing the latest in construction design and technology. These drawings were repaired by the Barrow Laboratory in Richmond in November 1975 and July 1982. Drawings of buildings in Oversize Tray 8 are not listed

Folder I: England

Sandon. "Plan of the Seventy Feet Entrance to the Sandon [Essex County] Dock" plan, cross section, [elevation]

Unit ID I. a

Container Oversize Tray 40

[?]. "Chemin de fer de Liverpoola Bijry, Viaduc sur le Canal Company's Wharf et sur Back Leeds Street, Prolongment [Extension] de Tithe Barn Street" elevation, plan

Unit ID I. b

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. details of plans and elevations

Unit ID I. c

Container Oversize Tray 40

[?]. "Wild's wrought iron [canal] lock gates" interior and exterior elevations, cross sections, plans, details

Unit ID I. d

Container Oversize Tray 40

Liverpool. "Eighty Feet Gates Huskisson Lock Liverpool" plan, transverse section, cross section-, sectional plan

Unit ID I. e

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. details

Unit ID I. f

Container Oversize Tray 40

[?]. "Pont en Tole [iron plate] a Poutres Tubulaires [tubular girders] Chemin de fer anglais [English]" elevation, plan, cross section

Unit ID I. g

Container Oversize Tray 40

Folder II: England- Newcastle & Berwick Railway

"High Level Bridge [between Gatesheadand Newcastle]" plans, pier footings, level of carriage road, level of railroad

Unit ID II. a

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. general elevation

Unit ID II. b

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. elevation of pier

Unit ID II. c

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 2" elevation, sectional plan

Unit ID II. d

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 3" longitudinal section, details, sectional details

Unit ID II. e

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 4" transverse section, sectional plan of piers, detail of piers at roadway

Unit ID II. f

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 5" details of plans and sections of girders, cornices, parapets, wood bearers

Unit ID II. g

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 6" cross section details: roadway and footpaths

Unit ID II. h

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 7" details: footings of ribs and tie chains

Unit ID II. i

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. " No. 8" general elevation and plan: approaches

Unit ID II. j

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 9" cross section and longitudinal section: approaches

Unit ID II. k

Container Oversize Tray 40

Folder III: England- London & North Western Railway; Great Northern Railway

[London?]. "London & North Western Railway Hayden Square Branch, Lattice Bridge over Great Prescott Street and Goodman's Yard, No. 1" north elevation, plan, cross sections, plans of foundations

Unit ID III. a

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 2" details of elevations and sections of iron work

Unit ID III. b

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 3" details of elevations and sections of iron work

Unit ID III. c

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 4" details of plan and elevation of roadway

Unit ID III. d

Container Oversize Tray 40

Newark. "Great Northern Railway, Bridge over Newark Dyke, No. 1" elevation, plan

Unit ID III. e

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. "No. 2" details of elevation, plans, and cross sections

Unit ID III. f

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. " No. 3" details

Unit ID III. g

Container Oversize Tray 40

d.o. details

Unit ID III. h

Container Oversize Tray 40

Folder IV: France

Agen. "Pont-Canal d'Agen [canal on bridge]" general elevation, general plan, details of elevation and cross section

Unit ID IV. a

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Canal lateral a la Garonne[River]" details of elevations

Unit ID IV. b

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. details of elevations and sections

Unit ID IV. c.l

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. elevations and details

Unit ID IV. c.2

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Cintres [arches] du Pont-Canal d' Agen" sectional elevation, elevation w/ construction supports, details, specifications

Unit ID IV. d

Container Oversize Tray 41

Bercy. "Pont sur la Seine[River]" 3 elevations, one w/ sectional details of pilings

Unit ID IV. e

Container Oversize Tray 41

"Pont Double sur la Seine[River]" longitudinal section of half of one arch

Unit ID IV. f.l

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Pont sur la Seine[River]" elevation of viaduct, details of elevations and plan of arches

Unit ID IV. f.2

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Pont double sur la Seinea Bercy" details: cross section of roadway and railway

Unit ID IV. g

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. details: cross section of railway and roadway

Unit ID IV. h

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Panneau superior du garde-corps intermediaire" detail of guard rail

Unit ID IV. i

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Candelabre a gaz en dehors du pont" detail of gas lamp on side of bridge

Unit ID IV. j

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Candelabre a gaz du pont avec son Souhassement" detail of gas lamp with its base

Unit ID IV. k

Container Oversize Tray 41

Calais. "Pont Tournant a Double Vole sur la Cunette [channel] No. 1" elevations, plans

Unit ID IV. l

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Details des Ferrures, No. 2" longitudinal section of iron components at pivot

Unit ID IV. m.l

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. plans and details of pivot components

Unit ID IV. m.2

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. " Details des Ferrures" cross section, plan, details of iron components

Unit ID IV. n

Container Oversize Tray 41

Dunkirk. "Pont tournant de la citadelle a Dunkerque, [turning] Systeme de Mr. Raffeneau, No. 1" elevation and plan of half of bridge

Unit ID IV. o

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "No. 2" details of turning and structural components

Unit ID IV. p

Container Oversize Tray 41

Lyon. "Viaduc sur la Soane[River]" details of elevation; plan of cornice (Signed by Rives, 1854)

Unit ID IV. q

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. details: longitudinal section, cross section, plan, construction supports (signed by Rives, 1854)

Unit ID IV. r.l

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. details (rough pencil sketches)

Unit ID IV. r.2

Container Oversize Tray 41

Montlouis. "Pont de Montlouis" elevations, plan, sections, construction supports

Unit ID IV. s

Container Oversize Tray 41

Nogent. [Bridge] "Traverse de la Valle de la Marne[River] a Nogent" elevation, plan

Unit ID IV. t

Container Oversize Tray 41

[?]. "Chemin de fer de Parisa Strasbourg, Tete d'aval du Souterrain de haut-barre" [entrance of tunnel] elevation (signed by Rives 1854 July 18)

Unit ID IV. u.l

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. pencil sketches of elevation and plan (signed by Rives 1854 July 21)

Unit ID IV. u.2

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Station de Hochfelden" elevation (signed by Rives 1854 July 19)

Unit ID IV. u.3

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Station de Hochfelden" plans of basement, first floor, and second floor (signed by Rives 1854 July 18)

Unit ID IV. u.4

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Pont sur le canal de la Marne[River, au Rhina Vendenhaim]" plan (signed by Rives 1854 July 15)

Unit ID IV. v.l

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. horizontal section (signed by Rives 1854 July 14)

Unit ID IV. v.2

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Station de Vendenhaim" elevation and plans (signed by Rives)

Unit ID IV. v.3

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. " . de Paris al la frontiere de'Allemange ... 2 elevation, plan (signed by Rives 1854 July 13)

Unit ID IV. w

Container Oversize Tray 41

Guetin. "Pont suspendu de Guetin" elevation, plan, details

Unit ID IV. x

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. elevation of one span, detail: plan, section, guard rail, etc.

Unit ID IV. y

Container Oversize Tray 41

[?]. "Pont Levis" [draw bridge] details of operating components

Unit ID IV. z

Container Oversize Tray 41

Rhin. "Pont Tournant sur le chenal [channel] de Vacken, Canal de la Marne[River] au Rhin, No. 1" elevation, sectional plan, longitudinal section, component details

Unit ID IV. aa

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. sectional elevation, details of operating components

Unit ID IV. ab

Container Oversize Tray 41

La Chaussee. "Chemin de fer de la Disdre[River], Viaduc No. 7 bis sur la Chaussee[River?] elevation, plan

Unit ID IV. ac

Container Oversize Tray 41

Chaumons. "[Railroad] Viaduc de Chaumons au travers de la Valle de Suiz" elevation, plan, specifications (signed by Rives 1855 Mar 25)

Unit ID IV. ad

Container Oversize Tray 41

Folder V: Belgium, Germany, Switzerland

Belgium

"Chemin de fer Belge Rehnan,...Viaduc de la gueele du chemin de fer d'aise a la frontiere Belgi" elevation (half of bridge), plan of foundations, sectional elevation, details of elevation and construction supports

Unit ID V.a

Container Oversize Tray 41

Germany

Dirschau. "Chemin de fer de Berlina Königsberg, Pont a trellis sur la Weichsel[River] a Dirschau, No. 1" elevation, plan

Unit ID V. b

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. " No. 2" sectional elevation

Unit ID V. c

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. " No. 3" detail of elevation

Unit ID V. d

Container Oversize Tray 41

Bietigheim. "Viaduc sur la Valle d' Enz[River] pres de Bietigheimen Wurrtemberg" elevation, sectional plan

Unit ID V. e

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. sectional elevation, details of elevation

Unit ID V. f

Container Oversize Tray 41

Switzerland

St. Gall. "Brucken und Thalübergänge der St. Gallischen Eisenbahn, Blatt XV, II. Brücke über die Sitter[River] bei St. Gallen" elevation, plan, details, specifications

Unit ID V. g

Container Oversize Tray 41

Rumlang. "Brucken und Thalübergänge der Schwiezerischen Centralbahn Linie Basel-Olten, Blatt II, III Thalübergänge bei Rumlingen" elevation, plan, details, specifications

Unit ID V. g

Container Oversize Tray 41

Olten. d.o. "Blatt III" "IV Brücke über die Aare [River] bei Olten elevation, plan, details, specifications

Unit ID V. i

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Blatt IV" "Details zu Blatt III [above]" details of iron work, elevation, cross sections

Unit ID V. j

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Blatt 5" "Details zu Blatt III [above]" details of iron work, elevation and sectional plans

Unit ID V. k

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Blatt IX" "X Brücke über die Aare[River] bei Bern" elevation, details, and specifications

Unit ID V. l

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Blatt X" "Details zu Blatt IX [above]"

Unit ID V. m

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. Blatt XI" "Details zu Blatt IX [above]" cross section

Unit ID V. n

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. " Blatt XII" " Details zu Blatt IX [above]" horiszontal section

Unit ID V. o

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Blatt XVI" "Details zu Blatt XV" cross section

Unit ID V. p

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Blatt XVII" "Details zu Blatt XV"

Unit ID V. q

Container Oversize Tray 41

Folder VI: Russia

Sebastopol. "Docks de Sebastopol" plan, longitudinal section, cross sections

Unit ID VI. a

Container Oversize Tray 41

St. Petersburg. "Pont sur la Neva[River] a St. Petersburg, No. 1" elevation, plan, cross section, details

Unit ID VI. b

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "No. 3" "Details des macconeries [stonework]" elevation, plans

Unit ID VI. c

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. elevation, plans

Unit ID VI. d

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. " Details des piles" elevations, plans, details

Unit ID VI. e

Container Oversize Tray 41

d.o. "Pont tournant" sectional-elevation, sectional plan

Unit ID VI. f

Container Oversize Tray 41

Folder VII: United States

District of Columbia. "Foundation of Pier No. 2, Potomac [River]Aqueduct" plan and specifications

Unit ID VII. a

Container Oversize Tray 41

District of Columbia. " Potomac [River]Bridge, Pier 5, 10, 11, 12 with the arches dependent on them, showing the progress of Construction, March 1833" details of elevation

Unit ID VII. b

Container Oversize Tray 41

District of Columbia. "Map showing proposed canal from Cabin John Bridgeto the Ches & Ohio Canal for transporting materials plan, cross sections

Unit ID VII. c

Container Oversize Tray 41

Folder VIII- Unidentified

[?] stone arch bridge, elevation and plan

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Container Oversize Tray 41

[?]. iron arch bridge crossing " Alexander's Island" elevation of part of bridge, plan of foundation

Unit ID VIII. b

Container Oversize Tray 41