

**Title:** Schlitz, Joseph Collection

**Reference Code:** Mss-3169

**Inclusive Dates:** 1989

**Quantity:** 000.03 cu. ft.

**Location:** Sm Mss

**Abstract:** Joseph Schlitz was born at Mainz, Germany in 1831. He immigrated to the U.S. in 1855 and settled in Milwaukee, where he found work in August Krug's brewery. After Krug died in 1856, Schlitz took over management of the brewery and married Krug's widow. Under Schlitz's direction, the brewery prospered, and in 1874, it was incorporated under the name of the Joseph Schlitz Brewing Company. Joseph was lost at sea in 1875 on his way to visit Germany, and the company passed into the hands of the Uihlein family.

**Scope and Content:** The collection consists of a copy of Joseph Schlitz's will and accompanying information gathered by former Milwaukee County Historical Society Director Harry Anderson.

**Access and Use:** No restrictions

**Language:** English