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Guide to the

**Robert E. Lee engineering notebook**

1841-1842

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## Summary

**Creator:** Lee, Robert E. (Robert Edward), 1807-1870

**Title:** Robert E. Lee engineering notebook

**Date:** 1841-1842

**Size:** .15 linear feet (1 v.)

**Source:** Deposit, King, S.F, 1925

**Abstract:** Robert Edward Lee (1807-1870) served as General of the Confederate Army in the U.S. Civil War and was president of Washington College in Lexington, Virginia from 1865 to 1870. Notebook was kept by Lee when he was an army engineer stationed at Fort Hamilton in Brooklyn, New York. Notebook consists of 53 leaves containing structural and technical sketches, mensural data, mathematical calculations, and architectural, engineering and surveying notes relating to Forts Hamilton, Morton, Richmond, Lafayette and Battery Hudson.

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## **Key Terms**

### **Occupations**

Engineers

### **Subjects**

Fortification -- New York (State) -- New York

Military engineering

Surveying -- New York (State) -- New York

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Sketches

### **Names**

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