

WILLIAM OTIS CROSBY, 1850-1925.

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE: William Otis Crosby, 1850-1925, S.B. 1876, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, served as instructor in the Department of Geology, 1878-1883; assistant professor, 1883-1902; associate professor, 1902-1906; and professor, 1906-1907. He consulted on subways and tunnels for the Boston Transit Commission; advised on the Boston dry dock; acted as advisor to the Charles River Dam Commission for the development of the Charles River Basin Project; and conducted an investigation of the foundation conditions for the new MIT buildings in Cambridge. Crosby's research focused on engineering geology.

SUMMARY: The bulk of the collection consists of correspondence and geological research as well as reports of consulting projects on sites in Boston, New England, Long Island, Colorado, Alaska, western United States mines, and other U.S. locations. Collection also includes personal and family correspondence; trip diaries; maps of the Massachusetts area by Crosby, bibliographies, reprints, and printed material; and reports, plans, and maps by Crosby, J. R. Freeman and others on the New Technology, the new campus for MIT in Cambridge.

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