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The Erie Canal: Materials in the Gremms-Doolittle Library

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Clipping Files – Erie Canal category:

Includes several sub-categories, including Erie Barge Canal; Bike Paths; Champlain Canal; Cohoes; Day Peckinpaugh; Electric Mule; Excursion Boats; Heritage Trail; History; Lock #1; Lock #19; Lock #23; Locks; Maps; Miscellaneous; Pamphlets; Revitalization; Rexford; Rexford Aqueduct / Vischer's Ferry; Schenectady; Schoharie Crossing; Statistics.

Photograph and Image Collections:

- Grems-Doolittle Library Photograph Collection – Erie Canal category.
Includes several sub-categories, including Barge Canal; Barge Canal Construction; Barges; Canal Boats; Communities; Disasters; Dock Street; Electric Mule; Erie Boulevard; Erie Boulevard Construction; Erie Canal; Excursion Boats; Exhibits (2006); Industries/Businesses; Lock #23; Lock #24; Other Places; Towpaths; Winter.
- Grems-Doolittle Library Postcard Collection – Erie Canal Views
- John Papp Photograph Collection
- Harold Woodworth Photograph Collection
- Laura Brown Slide Collection
- Linda Champagne Slide Collection

Historic Manuscripts Collection:

- Accounts – Accts 315; Accts 356
- Bonds – Bonds 29; Bonds 31
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- Deeds – D 187; D 200; D 447; D 895; D 1574; D 1580; D 1581; D 1611; D 1612; D 1621; D 1634; D 1729; D 1779; D 2002; D 2056
- General Letters – Gen L 244; Gen L 665
- Legal Matters – LM 19; LM 4642; LM 4722; LM 4723; LM 4733
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Documents Collection:

- Erie Canal & Barge Canal -- History (311.15.1)
- Erie Canal & Barge Canal -- Businesses (311.15.2)
- Erie Canal & Barge Canal -- Legal Matters (311.15.3)
- Erie Canal & Barge Canal -- Tourism (311.15.4)

Maps:

- See also general maps of the city of Schenectady, Schenectady County, and New York State made 1817 and later.
- On North Romeyn Street and the Erie Canal near the dry dock in the city of Schenectady* (1849)
- Untitled Map – Showing lands along the Erie Canal - Sections 29, 30 (mid-1800s)
- Untitled Map – Showing lands along the Erie Canal - Section 51 (mid-1800s)
- Untitled Map – Showing lands along the Erie Canal - Section 52 (mid-1800s)

Maps, cont.:

Untitled Map – Showing existing and proposed canals and railroads on map of New York State (1855)
Map & Profiles of New York State Canals Designed under the Direction of Van Rensselaer Richmond (1859)

Erie Canal before “Changed” By Resolved Gibbons (ca. 1920)

Directory of Navigable Connecting Waterways of New York State (1959)

Map of New York State with the Erie, Champlain, Oswego, and Cayuga-Seneca Canals Highlighted (ca. 1985)

New York's Canals and Connecting Waterways (ca. 1980s)

Untitled Map – Partial map of canals and feeders in NYS from Albany north and from Montgomery county east (n.d.)

Untitled Map – 57 pages showing detailed drawings of the route of the original Erie Canal. Shows names of land owners along the canal. (n.d.)

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Personal Papers:

Larry Hart Collection

Includes research files, photographs, and postcards relating to the Erie Canal.

Mabee Family Papers

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M-LM-60; M-LM-61; M-LM-79; M-LM-106; M-Letters-6; M-Letters-38; M-Maps-6.

Carl George Collection

Includes several descriptive booklets of the canals of New York State.

James Frost Papers

Document numbers A-68; M-136; M-208; P-21; R-35; R-37; R-52; R-58; U-120.