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Administrative Information

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General note

Forms part of Yale Record Group 14-B (YRG 14-B), Records of academic departments and programs of the Yale Faculty of Arts and Sciences.

Arrangement

The records are arranged by record type.

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b. 2, f. 21	Waldo, L. A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at beinecke.library@yale.edu to request access to the digital copy.	1879-1884
b. 2, f. 22	X-Y-Z	1884
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b. 3, f. 24 - 25	Financial papers	1881-1887
b. 3, f. 26	Observatory records	1872-1889
b. 3, f. 27 - 28	Astronomical work & instruments	1880-1892
b. 3, f. 29	Board of Managers: Recommendations, records of the Observatory	1880s

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Astronomical observatories
College buildings
Observatories
Universities and colleges -- Administration
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Names

Brown, Robert, 1836-1911
Newton, H. A. (Hubert Anson), 1830-1896
Waldo, Leonard, 1853-

Corporate Bodies

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