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**Box 1: Gowen History I**

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1	Mollie Newspaper Trials - 1876
2-2a	Pinkerton - Molly Maguires
3	Aurand - Molly Maguires
4	Molly Maguires
5	Molly Maguires - Aurand
6	Gowen - London Report -1881
7	PA - Organization - 1880 Gowen
8	PA Coal & Iron Trade in 1847
9	Reconstruction Agreement - 1886
10	Academy of Music - 1881
11-11a	New Pennsylvania & Reading Terminal in Philadelphia – 1888
12	Henry C. Kelsey vs. Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad Co. June 2, 1884
13-13a	Gowen - Railway Problem – 1881
14	Central Railroad Company of NJ - 1883
15	NY Central & Hudson River - 1882
16	Gowen Argument on Railroad - 1883
17	North Pa. Railroad Company - Lease & Contract
18	Delaware & Bound Brook - 1879
19-19a	Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad - Perkiomen Railroad Company - 1877
20	Pottsville & Mahoney Railroad - 1884
21	Anthracite Coal Region - Second Geo Report - 1885
22	F.B. Gowen Suicide - December 14, 1889
23	Gowen Committee on Commerce - 1880
24	John Siney - President M&L BA Schuylkill County Coal Operations - 1873
25	Gowen - Miscellaneous
26	Gowen - National Defender - 1875
27	Gowen - Thomas Sanger - 1876

- 28 Description Coal Lands Schuylkill County - 1832
- 29 Colliery Inventories - 1872
- 30 Colliery Purchases - 1872-1875
- 31-31a Reports of General Manager - Pennsylvania & Reading  
Railroad Company

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- 1 Coal & Iron Trade - 1847
- 2 Argument of F.B. Gowen, Esquire -1875
- 3 Fred Scott vs. John F.A. Sanford, 1860
- 4 Borough of Minersville vs. Schuylkill Railway ...
- 5 Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad - Address - 1881
- 6 Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad - Shareholders Meeting –  
1881
- 7 Operations of the Basis System - 1873
- 8 Coal lands - NY & Schuylkill Coal Company - 1832
- 9 Anthracite Coal Region - 1885
- 10 Argument of F.B. Gowen, Pa. vs. T. Munley, 1876
- 11 Gowen's Power - Coal, Rails, Profits
- 12 History of Pennsylvania & Reading Coal & Iron Company –  
1884
- 13 Agreement - Creditors & Stockholders and Pennsylvania &  
Reading Railroad Company - 1886
- 14 Mortgage - Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad Company –  
1882
- 15 Argument of F.B. Gowen & Committee of Commerce - 1880
- 16 National Defender Supplement - 1875
- 17 The Railway Problem - Address - 1881
- 18 General Meeting - Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad  
Company - 1877
- 19 Equity - P&M Railroad vs. Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad  
- 1884
- 20 Miscellaneous
- 21 Ashland - Transportation - Bridges
- 22 Index Cards - Ashland Estates

23	Lehigh Valley Railroad - Ashland
24	Pioneer Tunnel - Ashland
25-29	Ashland Dist.
30-36	Transportation - Bridges

**Box 3: General Mining Articles**

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1	Electric Lamps for Mines (History)
2	Electric Lamps for Mines
3	Electric Lamps for Mines
4-4a	Colliery
5	Timbering Manual
6	Mine Timbering
7	Early & Present Mining Methods
8	Barrier Pillars
9	Bootlegging of Coal
10	Ventilation Law of 1870
11	Hempel's Apparatus of Gasses
12	General Anthracite Items
13-13a	Louis Poliniak Mining History
14	Miscellaneous
15	John L. Lewis
16	The Story of John Mitchell
17	Labor Relations in Mining
18	Anthracite Mine Coal
19	The Miner's Union
20	Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company – Workers Rules
21	Employment Age for Boys
22	Great Strike of 1902 General Anthracite History
23	General Anthracite History
24	Anthracite Mining Laws
25	Legacy of Deep Mining Days
26	Pennsylvania & Reading History
27	Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Repair

Shop History

- 28           Miscellaneous
- 29           Reading Company Public Relations - 1957-1968
- 29a          Reading Company Public Relations - 1969-1971
- 29b          Reading Company Public Relations - 1972-1979
- 30           Pennsylvania & Reading Reorganization - 1940

**Box 4: Philadelphia & Reading Index 2 / Reading Anthracite 1**

**Folder**

- 1            Henry Pleasants Copybook - 1877 pp.314-498
- 1a           Henry Pleasants Copybook - 1877 pp. 499-?
- 2            Henry Pleasants Jr., - Inferno at Petersburg - 1961
- 3            Henry Pleasants - General
- 4            Henry Pleasants - History
- 5-5a        Fitzpatrick History
- 6            Laurel Run Improvement Company 1871, Incorporation
- 7            End Pennsylvania & Reading Index - Pennsylvania &  
              Reading Engineers File Index
- 8            Begin Reading Anthracite - RAC Newsletter
- 9            Reading Anthracite - Book - Kutztown Publication Company
- 10           Reading Anthracite - Houses to Pottsville Hospital
- 11           Reading Anthracite - Anthracite at the Crossroads 1193
- 12           Reading Anthracite – Houses at Collieries
- 13-13a      Reading Anthracite - Pennsylvania & Reading Corporation  
              Land Tracks & Acreage
- 14           Reading Anthracite - Company Executives
- 15           Reading Anthracite - Copy of Miscellaneous Wills
- 16           Reading Anthracite - Banks - All Types
- 17           Reading Anthracite - Pennsylvania & Reading Yards &  
              Docks
- 18           Reading Anthracite - Pennsylvania & Reading Repair Shops  
              - History
- 19           Reading Anthracite - George F. Baer, President
- 20           Reading Anthracite - 1955 RAC Newsletter
- 21           Reading Anthracite - Rich/Reserve Carbon Purchase
- 22           Reading Anthracite - Rich Family Miscellaneous

- 23 Reading Anthracite - Reading Anthracite Company (General)
- 24 Reading Anthracite - Pennsylvania & Reading History –  
Newspaper
- 25 Reading Anthracite – Frank Blase Collection Index

**Box 5: Roads Colliery Index**

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- 1 Colliery History - Pottsville Area
- 2 Miscellaneous History of Schuylkill Company
- 3 Colliery History - Roads
- 4 Colliery Locations & Maps
- 5 Coal Region of Schuylkill
- 6 Index - Original Operations – Jay Oliver Roads Colliery Data
- 7 Colliery Index - 14 Sections - Jay Oliver Roads History
- 8 Index to Book # 1 - Roads
- 9 Index to Book # 2 - Roads
- 10 Index to Book # 3 - Roads
- 11-11a Index to Book # 4 - Roads
- 12 Index to Book # 5 - Roads
- 13 Index to Book # 6 - Roads
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- 16 Index to Book # 9 - Roads
- 17 Index to Book # 10 - Roads
- 18 Index to Book # 11 - Roads
- 19 Index to Book # 12 - Roads
- 20 Index to Book # 13 - Roads
- 21 Miscellaneous Index to Collieries in File - No.14
- 22 Bear Mountain Railroad Company
- 23 Mine Hill & Schuylkill Haven Railroad
- 24 Mount Carbon Railroad
- 25 Swatara Railroad - 1862
- 26 Lorberry Creek Railroad / Tremont & Mount Eagle Railroad –  
1860
- 27 Shamokin Valley & Pottsville Railroad

- 28 Trevorton, Mahoney & Susquehanna Railroad
- 29 Catawissa Railroad ?
- 30 Danville & Pottsville Railroad

**Box 6: Roads Colliery Index & Mining Methods and Appliances**

**Folder**

- 1 Reading Railroad Dissolution - 1921
- 2 Pennsylvania & Reading Colliery Locomotive File
- 3 Mauch Chunk Switchback Railroad
- 4 Schuylkill Electric Railway Company / Pottsville Union  
Traction Company
- 5 Miscellaneous Traction Companies
- 6 Miscellaneous Locomotives
- 7 Porter Steam Locomotives
- 8 Whiting Railroad Equipment / Modern Methods in Shops
- 9 Railroads - General Fill
- 10 Railroad History - Anthracite
- 11 Reading Railroad History
- 12 New Pennsylvania & Reading Terminal in Philadelphia - 1888
- 13 Miscellaneous Railroad Articles
- 14 Lehigh Valley Railroad
- 15 Perkiomen Railroad Company
- 16 Mount Carmel Railroad - Natalie Branch
- 17 Philadelphia & Reading Railroad
- 18 Philadelphia & Reading Railroad
- 19 Philadelphia & Reading Railroad
- 20 Williams Valley Railroad Company
- 21 East Mahoney Railroad / Tunnel
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- 23 Mahoney & Broad Mountain Railroad
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- 30 Coal Mining Methods

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3	Ventilation Standards
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6	Mount Carmel Township Poor District
7	Township Poor District
8	Mothers Pension 1913
9	Pennsylvania & Reading House Tenants
10	Anthracite Bootlegging
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14	Strip Mining - Helms - Brown - Shimer
15	Strip Mining Practices
16-17	Stripping Equipment
18	Strip Mining - General File
19	Strip Mining Photos
20	Shenandoah Stripping
21	Water Companies
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3	Girard College
4	General County History
5	Carbon County Coal - EGLE
6	Schuylkill County
7	Schuylkill County - Chambers
8	Towns
9	Schuylkill Haven Town Plots
10	Pottsville Maps/Stats
11	Mahanoy Plane Flood - May 10, 1908
12	Coal Reserve under Pottsville

13	Anthracite Coal History
14	Coal Mining Histories (General)
15	Silt Damage to Schuylkill River
16	Census in Anthracite Towns
17	Days Gone By-Newspaper 1984
18	Assessing Coal Lands - 1920
19	Trevorton Lands - Zerbe Township 1917
20	Pine grove Coal Region
21-21a	Blythe Township Collieries/Land
22	The W.B.A./Siney
23	Child labor Laws for Mines
24	Story of the Sliding Scale (Wages)
25-25a	Labor Conditions - Strikes - Unions
26	Beneficial Fund - Pennsylvania & Reading 1877
27	50 Years of Handling Labor
28	John L. Lewis Speech - Lakewood 1953
29-29a	Shamokin Coal Fields
30	Improvements for Insurance - Colliery
31	Mahanoy Division
32	Mammoth Coal Seam 1872 - Plan to Mine
33	Colliery Fires
34	Mining Accidents - Fatal
35	Gilbertown Mine Disaster 1935
36-36a	Colliery History

**Box 9: Anthracite General**

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1	G.B. Markle - Jeddo, Pa.
2	Huber Coal Breaker - Ashley, Pa.
3	Glen Alden Coal Company
4	Concrete City - Nanticoke, Pa.
5	Dauphin County Coal History
6	Colliery Closings
7	Colliery Maps
8	Cameron Colliery 100 years - 1936
9	Coal Companies - General



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- 10 Forest Improvement Company
- 11 Girard Collieries / Leases
- 12 Preston Coal Company - History
- 13 Kimberly Colliery - Girard Lease / Draper Colliery 1914-1928
- 14 Hammond Colliery - Girard Lease 1914-1928
- 15 Trevorton Colliery Company Katherine
- 16 Trevorton Coal Land Company
- 17 Mining Reports 1872-1873
- 18 NY and Schuylkill Coal Company
- 19 Anthracite Colliery Lists 1871-1872
- 20 Phoenix Park Coal Estate
- 21 Mount Carmel Coal & Iron Company
- 22 Delaware Coal Company
- 23 Furnace Coal Company (Colliery)
- 24 Buck Run Coal Company - Neale
- 25 Fulton Coal Company
- 26 Green Ridge Improvement Company
- 27 St. Clair Coal Company
- 28 Jeddo Highlands Coal Company
- 29 Tamaqua Colliery History
- 30 Blue Coal Demise - 1978
- 31 Lehigh Valley Coal Company
- 32 Raven Run / Hazel Brook
- 33 Pagnotti Coal Company
- 34 Packer 2-3-4
- 35 Packer 5 / E. Bear Ridge
- 36 Porter Tunnel
- 37 Tony Rose / William Penn / Morea / N. Boston
- 38 Weston / Dodson Coal Company
- 39-40 Miscellaneous

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- 1 Pennsylvania & Reading Photo Index (5) "4 x 5" Glass  
Negatives
- 2 Mining Lease Index - 1940 - 1955
- 3 Anthracite Coal by W. Griffith
- 4 J.B. Warriner Address 1929?
- 5 Robert Charles Bader
- 6 Pennsylvania & Reading Photo Index (M) 8 x 10 Films
- 7-7a Pennsylvania & Reading Photo Index (J) 8 x 10 Films
- 8 Pennsylvania & Reading Photo Index (G) 8 x 10 Films
- 9 Index - Miscellaneous Papers - Box 174-175
- 10 Agreement between Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad  
Company and Pennsylvania & Reading, C& I Company
- 11 Pennsylvania & Reading Deed - Index to Great Anthracite Coal  
Company for Land
- 12 Index - Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad Leases
- 13 Index - Photostat Negative Copies of Deeds
- 14 Pennsylvania & Reading Tracings - Maps (All Districts)
- 15 Index to Miscellaneous Contract Boxes
- 16 Pennsylvania & Reading Transfer File Index
- 17 Pennsylvania & Reading Miscellaneous Information Sheets /  
Indexes
- 18 Index - President Richards File
- 19 Pennsylvania & Reading Title Papers - Index in Box
- 20 Coal Lease Index - 1870-1962
- 21 Property Sold By Pennsylvania & Reading - 1945,1946
- 22 Pennsylvania & Reading Photo Index (L) 8 x 10 Glass  
Negatives
- 23-23a Pennsylvania & Reading Photo Index (B) 8 x 10 Films
- 24 Pennsylvania & Reading Photo Index (VHS) 8 x 10 Films
- 25 Photo Record By Colliery
- 26 Pennsylvania & Reading Acetate Negative Collection
- 27 Colliery Surface Maps (Blasé)
- 28 Pennsylvania & Reading Photo Index Classification –  
August 8, 1933

- 29 Pennsylvania & Reading Office Building - Pottsville, Pa.
- 30 Paper Stored - Coal & Norwegian Streets
- 31 No. 363 - Paper Stored at East Mines...
- 32 -32a Pennsylvania & Reading President Gown Letter Book - No.1
- 33 St. Nick & Locust Summit
- 34-34a Henry Pleasants Copybook - 1877 No.1-313
- 35 Henry Pleasants "Typed"
- 36 Untitled

### **Box 11: Reading Anthracite 2**

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- 1-2 1882 Consolidated Mortgage Pennsylvania & Reading
- 3 Schuylkill & Susquehanna Lands
- 4-4a Richard File - Coal Commission Reports - 1923
- 5 Richard File - Consolidation Combination
- 6-6a Pennsylvania & Reading Reorganization - 1940
- 7 Pennsylvania & Reading City Coal Yards
- 8 Pottsville Steam Heat Company
- 9 Anthracite Production - 1938
- 10 Pennsylvania & Reading Coal & Iron Company, General History
- 11-11a Pennsylvania & Reading Coal & Iron Company,  
General History
- 12 Pennsylvania & Reading Prospectus - 1945
- 13 Reading Anthracite Company Brochures
- 14 Reorganization Newspaper - 1930
- 15 Land Purchases & Classification - 1872-1875
- 16 1938 Land Sale to Pay Taxes
- 17 Stone & Webster - April 7, 1928 - Coal Preparation Plants
- 18 Stone & Webster - May 10, 1928 - Coal Preparation Plants
- 19 Stone & Webster - June 23, 1928 - Coal Preparation Plants
- 20 St. Nicholas Central Breaker
- 21-21a Stone & Webster Corporation Final Completion Report on  
Locust Summit Central Breaker - 1931
- 22-22a Stone & Webster Engineering Corporation Final Completion  
Report on St. Nicholas Central Breaker - 1933

- 23-23a Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Real Estate Ledger
- 24-24a Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Martin Lands
- 25 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company – Shamokin /Ashland District

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- 2 Locust Summit & St. Nicholas Central Breakers (Map)
- 3 Locust Summit (Map)
- 4 North Ashland Colliery (Map)
- 5 Rock Town (Map)
- 6 Locust Dale Town Plot (Map)
- 7 Mount Carmel Township (Map)
- 8 Locust Gap (Map)
- 9 Locust Spring, A.S. Wolfe & Monitor Colliery (Map)
- 10 Monitor, A.S. Wolfe & Locust Gap Colliery (Map)
- 11 Monitor, A.S. Wolfe & Locust Gap Colliery (Map)
- 12 Locust Spring Colliery Branch (Map)
- 13 Mount Carmel Township, Northumberland County, PA (Map)
- 14 Locust Gap (Map)
- 15 Ashland & Locust Dale Estates (Map)
- 16 Locust Dale New Highway (Map)
- 17 Potts Colliery (Map)
- 18 Locust Dale Propose School House (Map)
- 19 Christmas Cards
- 20a-g Inspection & Engineering Reports
- 21 Collieries - Ashland Division
- 22 Collieries - Mount Carmel Division
- 23-23a Collieries - Shamokin Division
- 24 Collieries - Mahoney Division
- 25 Collieries - St. Nicholas Division
- 26 Collieries - Shenandoah Division
- 27 Collieries - Shenandoah Division

28-28a    Miscellaneous Maps  
29        Miscellaneous Maps & Booklets

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5         Research & Geology  
6         People  
7-7a      Mining Herald & Colliery Engineer  
8         Mount Carmel Historical Calendars  
9         Labor History Articles  
10        Coal Age  
11        Citizen Centennial Special  
12        Engineering News  
13        Colliery News  
14        Coal  
15        Legal Decisions by Court Judges  
16-32     Coal (copied articles)

**Box 14: Coal**

**Folder**

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**Box 15: Report of the Department of Mines, Commonwealth of PA**

Part I – Anthracite: 1906-1913, 1915

**Box 15a: Publications**

- Historical Sketch of Geological Explorations in PA & Other States/J.P. Lesley. 1876
- Geological Maps of Schuylkill, Carbon, Berks & Dauphin Counties. 1891
- PA Geological Survey. 1891
- Annual Report of the Geological Survey of PA for 1886
- I.C.S. Reference Library Properties of Gases, Mine Gases Mine Ventilation & Fuels - 1907
- Reports of the Inspectors of Mines. 1892

- Report of the Department of Mines, Commonwealth of PA. Part I – Anthracite 1916-1920

**Box 16: Pennsylvania & Reading Mining**

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- 1 A Century of Reading Company - 1941
- 2 Compilation of Geological & Other Data - 1907
- 3 Reading System
- 4 Report of Operations of Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad and Pennsylvania & Reading Coal & Iron Company - 1896
- 5 Reading Company - First Annual Report - 1898
- 6 To The Jr. Security Holders of Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad Company
- 7 By-Laws of Pennsylvania & Reading Corporation - 1958, 1960
- 8 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Annual Report 1914-1916, 1918, 1920-1923, 1927
- 9 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Annual Report 1928-1932
- 10 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Annual Report 1933-1937
- 11 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Annual Report 1938-1943
- 12 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Annual Report 1945-1949
- 13 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Annual Report 1950-1955
- 14 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Annual Report 1956-1959, 1961
- 15 Pennsylvania & Reading Years of Progress
- 16 Pennsylvania & Reading Corporation Review, 1960
- 17 Anthracite Coal in PA - 1997
- 18 PA's Mineral Heritage - 1944
- 19 Bee Line Magazine Reading Railroad, 1988-1990
- 20 Bee Line Magazine Reading Railroad, 1991-1995
- 21 Historical Review of Berks County - 1979
- 22 Reading Terminal Calendar - 1993

23	Reading Railroad & Anthracite Coal
24	The North PA Railroad
25	Reading Railroad Prints from Canal Museum Negatives
26-27	Miscellaneous Mining and Railroad
28	Locust Gap - 1827-1977
29	Locust Dale / Locust Gap Collieries
30	Potts Colliery
31	Locust Summit Breaker
32	Reading Railroad - Stationary + Logo
33	Reading Railroad - Christmas Cards
34-36	Reading Anthracite Advertisements
37	Reading Anthracite
38-40	Reading Anthracite - Miscellaneous Booklets & Cards
41	Mining - Coal & Mining Slides

### **Box 17: Reports**

- Report of the Bureau of Mines - Department of Internal Affairs 1897-1899, 1901-1902
- Report of the Inspectors of Mines - Anthracite Coal Regions of PA 1875, 1877, 1883, 1885, 1887, 1893, 1898-1899, 1901

### **Box 17a: Reports**

- Annual Report of Secretary of Internal Affairs: Industrial Statistics
- Part III – 1886-1887, 1889-1891, 1897-1898

### **Box 18: Railroads**

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1	Reading Calendar - 1997, 1998
2	The Reading - Building a Modern Railroad
3	Newspaper Articles
4	Trolleys
5	Reading Railroad and Anthracite Coal
6	Miscellaneous Railroad Articles
7-8	Lehigh Valley Railroad - Coal Company
9-10	Delaware - Lackawanna & Western Railroad Photos

- 11-14 Photos
- 15 Photos - Locomotives - Engine File 2687  
Haulage Pine Knot - Engine Photos
- 16 Motive Power in Mines - Railway Coal Property - Hepburn Act
- 17 Evolution of the Coal Car - Locomotive Catalogs
- 18 Locomotives
- 19 PA Schuylkill Valley Railroad Construction 1885, 1886
- 20 Photos
- 21 Railroad Correspondence
- 22 Railroad Correspondence & Locomotives
- 23 Photos – Trains

**Box 18: Railroad Publications**

- Anthracite Mine - 1869-1897, 1969
- History of Schuylkill County PA - 1881
- Reading Railroad - Volumes 1 and 2 - 1989, 1992

**Box 18a: Railroads**

**Booklets**

- Baldwin Locomotive Works - Record No.78 - 1914
- Record of Recent Construction No.43 Baldwin Locomotive Works -1903
- Modern Locomotives & Cars Pennsylvania Railroad – 1939
- A Ramble in the Past of the East Broad Top Railroad - 1971(souvenir booklet)
- Sylvester Welch's Report on the Allegheny Portage Railroad – 1833 (reprint)
- Lewis Shoemaker Co. & Co. Manufacturers of Structural Steel, n.d.
- Modern Yard Operation Bulletin 108 Union Switch & Signal Co.- 1926
- Pennsylvania Railroad to the Columbian Exposition 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. – 1893
- Pennsylvania Railroad Co. Educational Course Pamphlet S-1 Signaling – 1918
- Baldwin Locomotive Works, Catalogue of Locomotives (historical reprint of circa 1915 catalog)
- Locomotive Advertising in America, 1850-1900. 1960
- Railroads of Eastern Franklin County. Randy Watts. 1991



- Railroads to Pine Grove Furnace. Randy Watts. 1991
- Railroads to the Dillsburg Region. Randy Watts. 1992
- Railroads of Western Franklin County. Randy Watts. 1992
- Mainline Railroads, 1828-1993. Randy Watts. 1993

**Box 19: Publications/Videos**

- Inspectors of Coal Mines of PA – 1894
- Inspectors of Coal Mines of PA – 1895
- Inspectors of Mines, Anthracite & Bituminous Coal – 1890
- Inspectors of Mines, Anthracite & Bituminous Coal – 1892
- Department of Mines of PA Anthracite Region – 1903
- Department of Mines of PA, Part I Anthracite - 1904
- Department of Mines of PA, Part I Anthracite – 1905
- I.C.S. Reference Library, Volumes 149-150, 180-181
- Annual Report, Sec. of Internal Affairs, Industrial Statistics, Volume VII – 1881
- Annual Report, Sec. of Internal Affairs, Industrial Statistics, Volume XIV-1886
- Annual Report, Sec. of Internal Affairs, Volume III – 1876
- Annual Report, Sec. of Internal Affairs, Volume XI – 1884
- Video - Timbering in Underground Anthracite Mines
- Video - Parry Coal Mine
- Video - Old St. Nicholas Breaker - May 23, 1991

**Box 20: Historic Photographs**

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- 1 Index to Folders
- 2 Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad
- 2a-c Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad
- 3 Collieries of the Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company,  
Index - 1875
- 4 Alaska Colliery
- 5 Bear Ridge Colliery
- 6 Bast Colliery
- 7 Beltrami Enterprises

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- 8 Beechwood Colliery
- 9 Bear Valley Colliery
- 10 Big Mountain Colliery
- 11 Blackwood Colliery
- 12 Boston Run Colliery
- 13 Bridgeport Colliery
- 14 Brook side Colliery
- 15 Buck Ridge Colliery
- 16 Buck Mountain Colliery
- 17 Burnside Colliery
- 18 Cameron Colliery
- 19 Coaldale Colliery
- 20 Colonial Colliery
- 21 Corbins Colliery
- 22 Davis Colliery
- 23 Draper Colliery
- 24 Eagle Hill Colliery
- 25 Ellangowen Colliery
- 26 Gilberton Colliery
- 27 Girard Colliery
- 28 Glenburn Colliery
- 29 Glendon Colliery
- 30 Glendower Colliery
- 31 Good Spring Collieries
- 32 Green Ridge/ PA Colliery
- 33 Gowen Colliery
- 34 Hammond Colliery
- 35 Hunter Tunnel Colliery
- 36 Harry E. Colliery
- 37 Huber Colliery
- 38 Hazelton Shaft Colliery
- 39 Henry Clay Colliery
- 40 Hickory Ridge Colliery
- 41 Indian Ridge Colliery
- 42 Jeddo #7 Harleigh
- 43 Keffers Tunnel

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- 45 Koh-I-Noor?
- 46 Luke Fiddler Colliery?
- 47 Lawrence Colliery
- 48 Lincoln Colliery
- 49 Manahoy City Colliery
- 50 Manahoy Storage Yard
- 51 Maple Hill Colliery (old)
- 52 Moffa Coal Company Colliery
- 53 Mine Hill Gap Colliery
- 54 Natalie Colliery
- 55 Newkirks?
- 56 N. Franklin Colliery
- 57 N. Mahoney Colliery
- 58 Oak Hill Colliery
- 59 Otto Colliery
- 60 Pennsylvania Colliery
- 61 Collieries Miscellaneous
- 62 Collieries Underground
- 63 Mahoney Plane Prints
- 64 Mahoney Plane/Gilbertson
- 65 Churches
- 66 Pottsville, Shamokin, Hazelton, Mount Carmel, Merriam
- 67 Mahoney City, Coal Castle, Shenandoah, Manatoy Township
- 68 New Philadelphia, Pottsville, Auburn, Treverton, Franklin Colliery
- 69 Schuylkill County, Pottsville, New Castle
- 70 Green Ridge, Diamond Town, Woodrow Wilson, Natalie
- 71 Pottsville Shops
- 72 Autos
- 73 8 x 10 Negatives - Locust Summit Central Breaker

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**Box 21: Transportation - Bridges - Phoenix Iron & Steel Company & Iron – General**

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- 1-13 Transportation - Bridges
- 14 Iron - Pennsylvania & Reading
- 15-26 Phoenix Iron & Steel Company
- 27-40 Iron -General Files
- 41-49 General History

**Box 22: Roads & Bridges; Railroads**

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- 1-14 Roads & Bridges (copied articles)
- 15-31 Railroads (copied articles)

**Box 23: Anthracite Booklets**

- The Wonders of Anthracite. 1935
- Buried Black Treasure. 1954 {missing 11/08}
- The Story of Coal. 1979
- The Anthracite Miner - George Harvan
- Anthracite in the Lehigh Region of PA 1820-1845, 1968
- Girard Estate Coal Lands in PA 1801-1804, 1972
- When Coal Was King: Mining Pennsylvania's Anthracite. 1970
- PA Heritage Magazine, winter 1985, "Forged From Fields of Anthracite"
- Bicentennial Exhibition, 1976, Hard Coal Mining in Northeast PA
- Collieries of the Pennsylvania & Reading Coal & Iron Company. 1875 {missing 11/08}
- ILT Volume 87, 1907? {missing 11/08}
- Annual Report, Secretary of Internal Affairs of PA, Volume V, 1878
- Annual Report, Secretary of Internal Affairs of PA, Volume X, 1883
- Annual Report, Secretary of Internal Affairs of PA, Volume IV, 1877
- Annual Report, Secretary of Internal Affairs of PA, Volume VII, 1880
- Geology of Coal Drifts, Slopes and Shafts: Methods of Working. 1907
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- Bicentennial Exhibition/Sordoni Art Gallery catalog. 1976
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### **Postcards**

- Souvenir Folder of the Anthracite Coal Region
- A Trip Through the Anthracite Coal Mines (2)

### **Box 24: Locust Summit & St. Nicholas Breakers**

#### **Folder**

- 1 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos B681- B782
- 2 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos B102- B227
- 3 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos B228- B342
- 4 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos B335- B526
- 5 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos B533- B590
- 6 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos B592- B676
- 7 A Guide On Your trip Through The Locust Summit Central Breaker  
Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company
- 8 Locust Summit and St. Nicholas Breakers –  
Miscellaneous Snapshots
- 9-10 Locust Summit and St. Nicholas Breakers - Photos
- 11 St. Nicholas Central Breaker, 1994 - Photo by Joe Elliott
- 12 Locust Summit Central Breaker, 1994 - Photo by Joe Elliott
- 13-13c Locust Summit Central Breaker - Photos
- 14 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos G24-J77
- 15 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos J78-B10
- 16 St. Nicholas Breaker - Photos J583
- 17 St. Nicholas Breaker – Photos & index
- 18 St. Nicholas Breaker - Snapshots
- 19 St. Nicholas Breaker - A Guide Through St. Nicholas Breaker
- 20 Locust Gap - Survey Maps
- 21-22 Locust Gap - Miscellaneous Papers
- 23 Black Diamond Coal & Iron Company
- 24 Locust Gap - Land Maps
- 25 Helfenstein - Martin Lands
- 26 George M. Johns - Monitor Colliery
- 27 Miscellaneous Land Grant Surveys

- 28-28f Locust Gap Improvement Company
- 29 Locust Gap Tenants/Houses
- 30 Locust Gap High School

**Box 25: Locust Dale**

**Folder**

- 1-1a Locust Dale Coal Company
- 2 Locust Dale Firehouse/Church
- 3 Locust Dale - Railroad
- 4 Locust Dale - Miscellaneous
- 5 Potts Colliery
- 6 Locust Dale - Maps
- 7 Locust Dale - Leases & Deeds
- 8 Locust Dale - Estates - Miscellaneous Lands
- 9 Locust Dale - House Plans & Costs
- 10 Locust Dale - Keystone & Merriam Colliery
- 11 Locust Dale - Estates Tracks
- 12-12a Locust Dale - The Martin Lands Report
- 13 Locust Dale - Leases
- 14 Locust Dale - Potts Personnel Records
- 15 Locust Dale - Inquiries
- 16 Locust Dale - House Leases, 1920 - 1960
- 17-17a Locust Dale - Tenant House Correspondence, 1926-1941
- 18-18a Locust Dale - Tenant House Correspondence, 1909-1925
- 19-19a Locust Dale - Tenant House Correspondence, 1942-1955
- 20 Locust Dale - Tenants of Locust Dale

**Box 26: Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company, Girard Estate  
Annual Report**

**Folder**

- 1-1a Girard Estate Annual Report. 1887
- 2 Leases – North Ashland Colliery, Girard Colliery, Hammond & Conner Collieries. 1884
- 3 Annual Report - City Trusts (Philadelphia) 1906-1908
- 4 Annual Report - City Trusts (Philadelphia) 1909-1910
- 5 Annual Report - City Trusts (Philadelphia) 1911-1912

- 6 Annual Report - City Trusts (Philadelphia) 1913, 1915
- 7 Report of Mining Engineer/Agent - Girard Estate, 1915-1916
- 8 Report of Mining Engineer/Agent - Girard Estate, 1917-1918
- 9 Report of Mining Engineer/Agent - Girard Estate, 1919-1920
- 10 Report of Mining Engineer/Agent - Girard Estate, 1921-1922
- 11 Report of Mining Engineer/Agent - Girard Estate, 1923-1924
- 12 Report of Mining Engineer/Agent - Girard Estate, 1928-1930
- 13 Report of Mining Engineer/Agent - Girard Estate, 1932-1933, 1937
- 14 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1871-1877
- 15 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1878-1881
- 16 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1883-1886
- 17 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1888-1891
- 18 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1892-1893
- 19 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1894-1895
- 20 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1896-1898
- 21 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1899-1902
- 22 Annual Report - Director of City Trusts, 1903-1905
- 23 Report - Girard Water Company and Hammond Water Company,  
1928

### **Videos**

- Video #1 New St. Nicholas - 1995 (Color)
- Video #2 "Black Diamonds" - Reading Anthracite
- Video #3 "Buried Sunshine" - Reading Anthracite
- Video #4 Gilbertson Operations - Reading Anthracite – 1962
- Video #6 Story of Anthracite - 1887

### **Box 27: Publications**

- Ruler of the Reading Railroad: Life of Franklin Gowan
- The Anthracite Coal Industry – 1901
- Anthracite Coal Communities – 1904
- The Story of Anthracite – 1932
- Enterprise & Anthracite – 1961
- 1st Century & a Quarter - American Coal Industry – 1942
- The Miners – 1977
- History of the PA Avenue & Tunnel

- Steam Locomotives of the Reading and Pennsylvania & Reading Railroads – 1988
- Reading Diesels Volume 1 – 1991
- Reading Steam Pictorial – 1964
- Supplement to "Steam Locomotives" of the Reading and Pennsylvania & Reading Railroad
- Reading Power Pictorial – 1964
- Atlantic City Railroad – 1980
- The Story of the Old Company – 1941
- Report of Anthracite Coal Strike – 1903
- Locomotives of the Reading Railroad 1836-1923, 1963
- Of Pulleys & Ropes & Gears – 1996
- The Blue Mountain & Reading Story
- Readings Victorian Stations – 1976

**Box 28: Pennsylvania & Reading Index: Coal**

**Folder**

1	Pennsylvania & Reading Owned by John Rich
2-2a	Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - Officials
3	Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company - First Aid Corps.
4	Colliery Information
5	Colliery Improvements - 1875
6-6a	Colliery Improvements - 1877,1883,1885
7	Colliery Improvements - 1886,1888,1889,1890
8-8a	Colliery Improvements - 1893-1895
9-9a	Colliery Improvements - 1897-1899, 1901
10-10a	Colliery Improvements - 1902-1905
11-11a	Colliery Improvements - 1906-1909
12-12a	Colliery Improvements - 1910-1912
13-13a	Colliery Improvements - 1913, 1915-1916
14	Historical Review - Electricity
15	Historical Notes of Anthracite
16	Employment of Boys in Mines
17	1949 Directory & Handbook of Anthracite (Booklet)



- 18 Steam Power at Anthracite Collieries (Booklet)
- 19 Buried Black Treasure: Story of Pennsylvania Anthracite.  
1954 (Booklet)(2)

### **Box 29: Transit History**

#### **Folder**

- 1-13a Lehigh Valley Transit - Allentown to Philadelphia, The Liberty  
Bell Route, 1950
- 14-14a Other Trolley Lines
- 15-15a Story Creek Railroad
- 16-18 North PA Railroad
- 19 North PA Railroad / Landsdale Train Station
- 20 North PA Railroad / Fort Washington Train Crash - 1919
- 21-21a North PA Railroad / Other Railroad Lines

### **Box 30: Railroads**

#### **Folder**

- 1-6 PA Railroad Articles
- 7 Locomotives - with Listing
- 8-9 Locomotives - Articles
- 10-12 Reading Railroad - Articles 1847 - 1906
- 13-15 PA Railroad in NY - Articles
- 16 Miscellaneous articles
- 17 Car & Locomotive Painting
- 18 Railroad Bridges
- 19 Philadelphia Rapid Transit Railroad
- 20-21 Roundhouse - Turntable - Shop - Yards
- 22 Miscellaneous Railroad Cars - Engines - Cranes, Etc.
- 23 Trains of the Pennsylvania Dutch Country. 1976
- 24 CASS Scenic Railroad of West Virginia. 1977
- 25 The Next Station Will Be...An Album of Photographs of Railroad  
Depots in 1910
- 26 Iron Mine Railroads of Northern New Jersey. Larry Lowenthal. 1981
- 27 Road to Paradise. William. M. Moedinger. 1983
- 28 Story of the Susquehanna and New York. Edward L. Kaseman.

- 29 Trains to the Grove: A History of the Dillsburg and Mechanicsburg Railroad Co. including the Great Grangers Picnic. Thomas and Steinmetz. 1977
- 30 Horseshoe Heritage: The Story of the Great Railroad Landmark. Dan Cupper.
- 31 Miscellaneous Pamphlets, Maps, etc.

### **Box 31: Canal History**

#### **Folder**

- 1 American Canals: bulletin of the American Canal Society. 1972-1977
- 2 Roebling's Delaware and Hudson Canal Aqueducts. 1971
- 3-4 Canal History – Miscellaneous Articles
- 5 Canal History – Canal Museum, Easton, PA
- 6 Canal History – Delaware and Hudson Canal
- 7 Canal History – Old Erie County Canal
- 8 Canal History – West Branch Canal
- 9-11 Canal History – Schuylkill Canal
- 12 Pennsylvania Canal: Indiana and Westmoreland Counties. Stephenson. 1961
- 13 Pennsylvania Board of Commissioners Records. 1959
- 14 Pennsylvania Main Line Canal. McCullough and Leuba. 1973
- 15 Captain Sherman's Guide to Hugh Moore Park. 1988
- 16 Hiking with History along the Erie Extension Canal. 1967
- 17 The Amazing Pennsylvania Canals. William Shank. 1965 (2)
- 18 Now and Then: A Quarterly Magazine of History, Biography, and Genealogy. October 1965
- 19 Pennsylvania Canals. Rhoads. 1960, reprint
- 20 Maryland Historical Magazine. Summer 1971

#### **Books**

- Passage between Rivers: A Portfolio of Photographs with a History of the Delaware and Raritan Canal. Elizabeth Menzies. 1976
- Low Bridge! Folklore and the Erie Canal. Lionel Wyld. 1962
- Anthracite and Slackwater: The North Branch Canal, 1828-1901. Charles Petrillo. 1986

**Box 32: Historical Photos**

**Folder**

- 1 St. Nicholas (Old)
- 2 Suffolk
- 3 Tower City
- 4 Tunnel Ridge
- 5 Trevorton
- 6 Turkey Run
- 7 Valley View
- 8 Wadesville
- 9 William Penn
- 10 Westwood
- 11-11a Silver Creek
- 12 Shenandoah City
- 13 West Shenandoah
- 14 Phoenix Park
- 15 Pine Knot
- 16 Porter Tunnel
- 17 Rausch Creek
- 18 Reliance
- 19 Richards
- 20 Schuylkill
- 21 Schuylkill Haven Storage
- 22 Sheridan
- 23 Raven Run Grandville
- 24 Sullivan Trail, West Pittston
- 25 Manahoy Plane
- 26 Manahoy Plane - Head End Construction
- 27 Iron Bridge
- 28 Stanton Breaker
- 29 Filling for New Tail Track
- 30 Row of Stores
- 31 Under Construction
- 32 Barney
- 33 Head of Manahoy Place

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- 34 Erecting Cranes and Roos - 45" x 60"
- 35 Parallel Rods
- 36 Machines & Engines
- 37 Passenger Station
- 38 Boiler House
- 39 Maps of Manahoy Place
- 40 Pottsville Lab
- 41 Pottsville Foundry
- 42 Pottsville Shops
- 43 Office Building
- 44 PA Seal
- 45 Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Company Office Building
- 46 Masonic Building
- 47 Italian Ship
- 48 Coal & Iron Company
- 49 Office Building Pottsville
- 50 Offices under Construction
- 51 Edward Gilbert & Company, Builder, Philadelphia, PA
- 52 Letters, Bills & Sales Slips
- 53 Bear Valley Colliery
- 54 George Baer, President, Reading Railroad
- 55 Transportation Headquarters
- 56 KKK Parade
- 57 American Legion
- 58 Red Cross
- 59 Brewery
- 60 Iron & Coal Miners
- 61 Christmas Trees
- 62 Tools
- 63 Telephone
- 64 Search Lights
- 65 Drawings of Mines
- 66 Miner in Full Dress
- 67 Plumb Level & Worker
- 68 Mules & Workers
- 69 Mule & Wagon

- 70 Mule Team & Barn
- 71 Mule Team & Barn Mule Trainer
- 72 The Mine Mule
- 73 Viewing the Parade
- 74 Bath Mine Mules
- 75 Auction of a Cow
- 76 Mule Feed
- 77 Mule Team Feeding
- 78 Clinton Colliery
- 79 The Monaghan Drag Line
- 80 Walking Feet
- 81 Pottsville Cemetery
- 82 Anthracite Shipping
- 83 Colleries – Photos – Index
- 84 Colleries – Photos
- 85 Colleries – Pennsylvania & Reading, Coal & Iron Co. - Photos

**Box 33: Bibliography/Indexes**

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- 1 List of periodical sources with abbreviations used
- 2 List of publications and locations not in Frank Blase Collection
- 3 Alphabetical list of authors and content-revised list
- 4-14 Bibliography of Coal, Iron and Transportation (work copy)
- 15-16 Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography - Historical Society of PA since 1877
- 17 Index of boxes to the book and paper collection of Frank Blase
- 18 Blase family tree and research

**Box 34: Pennsylvania - Miscellaneous**

**Folder**

- 1 Pennsylvania History
- 2 Life and public career of a prominent Pennsylvanian
- 3 Chapter II - Industry of County
- 4 Early transportation to Germantown
- 5 Mount Airy
- 6 A Wissahickon Anthology

- 7 Reading - Berks County
- 8 Internal Improvements - Lehigh County
- 9 Roads - Bucks County
- 10 List of serials with abbreviations used
- 11 Farmer's daughter
- 12 Bibliography
- 13 Education in Schuylkill County
- 14 Schuylkill timeline
- 15 Conrad Richter
- 16 Economic bases - change
- 17 Geography's draft
- 18 Life of a coal miner's daughter draft
- 19 Ethnicity and immigration in Schuylkill County draft
- 20 Laws of Pennsylvania
- 21 Many waterfalls in Pennsylvania
- 22 Pennsylvania caves and their locations
- 23 Papermaking
- 24 Conestoga horse, pioneer in Pennsylvania Transportation
- 25 Slate Industry
- 26 Eleven kinds of building stone are to be found in Pennsylvania
- 27 Flour milling industry
- 28 Drake Well Memorial Park marks oil birthplace
- 29 Natural ice industry of Philadelphia in the 19th century
- 30 Summit Motel
- 31 Indians 10/5/1895
- 32 New picture of historic Lemon House
- 33 Miscellaneous newspaper articles
- 34 Northumberland County
- 35 Lackawanna County
- 36 Luzerne County
- 37 Columbia County
- 38 History of wood pipe
- 39 Guide to Pennsylvania's nineteen amusement parks
- 40-41 Shipbuilding on the Delaware River
- 42 PA Highways - today and tomorrow
- 43 Recent advances in artificial lighting

- 44 Types of dump cars used on construction work - 1
- 45 Some practical views as to transportation on the Western River
- 46 Death of George Frost, founder of Engineering News
- 47 Engineering News: bridges and transportation
- 48 History of Northeast Pennsylvania 1989
- 49 History of Northeast Pennsylvania 1990
- 50 History of Northeast Pennsylvania 1991
- 51 History of Northeast Pennsylvania 1994
- 52 History of Northeast Pennsylvania 1996
- 53 History of Northeast Pennsylvania 1997

**Box 35: Historical Photographs**

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- 1 Historical Photographs (See also Negatives)  
Contact sheets from glass slide negatives
- 2 Historical Photographs (See also Negatives)  
Contact sheets from glass slide negatives
- 3 Railroads
- 4 Railroads
- 5 Hospitals (Copies)
- 6 Schools (Copies)
- 7 Houses (Copies)
- 8 Ellandale Forge
- 9 Carlos Mines
- 10 Port Richmond (Originals and copies)
- 11 Binder of historical photographs (prints, originals)
- 12 4 x 5 negatives from glass slides (See also contact prints)

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