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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Arkansas State Archives
<b>Title</b>	Butterfield Overland Mail Company way-bill
<b>Date</b>	1860
<b>Extent</b>	0.02 Cubic feet 1 folder
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Language of Materials</b>	Materials entirely in English.
<b>Microform [Reel]</b>	MG00207

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## **Biographical/Historical Note**

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The Butterfield Overland Mail Company was established in 1857 with the purpose of moving mail across the county as quickly as possible. The overland routes began in Memphis, Tennessee and Saint Louis, Missouri, then connected in Fort Smith, Arkansas and ended in San Francisco, California. The stagecoach journey took about twenty-two days to complete. Passengers could take the entire trip one way for \$200.00. The route was known by several names, including the Oxbow Route and the Butterfield Stage. With the beginning of the Civil War, it was discontinued although the Confederacy continued to operate the southern portion of the line.

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## **Scope and Contents**

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This collection contains a bill for two boxes to be shipped to Van Buren, Arkansas.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

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