

# **Minneapolis Board of Trade Collection**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
<b>Creator - Secretary</b>	Hemphill, John T.
<b>Title</b>	Minneapolis Board of Trade Collection
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1895-1899
<b>Extent</b>	1.08 Linear feet
<b>Language</b>	English

## History of the Board of Trade

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The Minneapolis Board of Trade was organized in 1855 "to facilitate and promote the commercial, mercantile and manufacturing interests of the city of Minneapolis." One of the board's first successes was backing navigational improvements to the Upper Mississippi River. In 1881, the Board refused to relinquish the name to an organization then forming a grain exchange, which then became the Chamber of Commerce. After futile attempts to raise money by expanding membership in 1899 and 1900, the Board of Trade officially dissolved in February 1901 and merged into the Minneapolis Commercial club.

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## Book description

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One box. The book is a handwritten book of minutes of meetings of the Board of Trade from April 1895 to April 1899. The entries are all written by the Board's Secretary, John T. Hemphill. There are also a few newspaper articles relevant to the Board's business pasted in at various spots.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

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## Related Materials

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### Books published by the Board of Trade

*Minneapolis through a camera* **917.765 R69** Minneapolis Special Collections (4th Floor)

*Minneapolis illustrated* **917.765 M66** Minneapolis Special Collections (4th Floor)

*Annual report of the Board of Trade of Minneapolis* **381.0 M67.2** Minneapolis Special Collections (4th Floor)

*History and growth of Minneapolis, Minnesota.* **977.65 M642** Minneapolis Special Collections (4th Floor)

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Corporate Name(s)

- Minneapolis (Minn.). Board of Trade.

### Subject(s)

- Business networks.
- Trade and professional associations -- Minnesota.