

# **Jeffersonville, Madison and Indianapolis Railroad collection L204**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Rare Books and Manuscripts
<b>Creator</b>	Jeffersonville, Madison and Indianapolis Railroad.
<b>Title</b>	Jeffersonville, Madison and Indianapolis Railroad collection
<b>Date</b>	circa 1905
<b>Extent</b>	0.3 Cubic feet 1 manuscript box
<b>Language</b>	English

### Preferred Citation

Jeffersonville, Madison, and Indianapolis Railroad collection, Rare Books and Manuscripts, Indiana State Library

## Administrative History

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The Madison, Indianapolis and Lafayette Railroad Company was chartered in 1832, only completing engineering surveys. It then became the the Madison and Indianapolis Railroad, the first in Indiana, incorporated in 1836, when Indiana legislators mandated it as part of the Internal Improvement Act. Construction began in Madison, Indiana and was completed to Indianapolis in 1847. Its importance was in linking the Ohio River to the interior of the state, including the state capitol. Initially owned by the state, it was later sold and had to compete with other railroads.

In January 1854 it consolidated with the Peru and Indianapolis Railroad Company but a court injunction terminated the merged in September 1854. Reorganized from bankruptcy in 1866 as the Indianapolis and Madison Railroad, which then merged with the Jeffersonville Railroad on April 30, 1866, becoming the Jeffersonville, Madison and Indianapolis Railroad Company. The line then became part of the Pennsylvania Railroad system in 1869.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes survey maps (one starting in Madison, Indiana (the other starting in Columbus, Indiana) and a profile map of the railroad from railroad staff in Indiana ranging from circa 1905 regarding the railroad's elevation, landmarks, stations, etc.

## **Arrangement**

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This collection is arranged by subject.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

Rare Books and Manuscripts

### **Conditions Governing Access**

This collection is open for research.

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### **Custodial History**

This collection was received by Rare Books and Manuscripts as a donation from James S. Snyder on 1980/01/25.

### **Accruals**

No further additions are expected.

### **Processing Information**

Collection processing completed 2016/03/21 by Edythe Huffman. EAD finding aid created 2016/03/21 by Edythe Huffman.

## Controlled Access Headings

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### Geographic Name(s)

- Columbus (Ind.)
- Indianapolis (Ind.)
- Jeffersonville (Ind.)
- Madison (Ind.)

### Subject(s)

- Railroad maps

## Collection Inventory

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	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Jefferson, Madison and Indianapolis Railroad main line profile, undated	1	1
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Object</b>
Columbus survey, 1905	1	1
Madison survey, 1905	1	2