

**Title:** Milwaukee and Janesville Territorial Road Collection

**Reference Code:** Mss-0952

**Inclusive Dates:** 1838

**Quantity:** 000.03 cu. ft.

**Location:** Sm Mss

**Abstract:** The Milwaukee and Janesville Territorial Road originally was an Indian trail that reached from Milwaukee to Janesville. The Wisconsin Territorial Legislature designated the trail a territorial road in 1838. However, responsibility for improving the road fell to landowners and municipalities; thus, few improvements were made until 1848 when lawmakers authorized private companies to construct a plank road along the route. The Milwaukee and Janesville Plank Road eventually was renamed Forest Home Avenue.

**Scope and Content:** The collection consists of George S. West's survey field notes on the Milwaukee and Janesville Territorial Road, July 23, 1838.

**Access and Use:** No restrictions

**Language:** English