

**Title:** McMillan, Thomas B. Collection

**Reference Code:** MSS 0873

**Inclusive Dates:** 1873-1958

**Quantity:** .2 cu ft

**Location:** Sm Mss  
LC, Sh. 8

**Abstract:** Thomas Breckenridge McMillan was born in Scotland on April 20, 1847 and left home at age 17 to begin work as a machinist's apprentice. He would subsequently work as a marine engineer on the steamer *The Germany* which would take him to the United States, Canada, Portugal, Brazil, and through the Strait of Magellan to Chile. He moved to Milwaukee in 1873 and by 1874 had become chief engineer of the North Point Pumping Station. His role would expand to Chief Engineer of Power Plants after the construction of additional pumping stations. McMillan would hold this position until his death on May 1, 1920.

**Scope and Content:** Collection includes several notebooks and scrapbooks, McMillan's personal traveler's map of North America hand-dated 1873, materials related to the Milwaukee Water Works, including the North Point Pumping Station, McMillan's certificate of naturalization, and a biography and family history.

**Access and Use:** No restrictions

**Language:** English

**Notes:**