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TITLE: William J. Thompson Papers

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2012.015

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1902-1903

Extent: 5 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): William J. Thompson, Northern Commercial Company

Administrative/Biographical History:
Orth (Orth, Donald J. 1971. Dictionary of Alaska place names. Washington: U.S. G.P.O.) notes that Thompson Landing was a riverboat landing and trading post located on the right bank of the Yukon River at the mouth of Thompson Creek, Nulato Hills, and was listed in the 1916 Polk's Gazetteer. The creek was named after the landing, sometime around 1916. No mention is made of William J. Thompson.

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of one license for a mercantile business at Thompson’s Landing, Alaska, dated August 14, 1902, with receipt for payment of license fee; an account statement for W.J. Thompson at the Northern Commercial Company, dated July 15, 1903; and two envelopes, one addressed to William J. Thompson “via St. Michael” and postmarked Nome, the other an airmail envelope addressed to Mrs. W.J. Thompson in Pinellas Park, Florida, uncanceled. The latter also bears the name Robert Hunt, and notes the contents as “3 pcs. 1902 & 03.”

Arrangement: Not applicable
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Yukon River (Yukon and Alaska)

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