Biographical
S.L. Clark and Son was a barrel manufacturing and lumber mill business located in Parishville, New York from approximately 1870 until 1908. The primary item manufactured at the mill was butter tubs. According to Curtis’s *Our County and Its People* (1894), the factory employed as many as 125 men in summer and built up to 350,000 butter tubs a year in 1894. S. L. Clark was born in Hermon, NY in 1844. After service in the Civil War, he married Mary Keeler and had four children. He relocated to Parishville and was engaged in several businesses before acquiring the lumber company.

Scope and Content
The collection consists of 77 letters, invoices, memos and other correspondence between various suppliers and S.L. Clark & Son in 1898 and 1900. The correspondence is remarkable in that it is written on sometimes very elaborate company letterheads used by businesses at the turn of the 20th century. Much of the correspondence is typed but some is hand-written.

Provenance
The collection was purchased in January 2014 from Ted Comstock.

Folder 1  1898  Jan.-Sept.  Correspondence to S.L. Clark & Son  12 items
Folder 2  1898  Oct.  Correspondence to S. L. Clark & Son  35 items
Folder 3  1898  Nov.  Correspondence to S. L. Clark & Son  14 items
Folder 4  1900  Jul.-Aug.  Correspondence to S.L. Clark & Son  16 items