



W.H. Chafee & Company records, 1884-1909
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Creator: W.H. Chafee & Company (Charleston, S.C.)

Description: 2.5 linear ft.

Biographical/Historical note: Charleston, S.C. wholesale grocers, commission merchants, and liquor dealers. The 1884 Charleston City Directory lists W.H. Chafee (William Haselton Chafee, 1850-1902) doing business with T.S. O'Brien as Chafee & O'Brien (wholesale grocers and liquor dealers). By 1887 the company is listed as W.H. Chafee & Company, located at 209 and 211 East Bay Street.

Scope and content: Records consist of correspondence. Two letterpress copybooks (1888, 1908-1909) contain tissue copies of business letters and notes to individuals and other businesses throughout South Carolina and elsewhere mostly concerning billing and orders. Volumes are indexed. Loose items (1887-1888) include grocery orders and letters from customers concerning billing matters.

An account book (1888-1893) contains accounts for customers and cash, merchandise, and expenses. Also included is a sales book (1884-1885) for Chafee & O'Brien.

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