

Record Series #: 6120-001

Name: Buildings and Grounds Department–Riverfront Artifacts

Dates: 1734-circa through early 1900s

Extent/Size: 2 records cartons and 1 archival box (2.7 cubic feet)

Language: English

Scope & Content:

Buildings and Grounds Department – Riverfront Artifacts (1734-circa to early 1900s) includes 277 artifacts recovered between June 22, 1997 and July 18, 1997 during the City’s construction of the River Street restroom facilities and hospitality center; 103 artifacts recovered in June 2001 during the City’s construction of a dumpster enclosure on the Barnard Street ramp to Factor’s Walk; a single artifact (a Civil War Minié ball), recovered in 2004 during the City’s construction of a dumpster enclosure on the Abercorn Street ramp to Factor’s Walk; and a ballast stone recovered in December of 2011 during the repaving of a portion of the Whitaker Street ramp. The artifacts were not discovered through archaeological processes. The artifacts were recovered during routine city construction and street maintenance.

System of Arrangement & Ordering:

The artifacts are arranged into the following sub-series (see sub-series descriptions for full inventories):

- 6120-001.1 River Street Restroom Site
- 6120-001.2 Barnard Street Ramp Dumpster Enclosure Site and Abercorn Street Ramp Dumpster Enclosure
- 6120-001.3 Whitaker Ramp Site

The artifacts from the River Street Restroom Site are separated into two groups by date. The first 155 artifacts were recovered between June 22, 1997 and July 3, 1997 and received by the Research Library & Municipal Archives on July 3, 1997. The second set contains 122 artifacts, and was received by the Library & Archives on July 18, 1997. The artifacts of each group are then arranged by size and type. There was only one date of receipt for the artifacts from the Barnard Street Ramp Dumpster Enclosure Site, so those artifacts are only arranged by size and type. The Minié ball is housed with the artifacts from the Barnard Ramp site. The ballast stone was recovered during road work performed by the Streets Maintenance department. However, it is housed with the Riverfront artifacts from the Buildings and Grounds Department, as they are all artifacts from the River Street/Factor’s Walk area.

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Related Publications:

Edwards Jr., Elliott. "The Protection of Savannah Bluff: Planning and Construction of Factor's Walk Retaining Wall: 1855-1869." Master's thesis, Georgia Institute of Technology, 1985.

Williams, Robin. "The Curious Case of Savannah Pavement." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Southeast Chapter of the Society of Architectural Historians, Jackson, Mississippi, 2009.

Access Points:

Bay Street (Savannah, Ga.)

Embankments--Georgia--Savannah.

Factor's Walk (Savannah, Ga.)

Retaining walls--Georgia--Savannah.

River Street (Savannah, Ga.)

Riverfront--Georgia--Savannah.

Wharf lots--Georgia--Savannah.

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Sub-Series #: 6120-001.1
Name: Buildings and Grounds Department – Riverfront Artifacts: River Street Restroom Site
Dates: 1734 through circa early 1900s
Extent/Size: 1 archival box (0.7 cubic feet)

Scope & Content:

Buildings and Grounds Department – Riverfront Artifacts: River Street Restroom Site (1734-circa early 1900s) consists of 277 artifacts, including ceramics, coins, clay pipe stems, buttons, nails (wrought, cut and wire), bottle glass and animal bones, as well as differing types of metal hardware and structural artifacts. The first set of artifacts were recovered between June 22, 1997 and July 3, 1997 and received by the Research Library & Municipal Archives on July 3, 1997. The second set was received by the Library & Archives on July 18, 1997. The artifacts cover a broad spectrum of time and contain items that date back to Savannah's colonial days, including a British Half Pence dated 1734. The collection also includes more modern artifacts, such as wire nails, modern screws and battery cores. Documentation supports that there was a structure on the site as early as 1809 (Georgia Historical Society; Collection No. MS1320-Mary Morrison Lane Research Materials). By 1884, according to Sanborn Insurance maps (available online at www.dlg.galileo.usg.sanborn/), there was an office and an ice storage facility on this site. Most buildings that were first constructed on River Street were constructed of wood. However, most of those facilities burned, and brick masonry buildings were built to prevent the same disaster from occurring a second time. There is evidence of both a wooden structure and a masonry structure on the site. The nineteenth century building that is represented on the Sanborn Map presumably stood until it was completely torn down in 1975 during the Riverfront Renewal Project. The Research Library and Municipal Archives holds in its collection photographs from the 1975 Renewal Project that indicate a dilapidated building in complete disrepair on the site.

System of Arrangement & Ordering:

The River Street Restroom Site artifacts are arranged by dates recovered/received and then by size and type. In some instances, similar artifacts are cataloged together (such as nails). Please see the attached inventory for catalog numbers and artifact location within the box. Photographs of all artifacts are available in the Library & Archives.

Please see the attached inventory for a full listing of the artifacts.

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Catalog No.	Qty	Group	Description	Bag No.
6120-001-1.1	1	Domestic	Pearlware, Hand-Painted Blue Floral (Teacup Sherd)	Bag No. 1
6120-001-1.2	1	Domestic	Pearlware, Hand-Painted Blue Floral (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 1
6120-001-1.3	1	Domestic	Pearlware, Hand-Painted Blue Floral (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 1
6120-001-1.4	1	Domestic	Mochaware, Dendritic Banded (Mug Sherd)	Bag No. 1
6120-001-1.5	1	Domestic	Mochaware, Dendritic Banded (Mug Sherd)	Bag No. 1
6120-001-1.6	1	Domestic	Earthenware, Black Lead Glazed (Hollowware Foot)	Bag No. 1
6120-001-1.7	1	Domestic	Stoneware, Salt-Glazed Brown/Yellow (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 1
6120-001-1.8	1	Domestic	Stoneware, Salt-Glazed Rhenish Blue/Gray (Embellishment)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.9	1	Domestic	Creamware, Plain (Flatware Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.10	1	Domestic	Creamware, Plain (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.11	1	Domestic	Pearlware, Banded (Hollowware Rim Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.12	1	Domestic	Pearlware, Plain (Hollowware Rim Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.13	2	Domestic	Whiteware, Plain (Flatware Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.14	1	Domestic	Whiteware, Plain (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.15	1	Domestic	Whiteware, Blue Scalloped Rimmed (Plate Rim Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.16	1	Domestic	Stoneware, Salt-Glazed Grayish/Brown (Possible Tile Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.17	1	Domestic	Whiteware, Red Transfer Print (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.18	1	Domestic	Earthenware, Brown-Glazed Decorative Rim (Use Indeterminate)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.19	1	Domestic	Yellow ware, Annular White and Blue Bands (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.20	1	Domestic	Stoneware, Brown Glazed Annular (Hollowware)	Bag No. 2
6120-001-1.21	7	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Green (Wine Bottle Base, Neck and Indeterminate Sherds)	Bag No. 3
6120-001-1.22	2	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Green (Base and Indeterminate Sherd)	Bag No. 4
6120-001-1.23	1	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Brown (Embossed Letters "BIA")	Bag No. 4
6120-001-1.24	1	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Blue	Bag No. 4
6120-001-1.25	1	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Milk Glass	Bag No. 4
6120-001-1.26	1	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Blue (Impressed Letters "PH" visible)	Bag No. 4
6120-001-1.27	1	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Blue	Bag No. 4
6120-001-1.28	1	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Clear (Base)	Bag No. 5
6120-001-1.29	1	Activities	Coin, Britannia/George II Half-Pence (1734)	Bag No. 5

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6120-001-1.30	1	Activities	Coin, One Cent Draped Liberty (Year Illegible)	Bag No. 5
6120-001-1.31	1	Activities	Coin, One Cent Draped Liberty (1798)	Bag No. 5
6120-001-1.32	1	Activities	Coin, One Cent Liberty Head (1816)	Bag No. 5
6120-001-1.33	1	Activities	Coin, Pierced One Cent Liberty Head (1827)	Bag No. 5
6120-001-1.34	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Double Gilt" back mark	Bag No. 5
6120-001-1.35	1	Personal	Flat Button	Bag No. 5
6120-001-1.36	1	Personal	Flat Coat Button, Wreath back mark	Bag No. 5
6120-001-1.37	1	Personal	Flat Coat Button, No Legible back mark	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.38	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Best Quality" back mark	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.39	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Orange Standard Colour" back mark	Bag No. 6
6120-001.1.40	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Gilt" back mark	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.41	1	Personal	Flat Button, "W&G Chance Fine Stande" back mark	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.42	1	Personal	Flat Button with Embossed Lines	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.43	1	Activities	Savannah Rail Yard Stamp (Embossed "SRY")	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.44	1	Structural	Oval Brass Stock Plate w/ Decorative Design	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.45	1	Personal	Flat Button, Melted/Distorted	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.46	1	Activities	Lead, Possible Weight (Circular)	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.47	1	Organic	Animal Bone Fragment-Possible Leg Bone (Visible Laceration Marks)	Bag No. 6
6120-001-1.48	3	Organic	Animal Bone Fragments (Visible Laceration Marks)	Bag No. 7
6120-001-1.49	5	Organic	Animal Bone Fragments	Bag No. 7
6120-001-1.50	4	Activities	Battery Core	Bag No. 7
6120-001-1.51	9	Personal	Pipe Stem Fragments	Bag No. 7
6120-001-1.52	1	Personal	Copper Thimble	Bag No. 7
6120-001-1.53	1	Structural	Brick Fragment	Bag No. 7
6120-001-1.54	2	Domestic	Horse Shoe Half (2 Fragments)	Bag No. 8
6120-001-1.55	1	Structural	Key Hole Cover Fragment	Bag No. 9
6120-001-1.56	1	Structural	Brass Plate, Indeterminate Use	Bag No. 9
6120-001-1.57	2	Structural	Copper Wire, One Bent Wire and one Straight Wire	Bag No. 9
6120-001-1.58	1	Structural	Indeterminate Brass Ring (Possible Small Drawer Pull)	Bag No. 9
6120-001-1.59	1	Structural	Indeterminate Metal Ring (Possible Washer)	Bag No. 9
6120-001-1.60	1	Structural	Locking Nut	Bag No. 9
6120-001-1.61	14	Structural	Nails, Wire	Bag No. 10
6120-001-1.62	7	Structural	Nails, Cut	Bag No. 11

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6120-001-1.63	1	Structural	Nail, Wire	Bag No. 12
6120-001-1.64	18	Structural	Nails, Not Machine Made-Either Cut or Wrought (Too Fragmented)	Bag No. 13
6120-001-1.65	1	Structural	Nail Head, Indeterminate	Bag No. 13
6120-001-1.66	2	Structural	Slag, Iron	Bag No. 13
6120-001-1.67	4	Structural	Lead Pieces, Indeterminate Use	Bag No. 14
6120-001-1.68	2	Structural	Lead Fragments, Both Fragments Contain Yellow Paint	Bag No. 14
6120-001-1.69	2	Structural	Brass /Copper Plating (Indeterminate Use)	Bag No. 14
6120-001-1.70	2	Activities	Slate Fragment	Bag No. 14
6120-001-1.71	1	Structural	Metal Handle Fragment (Possible Cabinet/Drawer Pull)	Bag No. 15
6120-001-1.72	1	Structural	Metal Fragment (Possible Partial Tool)	Bag No. 15
6120-001-1.73	1	Structural	Metal Ring, Indeterminate (Possible Washer)	Bag No. 15
6120-001-1.74	1	Structural	Plastic, Cylindrical Hardware	Bag No. 15
6120-001-1.75	1	Structural	Indeterminate Metal Strip (Possible Re-Bar)	Bag No. 16
6120-001-1.76	1	Structural	Concrete with Oxidized Metal	Bag No. 17
6120-001-1.77	1	Structural	Hinge	Bag No. 18
6120-001-1.78	1	Structural	Metal Strip, Indeterminate	Bag No. 18
6120-001-1.79	1	Structural	Metal and Concrete Fragment, Indeterminate Use	Bag No. 18
6120-001-1.80	1	Structural	Concrete with Oxidized Metal	Bag No. 18
6120-001-1.81	1	Structural	Indeterminate Metal Fragment	Bag No. 18
6120-001-1.82	1	Organic	Coral	Bag No. 18
6120-001-1.83	3	Organic	Chert, Indeterminate	Bag No. 19
6120-001-1.84	1	Domestic	Creamware, Green Glazed Feathered (Flatware Rim Sherd)	Bag No. 20
6120.001.1.85	2	Domestic	Earthenware, Blue Pastoral Transfer Print (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 20
6120.001.1.86	1	Domestic	Earthenware, Blue Transfer Print (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 20
6120.001.1.87	1	Domestic	Porcelain, Imari Style (Flatware Rim Sherd)	Bag No. 20
6120.001.1.88	1	Domestic	Creamware, Plain (Possible Chamber Pot Rim)	Bag No. 20
6120.001.1.89	1	Domestic	Mochoware, Dendritic Banded (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 20
6120.001.1.90	1	Domestic	Porcelain, Blue Underglaze Painted (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 21
6120.001.1.91	1	Domestic	Pearlware, Blue Floral Hand Painted (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 21
6120.001.1.92	1	Domestic	Pearlware, Geometric Banded (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 21
6120.001.1.93	1	Domestic	Pearlware, Brown Banded (Hollowware Handle Sherd)	Bag No. 21
6120.001.1.94	1	Domestic	Ironstone, Plain (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 21
6120.001.1.95	1	Domestic	Mochware, Blue Geometric Band (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 21

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6120.001.1.96	1	Domestic	Yellowware, Brown Glazed (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 21
6120.001.1.97	1	Domestic	Dipped Ware, Blue with Black Checkered Band (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 22
6120.001.1.98	1	Domestic	Earthenware, Flow Blue (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 22
6120.001.1.99	1	Domestic	Earthenware, Dipped with Green Bands (Hollowware Sherd)	Bag No. 22
6120.001.1.100	1	Domestic	Earthenware, Dipped with Rouletted Bands (Vessel Indeterminate)	Bag No. 22
6120.001.1.101	1	Domestic	Bottle Glass, Green (Neck)	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.102	1	Personal	Coin, Britannia/George II Half-Pence (Date Illegible)	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.103	1	Personal	Coin (Illegible)	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.104	1	Personal	Flat Button, No Legible Back Mark	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.105	1	Personal	Flat Button, "London Gilt" Back Mark	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.106	1	Personal	Flat Button, No Legible Back Mark	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.107	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Crisp Kenny" Back Mark	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.108	1	Personal	Ornament, Copper Alloy (Use Indeterminate)	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.109	1	Organic	Animal Bone, Visible Laceration Marks	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.110	1	Organic	Animal Tooth, Incisor (Possibly from a Pig)	Bag No. 23
6120.001.1.111	3	Personal	Tobacco Pipe Stem Fragments	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.112	1	Activities	Powder Measure, Single Shot	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.113	1	Activities	Musket Ball, Caliber Unknown	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.114	1	Domestic	Spoon Fragment (Handle is absent)	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.115	1	Personal	Key Fragment, Upper Half ("Y&T" Maker's Mark)	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.116	1	Structural	Hinge, Copper Alloy	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.117	1	Structural	Finail, Copper Alloy with Leaf Design	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.118	1	Structural	Ornament, Copper Alloy (Use Indeterminate)	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.119	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Sherd, Hardware	Bag No. 24
6120.001.1.120	1	Structural	Finial, Copper Alloy	Bag No. 25
6120.001.1.121	1	Structural	Brass Cap, Possible Door Knob or Bell Housing	Bag No. 25
6120.001.1.122	1	Structural	Lead, Possible Weight (Circular)	Bag No. 25
6120.001.1.123	1	Structural	Copper Wire	Bag No. 25
6120.001.1.124	1	Structural	Locking Nut	Bag No. 25
6120.001.1.125	1	Structural	Nut	Bag No. 25
6120.001.1.126	1	Structural	Bolt Head and Nut	Bag No. 25
6120.001.1.127	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Sherd, Use Indeterminate	Bag No. 25
6120.001.1.128	1	Activities	Steel File Prong	Bag No. 25

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6120.001.1.129	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Sherd, Use Indeterminate	Bag No. 26
6120.001.1.130	3	Structural	Slate Fragments	Bag No. 26
6120.001.1.131	1	Structural	Indeterminate Metal Fragment	Bag No. 26
6120.001.1.132	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Fragment, Decorative	Bag No. 26
6120.001.1.133	2	Structural	Tin, Use Indeterminate	Bag No. 26
6120.001.1.134	1	Structural	Metal Plate with Two Nail or Screw Outlets	Bag No. 26
6120.001.1.135	6	Structural	Lead Fragments, Indeterminate Use	Bag No. 26
6120.001.1.136	6	Structural	Copper Alloy Strips, Indeterminate Use	Bag No. 27
6120.001.1.137	2	Organic	Wood Fragments	Bag No. 27
6120.001.1.138	1	Organic	Shell	Bag No. 27
6120.001.1.139	1	Structural	Metal Fragment, Circular (Possible Partial Tool)	Bag No. 27
6120.001.1.140	2	Structural	Washers	Bag No. 27
6120.001.1.141	2	Structural	Metal Strips, Use Indeterminate	Bag No. 28
6120.001.1.142	1	Structural	Bolt Head , Large	Bag No. 28
6120.001.1.143	1	Structural	Bolt, Partial	Bag No. 28
6120.001.1.144	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Hardware	Bag No. 28
6120.001.1.145	1	Structural	Bolt, Modern	Bag No. 28
6120.001.1.146	1	Structural	Screw, Modern	Bag No. 28
6120.001.1.147	1	Structural	Hand Wrought Nail	Bag No. 29
6120.001.1.148	1	Structural	Hand Wrought Nail	Bag No. 29
6120.001.1.149	1	Structural	Hand Wrought Nail Head	Bag No. 29
6120.001.1.150	1	Structural	Hand Wrought Nail	Bag No. 29
6120.001.1.151	1	Structural	Cut Nail	Bag No. 29
6120.001.1.152	3	Structural	Wire Nails	Bag No. 29
6120.001.1.153	1	Structural	Concrete with Oxidized Metal	Bag No. 29
6120.001.1.154	1	Structural	Concrete with Indeterminate Nail	Bag No. 29
6120.001.1.155	30	Structural	Nail Fragments (Indeterminate-Wrought or Cut-Not Machine Made)	Bag No. 30
DOMESTIC	56			
STRUCTURAL	162			
PERSONAL	28			
ORGANIC	13			
ACTIVITIES	18			
TOTAL ARTIFACTS	277			

Sub-Series #: 6120-001.2
Name: Buildings and Grounds Department – Riverfront Artifacts: Barnard Street Ramp Dumpster Enclosure Site and Abercorn Ramp Dumpster Enclosure Site
Dates: Circa 1830s through circa early 1900s
Extent/Size: 1 record box (1.0 cubic foot)

Scope & Content:

Buildings and Grounds Department – Riverfront Artifacts: Barnard Street Ramp Dumpster Enclosure Site (circa 1830s through circa early 1900s) consists of 103 artifacts received by the Research Library and Municipal Archives in June 2001. The collection includes, but is not limited to, padlocks, clay pipe stems, coins, buttons, harmonica plates and lead fishing weights. The Yamacraw Bluff retaining wall that was built adjacent to this site was constructed between 1855 and 1869, and until that time, this area was part of that bluff. Some of the artifacts may have arrived at the site by erosion, as sand erosion was a major problem until the retaining wall was constructed. The artifacts cover a broad spectrum of time and include items such as a Spanish Colonial silver coin, as well as modern items, such as wire nails. Some of the artifacts indicate that the area may have been used as a storage site. There are four padlocks in the collection. According to an 1884 Sanborn map (www.dlg.galileo.sanborn/), there was ship chandler's business in the building that was located just north of the site on the river, as well as grocery and liquor warehouse. It is possible that businesses on the Riverfront, such as the ship chandler, used this area for extra storage.

The .54 caliber Minié ball was recovered during the construction of a dumpster enclosure on the Abercorn Street Ramp to River Street in June 2004. Because there is no deformity of the bullet, it is considered to be “dropped” as opposed to “fired.” The Minié ball was the primary choice of ammunition used during the Civil War. It was heavily used by both Union and Confederate Forces.

System of Arrangement & Ordering:

The Barnard Street Ramp Dumpster Enclosure Site artifacts are arranged by size and type. In some instances, similar artifacts are cataloged together (such as nails). Please see the attached inventory for catalog numbers and artifact location within the box. Photographs of all artifacts are available in the Library & Archives.

Please see the attached inventory for a full listing of the artifacts.

Barnard Street Ramp Dumpster Enclosure Record Series 6120-001-2

Catalog No.	Qty.	Group	Description	Location within Box
6120-001-2.1	1	Activities	Lead Fishing Weight	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.2	1	Activities	Musket Ball, Caliber Unknown	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.3	1	Activities	Shotgun Shell	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.4	2	Structural	Lead Finials	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.5	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Cap	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.6	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Cap	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.7	1	Personal	Buckle	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.8	1	Personal	Buckle	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.9	1	Personal	Suspender Clip, "Lindsay" Maker's Mark and "Felt Finish" Quality	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.10	1	Personal	Set of Cuff Links	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.11	1	Personal	Ring, Possible Wedding Ring (Copper)	Bag No. 1
6120-001-2.12	1	Personal	Flat Button, Back Mark Illegible	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.13	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Super Fine Strong" back mark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.14	1	Personal	Button, Checkered Pattern on Front and "London" Back mark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.15	1	Personal	Flat Button, Back Mark Illegible	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.16	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Gilted" Back mark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.17	1	Personal	Flat Button, Back Mark Illegible	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.18	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Double Gilt" back mark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.19	1	Personal	Flat Button, Back Mark Illegible	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.20	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Rich Orange Treble Gilt Standard Colour" Back mark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.21	1	Personal	Flat Button, Wheel Design on Front, Back mark Illegible	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.22	1	Personal	Flat Button, "Standard Colour Treble Gilt" back mark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.23	1	Personal	Flat Button, "W&G Chance" Maker's Mark and "Stand Colour" back mark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.24	1	Personal	Button, Back mark Illegible	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.25	1	Personal	Flat Button, Melted and Distorted	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.26	1	Personal	Button, Train engine design on front with no legible backmark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.27	1	Personal	Flat Button, Back mark Illegible	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.28	1	Personal	Flat Button, Partial "Strong" legible on backmark	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.29	1	Personal	Flat Button, Back mark illegible	Bag No. 2
6120-001-2.30	1	Personal	Flat Button, Back mark illegible	Bag No. 3

Barnard Street Ramp Dumpster Enclosure Record Series 6120-001-2

6120-001-2.31	1	Personal	Cuff Link, "Patent No. 1879"	Bag No. 3
6120-001-2.32	1	Personal/Structural	Copper Alloy Plating, Initials "TP"	Bag No. 3
6120-001-2.33	1	Personal	Copper Alloy Clip	Bag No. 3
6120-001-2.34	2	Structural	Copper Alloy Tack Domes, Possible Furniture Adornment Tacks	Bag No. 3
6120-001-2.35	1	Personal	Spanish-American Silver Bit	Bag No. 3
6120-001-2.36	1	Personal	Tobacco Pipe Stem Fragment	Bag No. 3
6120-001-2.37	1	Activities	Lead Fragment, Possible Fishing Weight (Low lead content)	Bag No. 3
6120-001-2.38	1	Structural	Metal Piping	Bag No. 4
6120.001-2.39	1	Structural	Metal Piping	Bag No. 4
6120-001-2.40	3	Activities	Harmonica Plate Fragments	Bag No. 4
6120-001-2.41	1	Activities	Harmonica Plate	Bag No. 4
6120-001-2.42	1	Structural	Metal Decorative Hardware	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.43	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Adornment, Leaf Design (Possible Leather Adornment)	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.44	1	Structural	Metal Hardware (Circular)	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.45	1	Structural	Indeterminate Metal Fragment	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.46	1	Structural	Metal Ruler Fragment	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.47	1	Structural	Brass Plating with One Screw/Nail Outlet	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.48	1	Structural	Brass Plating with Two Screw/Nail Outlets	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.49	1	Structural	Brass Stripping with Tack Nail Outlets	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.50	1	Structural	Indeterminate Brass Adornment/Hardware	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.51	1	Structural	Indeterminate Brass Adornment/Hardware	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.52	1	Structural	Iron/Lead Finial/Handle	Bag No. 5
6120-001-2.53	1	Structural	Washer, Indeterminate Metal	Bag No. 6
6120-001-2.54	1	Structural	Washer, Indeterminate Metal	Bag No. 6
6120-001-2.55	1	Structural	Washer, Indeterminate Metal	Bag No. 6
6120-001-2.56	1	Structural	Partial Bolt/Head	Bag No. 6
6120-001-2.57	1	Structural	Decorative Copper Alloy Hardware	Bag No. 6
6120-001-2.58	1	Structural	Washer, Indeterminate Metal	Bag No. 7
6120-001-2.59	3	Structural	Copper Alloy Domes/Hardware	Bag No. 7
6120-001-2.60	1	Structural	Wing Nut, Modern	Bag No. 7
6120-001-2.61	1	Domestic	Clay Slag	Bag No. 7
6120-001-2.62	2	Structural	Copper/Tin Stripping, Use Indeterminate	Bag No. 8
6120-001-2.63	1	Structural	Washer/Hardware	Bag No. 8

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6120-001-2.64	1	Structural	Indeterminate Metal Fragment/Possible Copper Alloy	Bag No. 8
6120-001-2.65	2	Structural	Slate Fragments	Bag No. 8
6120-001-2.66	2	Structural	Concrete with Oxidized Metal	Bag No. 8
6120-001-2.67	2	Structural	Indeterminate Metal Flakings/Strips	Bag No. 8
6120-001-2.68	1	Structural	Concrete with Bracket	Bag No. 8
6120-001-2.69	1	Structural	Indeterminate Copper Alloy Strip	Bag No. 9
6120-001-2.70	1	Structural	Screw, Modern	Bag No. 9
6120-001-2.71	2	Structural	Indeterminate Lead Fragments	Bag No. 9
6120-001-2.72	1	Structural	Chain	Bag No. 9
6120-001-2.73	2	Structural	Brick Fragments	Bag No. 9
6120-001-2.74	1	Personal	Flat Button	Bag No. 9
6120-001-2.75	1	Structural	Copper Alloy Hardware/Adornment	Bag No. 9
6120-001-2.76	1	Structural	Nail, Hand Wrought	Tray 1
6120-001-2.77	1	Structural	Nail/Spike	Tray 1
6120-001-2.78	5	Structural	Nails, Indeterminate	Tray 1
6120-001-2.79	1	Structural	Padlock	Tray 1
6120-001-2.80	2	Structural	Indeterminate Hook	Tray 2
6120-001-2.81	1	Structural	Padlock	Tray 2
6120-001-2.82	1	Structural	Padlock	Tray 2
6120-001-2.83	1	Structural	Padlock, Open	Tray 2
6120-001-2.84	2	Structural	Cabling Hook	Tray 2
6120-001-2.85	1	Structural	Door Knocker	Tray 2
6120-001-2.86	Please see sheet 2			

DOMESTIC	1
STRUCTURAL	65
PERSONAL	29
ACTIVITIES	8
TOTAL ARTIFACTS	103

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Catalog No.	Qty.	Group	Description	Date Recovered	Dimensions	Location within Box
6120-001-2.86	1	Activities	Minié Ball .54 Caliber	9/28/2004	7/8" L x3/4" D	Tray 1
ACTIVITIES	1					
TOTAL ARTIFACTS	1					

Sub-Series #: 6120-001.3
Name: Buildings and Grounds Department – Riverfront Artifacts: Whitaker Ramp Site
Dates: Circa 1798 through circa 1867
Extent/Size: 1 record box (1.0 cubic foot)

Scope & Content:

Buildings and Grounds Department – Riverfront Artifacts: Whitaker Ramp Site (circa 1798-circa 1867) includes only one artifact. During a small repaving process that occurred in November 2011, a ballast stone was recovered from the very north end of the Whitaker Ramp to River Street (where the ramp meets River Street) and was given to the Library & Archives by the Streets Maintenance department. The ballast stone is carved with Chinese characters, and according to translations provided by local historians, academics, and residents of Chinese ancestry, it is a portion of grave marker for a man named Zhang Lin'an, who died in 1798. During the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, thousands of tons of ballast arrived in the Port of Savannah. Savannah was almost solely an export harbor. So that they did not have to traverse the open sea with an empty hull, incoming ships were weighed down with ballast. Ships coming into port then dumped their ballast and took on cargo. During the 1830s, the dray ways that led down to the river were paved. Since the Whitaker Ramp was used as a dray way, it is possible the stone was placed at the site during that time. However, the ramps that lead to River Street (the old dray ways) were repaved in 1866, as they were destroyed during the Civil War by the Union Army, which used the stone from the ramps to sink obstructions in the river. This particular stone could have been placed at the site during that year. The area on River Street directly in front of the Whitaker Ramp was paved in 1867.

System of Arrangement & Ordering:

Photographs of all artifacts are available in the Library & Archives.

Please see the attached inventory for a full listing of the artifacts.

Whitaker Ramp to River Street -Record Series6120-001-3

Catalog No.	Quantity	Group	Description	Location
6120-001-3.1	1	Structural	Ballast stone w/ traditional Chinese writing that indicates it is a headstone for a man named Zhang Lin'An who died in 1798	Box 3
STRUCTURAL	1			
TOTAL ARTIFACTS	1			