



Charleston Cotton Exchange records, 1872-1969
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Containers 24/68-147

Creator: Charleston Cotton Exchange (Charleston, S.C.)

Description: 21 linear ft.

Biographical/historical note: This commercial exchange established in 1872 was first known as the Charleston Exchange, and later (around 1890) the Charleston Cotton Exchange. From 1872 the Exchange was located in a brick building at the corner of Pringle and Exchange streets. This building was closed in the late 1920's and razed in 1956. Beginning in 1928, the Charleston City Directory locates the Charleston Cotton Exchange on East Bay Street.

Scope and content: Records consist of daily business registers, minutes, membership rolls, correspondence, and other items.

Daily business registers (1873-1942, 67 bound volumes) contain printed forms in which cotton prices and market conditions at Charleston, Liverpool (England), New York (N.Y.), Manchester (England), and elsewhere are recorded. These volumes also record monthly net receipts of cotton at Charleston and include loose items such as printed reports on cotton stock prices.

Other records include daily quotation books (1917-1918); two volumes of proceedings (1872-1888) of the Exchange Association, the Board of Directors, and committees; minute books of Board of Directors' meetings (1888-1969); Exchange membership rolls (1916-1954); business correspondence (1951-1955); weather reports (1870's); and a manual (ca. 1931) entitled "The Charter, Constitution, By-Laws and Rules of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange."

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Search terms:

Charleston Cotton Exchange (Charleston, S.C.) -- Records and correspondence.

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Commodity exchanges -- South Carolina -- Charleston.

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Business records.
Letters (correspondence)
Membership rolls.
Minutes.
Proceedings.

Container listing:

23/68-134 Daily business registers, 1873-1942 (67 bound volumes)

Daily registers (1873-1942) of Charleston Cotton Exchange with contracts, sale receipts, future deliveries, shipments, exports to England and Europe, stock of cotton at Charleston, Savannah GA, New Orleans LA, New York NY, Liverpool, Manchester and during the 1870s; Bombay India. Also daily or weekly reports of weather in Charleston (1870s). Much printed matter and loose material in the volumes regarding cotton stock and prices. Also some mention of rice sales (1870s-1880s) and yearly summaries of sales cotton. Volumes arranged chronologically.

23/136-147 Business records, 1872-1969.

Records of the Charleston Cotton Exchange (1872-1969). Daily quotation books (1917-1918); Charter Constitution, rules and by-laws of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange (n.d.); proceedings of the Association Board of Directors, and Committees (1872-1888); minute books of the Charleston Cotton Exchange directors' meetings (1888-1969); membership rolls (1916-1954); receipts for shipments and exports (1945-1953) and misc. correspondence (1951-1955); Scattered death notices of members of the Charleston Cotton Exchange in the "proceedings" and "minutes"

*** 24/68 through 24/ 134 is a series of 67 bound volumes, mostly daily registers, 1873-1942, arranged chronologically*

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| 24/141 | Minute books and loose material, 1888-1916 |
| 24/143 | Minute book, 1916-1928 |
| 24/144 | Minutes, 1929-1935 |

- 24/145 Minutes, 1956-1969
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