

William S. Thomas Papers MS-584

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Summary Information

Repository	Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections
Creator	Thomas, William S.
Title	William S. Thomas Papers
Date [inclusive]	1867-1897
Extent	0.45 cubic feet 1 manuscript box (legal size)
Language	English
Language of Material	English
Mixed materials [Box]	1
Abstract	Papers, 1867-1880, of William S. Thomas, a one-time resident of Eagle River, Michigan. Includes a diary as well as a weather journal that in addition to documenting the daily weather, also describes some of his plant finds. Also included is a photo album featuring images from Marquette, Michigan and north into the Copper Country.

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Biography

William S. Thomas was a one-time resident of Eagle River, Michigan and native of Detroit. At various times he worked as a county clerk for Eagle River, an attorney and a miner. He was also an amateur botanist with special attention paid to wild flowers between Eagle River and Copper Harbor.

Collection Scope and Content Summary

Included in this collection is a diary with entries about Christianity, Thomas' insight on court cases in Keweenaw County, and his daily activities as well as a weather journal that in addition to documenting the daily weather, also describes some of his plant finds. Also included is a photo album featuring images from Marquette, Michigan and north into the Copper Country.

Arrangement

Chronological

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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Revision Description

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Acquisition

One diary, a weather journal, and a photograph album consisting of images of the Copper Country and Marquette, Michigan were donated the Michigan Technological University Archives and Copper Country Historical Collections on September 24, 1979 by William S. Thomas (grandson.)

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

- Diaries
- Photograph albums

Geographic Name(s)

- Copper Country (Mich.)
- Eagle River (Mich.)

Personal Name(s)

- Thomas, William S.

Subject(s)

- Botany--United States--Michigan
- Landscapes--Michigan--Copper Country

- Weather--Michigan--Copper Country

Collection Inventory

	Box	Folder
Weather Journal 1867-1880	1	1
Photograph Album Undated	1	2
Diary 9/13/1877-9/12/1897	1	3