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**Ledger accounts for leases of surplus canal water, salaries  
of canal officials, and canal loans A3240**

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## Overview of the Records

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<b>Repository:</b>	New York State Archives
<b>Summary:</b>	This series is a record of payments and receipt of the canals account and canal debt. Each account provides account name; account paid or received; date of transaction; and service or item for which payment was made or received.
<b>Creator:</b>	New York (State). Bureau of Canal Affairs
<b>Title:</b>	Ledger accounts for leases of surplus canal water, salaries of canal officials, and canal loans
<b>Quantity:</b>	0.3 cubic feet
<b>Quantity:</b>	1 volume
<b>Inclusive Date:</b>	1826-1931
<b>Series:</b>	A3240

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## Arrangement

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Arranged by type or subject of account (surplus canal water, salaries, loans); chronological by date of payment within accounts.

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## Administrative History

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One of the functions of the Comptroller was to supervise the financial affairs of the state's canals. The Bureau of Canal Affairs, established within the Comptroller's Office in 1883, accomplished this by maintaining accounts of financial transactions relating to the canals.

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## Scope and Content Note

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This series is a record of payments and receipts on accounts of the canals and canal debt. The Comptroller's Office included summary data on these accounts annually in reports to the Commissioners of the Canal Fund.

The volume includes accounts for: lease of surplus canal waters, 1826-1931 (p. 1-36); weigh masters' salaries, 1848-1881 (p. 37-121); enlargement loan and deficiency loans, 1872-1877 (p. 201-207); canal appraisers' and clerks' salaries and expenses, 1857-1882 (p. 271-307); Attorney General, December 1856-January 1857 (no indication of what payments were for) (p. 319); appropriations for clerk hire in office of State Engineer and Surveyor, 1851-1860 (p. 321, 327); services rendered weigh masters, 1855 (p. 323); and salaries and expenses of Canal Commissioners, State Engineer and Surveyor, and Superintendent of Public Works, 1848-1881 (p. 328-355).

Each account provides: account name (name of person, position, or loan); amount paid or received; date of transaction; and service or item for which payment is made or received, e.g. "To lease of surplus water at Port Byron," "Salary," "Miscellaneous Expenses."

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## Other Finding Aids

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### Available at Repository

Alphabetical index by first letter of account name in front of volume.

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## Use of Records

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### Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

## Access Terms

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- Accounting
- New York (State)
- Accounts
- Account books
- Canals--New York (State)
- Canals--New York (State)--Finance
- Ledgers (account books)
- New York (State). Office of Canal Appraisers
- New York (State). Superintendent of Public Works
- New York (State). Canal Commissioners
- New York (State). Department of Audit and Control
- New York (State). State Engineer and Surveyor
- New York (State). Comptroller's Office
- New York (State). Attorney General's Office