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## ARCHIVES

Worcester Cycle Manufacturing  
Company Records

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### Collection Information

Abstract : The Worcester Cycle Manufacturing Company manufactured Boyd bicycles in Worcester from ca. 1895 to ca. 1901. Business letters of early 1897 and correspondence and lists relating to a major order of bicycles from Norway in 1897 comprise the collection.

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

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Worcester Cycle Manufacturing Company.  
Bicycle industry – Massachusetts – Worcester.  
Bicycles – Massachusetts – Worcester.  
Industries – Massachusetts – Worcester.  
Worcester (Mass.) – Manufactures.  
Boyd bicycle.

### **Historical/Biographical Notes**

The Worcester Cycle Manufacturing Company existed in Worcester from ca. 1895 to ca. 1900. General offices were in New York City, with factories in Worcester and Middletown, Conn. The company manufactured Boyd bicycles.

### **Scope and Content**

The collection is comprised of business letters from the general office in New York City to the Worcester factory, January - May, 1897; and lists and letters relating to an order of 100 bicycles from a Norwegian dealer, March 1897.

### **Series Description**

**Series 1:** Letters. Consists of letters from the New York office to the Worcester factory, January to May 1897.

**Series 2:** Orders. Consists of letters and lists relating to order for 100 bicycles from Christiania, Norway, March 1897.

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Series 1, Letters, 1897

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	2000.01.1.1-.12	Letters from General Manager, New York, to M.J.P. McCafferty, Agent, Worcester, January – May, 1897. Typescript. 12 items.

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Series 2, Order, March 1897

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	2	2000.01.2.1-.6	Lists and letters relating to order #202, for 100 bicycles for Hans J. Norregaard, Christiana, Norway, March 1897. Typescript, with manuscript notes. 6 items.