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Record Group Descriptions and Related Series:

Record Group Number: PR0

Record Group Name: Miscellaneous

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79655058>

Related Series:

Boston fur trade, 1878-1893

Identifier: PR0/P035

Extent: 1 document box

Notes: Four ms./printed documents relating to the Boston fur trade, 1878-1893. Presented by Peter Halferty, Calcium, N.Y.; received through Gov. Deval Patrick, July 17, 2013.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79655058>

Generalissimo Armando Diaz, 1921

Identifier: PR0/P035

Extent: 1 folder

Notes: Gubernatorial dinner in honor of Generalissimo Armando Diaz, Hotel Somerset, Boston, Dec. 8, 1921: Invitation, admission ticket, program. Presented by Marie Facchetti, Needham, Mass.; received Mar. 2002.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79655058>

Letters, 1949-1986

Identifier: PR0/P035

Extent: 6 items

Notes: Six letters to Louise B. Malood, secretary to the Executive Council, 194—1990 from Governor Robert Bradford, Governor Foster Furcolo, Elliot Richardson, Joseph Tauro, and Governor John Volpe. Presented by Barbara Weinstein, Hampton, N.H., October 3, 2017.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79655058>

Market Square Syndicate, Springfield (Mass.) National Bank

Identifier: PR0/P035

Extent: 1 item

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79655058>

Queen Elizabeth II, 1976

Identifier: PR0/P035

Extent: 1 item

Notes: Photograph of Elizabeth II, Queen of Great Britain, delivering an address at the Old State House, Boston, July 11, 1976. Presented by Brian McNiff; received Jan. 12, 2010. Entries in photographs card file in Archives reading room (shelved separately).

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79655058>

Receipts from Ordway, Blodgett and Hidden Drive, Boston to Locke and Company, 1877

Identifier: PR0/P035

Extent: 4 items

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/79655058>

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Record Group Number: PR1

Record Group Name: George H. Everett diary

Historical Note:

George H. Everett served in the Civil War as a private in Company C of the 44th Massachusetts Volunteer Militia. His diary contains observations of daily life of a Union private from camp in Readville, Mass. (Aug. 29, 1862) to duty in North Carolina (Feb. 3, 1863). Series also includes drawings of the area surrounding the Pamlico River in North Carolina with Union fortifications, ms. entitled: The necessity of sustaining the government, marriage certificate, and photographs (chiefly tintypes) of Everett, his wife, Helen Dearborn, and three unidentified children. Upon discharge Everett became a bookkeeper in Boston.

Related Series:

Diary of a Civil War soldier, 1862-1863

Restricted: Originals (diary) restricted as fragile; access by permission of state archivist or curator of Massachusetts Archives only.

Identifier: PR1/P001X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Notes: Microfilm included with Massachusetts. Land Office. Correspondence ((M-AR)72X) Reel 2.

Presented to Archives by Charles H. Ryland, Apr. 24 and June 25, 1985.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/77631628>

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Record Group Number: PR3

Record Group Name: Mrs. Oliver Ames (Ames, Anna Ray)

Historical Note:

Social correspondence of Oliver Ames (lieutenant governor of Massachusetts 1883-1887; governor, 1883-1890) and his wife Anna (Ray) Ames includes letters to them (often answering invitations to social events), postcards, invitations, calling cards, genealogical charts, newsclippings, and a tintype family portrait. Topics include a reception given in 1887 for the Queen and Princess of the Hawaiian Islands; there is also a memorial volume published on the governor's death.

Related Series:

Social correspondence of Governor and Mrs. Oliver Ames, 1881-1898

Identifier: PR3/P003X

Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82694609>

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Record Group Number: PR4

Record Group Name: Julia Ward Stickley

Historical Note:

Julia Ward Stickley, a staff member of the National Archives, researched the life of Deborah Sampson Gannett, a Massachusetts resident who, disguised as a man, enlisted as Robert Shurtliff in the 4th Massachusetts Regiment of the Continental Army. Gannett served in several battles and was injured and hospitalized, when her sex was discovered and she was honorably discharged from military service. Series gathers copies of Stickley's research sources and correspondence concerning Gannett.

Photocopied documents from the Massachusetts Archives and National Archives include legislative and military records relating to Gannett's enlistment and pension, among them an 1804 letter of Paul Revere. There are photocopies of her 1802 printed Boston address

and 1802 autograph diary, excerpts from town histories of Greenfield and Holden, material on rumors that Gannett was black, and photographs of her portrait and tombstone. Related documents in the Archives on Gannett include her muster certificate and bounty receipt (Massachusetts. Office of the Secretary of State. Muster rolls of the Revolutionary War ((M-Ar)57X), v. 64, p. 108), resolve of the General Court awarding Gannett soldier's pay (Passed resolves ((M-Ar)228), Resolves 1791, Jan 1792 Sess, c 23), and a 1786 statement by her former commander, Colonel Henry Jackson, verifying her service and discharge (Passed acts ((M-Ar)229).

Stickley, Julia Ward. "The records of Deborah Sampson Gannett, woman soldier of the Revolution." Prologue 4 (Winter 1972); Wachs, Eleanor. Deborah Sampson Gannett (1760-1827), America's first woman soldier : a source booklet. [Boston] : Commonwealth Museum at Columbia Point, [1990?]; both included with series.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82576186>

Related Series:

Research files on Deborah Sampson Gannett, 1786-[1990?]

Identifier: PR4/P004X
Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)
Notes: Presented to Archives by Julia Ward Stickley, July 1984.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82576186>

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Record Group Number: PR5

Record Group Name: James Noyes

Historical Note:

During the Civil War, Ship Island, Mississippi, served the Union Army as a place of detention for political prisoners, military convicts, and Confederate prisoners of war. Series documents activities of Ship Island Provost Marshal James Noyes, successively lieutenant and captain in the 74th U.S. Colored Infantry Regiment.

Included are correspondence, orders, lists, and publications relating to prison ordnance, signals, clothing, prison discipline, and personnel (including nine muster rolls for various African-American army units). There are literary manuscripts by Noyes, Sargent family correspondence, and several photographs. There are photocopies of Noyes's military service records from the National Archives and the National Park Service (NPS) (Gulf

Islands National Seashore) and 1984 NPS historic resource study and historic structure report on the seashore site by Edwin C. Bearss.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82625901>

Related Series:

Military documents of Ship Island, 1862-1984 (bulk 1862-1865)

Identifier: PR5/P005X

Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)

Muster rolls: 1 folder

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/82625901>

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Record Group Number: PR6

Record Group Name: Warnecke-Cannon

Historical Note:

Warnecke-Cannon and its predecessors (as well as Paul Rudolph Associates) designed buildings for the Commonwealth and the private sector in Massachusetts. Plans of buildings and structures include architectural drawings and structural plans. State buildings represented include the areas of human services (sanatoriums, hospitals, laboratories, training and research facilities, and correctional facilities), transportation (rapid transit stations), and education (universities and colleges); also post office, court house, and airport buildings. Private sector buildings include apartments, hotels, and theaters. Elevations and sections are included. Drawings are on linen and paper on cloth, and include blueprints and diazotypes.

The architectural firm Desmond and Lord collaborated with that of John Carl Warnecke and Associates, becoming Warnecke-Cannon, later known as Cannon.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122505960>

Related Series:

Plans of buildings and structures, 1896-1981

Identifier: PR6/P006X

Extent: 52.67 cubic feet

Notes: Presented to Archives, Apr. 9, 1985, by Warnecke-Cannon.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122505960>

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Record Group Number: PR7

Record Group Name: Robert Irwin

Historical Note:

Series consists chiefly of photographs taken and other materials collected by Robert Irwin, partly in his capacity as secretary of a Massachusetts state commission to identify and care for graves of Massachusetts World War I dead abroad, and to document events, activities, and settings involving the 26th (Yankee) Division, Massachusetts National Guard, during and after World War I.

Files contain lantern slides, photograph album, panoramic photographs menus, mess tickets, pamphlets, and photocopied newsclippings. Topics include: Fort Dowling (Framingham, Mass.), French battlefields and villages, and graves of American war dead overseas.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705381>

Related Series:

Photographs of World War I French battlefields, 1917-1928 (bulk 1917-1920)

Identifier: PR7/P007X

Extent: 0.9 cubic feet (254 slides; 8 x 10 cm. in 2 boxes)

0.51 cubic feet (2 document boxes)

1 folder

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: Presented to Archives by Mrs. John Irwin, May 3, 1983. --Notebook of clippings photocopied and original notebook presented by Archives to Special Collections, Massachusetts State Library.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705381>

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Record Group Number: PR8

Record Group Name: Braintree Historical Society (Thayer, Sylvanus)

Historical Note:

Topographical maps from Thayer's personal collection were compiled by the U.S. War Dept. Topographical Bureau and drawn in ink, showing: (1) Peddock's Island (2) Charlestown Neck and Noddle's Island, by William Turnbull.

Photographic copies: Braintree Historical Society, Braintree, MA 02184.

Map of Nantasket and Boston Harbor, 1820: Braintree Historical Society.

Sylvanus Thayer was commissioned 2nd lieutenant in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1808, served as superintendent of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, 1817-1833, and was then U.S. Army engineer in charge of construction of fortifications at the entrance to Boston Harbor and of improvements to New England harbors generally; he retired from the Army in 1863 with the brevetted rank of brigadier-general. He established the Thayer School of Engineering at Dartmouth College in 1867, and provided a fund for a public library in Braintree, Mass., his residence.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/83623066>

Related Series:

Maps of Boston Harbor, 1820

Identifier: PR8/P032X

Extent: 2 manuscript maps in 9 pieces

Notes: Pieces encapsulated.

Deposited at Archives on permanent loan by Braintree Historical Society, Apr. 24, 1986.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/83623066>

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Record Group Number: PR11

Record Group Name: Herbert Parker

Historical Note:

Herbert Parker was the president of the Bar Association of the City of Boston, and chairman of the Massachusetts Bay Colony Tercentenary Commission, established in 1929 to plan the Commonwealth's celebration the following year of the tercentenary of the founding of the Massachusetts Bay colony. Papers contain documents and artifacts of the celebration sponsored by the commission.

Included are mss. of speeches delivered at the Great Meeting at Boston Common on July 15, 1930, among them verses written for the celebration by Robert Grant, introductions made at the Great Meeting, a speech given at the reception and luncheon (including description of persons seated at the head table), and a speech at the Hall of Flags; also programs, invitations, tickets, and badges from the Great Meeting and other Tercentenary events.

Photographs of the Great Meeting in an album are of procession to the pavilion at the Common and of guests, including Calvin Coolidge, ambassadors, and other dignitaries; also shown are military processions, speeches from the pavilion, including that of Gov. Frank Allen, and crowd scenes. Captions are in Subseries (1), folder 10.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122412305>

Related Series:

Papers, 1930-1931

Identifier: PR11/P001X

Extent: Subseries (1): 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)
Subseries (2): 0.39 cubic ft. (76 photographs ; in 1 box)

Arranged: In two subseries:
(1) Papers;
(2) Photographs of the Great Meeting.
Arranged chronologically

Notes: Related series: Massachusetts Bay Colony Tercentenary Commission.
Great Meeting files, 1930 ((M-Ar)2190X)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122412305>

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Record Group Number: PR13

Record Group Name: Eugene N. Foss

Historical Note:

Eugene Noble Foss (1858-1939) was born in West Berkshire, Vermont, the son of George E. and Marcia Noble Foss. When he was nine his parents moved to St. Albans, Vermont, where he attended St. Albans Academy. In 1877 he entered the University of Vermont, but left two years later to read law with his uncle. Dissatisfied with law, he became a traveling salesman for the St. Albans Manufacturing Company, of which his father was general manager. Later he began to selling the products of B.F. Sturtevant, a Boston manufacturer of mill machinery. By 1882 he had risen to head of the manufacturing department. Two years later he married Lilla Sturtevant, the daughter of his employer. Following the death of B.F. Sturtevant in 1890, he became treasurer and general manager of the company. In 1901 he merged several independent manufacturing firms into the Beck-Brainerd Milling Machine Company, of which he became president. Later he founded Maverick Cotton Mills of East Boston, which had a workforce of 5,000. Among the other business enterprises in which he

played a major role were the East Boston Land Company, Bridgewater Water Company, Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, and Mead Morrison Manufacturing Company.

Foss's political career in Massachusetts began in part as an outgrowth of his interest in tariff reciprocity, which became his primary political concern. In 1902 he won nomination as a Republican candidate to Congress, competing successfully on a tariff reciprocity platform against the party's handpicked candidate, although he did not win election. His opposition to the Payne-Aldrich Tariff led him to switch his allegiance to the Democratic Party in 1909, running unsuccessfully later that year for lieutenant governor. The following year, however, he first won a special congressional election, and then was elected governor by a plurality of 36,000 votes. He was re-elected in 1911 and 1912 and was considered a possible Democratic candidate for president or vice-president. In 1913 he was denied the Democratic nomination, but ran as an independent, being defeated by Democrat David J. Walsh. In 1915 he again failed to gain a gubernatorial nomination, this time as a Republican on a prohibition platform. This was followed by two abortive attempts to win the Democratic nomination for governor in 1919 and 1922. In 1922 he has defeated as the Democratic candidate for Congress in a special election.

On the basis of his legislative accomplishments, Foss may be characterized as a Progressive Era reformer. During his tenure as governor, he put through legislation providing for a presidential primary, popular election of U.S. senators, limitations on campaign expenses, a minimum wage, workers' compensation, restrictions on work hours of women and children, and pensions for state employees. In addition to his political and business activities, Foss had active involvement in religious, educational, and charitable affairs. He served at various times as trustee of the University of Vermont, Newton Theological Institute, Colby College, Hebron Academy, Vermont Academy, Boston Baptist Hospital, and Brigham Hospital, among others. Further information on Foss may be found in the following: Richard M. Abrams. *Conservatism in a progressive era : Massachusetts politics, 1900-1912* (Cambridge, Mass. : Harvard University Press, 1964); *Encyclopedia of Massachusetts* (New York : Somerset, 1985).

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86123224>

Related Series:

Correspondence of the New England Reciprocity League, 1902-1904

Identifier: PR13/P012X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 volume in 1 document boxes)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by correspondent.

Notes: Cover title: Political letters.

Outgoing correspondence of William E. Brigham, secretary of the New England Reciprocity League, concerns the league's activities in behalf of tariff reciprocity, a primary political concern of Eugene N. Foss. This

letterpress copybook bears the printed label of B.F. Sturtevant Company, of which Foss was treasurer and general manager.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122609771>

Petitions favoring national prohibition, 1917

Identifier: PR13/P013X

Extent: 0.7 cubic feet (2 volumes in 2 document boxes)

Notes: Two scrapbooks contain petition cards and letters favoring national prohibition, received by Eugene N. Foss, who ran unsuccessfully in 1915 for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in Massachusetts on a prohibition platform.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144200>

Business and personal records, 1938-1942

Identifier: PR13/P014X

Extent: 0.69 cubic feet (3 document boxes)

Notes: Business and personal records of Eugene N. Foss apparently comprised part of Foss's estate. They include checkbooks and receipts from the estate, 1938-1942, the Suburban Realty Corporation (Boston), 1938-1939, and the Massachusetts Bond & Mortgage Co. (Boston), 1939-1940; also military draft data and correspondence regarding wartime workers at the Maverick Mills and Northern Rayon Weaving Mills, 1942-1943.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144205>

Biographical materials, 1879-1928 (bulk 1909-1913)

Identifier: PR13/P015X

Extent: 0.35 cubic feet (1 document box)

Notes: Biographical materials pertaining to Eugene N. Foss were created for use in Foss's political campaigns. The series contains handwritten and typewritten biographical sketches, newspaper and magazine articles, and genealogical materials on the Foss family.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122560391>

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Record Group Number: PR14

Record Group Name: Henry Dexter Chadwick

Historical Note:

Henry Dexter Chadwick, M.D., was the first superintendent of Westfield State Sanatorium (Mass.), 1908-1929; controller of tuberculosis for Detroit, Mich., 1929-1933; Massachusetts commissioner of public health, 1933-1938; president of the National Tuberculosis Association, 1939-1940, and of the Massachusetts Tuberculosis and Health League, 1940s. He also served Massachusetts as a member of the Special Commission to Study and Investigate Certain Public Health Matters (Resolves 1947, c 73--also known as the Special Commission on Public Health) and the Governor's Committee to Study State Hospitals (1953).

Related Series:

Correspondence, 1908-1964

Identifier: PR14/P016X

Extent: 0.7 cubic feet (2 document boxes)

Arranged: Arranged by subject, thereunder chronologically.

Notes: Series documents Chadwick's professional career. Files contain personal and professional letters sent and received while superintendent at Westfield; consultant reports on tuberculosis programs in Washington, Maryland, Pennsylvania, and Richmond, Va.; reports produced while a member of two Massachusetts commissions, the Special Commission on Public Health and the Governor's Committee to Study State Hospitals; official letter of appointment to the faculty of the Harvard School of Public Health; lecture notes; publications file; papers relating to presidency of the Massachusetts Tuberculosis League, including a printed history of the history of tuberculosis; programs of a 1938 testimonial dinner in Chadwick's honor; letters of congratulation on his ninetieth birthday. Transferred to Archives from Department of Public Health (Tuberculosis Control), 1984.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/84273740>

Photographs, [1929?]-1960

Identifier: PR14/P017X

Extent: 0.22 cubic feet (38 photographs in 1 box)

Notes: Photographs document various phases of Chadwick's career. Images include those of Chadwick himself; Maybury Sanatorium in Detroit; colleagues in Massachusetts, including Dr. Alton Pope, commissioner of public health; a 1938 testimonial dinner in Chadwick's honor; and activities of the Massachusetts Dept. of Public Health such as Massachusetts Hospital School graduation and the chest x-ray van sponsored by the Division of Sanatoria and Tuberculosis Control. For Chadwick's photographs of Westfield State Sanatorium see: Massachusetts. Division of Sanatoria and Tuberculosis Control. Photographs of sanatoriums ((M-Ar)1353X). Transferred to Archives from Department of Public Health (Tuberculosis Control), 1984.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705207>

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Record Group Number: PR15

Record Group Name: Papers from the Frederick Lewis Gay Estate

Historical Note:

Frederick Lewis Gay was an antiquarian, historian, and genealogist. He was born October 28, 1856 in Brookline, Massachusetts. He died on March 3, 1916 in Brookline.

Related Series:

Papers from the F.L. Gay Estate, 1669-1829

Identifier: PR15/P011X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Notes: Presented to the Archives by John H. Edmonds, 1929.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122336077>

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Record Group Number: PR16

Record Group Name: John G. Locke

Historical Note:

John G. Locke (1803-1869) published *Book of the Lockes. A genealogical and historical record of the descendants of William Locke, of Woburn.*

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/23896677>

Related Series:

Genealogical notebook on the Locke family, 1850

Identifier: PR16/P010X

Extent: 1 file folder (partial document box)

Arranged: Arranged alphabetically by surname.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122372742>

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Record Group Number: PR17

Record Group Name: Robert Cohen

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/86144334>

Related Series:

Military records, 1787-1868

Identifier: PR17/P018X

Extent: 1 file folder (partial document box)

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Record Group Number: PR18

Record Group Name: C.G.S. Bagot

Related Series:

***Photographs of Worcester County, 1904**

Identifier: PR18/P019X

Extent: 0.5 document box

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Record Group Number: PR19
Record Group Name: John B. Wells

Related Series:

***Photographs, 1851-1964**

Identifier: PR19/P020X
Extent: 1 document box

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Record Group Number: PR20
Record Group Name: Freeman, Brigham, and Hussey

Historical Note:

The Boston architectural firm of Freeman, Brigham, and Hussey has preserved drawings created by other architects for Bristol County (Mass.) public buildings including the County Court House, Taunton (undated); Registry of Deeds, Fall River (1930); National Guard Armory, Dwelly St., Fall River (1957); and Superior Court House and Registry of Deeds, Fall River (1968).

Related Series:

Architectural drawings, 1930-1968

Identifier: PR20/P021X
Extent: 4 rolls
Notes: Presented to Archives, March 18, 1982 and June 10, 1997.
Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705431>

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Record Group Number: PR21
Record Group Name: Georgia Archives

Related Series:

Photos of Massachusetts Civil War Veterans and WWI Soldiers, 1917-1928

Identifier: P021/P022X

Extent: 2 items

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Record Group Number: PR22

Record Group Name: John C. Chapman

Related Series:

Photographs of the House of Representatives, 1904

Identifier: PR22/P023X

Extent: 19 items

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Record Group Number: PR25

Record Group Name: Alfred Stedman Hartwell

Historical Note:

Hartwell was born in Natick, Mass. and served in the U.S. Army during the Civil War, with a final rank of colonel. He was a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives in 1867, then attorney general and later Supreme Court chief justice for the Territory of Hawaii.

Papers relate chiefly to Hartwell's activities in command of the 55th Regt., Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, 1863-1866, including investigation into recruiting and compensation abuses by Brevet Brigadier General Malcolm Smith Littlefield, 21st Regt., U.S. Colored Infantry. Files contain incoming and outgoing correspondence; orders and proclamations; muster rolls; ordnance returns, invoices, and receipts; ladies aid society donation lists; investigatory affidavits/statements as noted above; and photographs and other memorabilia, also relating to Hartwell's service in the 44th Regt., Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, 1862-1863, and 54th Regt., Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, 1863.

Related Series:

Papers, 1862-1903 (1862-1865)

Identifier: PR25/P026X

Extent: 2 boxes

Microfilm: 1981

Notes: Originals transferred from Archives to State Library, Mar. 1981 (cf. MASZ93-A0)

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/122506113>

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Record Group Number: PR26

Record Group Name: J.H. McInerney Gettysburg memorial photograph

Historical Note:

Depicts delegation of members of the Massachusetts House of Representatives and their wives at the dedication of a chapel at Gettysburg, Pa., in memory of Massachusetts soldiers who fought at the Battle of Gettysburg, 1863.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705879>

Related Series:

Gettysburg memorial photograph, 1913

Identifier: PR26/P027X

Extent: 1 photograph : sepia; image 26 x 34 cm., in frame 37 x 41 cm.

Notes: Presented to Archives by Mary Devlin, daughter of Rep. James H. McInerney, 19th Suffolk District, Massachusetts General Court, Jan. 26, 1996.

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Record Group Number: PR27

Record Group Name: Minneapolis Public Library

Historical Note:

Series consists of newspaper morgue wire service dispatches, clippings, and photographs relating to incidents involving two members of the Thayer family of Massachusetts:

(1) Webster Thayer, of Worcester, judge who presided over the trial for robbery and murder of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti in Norfolk Superior Court, 1921, and whose home was bombed in 1932 as an aftermath of the executions of Sacco and Vanzetti

in 1927 (for State Police investigation files of the bombing see: Massachusetts. Division of State Police. Sacco and Vanzetti case file ((M-Ar)2084X))

(2) Oliver Alden Thayer, of Topsfield, who was charged with the murder of two relatives, 1937, and subsequently committed to an institution for the insane.

Related Series:

Thayer family subject files, 1927-1938

Identifier: PR27/P028X

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Notes: Transferred to Archives from Minneapolis Public Library, Special Collections Dept., May 2, 1997.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180705839>

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Record Group Number: PR28

Record Group Name: Templeton

Historical Note:

On June 17, 1774, in Salem, the Massachusetts House of Representatives and the General Court's upper house (Council) passed a resolve directing 500 pounds be paid out of the public treasury to finance the activities of a legislatively appointed committee to join with other similar colonial bodies to meet jointly in September (which became the First Continental Congress). Governor Gage refused to sign the resolve and prorogued the House. It then proceeded to pass three additional resolves that were reprinted in this broadside transmitted to the various towns and districts of the Province of (the) Massachusetts Bay, one apportioning the 500 pounds to be raised among the towns instead, another asking the provincial inhabitants to come to the rescue of those of Charlestown and Boston from the British-imposed blockade of Boston Harbor, and a third for inhabitants to boycott all goods imported from the East Indies or Great Britain. This copy signed by Samuel Adams, clerk.

See: Massachusetts. Office of the Secretary of State. House journal, June 17, 1774 ((M-Ar)1701X)

Related Series:

Resolves transmitted to the towns and districts of the Province of Massachusetts Bay, June 17, 1774.

Restriction: Access by permission of the state archivist or curator of Massachusetts Archives only

Identifier: PR28/P033X

Extent: Broadside

Notes: Deposited at the Archives on permanent loan by the Town of Templeton (Mass.), as per agreement of Aug. 19, 1974.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/733062126>

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Record Group Number: PR29

Record Group Name: Revolutionary War Orderly books

Historical Note:

An orderly book, a collection of daily orders and court martial proceedings, was kept by the adjutant or clerk of each military unit (e.g., company, regiment, brigade) of the Continental Army or Massachusetts militia during the Revolutionary War. While not normally viewed as state public records, a few of those orderly books relating to Massachusetts units of the period have been deposited at various times with the state secretary.

Related Series:

Revolutionary War orderly books, 1775-1782

Identifier: PR29

Extent: 0.17 cubic feet (1 document box)

Arranged: Arranged chronologically.

Notes: (1) Orderly book of Col. Samuel Gerrish's Regiment, Apr. 27-July 12, 1775. Camp at Cambridge. Collection of orders signed by Samuel Osgood, brigade-major to Gen. Artemus Ward, and Lieut. Christian Febiger, regimental adjutant. Located in: Massachusetts. Office of the Secretary of State. Muster rolls of the Revolutionary War ((M-Ar)57X), v. 59, p. 575-651.

(2) Orderly book of Sgt. Maj. Amos Bailey, Col. Samuel Gerrish's Regiment, July 17-22, 1775. Camp at Cambridge. Located in: Muster rolls of the Revolutionary War, v. 59, p. 551 (i.e., 8 p.).

(3) Orderly book of Capt. Abijah Wyman's Company, Col. William Prescott's Regiment, July 7-Dec. 30, 1775. Camp at Cambridge. Presented by Henry P. Kendall, 37 Chestnut St., Brookline, Mass., date unknown. 1 v.

(4) Orderly book of Col. Loammi Baldwin's (formerly Gerrish's) Regiment, Jan. 1-Apr. 12, 1776. Camp at Cambridge, Boston, and New York. Located in: Muster rolls of the Revolutionary War, v. 77 (i.e., entire volume).

(5) Orderly book of Col. Ephraim Wheelock's Regiment, Aug. 18-Nov. 26, 1776. Regiment formed part of Brig. Gen. James Brickett's Brigade of Massachusetts Militia, camp at Ft. Ticonderoga. Located in: Muster rolls of the Revolutionary War, v. 75, p. 1 - 98.

(6) Orderly book of Capt. Jonathan Houghton's Company, Col. Jonathan Smith's Regiment of Massachusetts Militia, Aug. 9-26, 1776 (not continuous). Regiment formed part of Brig. Gen. John Fellows's Brigade, camp on Long Island. Book kept by Cpl. Nathan Longely. Located in: Muster rolls of the Revolutionary War, v. 55, file I, p. 1-14.

(7) Orderly book of Capt. Samuel Sawyer's Company, Col. Jonathan Smith's Regiment of Massachusetts Militia, Aug. 22-Nov. 27, 1776. Regiment formed part of Brig. Gen. John Fellows's Brigade, camp on Long Island and various points around New York City. Located in: Massachusetts archives collection ((M-Ar)45X), v. 293, p. 124 (i.e., 197 p.).

(8) Orderly book of Enoch Titcomb, adjutant of Brig. Gen. Jonathan Titcomb's Brigade of Massachusetts Militia, Aug. 8-Sept. 4, 1778. Camp at Providence and Rhode Island. Located in: Massachusetts archives collection, v. 327, p. 37 (i.e., 58 p.).

(9) Orderly book of Col. Rufus Putnam's 5th Massachusetts Regiment, July 8-Oct. 17, 1779. Camp at West Point, Constitution Island, and various places in Westchester County, N.Y. Presented by Rev. Staples, July 19, 1891. 1 v.

(10) Orderly book of Col. John Crane's 3rd Artillery Regiment, Jan. 27-Mar. 21, 1780. Camp at Morristown, N.J. 1 v.

(11) Orderly book of Lieut. John Davis, adjutant of Col. William Shepard's 4th Massachusetts Regiment, May 27-July 11, 1782. Camp

at Newburgh, N.Y. Cover title: Garrison orders, Highlands, Newburgh.
1 v.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180701962>

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Record Group Number: PR30

Record Group Name: Joseph H. Foisy

Historical Note:

Joseph H. Foisy, who served in France during World War One as a sergeant in the 96th Aero Squadron, American Expeditionary Force, recorded his activities from his enlistment in August 1917 until his discharge in May 1919. Also included are lists of photographs, bombing sites, and manuscript and printed drawings and diagrams relating to aircraft and aircraft parts.

Related Series:

World War One diary, 1917-1919

Identifier: PR30/P037X

Extent: Microfilm

Notes: Loaned to Archives for filming on behalf of the owner by Albert H. Whitaker, Jr., 1993.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/180702013>

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Record Group Number: PR31

Record Group Name: Charles Nelson Gardner collection of Civil War Memorabilia

Historical Note:

Charles Nelson Gardner was born Mar. 29, 1845 in South Scituate, Mass. (later Norwell). Enlisted (Private) in the 18th Regt. Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry (Company G), Aug. 4, 1862, discharged Feb. 7, 1864, and re-enlisted Feb. 8, 1864. Transferred to 32nd Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, Oct. 21, 1864 (Company E); awarded Medal of Honor, Apr. 27, 1865 for capturing Confederate flag at the Battle of Five Forks, Va., Apr. 1, 1865;

commissioned 2nd Lieut., Apr. 1, 1865; discharged June 7, 1865. Transferred to Company D, June 8, 1865; mustered out June 29, 1865. Served in Massachusetts General Court, House of Representatives, 1901-1902. He died in Norwell, Feb. 22, 1919.

Related Series:

Charles Nelson Gardner collection of Civil War memorabilia, 1864-1917 (bulk 1864-1901)

Identifier: PR31/P038X

Extent: 0.21 cubic feet (1 document box and 1 bundle)

Notes: Transferred to Archives, Sept. 2011. Gift of Deborah Rogers, Canton, Mass.

Contents (all items created by or relating to Gardner unless otherwise noted):

- Civil War diary, 1864-1865.
- Status documents: discharge, Feb. 7, 1864; application for discharge, June 6, 1865; discharge, June 7, 1865; muster-in roll, June 8, 1865; discharge, June 29, 1865.
- Medal of Honor and related documents: report of flag capture, Apr. 22, 1865; transmittal, May 3, 1865; delivery, May 20, 1865; certificate, Oct. 8, 1916.
- Dedication of the Soldiers' Monument erected by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts at Andersonville, Georgia, Thursday, December 19, 1901 (booklet and commemorative medal).
- Clasp pin, 1917 (otherwise unidentified).
- Miscellaneous documents/clippings (12) relating to Gardner, Medal of Honor, and other Civil War veterans.
- Photographs: carte-de-visite (Gardner portrait) and enlargement; Norwell G.A.R. group including Gardner; D. Willard Robinson Post 112 (G.A.R., Norwell) taken after Gardner's death.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/853451956>

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Record Group Number: PR32

Record Group Name: Cohen/Hartley

Historical Note:

Views taken by Thomas Hartley, photographer for Skyways, a branch of the Massachusetts National Guard, based in Boston.

Related Series:

Aerial photographs of Boston and Massachusetts coast and islands, 1930-1988

Restriction: Notebook appears to have been assembled by the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities

Identifier: PR32/P039X

Extent: 46 rolled photographic prints (including a few duplicates);
40 photographic prints and photocopied prints and maps in 1
volumes

Notes: Notebook appears to have been assembled by the Society for the
Preservation of New England Antiquities
Series presented to the Massachusetts Archives by Judith Cohen
(Norwood, Mass.), Mar. and Oct. 2012.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/844732558>

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Record Group Number: PR33

Record Group Name: Mason/Andrew

Historical Note:

resulting from the commission's work, including 1970 S 1278, was never enacted and the commission was disbanded the same year, with its report being issued in 1971.

Related Series:

Publications and papers, 1861-1885 (bulk 1861-1866)

Identifier: PR33/P040X

Extent: 0.47 cubic feet (3 boxes)

Arranged: In three subseries:

(1) Publications

(2) Manuscripts

(3) Pictures ;

Arranged within each subseries chronologically.

Notes: BOX 1--Publications of J.A. Andrew: --Address to the two branches of the Legislature of Massachusetts, May 14, 1861. Boston : 1861. (1861 Ex Sess S 1) --Address to the two branches of the Legislature of Massachusetts, January 3, 1862. Boston : 1862. (1862 S 1) -- Documents accompanying the Governor's address, January 3, 1862 [Boston : 1862] (1862 S 1 supplement) --Correspondence between Gov. Andrew and Maj. Gen. Butler. Boston : 1862. --Same. Without cover title. [Boston : 1862] (1862 H 18--per order Jan. 13, 1862) -- Address to the Legislature of Massachusetts, January 9, 1863. Boston : 1863. (1863 S 1--2 copies with variant covers) --Address to the two branches of the Legislature of Massachusetts, November 11, 1863. Boston : 1863. (1863 Ex Sess S 1) --Address to the Legislature of Massachusetts together with accompanying documents, January 8, 1864 (1864 S 1) --Proclamation, July 28, 1864. For a day of humiliation and prayer (framed) --An address delivered before the New England Agricultural Society on Hampden Park, Springfield, Mass., September 9, 1864. Boston : 1864. --Address to the Legislature of Massachusetts, January 6, 1865. Boston : 1865 (1865 S 1--2 copies with variant covers) --Special messages to the Legislature of Massachusetts during Session of 1865. Boston : 1865. --An address on the occasion of dedicating the monument to Ladd and Whitney ... delivered at Lowell, Massachusetts, June 17, 1865. Boston : 1865. --

BOX 2--(Publications, cont.) : Special message to the two branches of the Legislature of Massachusetts, January 3, 1866. Boston : 1866. (1866 S 1--four copies, two without cover, one of these in bound volume with: --Valedictory address to the two branches of the Legislature of Massachusetts, January 4, 1866. Boston : 1866 (1866 S 2) and: Address of his excellency Alexander H. Bullock, to the two branches of the Legislature of Massachusetts, January 6, 1866. Boston : 1866. (1866 S 3) --An address delivered at Brattleborough, Vermont, by invitation of the Agricultural Society of Vermont ... September 7, 1866. Boston : 1866.

BOX 3--Other publications: --John Albion Andrew (cover title): A memorial volume containing the exercises at the dedication of the statue of John A. Andrew at Hingham. October 8, 1875 ... Boston : [John A. Andrew Monument] Association, 1878. --Bay State monthly. n.s. v. 1, no. 1 (Aug. 1885). Includes: John Albion Andrew, the 'war-governor' of Massachusetts. --Manuscripts: --John Albion Andrew to William

Lathrop Burt. MS. s. Boston, Nov 7, 1862. --William Lathrop Burt to John Albion Andrew. A.MS. s. Boston, Nov. 8, 1862.

NOTE: A comprehensive collection of Andrew's gubernatorial correspondence is found in: Massachusetts. Governor. Executive Department letters ((M-Ar)567X) (incoming) and: Massachusetts. Governor. Letters official ((M-Ar)568X) (outgoing) --Pictures: -- Framed photograph (50 x 66 cm.) of Gov. J.A. Andrew and Council, ca. 1863. --Steel etching plate and proof: Photographic portrait (with autograph) of J.A. Andrew. Boston : J.H. Daniels, 186-? --Cyanotype (mounted): Burial place monument, Hingham, ca. 1875. --Engraving print (?): Image of unidentified J.A. Andrew statue.

Additional Description: <http://www.worldcat.org/oclc/828913486>

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