

Hodge Foundry Lake Superior Iron Works Records MS-052

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Summary Information

Repository	Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections
Creator	Lake Superior Iron Works (Ripley, Mich.).
Title	Hodge Foundry Lake Superior Iron Works Records
Date [inclusive]	1880-1902
Extent	0.97 cubic feet 3 manuscript boxes
Language	English
Language of Material	English
Mixed materials [Box]	1-3
Abstract	Records, 1880-1902, of the Hodge Iron Foundry of Ripley, Michigan, also known as the Lake Superior Iron Works. Includes indexed accounts, general ledgers and payroll accounts.

Preferred Citation

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Biography

Samuel F. Hodge came to Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula in 1869 or 1870, according to varying accounts. He established the Lake Superior Iron Works in Ripley, Michigan, soon after his arrival. It was the second foundry in the area and catered primarily to the three stamp mills in the vicinity, the Quincy Mill, the Pewabic Mill, and the Franklin Mill, all located in Ripley. The foundry works were located between the Pewabic and Quincy mills along the industrial waterfront, near Hancock, Michigan. Charles J. Hodge carried on the business after his father's death. The Portage Lake Foundry & Machinery Company bought out the Hodge Iron Foundry in approximately 1904 and began advertising chilled stamp shoes as one of its own products thereafter.

Collection Scope and Content Summary

Collection includes indexed accounts, general ledgers and payroll accounts.

Arrangement

Chronological

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Acquisition

Three bound volumes from the Hodge Iron Company were donated anonymously to the Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections on October 18, 2003.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Hodge Foundry (Ripley, Mich.).

Genre(s)

- Ledgers (Account books)

Geographic Name(s)

- Ripley (Mich.)

Personal Name(s)

- Hodge, Charles J.
- Hodge, Samuel F.

Subject(s)

- Copper mines and mining--Michigan--Upper Peninsula
- Foundries--Michigan--Ripley

Collection Inventory

	Box	Volume
Indexed Accounts 1880-1884, General Ledger 1883, Payroll Accounts 1880-1884	1	1
Indexed Accounts 1886-1888	2	1
Indexed Accounts 1890-1902	3	1