

REGISTER OF J. N. ROBSON AND SON, 1866-1933

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INTRODUCTION

Following the Civil War when the steamship and the railroad replaced wagons for transporting tobacco and indigo, a diversity of storekeepers moved from King Street to East Bay. Although cotton still formed the bulk of export, the commerce of Charleston underwent great change. The J. N. Robson and Son records document these trends in export and domestic trade.

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HISTORY

J. N. Robson and Son, Charleston, South Carolina, were commission merchants and wholesale and retail dealers. Their business activities ranged from choice grains and hay to chickens, butter, and eggs, to explosives and ammunition. They were located at 136 East Bay and 1 and 2 Atlantic wharf.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection contains fifteen volumes of records - daybook and journals, account books, a cash book, ledgers, sales, and a stock book, as agents of E. I. Dupont De Nemours and Company, for explosives and ammunition. They cover the period 1866-1933.