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Guide to the Samuel J. Barrows Papers 1897-1910



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Descriptive Summary

Identifier	ICU.SPCL.SJBARROWS
Title	Barrows, Samuel J., Papers
Date	1897-1910
Size	1.5 linear feet (3 boxes)
Repository	Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
Abstract	The Samuel J. Barrows papers contain materials from the years 1897 to 1910. The papers deal with Barrows' career as International Prison Commissioner. They include general correspondence, correspondence in regard to the 1910 appropriation from Congress, and correspondence concerning efforts to receive a \$50,000 appropriation for the 1910 International Prison Commission Congress to be held in Washington, D.C.

Acknowledgments

Information on Use

Access

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Biographical Note

Samuel June Barrows (1845-1909) was a Unitarian clergyman and editor of the Christian Register. He served one term in Congress, elected from the 10th district in Boston in 1896. His main interest, however, was prison reform. He was elected corresponding secretary of the Prison Association of New York in 1900 and made it a power for reform, both in New York and the nation, being instrumental in the enactment of the federal parole law. He was appointed International Prison Commissioner for the United States by President Cleveland in 1895 and had much to do with the development of the International Prison Congress, of which he was elected president in 1905.

Scope Note

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correspondence concerning efforts to receive a \$50,000 appropriation for the 1910 International Prison Commission Congress to be held in Washington, D.C.

Related Resources

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