Autograph Book

This unidentified autograph book is one of a series of autograph collections in Missouri Valley Special Collections. The focus of this book is Washington, D.C. and officials of the federal government in the mid-19th century.

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Unknown

Title: Autograph Book, Unidentified

Dates: [1867-1868]

Size: 6" x 9", unpaged, [89 leaves]

Location: SC35-4

Administrative Information

Restrictions on access: Unrestricted access.

Acquisition information: Unknown, penciled in the front cover is "K.C.

Museum"

Citation note: Autograph book, unidentified (SC35-4), Missouri Valley Special Collections, Kansas City Public Library, Kansas City, Missouri.

Collection Description

Scope and content note

The compiler of this autograph book is unknown. There are 244 signatures that were gathered it appears in the 1867-1868 time period. Dating was determined by noting a few signatures that included a date. With each name is a state and because the name of Schulyer Colfax, Speaker of the House of Representatives, appears it is presumed the names included are United States congressional figures of the time.

A few signatures also have the district name included. Each page usually has three signatures and most all pages in the book contain names. The title page reads *Autographs*, J.B. Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia. Significant names to this area include: Grenville Dodge, Council Bluffs, Iowa; Edmund Ross and S.C. Pomeroy of Kansas; Charles D. Drake of Missouri, and James Harlan of Iowa.

Processed by Special Collections Librarian Sara Nyman, November 2001.