

Guide to the Fowler Family Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MS 221

CREATOR: Fowler family

TITLE: Fowler family papers

DATES: 1707-1870

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Correspondence (1806-1870), deeds (1707-1857) to property in Connecticut, and miscellaneous papers. The bulk of the correspondence is that of William Chauncey Fowler (1793-1881), an educator. Principal correspondents include George Sewall Boutwell, Lewis Cass, Salmon Portland Chase, Rufus Choate, Schuyler Colfax, Horace Mann, Gideon Algernon Mantell, and Truman Smith. Also in the papers is an account book (1854-1866) of Crampton and Fowler, manufacturers and farmers of Northford, Connecticut and a collection of autographs, including one of John Quincy Adams.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of the Fowler family.

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Preferred Citation

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Scope and Contents

The Fowler Family Collection consists of one manuscript box and contains approximately 300 items. Deeds, 1707-1857 to land in Canaan, Guilford, Middletown, New Haven, North Branford and Wallingford Conn. Miscellaneous papers, 1756-1860, mainly receipts, bills, promissory notes and tax receipts. Also, a folder containing autographs of well known people, including one of John Quincy Adams.

The correspondence dates from 1806-1870, the bulk of which was written to William Chauncey Fowler (1793-1881). Among the correspondents are George Sewall Boutwell (1818-1905), Lewis Cass (1782-1866), Salmon Portland Chase (1808-1873), Rufus Choate (1799-1859), Schuyler Colfax (1823-1885), Horace Mann (1796-1859), Gideon Algernon Mantell (1790-1852), and Truman Smith (1791-1884).

There is an account book, 1854-1866 of Crampton & Fowler, manufacturers, and farmers, of Northford, Conn. Also, a book written by Samuel Miles Hopkins (1772-1837)* depicting public and private life in Waterbury, Conn. He comments on the appointment of Washington as Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Forces, on General Ethan Allen, and on the history of the state of Connecticut.

*This book has been removed to Miscellaneous Manuscripts, Alphabetical Series, Mss 352.

Collection Contents

b. 1, f. 1	Correspondence	1806-1870, undated
Deeds		
b. 1, f. 2	1746, 1784-1813	
b. 1, f. 3	1816-1835	
b. 1, f. 4	1845-1850	
b. 1, f. 5	1853-1857	
Miscellaneous legal and financial papers		
b. 1, f. 6	1759, 1783-1822	
b. 1, f. 7	1834-1837	
b. 1, f. 8	1838-1839	
b. 1, f. 9	1840-1850	
b. 1, f. 10	1851-1853	
b. 1, f. 11	1854-1858	
b. 1, f. 12	1859-1866	
b. 1, f. 13	n.d.	
b. 1, f. 14	Crampton & Fowler, Manufacturers and Farmers of Northford, Ct.: Account book	1854-1866
b. 1, f. 15	Autograph collection (electrostatic copies)	1714-1886
b. 1, f. 16	Record of texts for weekly sermons	1828

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Agriculture
Education
Educators
Families
Farmers

Families

Fowler family

Corporate Body

Crampton and Fowler

Geographic Names

Connecticut
Northford (Conn.)

Genres / Formats

Account books
Autographs
Deeds

Occupations

Manufacturers

Names

Adams, John Quincy, 1767-1848
Adams, Nehemiah, 1806-1878
Baldwin, Roger S. (Roger Sherman), 1793-1863
Boutwell, George S. (George Sewall), 1818-1905
Cass, Lewis, 1782-1866
Chase, Salmon P. (Salmon Portland), 1808-1873
Choate, Rufus, 1799-1859
Colfax, Schuyler, 1823-1885
Cushing, Caleb, 1800-1879
Fowler, Orin, 1791-1852
Fowler, William Chauncey, 1793-1881
Mann, Horace, 1796-1859
Mantell, Gideon Algernon, 1790-1852
Owen, Robert Dale, 1801-1877
Percival, James Gates, 1795-1856
Smith, Truman, 1791-1884
Winthrop, Robert C. (Robert Charles),
1809-1894