

**The Filson Historical Society**

**The Papers of the  
Dugan Family**

The papers of the Dugan family, primarily of Madison Dugan (1860-1917).

For information regarding literary and copyright interests for these papers, see the Curator of Manuscripts, James J. Holmberg.

**Size of Collection**

**0.33 cubic feet**

**Locator Number Mss.\A\D866a**

### **Biographical Note**

Madison Dugan (1860-1917) was involved in the river trade along the Ohio River in the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

### **Scope and Content Note**

Collection includes papers relating to steamboats on the Ohio River. Included are U.S. Inspector's certificates of Madison Dugan from 1888 and 1889; three Dugan date books, 1888-1892, briefly listing his boat, his duties and local and river news; and newspaper clippings and photographs with notes cut from Dugan's diaries.

There are also letters concerning steamboat inspections from 1912-1936, bills of lading, 1866-1878, and miscellaneous checks and clippings. Three sets of legal papers include depositions from U.S. v. Gasoline Boat "Messenger" from U.S. District Court, and reports and depositions concerning the explosion of the towboat "Fred Wilson," 1904 May 26.

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A Dugan Family  
D866a Papers. 1866-1936.

Box 1

- fl. 1 Correspondence, 1912-1936 and n.d.
- fl. 2 Bills of lading, 1866-1878.
- fl. 3 Steamboat pictures with notes from Dugan's diaries.
- fl. 4 Certificates, 1888-1889.
- fl. 5 United States v. John H. Thacker.
- fl. 6 United States v. The Gasoline Boat "Messenger."
- fl. 7 Steamboat "Fred Wilson."
- fl. 8 Miscellaneous items.
- fl. 9 Datebook, 1890-1892.
- fl. 10 Datebook, 1890-1892.
- fl. 11 Datebook, 1888-1891.