Summary

Creator: Gould, Benjamin Apthorp, 1824-1896

Title: Benjamin Apthorp Gould papers

Date: 1855-1867

Size: .21 linear feet (1 box)

Source: Transferred from USSC and Thomas J. Taylor collections, with an additional gift from Drayton Cochran.

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Custodial History

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Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic
Accounts
Business records
notes

Occupations
Astronomers -- United States -- 19th century
Scientists -- United States -- 19th century

Subjects
Gas-lighting -- United States

Names
Bond, William Cranch, 1789-1859 -- recipient
Whitehall Gas-Light Company