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**SUMMARY:** Correspondence, reports, legal records, financial documents and genealogical material of Roger Sherman, signer of the Declaration of Independence. Included are both family letters and political correspondence. Of special interest are the letters to Governor Jonathan Trumbull on the relationship of Connecticut to the prosecution of the war (1777-1780). Among Sherman's writings are a report from the Constitutional Convention (1787), a note on the proposal for a national bank (1791) and a printed copy of his Almanac for 1760. Genealogical and other papers assembled by Sherman's grandson, George Frisbie Hoar (1826-1904) are also in the collection. Major correspondents are Oliver Ellsworth, Samuel Hopkins, Titus Hosmer, Samuel Huntington, Stephen Mix Mitchell and William Williams.

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## Administrative Information

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In part, transferred from the Baldwin Family Papers (MS 55), and gift of Charles, Hugh, and Rockwood Foster and the estate of Frances Hoar Foster.

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## Biographical / Historical

Roger Sherman was born in 1721 in Newton, Massachusetts, and early moved to Stoughton, Massachusetts, where he attended the public schools and later learned the shoemaker's trade. He moved to New Milford, Connecticut, in 1743 and became surveyor of New Haven County in 1745. During this period Sherman was engaged in the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1754. He was a member of the Connecticut Assembly in 1755, 1756, 1758-61 and 1764-66. As Justice of the Peace for Litchfield County (1755-1761), he issued the warrant for the arrest of Timothy Hurlburt. He served as judge of the New Haven Superior Court and was a member of the State Senate. He served as Treasurer of Yale College from 1765 to 1776. He was a member of the Continental Congress 1774-1781, 1783, and 1784, and signed the Declaration of Independence as a member of the committee which drafted it. He was also on the committee which drafted the Articles of Confederation, and a delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1787. As such he became the only person to sign all the great American state papers: the Articles of Association, of 1774, the Declaration of Independence of 1776, the Articles of Confederation in 1783, and the Constitution in 1787.

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## Scope and Contents

Correspondence, reports, legal records, financial documents and genealogical material of Roger Sherman, signer of the Declaration of Independence. Included are both family letters and political correspondence. Of special interest are the letters to Governor Jonathan Trumbull on the relationship of Connecticut to the prosecution of the war (1777-1780). Among Sherman's writings are a report from the Constitutional Convention (1787), a note on the proposal for a national bank (1791) and a printed copy of his Almanac for 1760. Genealogical and other papers assembled by Sherman's grandson, George Frisbie Hoar (1826-1904) are also in the collection. Major correspondents are Oliver Ellsworth, Samuel Hopkins, Titus Hosmer, Samuel Huntington, Stephen Mix Mitchell and William Williams.

## Arrangement

The Papers of Roger Sherman (1721-1793) are divided into two parts. The first consists of about two hundred items which were taken from the Baldwin Family Papers. Included here are correspondence for the years 1783-1793, financial records, and a survey map made by Roger Sherman in 1753. A folder list in this register provides an over-all guide to these materials. In addition, each item is individually catalogued in the Manuscripts and Archives catalogue under the heading, Roger Sherman, 1721-1793.

In 1975 Yale University Library acquired the second part, ninety items, as a gift from Charles H. W. Foster, Hugh K. Foster and Rockwood H. Foster. These comprise correspondence for the period 1770-1790, writings, including notes on the Constitution and on proposals for a national bank, a printed almanac compiled by Sherman in 1760, and materials on the Sherman family. An itemized list of these materials is in this register under the title, ROGER SHERMAN COLLECTION, ADDITION.

## Collection Contents

### Part I

|             |   |                             |
|-------------|---|-----------------------------|
| b. 1, f. 1  | Plan for Partridge Thacher's Land   | 1753 February 19            |
| b. 1, f. 2  | Invoices, account of Roger Sherman with Ebenezer Storer and Son   | 1758 May 15,<br>November 23 |
| b. 1, f. 3  | An Astronomical Diary, or an Almanack, for the Year of Our Lord Jesus Christ, 1760, by Roger Sherman<br><br>A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy. |                             |
| b. 1, f. 4  | Account books   |                             |
|             | Correspondence  |                             |
| b. 1, f. 5  | 1749-1774<br><br>A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.  |                             |
| b. 1, f. 6  | 1775-1782<br><br>A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.  |                             |
| b. 1, f. 7  | 1783<br>English   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 8  | 1784<br>English   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 9  | 1785-1788   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 10 | 1789 Jan -Jun   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 11 | , typed extracts<br>English   | 1789 March<br>-1792 March   |
| b. 1, f. 12 | 1789 Ju1 -Dec   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 13 | 1790<br>English   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 14 | 1791<br>English   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 15 | 1792<br>English   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 16 | 1793-1796 (Estate)  |                             |
| b. 1, f. 17 | Undated   |                             |
| b. 1, f. 18 | List of Roger Sherman material in Group 200, Evarts Family Papers   |                             |

## Part II

This addition of about ninety items to the Roger Sherman Collection comprises miscellaneous correspondence of Roger Sherman, writings and notes on the Constitution, on proposals for a national bank, a printed almanac compiled by Sherman in 1760, and materials on the Sherman family. These papers, as well as two family Bibles, were given in 1975 as a gift to Yale University Library by Charles H.W. Foster, Hugh Foster and Rockwood Foster. Because the collection includes not only papers contemporary with Roger Sherman, but also family letters and genealogical materials dating from the 19th and 20th centuries, the items have been arranged both by period and kind into four series.

Arranged in four series: I. CORRESPONDENCE (1770-1790); II. WRITINGS (1760-1794); III. FINANCIAL AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS (1734-1792); and IV. GENEALOGICAL (1855-1904)

The correspondence is arranged alphabetically by writer. The other materials are arranged chronologically, and each item is fully described in the succeeding pages.

### CORRESPONDENCE

1770-1790

1

#### Part A. Roger Sherman's Correspondence

|             |  |
|-------------|--|
| b. 2, f. 13 | <p>Roger Sherman and Rev. Samuel Hopkins (1721-1803)</p> <p>A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.</p>  |
| b. 2, f. 13 | <p>Sherman, Roger</p> <p>ALS to Samuel Hopkins; (1721-1803), discussing Hopkins' book, <i>An Inquiry into the Nature of True Holiness</i> (1773). Sherman defends "self-love" and questions Hopkins' proposition "that it is the duty of a person to be willing to give up his eternal interest for the Glory of God." 1790 Jun 28, New York. [6] p. and cover sheet marked, "Copy of a letter to the Revd. S. Hopkins June 1790."</p>   |
| b. 2, f. 13 | <p>Hopkins, Samuel</p> <p>ALS to Roger Sherman, defending his views, declaring that self-love "can answer no good end; and offering the idea of "universal benevolence" in its place. 1790 Aug 2, Newport. 15 p. in paper covers.</p>  |
| b. 2, f. 13 | <p>Sherman, Roger</p> <p>ALS to Samuel Hopkins replying to his letter of 1790 Aug 2, suggesting that Hopkins uses "the term selflove in a narrower sense than it is used in general by others." Sherman maintains that "our own temporal as well as spiritual good may be lawfully sought and enjoyed and our sensitive appetites gratified, so that it not be done in a manner or degree prohibited by law." 1790 October, [7] p. with verso of outer sheet marked "Copy of a Letter to the Revd. S. Hopkins. October 1790." Sewed together with letter of 1790 Jun 28.</p> |
| b. 2, f. 1  | <p>Sherman, Elizabeth (1765-1850)</p> <p>ALS to her father, Roger Sherman, at New York, announcing her brother William's death. 1789 Jun 29, New Haven. [4] p. with address on outside wrapper.</p>  |

## 1 CORRESPONDENCE &gt; Part A. Roger Sherman's Correspondence (continued)

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| b. 2, f. 2 | <p>Sherman, Isaac (1753-1819)</p> <p>ALS to his father, Roger Sherman, at Philadelphia about his enlistment in the army and his station at Brookline. "We have no certain News from the British Troops ...The People in Boston have been and are still in a very disagreeable situation." 1775 Sep 8, Brookline Fort at Sewa11s Point. [2] p. with address and seal on verso. Copy in another hand.</p>   |
| b. 2, f. 3 | <p>Sherman, Nathaniel (1724-1797)</p> <p>ALS to his brother, Roger Sherman, at New York, asking his advice on exchanging Continental Securities for State Notes. 1789 Mar 14, East Windsor. [3] p. with address and seal on verso.</p>  |
| b. 2, f. 4 | <p>Sherman, Roger</p> <p>ALS to his wife, Rebecca, on her birthday. [n.p.]. Fragment, inlaid.</p>   |
| b. 2, f. 5 | <p>Sherman, Roger</p> <p>ALS to unidentified correspondent about the price of a stocking 100m. References also to the Congress, and reports of Boston being fired on. 1774 Sep 9, Philadelphia. 1 p. mounted</p>  |
| b. 2, f. 6 | <p>Sherman, Roger, Samuel Huntington (1731-1796), and Titus Hosmer (1737-1780)</p> <p>ALS to Governor Jonathan Trumbull (1710-1785) in Connecticut on sending Ammunition, on the evacuation of Ticonderoga, and listing the expected representatives to the Convention from Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and New York. 1777 Aug 1, Springfield. [2] p. folio, mended.</p>   |
| b. 2, f. 6 | <p>Sherman, Roger</p> <p>ALS to Governor Jonathan Trumbull on finances, on the debate over the relation of the states to the United States, and whether troops serving in the war should be rewarded with land. 1778 Oct 15, Philadelphia. [2] p. folio. Signature pasted on.</p>   |
| b. 2, f. 6 | <p>Sherman, Roger, and Oliver Ellsworth (1745-1807)</p> <p>ALS to Governor Jonathan Trumbull-on the appointment of Colonel Joseph Trumbull, and on the financial questions under consideration by the Congress. 1778 Nov 10, Philadelphia. [3] p. Note of receipt on verso.</p>   |
| b. 2, f. 6 | <p>Sherman, Roger, and Oliver Ellsworth</p> <p>ALS to Governor Jonathan Trumbull on the question of limiting prices, under consideration by Congress. "We hope that some measures will soon be adopted for introducing a stable medium of Trade that will render a limitation of prices unnecessary [sic]." Also reporting on the difficult departure of [John] Jay and [Conrad Alexandre] Gerard for France. 1780 Feb 15, Philadelphia. 1 p. address on versov</p> |
| b. 2, f. 7 | <p>Sherman, Roger</p> <p>ALS to Major [Simon] Adams (1722-1803) with accounts of "an action on Rhode Island," the French fleet in Boston, and asking for news of "what has been done in Congress since I left it." 1778 Sep 1, White Plains. 1 p.</p>   |



## 1 CORRESPONDENCE &gt; Part A. Roger Sherman's Correspondence (continued)

|             |  |    |
|-------------|--|----|
| b. 2, f. 8  | Sherman, Roger<br>ALS to Oliver Ellsworth at Philadelphia on the circulation of money and on finances in Connecticut. 1780 Apr 27, New Haven. [2] p.   |    |
| b. 2, f. 9  | Sherman, Roger<br>ALS to Samuel Huntington at New Haven with news of the business before Congress: admission of Vermont to the Union; letters from Spain; the arrival of the French fleet. 1781 Aug 20, Philadelphia. 1 p. with address and seal on verso.   |    |
| b. 2, f. 10 | Sherman, Roger<br>ALS to unidentified member of the Connecticut House of Representatives discussing the question of Congress' authority to award half-pay for life to officers of the army. 1784 Mar ,Annapolis. [3] p. Signature pasted on. The names of Messrs. Osgood, Lee and Ellery recorded in Sherman's hand as members of the Conunittee. Address on verso.                        |    |
| b. 2, f. 11 | Sherman, Roger<br>ALS to William Williams (1731-1811) with news on the attitudes of the various states to "the impost recommended by Congress," other financial matters and a discussion on "the western territory." 1784 May 4, Annapolis. [3] p.   |    |
| b. 2, f. 11 | Sherman, Roger<br>ALS to Ezra Stiles at New Haven introducing Thomas Jefferson "...now on his way to Boston, there to embark for Europe, he wishes to gain what acquaintance he can with the country as he passes through. He is a Gentleman, of much Philosophical as wlas political knowledge..." 1784 May 11, Annapolis. 1 p. with address and seal on outer page.                      |    |
| b. 2, f. 12 | Sherman, Roger<br>ALS to Zebulon Butler (1731-1795) in Wyoming, [no state], on the claims of the people settled in Pennsylvania 1lunder the claim of Connecticut ... it will be for the interest of all of them to get a confirmation of their title. II 1787 Sep 13, Philadelphia. 1 p. with signature pasted on. Address on outer page.  |    |
| b. 2, f. 14 | Sherman, Roger<br>AL to Jedediah Morse (1761-1826) at Charleston near Boston, commenting on and correcting Morse's history of Connecticut. 1792 Feb 11, Philadelphia. [2] p. no signature. Note on verso of last leaf, "Substance of a Letter to Revd. Jed. Morse." Wrapper with address, traces of seal, and note apologizing for the "roughness and inaccuracy of the foregoing letter." | 14 |
| b. 2, f. 15 | Sherman, William (1751-1789)<br>ALS to his father, Roger Sherman, at New Haven on his journey to Fort Penn. "Two days before I arrived at Fort Penn Indians had killed one boy, one horse and speared two others ..." He also discusses his possibilities for settling in the region, and its appearance. 1782 June 10, Wyoming, [no state]. 1 p. with address on verso.                   | 15 |

## Part B. Correspondence of Others

## 1 CORRESPONDENCE &gt; Part B. Correspondence of Others (continued)

|                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| b. 2, f. 16                   | Hosmer, Titus (1737-1780)<br>ALS to Oliver Ellsworth (1748-1808) asking him to take his "Seat in Congress as soon as you can. Mr. Sherman leaves us next day after tomorrow to go to the Army & Home." 1778 Aug 11, Philadelphia. 1 p.  |
| b. 2, f. 17                   | S?, I<br>ALS to General [Oliver] Wolcott" (1726-1797) on the conduct of the war mentioning, among others, General Hart's Brigade, the rotation of troops, news of the "Tory fleet," the situations at New York and Newport, and the recall of Generals [Henry] Clinton and [William] Tryon to England. 1779 Aug 10, Lebanon [no state]. [4] p.  |
| b. 2, f. 17                   | Mitchell, Stephen Mix (1743-1835), and William Samuel Johnson (1727-1819)<br>ALS to Governor [Matthew] Griswold (1714-1799) reporting on their inability to bring forward the report of the Committee on the western territory, on the reorganization of the department of government, on Indian treaties, trade relations with Britain. "We still hope that before tis too late America will arouse from her Lethargy, remember her first, her reciprocal Love, & set her foes of every Description: at 'scornful Defiance, which she is abundantly able to do, if she wisely makes use of the means in her power." 1786 Apr 12, New York. [4] p. Note at end: "Copy of our Letter to Governor Griswold April 12, 1786." |
| WRITINGS                      |   |
| 2                             |   |
| b. 2, f. 18                   | <i>An astronomical diary or almanack for the year of our Lord Christ, 1760</i><br>English<br>Boston, 1760. [24] p. (See also another, larger, copy in Beinecke.)  |
| b. 2, f. 19                   | MS record, of information by James Dean on false provision bills made up by Walter Livingstone for the Commissary in the northern department for the use of the army.<br>Record in the hand of Roger Sherman, marked, "James Dean's Information." Philadelphia. [2] p.  |
| b. 2, f. 20                   | MS, "Report of the Committee of the Whole House"<br>consisting of an outline of 19 numbered paragraphs of the proposed government structure. "Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Committee that the government of the U.S. ought to consist of a Supreme legislative, Judiciary & Executive." , [n.p.]. [5] p. with a marginal note by Sherman: "Connecticut has added 21,140,000 acres to" the Union none of which the King of Gr. Britain had right to grant."  |
| b. 2, f. 21                   | MS, notes on the debate on the national bank. [n. p.]. 1 p.<br>Note in another hand: "This handed to J.M. by Mr. Sherman, during the debate on the constitutionality of the Bill for a National Bank..."  |
| b. 2, f. 22                   | [Memorabilia]. Flyleaf and printed page from an unidentified book.<br>English<br>Blank page signed: "Roger Sherman, Sarah Sherman's 1794." Printed leaf with a poem titled, "To my brother the author," by Edward Heylyn, I.C.  |
| FINANCIAL AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS |   |
| 3                             |   |
| 1760-1794                     |   |
| 1734-1792                     |   |

## 3 FINANCIAL AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS (continued)

|             |  |                        |
|-------------|--|------------------------|
| b. 2, f. 23 | AD, Plat [of William Sherman's land].<br>"Drawn by the scale of ten of Mr. Ganter's Chains in an inch by Ebenezer Woodward, Junior, Surveyor. A True Copy Examined by Benjamin Rolfe..." [n.d.] 37x30 cm. (For description of this land, see also articles from the <i>Massapoag Journal</i> , 1855, in folder 33.)                                    |                        |
| b. 2, f. 24 | ADS, 5 miscellaneous receipts for goods delivered to and paid for by Roger Sherman, 1764-1766; one receipt for money received by Roger Sherman, et. al., 1782; 2 itemized book bills, 1767.  |                        |
|             | Legal documents  | 1754-1786              |
| b. 2, f. 25 | Roger Sherman and Israel Baldwin. Record of a survey of land in New Milford.   | 1754 February 18       |
| b. 2, f. 25 | Roger Sherman and Daniel Bostwick. Record of a survey of land in New Milford.  | 1754 February 18       |
| b. 2, f. 25 | Signature: "R. Sherman Just. Quorum" on a fragment, Litchfield.  | 1761 January 4         |
| b. 2, f. 25 | ADS by Roger Sherman. A complaint of a felony against "one Joel Taylor."<br>Countersigned by Samuel Olmstead and James Lockwood, Justices of the Peace., Norwalk. [2] p. With note: "the above written is a True Copy of Record Examined [by] me James Lockwood Justice of Peace."   | 1758 April 18          |
| b. 2, f. 25 | AD, recording the sale of land in New Milford by Isaac Buck to Solomon Palmer<br>Countersigned by Roger Sherman as Justice of the Peace.   | 1758 December 29       |
| b. 2, f. 25 | AD, recording the sale of land in New Milford by Isaac Moss to James Bradshaw<br>Countersigned by Roger Sherman as Justice of the Peace.   | 1761 March 25          |
| b. 2, f. 25 | ADS pay order for Barnabas Dean, Hartford  | 1777 September 4,      |
| b. 2, f. 25 | DS (printed forms filled in), three summonses signed by Roger Sherman. 1775 Dec 21, New Haven; 1776 Mar 14, New Haven; 1788 Mar 17, New Haven  | 1775-1788              |
| b. 2, f. 25 | ADS, memorial to the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut for permission to convert 104.10 (British) in bills of credit into hard money, Hartford? [3]p.<br>With two notes: "In the upper House the Prayer of this Memorial is granted... (signed) George Wyllys." "dissented to in the lower house (signed) S[tephen] M[ix] Mitchell, Clerk." | 1783 January [undated] |
| b. 2, f. 25 | AD, opinion in the case of Timothy Hinman VB. Benjamin Stiles, February term, Litchfield County Superior Court. No signature.<br>0   | 1786                   |

## 3 FINANCIAL AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS &gt; Legal documents (continued)

|                   |   |  |
|-------------------|---|--|
| b. 2, f. 26       | Sherman, John. Ledger.<br>"An account of final settlement of certificates ...to the officers and soldiers of the Connecticut line of the late Continental army." .<br>Countersigned by Joseph Howell for the Pay Office and transmitted to Roger Sherman. Folio [16] p.   | 1792 April 14                          |
| b. 2, f. 26A      | DS, Ahauton, &c to Wentworth &c, Libro 49 Folio 172.<br>Indenture (typed copy) for land in the township of Stoughton bought by John Wentworth and William Sherman from Amos Ahauton, Thomas Ahauton, Simon George, Hezekiah Squamoag and George Hunter, resident of the Indian plantation Punkapoag. Original entered October 14, 1734 in the Records of Deeds from the County of Suffolk, Massachusetts, Libro 19 Folio 172. Attested as "a true copy" by F. Semple, Registrar, [no date]. For map of this property, see "Plat- of William Sherman's land," folder 23. |  |
| b. 2, f. 26A      | DS, Sherman to Badlam, Libro 67 Folio 212.<br>Deed by Roger Sherman conveying a tract of land in Stoughton to Stephan Badlam. Original entered February 7, 1743 in the Record of Deeds for the County of Suffolk, Massachusetts, Libro 67 Folio 212. Attested as "a true copy" by F. Semple, Registrar, [no date].  |  |
| GENEALOGICAL<br>4 |   | 1855-1904                              |
| b. 2, f. 27       | Copies (typed) of legal documents relating to the Sherman family in England, 1473-1628: 12 wills; 5 commissions to administer goods of those deceased; a list of 11 baptisms, 1 marriage, and 2 burials. [23] p.  |  |
| b. 2, f. 28       | [Copies of documents relating to the Sherman family in the United States]<br>English<br>AD, concerning the watch placed at Caleb Church's mill, (signed) Hugh Mason and John Sherman. 1776 Oct 4, [n.p.]. 1 p. (Nineteenth century copy?); Photocopy of a petition to Congress to prohibit the delivery of mail on Sunday. 1828 Dec 11, Boston. [2] p.  |  |
|                   | Hoar, Senator George Frisbie (1826-1904), grandson of Roger Sherman.  |  |
| b. 2, f. 29       | Correspondence relating to Sherman family history   | 1885-1903                              |
| b. 2, f. 30       | Correspondence relating to the divorce of John and Rebecca (Austin) Sherman in 1793; collected by George F. Hoar in 1898 and 1902.  |  |
| b. 2, f. 31       | Miscellaneous papers relating to the Sherman family   |  |
| b. 2, f. 32       | Correspondence (typed copies) with George Sewall Boutwell, on the Republican Party and national politics.   | 1899 December<br>27-1900<br>October 31 |
| b. 2, f. 33       | Ames, Ellis (1809-1884)<br>3 articles (typescript) on Roger Sherman copied from the <i>Massapoag Journal</i> , 1855. Mar 3, 4 p.; Aug 4, 8 p.; Aug 11, 11 p. (See also letter of Sarah W. Ames to Senator George F. Hoar, April 28, 1899 in folder 29.)   |  |
| b. 2, f. 34       | Sherman, Roger<br>Bib, worn by Roger Sherman and presented to G. F. Hoar by his mother, ca. 1856  |  |

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## Appendix: Persons Mentioned in the Collection (Part I)

Adams, John, Pres. U.S., 1735-1826  
Allen, Benjamin  
Arnold, Benedict, 1741-1801  
Austin, David  
Baldwin, Ebenezer, 1790-1837  
Baldwin, Simeon, 1761-1851  
Barclay, Andrew  
Bogert, Rudolph  
Brady, James  
Butler, Zebulon, 1731-1795  
Chauncey, Charles, 1747-1823  
Denison, Nathan  
Edwards, Pierpont, 1750-1826  
Ellsworth, Oliver, 1745-1807  
Franklin, John, 1749-1831  
Franklin, W.  
Gibbs, Henry, 1749-1794  
Goodhue, Benjamin, 1748-1814  
Gray, Samuel  
Guno, Nathan  
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Herrox, James  
Hillhouse, James, 1754-1832  
Holmes, Temperance  
Howell, Joseph  
Humphreys, David, 1752-1818  
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Hurlburt, Timothy  
Imlay, William  
Johnson, William Samuel, 1727-1819  
Lanning, Henry  
Leavenworth, Jesse  
Leavensworth, I.  
Lynde, Joseph  
Mallet, Peter  
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Mitchell, Justus, 1754-1806  
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Noble, Stephen  
North, Charles  
Ogden, Robert, 1746-1826  
Otis, Samuel Alleyne, 1740-1814  
Payne, Col.  
Pearson and Glover, firm, New Haven  
Prescott, Henry  
Safford, Samuel  
Sherman, Elizabeth, 1765-1850  
Sherman, Elizabeth, 1778-1834  
Sherman, Harriet, 1776-1795  
Sherman, Isaac, 1753-1819  
Sherman, John, 1750-1802  
Sherman, Maria, 1774-1857  
Sherman, Rebecca (Prescott), 1742-1813  
Sherman, Roger, 1721-1793

Sherman, William, 1751-1789  
Si1kin, George  
Spencer, Joseph  
Squiers, Samuel  
Strong, aoseph, 1753-1834  
Swift, Heman, 1733-1814  
Toller, Daniel  
Toller, Lazarus  
Wales, Nathaniel  
Whiting, William Jos.  
Whi tman, Mary  
Williams, Nathan, 1735-1829  
Willis, Roswell  
Winched, Azariah  
Wooster, David, 1711-1777

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## Appendix: Persons Mentioned in the Collection (Part II)

| Individual                          | Folder Number |
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| Adams, Simon, 1722-1803             | 7             |
| Ames, Ellis, 1809-1884              | 33            |
| Boutwell, George Sewall, 1818-1905  | 32            |
| Butler, Zebulon, 1731-1795          | 12            |
| Ellery, William, 1727-1820          | 10            |
| Ellsworth, Oliver, 1745-1807        | 6,8,16        |
| Gerard, Conrad Alexandre, 1729-1790 | 6             |
| Griswold, Matthew, 1714-1799        | 17            |
| Hoar, George Frisbie, 1826-1904     | 29-33         |
| Hosmer, Titus, 1737-1780            | 6, 16         |
| Huntington, Samuel, 1731-1796       | 9             |
| Jameson, John Franklin, 1859-1937   | 29            |
| Jay, John, 1745-1829                | 6             |

| Individual                              | Folder Number |
|---|---------------|
| Jefferson, Thomas, Pres.U.S., 1743-1826 | 11            |
| Johnson, William Samuel, 1727-1818      | 17            |
| Lee, Thomas Sim, 1745-1819              | 10            |
| Mitchell, Stephen Mix, 1743-1835        | 17            |
| Osgood, Samuel, 1747/48-1813            | 10            |
| Sherman, Elizabeth, 1765-1850           | 1             |
| Sherman, Isaac, 1753-1819               | 2             |
| Sherman, Nathaniel, 1724-1797           | 3             |
| Sherman, Rebecca (Prescott), 1742-1813  | 4             |
| Sherman, William, 1751-1789             | 15            |
| Stiles, Ezra, 1727-1795                 | 11            |
| Trumbull, Jonathan, 1710-1785           | 6             |
| Williams, William, 1731-1811            | 11            |
| Wolcott, Oliver, 1726-1797              | 17            |

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Susquehanna Claim, 1753-1808

### Geographic Names

Connecticut -- History -- Colonial period, ca.  
1600-1775  
United States -- History -- 1783-1865  
United States -- History -- Colonial period, ca.  
1600-1775  
United States -- History -- Revolution,  
1775-1783  
United States -- History -- Revolution,  
1775-1783 -- Equipment and supplies  
United States -- History -- Revolution,  
1775-1783 -- Finance  
United States -- Politics and government

### Genres / Formats

Almanacs

### Occupations

Legislators  
Politicians

### Names

Ames, Ellis, 1809-1886  
Austin, David, 1759-1831  
Baldwin, Simeon, 1761-1851  
Butler, Zebulon, 1731-1795  
Channing, Henry, 1760?-1840  
Denison, Nathan  
Ellsworth, Oliver, 1745-1807  
Franklin, John, 1749-1831  
Gibbs, Henry, 1749-1794  
Goodhue, Benjamin, 1748-1814  
Hazen, Moses, 1733-1803  
Hoar, George Frisbie, 1826-1904  
Holmes, Temperance

Hopkins, Samuel, 1721-1803  
Hosmer, Titus, 1737-1780  
Howell, Joseph (Joseph Williams), 1857-1918  
Humphreys, David, 1752-1818  
Huntington, Samuel, 1731-1796  
Imlay, William, 1742-1807  
Johnson, William Samuel, 1727-1819  
Lynde, Joseph, 1702-1788  
Marsh, Charles, 1765-1849  
Mitchell, Justus, 1754-1806  
Mitchell, Stephen Mix, 1743-1835  
Morris, Gouverneur, 1752-1816  
Ogden, Robert, 1746-1826  
Otis, Samuel Allyne, 1740-1814  
Prescott, Henry  
Safford, Samuel  
Sherman, Elizabeth, 1765-1850  
Sherman, Elizabeth, 1778-1834  
Sherman, Harriet, 1776-1795  
Sherman, Isaac, 1753-1819  
Sherman, Maria, 1774-1857  
Sherman, Nathaniel, 1727-1797  
Sherman, Rebecca Prescott, 1742-1813  
Sherman, Roger, 1721-1793  
Sherman, William, 1751-1789  
Silkin, George  
Spencer, Joseph, 1714-1789  
Strong, Joseph, 1753-1834  
Swift, Heman, 1733-1814  
Whitman, Mary  
Williams, Nathan, 1735-1829  
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### Families

Sherman family

### Corporate Bodies

United States. Constitution  
United States. Constitutional Convention --  
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United States. Continental Army