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## Summary Information

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**Preferred Citation note**

Bush and Lobdell Correspondence, W.S. Hoole Special Collections Library, The University of Alabama.
Biographical/Historical note

Bush and Lobdell, of Wilmington, Delaware, were the major manufacturers of cast-iron railroad tires, as well as supplying heavy machinery, parts, and tools for gins, textile works, railroads, and agriculture in the 1860s. They differed from their competitors by making a hollow tire, thereby decreasing the dead weight and producing a more even chill. The letters were written by agents in Mobile, Alabama, concerning orders, finance, and politics. Principals in the firm were Charles Bush and George G. Lobdell.

Scope and Contents note

The collection consists of five letters and a telegram to a foundry in Delaware from various Alabama railroads concerning purchase of wheels, trucks, pinions, and other items in 1860.

Administrative Information

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Conditions Governing Access note

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Conditions Governing Use note

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Corporate Name(s)

- Alabama Railroads

Genre(s)

- Commercial correspondence
- Letters

Subject(s)

- Alabama
- Alabama Business and Industry
- Business and Labor
- Railroads--Alabama--Records and correspondence
- Technology and Industry
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