



Maryland Steel Company photograph albums 2008.224

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Summary Information

Repository:	Audiovisual Collections
Source:	Margolis & Moss
Creator:	Maryland Steel Company
Title:	Maryland Steel Co. photograph album
ID:	2008.224
Date [inclusive]:	1890-1894
Physical Description:	1 Linear Foot
General Physical Description:	3 albums (204 photographic prints) : cyanotypes : 7.5 x 13 in.
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	Maryland Steel Company was a steel-works and shipyard operated from 1891 until 1916, when Bethlehem Steel acquired the Pennsylvania Steel Company and its subsidiary, Maryland Steel. This collection consists of 3 albums containing 204 cyanotype photographs taken at the Maryland Steel Company's steel plant and shipyard between 1890 and 1894. The photographs show steel buildings, steel workers, shipyard buildings, ship construction, tugs and steamships.

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Historical Note

In 1887, the Pennsylvania Steel Company constructed a steel plant at Sparrow's Point on the mouth of the Patapsco River near Baltimore, Maryland. Shortly after construction was completed, the plant was incorporated as the Maryland Steel Company of Baltimore County. That same year, 1891, the Marine Department, which included a shipyard, was created. The steel-works and shipyard continued to operate as the Maryland Steel Company until 1916, when Bethlehem Steel acquired the Pennsylvania Steel Company and its subsidiary, Maryland Steel.

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Scope and Content

This collection consists of 3 albums containing 204 cyanotype photographs taken at the Maryland Steel Company's steel plant and shipyard between 1890 and 1894.

Album one, "Plant of Maryland Steel Co., Blast Furnaces, Rail Mill, & Shops," contains exterior and interior photographs of buildings involved in steel production, including the Bessemer, foundry, furnaces, rail mill, and machine shop. A number of the images show steel workers at work.

Album two, "Plant of Maryland Steel Co., Marine Department," consists of photographs of Maryland Steel Company's shipyard, which began producing vessels in 1891. This album includes many views of the construction of the shipyard, particularly the construction of the fitting out shop, the sheers, and the boiler shop, as well as interior and exterior photographs of shipyard buildings in use.

Album three, "Vessels Built by Maryland Steel Co., Marine Dept. up to July 1894," documents the construction and launch of hulls #3 through #14 of the Maryland Steel Company. These vessels consist primarily of tugs and coastal passenger steamships, as well as police boat Patrol built for New York City in 1894.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Access Restrictions

This collection is open for research.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Steel industry and trade.
- Shipbuilding.
- Bessemer process
- Blast furnaces.
- Photograph albums
- cyanotypes (photographic prints)
- Margolis & Moss

Collection Inventory

Plant of Maryland Steel Co. Blast furnaces, rail mill and shops, 1890-1893

Scope and Contents

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Title/Description	Instances	
Furnaces (front), 1890 December 15	box 1	album 1
Scope and Contents		
Image of Maryland Steel Co. furnaces.		
Furnaces (back), 1890 December 24	box 1	album 1
Scope and Contents		
Rear image of Maryland Steel Co. furnaces.		
Piping (Furnace "C"), 1891 April 6	box 1	album 1
Scope and Contents		
Image of Furnace C piping at the Maryland Steel Co.		
Furnaces, 1892 January 8	box 1	album 1
Scope and Contents		
Furnaces at Maryland Steel Co.		
Main office and Sparrow's Point store C, 1890 December 24	box 1	album 1

Scope and Contents

Image of Maryland Steel Co.'s main office and the store.

View of Sparrow's Point, 1892 August 15	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Building exteriors and railroad tracks at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Bessemer exterior, 1891 March 11	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Exterior image of Bessemer at Maryland Steel Co.

Bessemer interior, 1891 March 11	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Bessemer interior at Maryland Steel Co.

Bessemer interior, 1891 March 11	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Interior of Bessemer with workers in foreground at Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Bessemer interior, 1891 March 18	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Bessemer interior at Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Rail mill interior, 1891 March 11	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Interior of rail mill.

Boilers in rail mill, 1891 April 6	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Rail mill boilers at Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Boiler piping in rail mill, 1891 April 6	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Piping in rail mill boilers at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Bessemer and rail mill exterior, 1891 March 12	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Exterior of Bessemer and rail mill at Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Rail mill exterior, 1891 August 7	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Exterior of rail mill at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Rail mill and Bessemer exterior, 1891 August 10	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Exteriors of the rail mill and Bessemer at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Bessemer and rail mill exterior, 1892 January 8	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Winter exterior of Bessemer and rail mill at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Rail mill pumping plant interior, 1893 May 17	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Pumping plant at the rail mill at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Machine shop interior, 1892 July 22	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Machine shop in the Construction Department at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Foundry interior, 1892 November 24	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Foundry interior with workers at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Pattern shop interior, 1892 July 25	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Interior of pattern shop with workers in background at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

<i>Blanche Hopkins</i> (ship) October 24, 1891, 1891 October 24	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Image of the ship *Blanche Hopkins*.

Group of five steamers , 1891 December 15	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Group shot of five steamers in port.

<i>SS Glenafren</i> and <i>SS Rosend Castle</i> , 1893 December 15	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Images of two ships. Date on back of image contradicts date on front of image; date on back is December 15, 1890.

<i>SS Earnwell</i> and <i>SS Handel</i> , 1892 December 15	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Image of two ships docked outside Maryland Steel Co. plant. The date on the back of the image differs from the date on the front of the image. The back date is December 1890.

<i>George Stetson</i> (ship), 1891 March 19	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Close up of ship docked at Maryland Steel Co. plant.

<i>George Stetson</i> (ship), 1892 March 19	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Photograph of ship, *George Stetson*, in harbor.

<i>George Stetson</i> (ship), 1892 March 19	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Long shot of ship docked at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

<i>Tom O'Shanter</i> (ship), 1892 March 19	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Long shot of ship docked at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Rails for World's Fair, 1893 February 11	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Long shot of steel rails for the World's Fair.

Whale Backs (ships), 1891 July 19	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Photograph of Wale Back ships docked in the harbor at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

Whale Backs (ships), 1891 July 19	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Photograph of Wale Back ships docked in the harbor at the Maryland Steel Co. plant.

<i>Keystone</i> (tug), 1891 July 19	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Photograph of tug boat, the *Keystone*, with three men standing on deck.

<i>Richmond</i> (side-wheel steamship), 1891 August 15	box 1	album 1
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Scope and Contents

Photograph of the steamship, the *Richmond*.

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Plant of Maryland Steel Co. Marine Department, 1890-1893

Scope and Contents

Album two, "Plant of Maryland Steel Co., Marine Department," consists of photographs of Maryland Steel Company's shipyard, which began producing vessels in 1891. This album includes many views of the construction of the shipyard, particularly the construction of the fitting out shop, the sheers, and the boiler shop, as well as interior and exterior photographs of shipyard buildings in use.

Title/Description	Instances	
General view of shipyard, 1891 July 16	box 1	album 2
Fitting out pier, 1890 December 10	box 1	album 2
Tool shed interior, 1890 December 10	box 1	album 2
Drawing room, 1890 December 10	box 1	album 2
Shanty at shipyard, 1891 March 11	box 1	album 2
Temporary machine shop exterior, 1891 March 18	box 1	album 2
Angle furnace, 1891 April 7	box 1	album 2
Angle and plate furnace, 1891 April 8	box 1	album 2
Tool shed interior, 1891 April 20	box 1	album 2
Tool shed forges (blacksmiths), 1891 May 1	box 1	album 2

Office of Marine Department exterior, 1891 May 1	box 1	album 2
Punch and shear , 1891 May 22	box 1	album 2
Plate planers, 1891 May 29	box 1	album 2
Scope and Contents		
1 photographic print : cyanotype ; 7.5 x 13 in.		
Carpenter and joiner shop exterior, 1891 June 6	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop (under construction), 1891 July 16	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop foundation, 1891 August 10	box 1	album 2
Joiner shop interior, 1891 August 21	box 1	album 2
Main fitting out shop, 1891 October 1	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop, 1891 October 8	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop, 1891 October 10	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop, 1891 October 10	box 1	album 2
Blacksmith shop interior, 1891 October 10	box 1	album 2
Birds-eye view of shipyard (photo of drawing), 1891 October 14	box 1	album 2
Shipyard ruins, 1891 November 9	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop , 1891 December 19	box 1	album 2
View of ships, 1892 January 8	box 1	album 2
Marine Department office and village, 1892 February 2	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop interior, 1892 March 28	box 1	album 2
Sheers, 1892 May 2	box 1	album 2
Sheers, 1892 May 2	box 1	album 2
Sheers, 1892 May 2	box 1	album 2
Sheers, 1892 May 2	box 1	album 2
Sheers [and fitting out shop exterior], 1892 May 5	box 1	album 2
Sheers , 1892 May 6	box 1	album 2
Sheers [and fitting out shop exterior], 1892 May 6	box 1	album 2
Sheers , 1892 May 8	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop exterior and sheers, 1892 June 20	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop exterior, 1892 June 20	box 1	album 2
Sheers from southwest [and steamship Lancaster], 1892 September 22	box 1	album 2

Sheers, 1892 September 22	box 1	album 2
Sheers from northeast, 1892 September 22	box 1	album 2
Sheers with test load, 1893 April 5	box 1	album 2
Sheers with Krupps 124 ton gun, 1893 April 6	box 1	album 2
Sheers from west, 1893 May 23	box 1	album 2
Shipyard from north, 1892 May 8	box 1	album 2
Radial countersink, 1892 May 29	box 1	album 2
Carpenter shop, 1892 June 20	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop exterior, 1892 June 20	box 1	album 2
Lumber shed exterior, 1892 June 20	box 1	album 2
Shipyard from west, 1892 June 20	box 1	album 2
Shipyard from south, 1892 June 20	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop and sheers, 1892 June 20	box 1	album 2
Joiner shop interior, 1892 July 3	box 1	album 2
Small rolls, 1892 July 22	box 1	album 2
Joiner shop interior, 1892 August 10	box 1	album 2
Boiler shop foundations (under construction), 1892 September 20	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop interior, 1892 October 5	box 1	album 2
Boiler shop (under construction), 1892 October 25	box 1	album 2
Boiler shop (under construction), 1892 November 1	box 1	album 2
Boiler shop foundation (under construction), 1892 November	box 1	album 2
Boiler shop (under construction), 1892 December 7	box 1	album 2
Boiler shop (under construction), 1892 December 7	box 1	album 2
Car for Krupps 124 ton gun, 1893 February 11	box 1	album 2
Krupps 80 ton gun, 1893 April 6	box 1	album 2
Krupps 124 ton gun, 1893 April 7	box 1	album 2
SS Turret, 1893 May 17	box 1	album 2
SS Turret, 1893 May 17	box 1	album 2
Joiner shop interior, circa 1893	box 1	album 2
Brass room, 1893 June 22	box 1	album 2
Fitting out shop interior, 1893 June 22	box 1	album 2
Bending machine, 1893 June 22	box 1	album 2

Fitting out shop interior, 1893 August 18	box 1	album 2
View of shipyard, 1893 August 24	box 1	album 2
Marine Department office and gate house, circa 1893	box 1	album 2
Paint shop, 1893 August 29	box 1	album 2
Drawing room, Marine Department, 1893 August 30	box 1	album 2
General view of shipyard, 1893 December 15	box 1	album 2
Enoch Pratt (side-wheel steamship), circa 1893	box 1	album 2
Unidentified shop interior, circa 1893	box 1	album 2
Steel parts on rail cars, circa 1893	box 1	album 2

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Vessels build by Maryland Steel Company Marine Department, 1890

Scope and Contents

Album three, "Vessels Built by Maryland Steel Co., Marine Dept. up to July 1894," documents the construction and launch of hulls #3 through #14 of the Maryland Steel Company. These vessels consist primarily of tugs and coastal passenger steamships, as well as police boat Patrol built for New York City in 1894.

Title/Description	Instances	
Tug <i>Penwood</i> [hull #3] , 1891 March 11	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> and <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hulls #3 and #4], 1891 April 6	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> [hull #3] , 1891 April 20	box 1	album 3
Tugs <i>Penwood</i> and <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hulls #3 and #4] , 1891 April 28	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> [hull #3] , 1891 April 28	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> [hull #3] , 1891 May 22	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> [hull #3] , 1891 May 22	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> [hull #3] , 1891 May 30	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> launch [hull #3] , 1891 May 30	box 1	album 3
Tugs <i>Penwood</i> and <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hulls #3 and #4] , 1891 May 30	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> [hull #3], 1891 May 30	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> engine [hull #3] , 1891 October 17	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Penwood</i> [hull #3] , 1892 November 6	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> launch [hull #4], 1891 June 16		

	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hull #4] , 1892 April 1	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hull #4] , 1892 April 1	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hull #4] , 1892 April 1	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hull #4] , 1892 April 1	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hull #4] , 1892 April 1	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Douglas H. Thomas</i> [hull #4] , 1892 April 1	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> [hull #5] , 1892 January 8	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> [hull #5], 1892 April 15	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> [hull #5] , 1892 April 15	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> [hull #5] , 1892 April 16	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> launch [hull #5], 1892 April 16	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> launch [hull #5], 1892 April 16	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> boilers [hull #5] , 1892 May 12	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> [hull #5]main saloon, 1892 August 15	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> [hull #5], 1893 July 22	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Lancaster</i> [hull #5], 1892 July 22	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> Interior boiler space [hull #6] , 1892 May 18	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> [hull #6], 1892 June 20	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> crankshaft [hull #6] , 1892 September 18	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> and tugs <i>Germania</i> and <i>Frances</i> [hulls #6, 7, and #8] , 1892 September 20	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> [hull #6] , 1892 September 20	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> [hull #6] , 1892 September 20	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> christening [hull #6] , 1892 October 1	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> main saloon looking aft [hull #6] , undated1893	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> main saloon looking forward [hull #6] , undated1893	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> aft saloon [hull #6] , 1893 April 16	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> trial trip [hull #6] , 1893 April 3	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> trial trip [hull #6] , 1893 April 3	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Alabama</i> trial trip [hull #6] , 1893 April 3	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Germania</i> [hull #7], 1892 May 27	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Germania</i> [hull #7], 1892 May 27	box 1	album 3

Tug <i>Germania</i> launch [hull #7], 1892 August 31	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Germania</i> launch [hull #7], 1892 August 31	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Germania</i> [hull #7], 1892 August 31	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Germania</i> [hull #7], 1892 December 10	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Frances</i> [hull #8], 1892 May 27	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Frances</i> [hull #8], 1892 May 27	box 1	album 3
Tugs <i>Frances</i> & <i>Dorothy</i> [hulls #8 & 9], 1892 September 20	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Frances</i> [hull #8], 1893 January 30	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Frances</i> [hull #8], 1893 January 30	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Dorothy</i> [hull #9], 1893 March 7	box 1	album 3
Engine #9 , 1893 March 20	box 1	album 3
Engine #9 , 1893 March 20	box 1	album 3
Engine #9 , 1893 March 20	box 1	album 3
Engine #9 , 1893 March 16	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Dorothy</i> [hull #9], 1893 July 30	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Dorothy</i> [hull #9], 1893 July 30	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> launch [hull #10], 1893 June 10	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> launch [hull #10], 1893 June 10	box 1	album 3
Crankshaft #10, 1893 August 19	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> dining saloon [hull #10], 1893 October 12	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> social hall [hull #10], 1893 October 12	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> captain's cabin [hull #10], 1893 October 12	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> [hull #10], 1893 October 8	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> [hull #10], 1893 October 9	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> [hull #10], 1893 October 9	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Gloucester</i> trial trip [hull #10], 1893 October 9	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Baltimore</i> [hull #11], 1893 March 7	box 1	album 3
Engine #11, 1893 April 3	box 1	album 3
Engine #11, 1893 April 3	box 1	album 3
Tugs <i>Baltimore</i> [hull #11] & <i>Carolina</i> , 1893 May 29	box 1	album 3
Tug <i>Baltimore</i> [hull #11], 1893 May 29	box 1	album 3
Police boat <i>Patrol</i> , 1894 January 10	box 1	album 3

Police boat <i>Patrol</i> , 1894 January 10	box 1	album 3
Police boat <i>Patrol</i> , 1894 January 10	box 1	album 3
Propeller #13, 1894 January 31	box 1	album 3
Steam yacht <i>Dungeness</i> [hull #13], circa 1894	box 1	album 3
Steam yacht <i>Dungeness</i> [hull #13], circa 1894	box 1	album 3
Steam yacht <i>Dungeness</i> [hull #13], circa 1894	box 1	album 3
Steam yacht <i>Dungeness</i> [hull #13], circa 1894	box 1	album 3
Steam yacht <i>Dungeness</i> [hull #13], circa 1894	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Tivoli</i> [hull #14], circa 1894	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Tivoli</i> [hull #14], circa 1894	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Tivoli</i> [hull #14], circa 1894	box 1	album 3
<i>SS Tivoli</i> [hull #14], circa 1894	box 1	album 3

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