

Guide to the

# **Boston Museum Company correspondence**

1864-1884 \*T-Mss 2000-022

### **Summary**

Creator: Field, R. M. (Richard Montgomery), 1834-1902

Title: Boston Museum Company correspondence

Date: 1864-1884

Size: .21 linear feet. (1 box)

**Abstract:** Richard Montgomery Field (1834-1902) was manager of the Boston Museum from 1864 to 1898. The Boston Museum began staging musical performances in 1841, then added dramatic performances in 1843 and continued presenting shows for sixty years. Located at the corner of Tremont and Bromfield Streets, the museum was founded in 1841 and was known as the Boston Museum and Gallery of Fine Arts until 1847. The final season at the museum was 1902-3. Consists of letters written by members of the theatrical profession to R. M. Field, manager of the Boston Museum, between 1864 and 1884.

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# **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

Actors -- United States
Actresses -- United States
Theater -- History -- 19th century
Theater -- Massachusetts -- Boston
Theatrical managers -- United States
Theatrical producers and directors -- United States

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Correspondence

#### Names

Field, R. M. (Richard Montgomery), 1834-1902 Boston Museum (1847-1903)