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Guide to Collection

**Documents regarding public buildings in Alaska and the planting of the  
Observation Stone in Sitka at the time of the transfer of Alaska from Russia,  
1871-1891**

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## SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

This collection includes a description of public buildings at the post of Sitka, a map of the town and military post of Sitka, a letter describing the planting of the Observation Stone on the parade ground, and a list of returns of buildings of all kinds.

## SUBJECTS

Public buildings - Alaska

Sitka (Alaska) - Buildings, structures, etc.

Sitka (Alaska) - History

Sitka (Alaska) - Maps

Alaska - History - 1867-1969

## INVENTORY

1. Description of Public Buildings at the Post of Sitka. [3 handwritten sheets (5 pages) describing buildings No. 1 through No. 23 which includes descriptions of the Castle, Custom House, Club House] [1872]
2. Map of the Town and Military Post of Sitka, Alaska Territory. Compiled under the orders of Brigadier General E.R.S. Canby commanding Department of the Columbia. 1871.
3. Letter describing the planting of the Observation Stone on the parade ground. Written July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1891 to Collector of Customs, Sitka, Alaska, from F.H. Harrington, Captain U.S.M.C., Commanding Post.
4. District of Alaska, Port of Sitka. January 1<sup>st</sup>, 1878. Returns of Buildings and Lands, Required by Department Instructions dated June 11, 1874, for the Quarter ending the 31<sup>st</sup> day of December 1877. [3 photocopied pages, *original located in MS Oversize*]