

Pennsylvania Railroads

- The Germantown & Norristown Railroad line was the first built in Philadelphia in 1832.
- In 1833, construction on the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad began, connecting the city to anthracite coal mines in the western part of the state.
- In 1870 the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad leased the Germantown & Norristown Railroad lines, along with several other lines, creating a large network of rail lines under their operation.
- Railroad lines have left a permanent mark on the city, with buildings and communities forming around their tracks and stations.

Primary Sources on the Germantown Norristown Railroad

Act of the Legislature of Pennsylvania, incorporating the Philadelphia, Germantown, and Norristown Rail Road Co

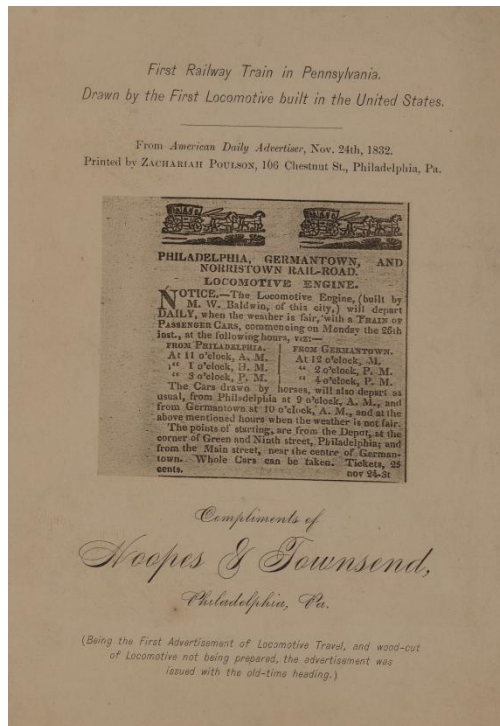
by Philadelphia, Germantown, and Norristown Rail Road Company

Published 1831

Call Number: Vp* .835

Opening [public opening] of Philadelphia, Germantown and Norristown railroad: June 7, 1832; A subaltern's furlough in 1832

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Facisimile of Newspaper ad From American Daily Advertiser, November 24, 1832. First Advertisement of Locomotive Travel, Philadelphia, Germantown and Norristown, R.R [electronic resource]

Published 1832

Call Number: 4645

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Lease and contract between the Philadelphia, Germantown and Norristown Railroad Co. and the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company

by Philadelphia, Germantown, and Norristown Rail Road Company

Published 1870

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*Germantown and Norristown
Railroad Crossing, October 15, 1877*

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Published 1877

Call Number: 4435

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