

ADIRONDACK COMPANY'S TELEGRAPH ACCOUNT BOOKS

OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

- Repository:** Crandall Public Library.
Center for Folklife, History, and Cultural Programs,
Glens Falls, NY.
- Creator:** Adirondack Company's Telegraph (N.Y.)
- Title:** Adirondack Company's Telegraph Account Books.
- Dates:** 1873-1886.
- Abstract:** The Adirondack Company's Telegraph account book lists telegrams sent or received between 1873 and 1882 from the Adirondack Company's telegraph offices in Warren County, especially those located in Chester, Pottersville, Schroon Lake, and Wevertown. A second volume lists accounts from Levitt's exchange, Chester exchange, Riverside, and others in the 1880's.
- Quantity:** 2 volumes.
- Identification Number:** Archives & Manuscripts: Account Books.

ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY

No historical information appears in the 1873-1882 account book. A form appears in the later volume indicating that in the 1880's the business was called Adirondack Railway Company's Telegraph, and the Superintendent was C. E. Durkee. A second form, also dated in the 1880's but likely later than the first, indicates that the company was called The Adirondack, Lake George & Saratoga Telegraph Company, in connection with the Western Union Telegraph Company. William W. Durant was President; Horace C. Young, Vice-President; W.C. Humstone, General Manager; and J.W. Burdick, Secretary and Treasurer.

SCOPE AND CONTENT OF THE RECORDS

The Adirondack Company's Telegraph account books list telegrams sent or received between 1873 and 1882 from the Adirondack Company's telegraph offices in Warren County, especially those located in Chester, Pottersville, Schroon Lake, and Wevertown. For each telegram the account book lists the office handling the telegram, from what place sent, at what place received, names of sender and recipient, number of words, and cost. Entries are arranged chronologically. A second volume lists accounts from Levitt's exchange, Chester exchange, Riverside, and others in the 1880's. Years are usually not provided but 1882 and 1886 are mentioned. No names of senders and recipients of telegrams are provided in this volume.

INDEX TERMS

- Topics:** Business enterprises—New York (State)—Warren County.
Telegraph—New York (State)—Warren County.
- Places:** Warren County (N.Y.)—History—Sources.
- Organizations:** Adirondack Company's Telegraph (N.Y.)
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Adirondack, Lake George, and Saratoga Telegraph
Company (N.Y.)
- Form/Genre:** Account books.

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