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Collection Information

Abstract : The Tolman, Luther & Co. manufactured terra-cotta architectural ornaments in Worcester ca. 1852. It's successor, 1853-1856, was Tolman, Hathaway & Stone. Many examples of the companies' work was used in public and non-public buildings constructed in Worcester and elsewhere during the 1850s.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

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MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings (lcs, aat, tgm, gmgcp)

Tolman, Luther & Co. (Worcester, Mass.)
Tolman, Hathaway & Stone (Worcester, Mass.)
Architectural terra-cotta – Massachusetts – Worcester.
Architectural terra-cotta – Photographs.
Architectural terra-cotta – Analysis.

Historical/Biographical Notes

Tolman, Luther & Co. first appears in the Worcester City Directory of 1852 as a manufacturer of terra-cotta ornaments. From 1853-1855 the company is listed as Tolman, Hathaway & Stone. It is not listed after 1855. The company manufactured terra-cotta architectural ornaments which were used in the construction of buildings of the classical revival architectural styles of the 1850s. Ornaments were manufactured for use on many public and non-public buildings in Worcester and elsewhere.

Scope and Content

The collection includes analyses of terra cotta from the Cooper Union Building in New York City and from Worcester building known to have terra cotta manufactured by Luther and Co. Analyses made in 2000. Also includes bound volume *The Cooper Union Building and Architectural Terra Cotta* / Jay Shockley and Susan Tunick, published 2001, and two postcards (ca. 2000) of terra cotta on buildings in New York.

Series Description

Series 1: Analyses. Includes analyses of terra cotta from Cooper Union Building, New York, and terra cotta from Worcester known to be made by Tolman and Co.

Series 2: Bound Volume. *The Cooper Union Building and Architectural Terra Cotta* / Jay Shockley and Susan Tunick. (1 item)

Series 3: Postcards. Examples of terra cotta in New York City. (2 items)

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Series 1, Analyses

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	2002.08.1.1	Analyses of terra cotta from Cooper Union Building, New York, buildings in Worcester, Mass. of known manufacture by Tolman Co., and others; with cover letters. (10 p.)

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Series 2, Bound Volumes

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1	2	2002.08.2.1	<i>The Cooper Union Building and architectural terra cotta</i> / Jay Shockley and Susan Tunick : [S.l., s.n., 2001] 30 p. plus 60 illus.

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Series 3, Postcards

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1	3	2002.08.3.1-.2	Child's's Restaurant, terra cotta details on building : halftone photomechanical prints / ca. 2001. (2 items)