

CATE FAMILY (of Wolfeborough, NH)  
 FAMILY PAPERS, 1800-1868  
 1 Box

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES:

John Cate was a farmer, town selectman and state official. His daughter Hannah E. Cate married Franklin Gould and moved to California. Other family members include Joseph P. Sheafe Jr. and Lois G. Sheafe of Charlestown, and Charles G. Cate. Charles G. Cate is listed in the Wolfeborough Business and Professional Directory as a banker.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTES:

Folder one contains a household inventory from 1827-1829. Folder two has the letters of the Goulds from San Francisco during the gold rush years. Folder four contains a letter regarding the looms of the Manchester Corporation. Folder six has a couple of letters regarding the gold rush plus mention of the beginnings of the Know Nothing Party. Folders 8-9 concern the pump making business. The final section contains Wolfeborough town papers concerning town business, religion and an unusual promissory note which appears to be a joke as it is written in reverse.

- FLD 1      Genealogy and estate papers (8 items)  
                     Family births, poem on wife's death in 1839, requiem for  
                     Betsy Cate, household inventory, 1827-1829, estate papers of  
                     John & William
- CORRESPONDENCE
- FLD 2      From daughter Hannah E. Cate (Gould), 1847-1864 (12 items)  
                     gold rush letters, move to California with Franklin Gould,  
                     liquor business, daughter, brother John's drinking & alcohol,  
                     illness, earthquakes 1864
- FLD 3      From daughter Lois & grandchild, 1850-1868 (7 items)  
                     Joseph P. Sheafe Jr. and Lois G. Sheafe from Charlestown,  
                     complains about immigrants in 1850, family activities,  
                     musician J. C. Sheafe
- FLD 4      From other family members, 1842-1863 (20 items)  
                     John, Nathaniel, James N. and Charles G. re money, politics,  
                     religion. 1863 letter re looms of Manchester Corporation,  
                     draft notice Aug. 1863 for N.S. Cate and purchase of  
                     substitute

- FLD 5 From children & grandchildren, 1865-1868 (24 items)  
 Manchester shoe stores, factory company dividends, pumps  
 Charles G wants father to quit business, family activities
- FLD 6 Misc. (10 items)  
 jury notice to Charles G., 1852 school teaching , people off to  
 California, wives left behind for gold, beginnings of Know-  
 Nothings party
- FLD 7 To John Cate (9 items)  
 1833 George B. Farrar business, John re death of daughter,  
 bank stock Carroll County National , 1867
- FLD 8-9 Pump business records, 1840's to 60's (24 items)  
 purchase of threshing machine in 1842, business making  
 wooden pumps, aqueduct to Lake Village
- FLD 10-11 Notes & receipts, 1820's to 1850's
- FLD 12-15 Accounts, 1820's to 1870's  
 cost of plaster of Paris, clover seed, calico and indigo,  
 Thomas Rust, Daniel Pickering, bill head Somersworth  
 Machine, Great Falls, NH 1866

TOWN OF WOLFEBOROUGH

- FLD 16-23 Town papers, 1820-1860  
 town officers, schools, taxes, finances, roads, liquors, etc.
- FLD 24 Religious Societies, 1822-1833  
 First Christian Society, William Kent, First Congregational  
 Society, First Free Will Baptist
- FLD 25 Legal papers, 1812-1853  
 Indentures to support poor women, Fire insurance for 1836,  
 deeds.
- FLD 26 Miscellaneous  
 reverse written "joke" promissory note, Isaac Hills Governors  
 Proclamation 1838, Thanksgiving Day, on reverse town  
 financial matters copy only original in Spec. Coll., religious  
 notes, printed poem on death of Alvin S. Cotton

CARDS MADE FOR CATALOG:

Genealogy - Cate Family

Sheafe, Joseph P. Jr.

Manchester, NH

Somersworth Machine - billhead 1866

Churches - Wolfeborough

Manufacturer - wooden pumps

Gold Rush

Household inventory

Know-Nothings

Promissory note - joke -reverse written

Gould, Franklin & Hannah

Cate, Charles G.

Wolfeborough, NH

Manchester Corp.

Aqueducts

Immigrants

California - San Francisco

Civil War - draft & substitute purchase

Poor - town support