Guide to the John P. Peters Collection of Drawings and Plans of an Archeological Excavation at Nippur

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: GEN MSS 1996

TITLE: John P. Peters Collection of Drawings and Plans of an Archeological

Excavation at Nippur

DATES: circa 1888-1895

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 8.5 linear feet (5 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Circa 55 archeological illustrations and 95 archeological plans collected

by John P. Peters and relating to the excavation of Nippur in Iraq, circa 1888-1895. Drawings are of various architectural structures (primarily

ziggurats) and antiquities.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

From the Library of John Punnett Peters (Yale 1873), 1923.

Conditions Governing Access

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Biographical / Historical

John P. Peters (1852-1921) (Yale 1873) was an Episcopal clergyman and a professor of Old Testament languages and literature at the Protestant Episcopal Divinity School in Philadelphia, and of Hebrew at the University of Pennsylvania. He conducted excavations at Nippur, an ancient Sumerian city, with John Henry Haynes and Hermann Volrath Hilprecht from 1888 to 1895.

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Arrangement

Arranged by material size.

Collection Contents

b. 1	11" x 14"
b. 2-3	16" x 20"
b. 4-5	20" x 24"

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Archaeological illustration Excavations (Archeology) -- Iraq Extinct cities -- Iraq Ziggurats -- Pictorial works

Geographic Names

Iraq -- Antiquities -- Pictorial works Nippur (Extinct city)

Genres / Formats

Architectural drawings (visual works)
Drawings (visual works)