Box 1--earliest papers

Folder 1—Richard and Joanna Hale (father of Nathan Hale, brother to Maj. Samuel Hale)
Folder 2—Major Samuel Hale (1719-1809)
   1754 deed, account of Journey to Dartmouth (undated)
Folder 3—Major Samuel Hale,
   miscellaneous notes, receipts
   two letters to son William, 1797 and 1811
Folder 4—Major Samuel Hale,
   Legal documents, 1729 to 1788
   1- 1729 deed from Steven and Mary Nobel
   2- 1743-indenture of land between Thomas Wright and Theodore Atkinson,
      John Downing, Jonathan Odiorne (jr.), Joseph Pierce, Thomas Pecker,
      Sam'l Gilman, John Gage, and Clement Jackson
   3- 1733-Copy—John Penhallow to Thomas Wright
   4- 1779-Peter and Mary Pearse to John Mellen, deed
   5- 1723—quitclaim deed, J. Hale to Sam'l Hale
   6- 1777-Sasah Hicks, administratrix to estate of Samuel Dame, and deed to
      Nathaniel Sparhawk of Haverhill
   7- 1788—Copy of deed, Chesley to Sinkler (Sinclair)
   8- 1754-Ann Wright (widow of T. Wright) to Samuel Hale, deed
   9- 1755-James Steadly to Samuel Hale, deed
   10- 1756-Paul March to Samuel Hale, deed
   11- 1756-Hale to Steadly
   12- 1756-Hale to March
   13- 1752-Wright to Hale
   14- "fourteen" to Hale

Folder 5—Thomas Wright Hale Sr.(1795-1855)
   Legal Documents, and several letters to Wm. Hale Sr. (his brother)
Folder 6—Samuel Hale Jr.(1758-1828) and William Hale Sr.(1765-1848)
   Price lists; shipping, notes, etc.
Folder 7—Mary Wright Hale (1727-1811)(Mrs. Major Samuel)
   copies of Dr. Parker's 1811 sermon, plus original
Folder 8—William Hale, Sr. (1765-1848)
   concerning room and board (with Samuel Brooke) of Richard Rollins

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Folders 9 to 17--Samuel Hale Jr. (1758-1828) and William Hale Sr. (1756-1848) (brothers)

Folder 9--Business correspondence, shipping from Thomas Dickinson
Folder 10--1812-1816; business correspondence from Hazen Kimball concerning Richard Rollins, etc.
Folder 11--business correspondence, shipping: Robert and Will Putsford, William and Richard Rethbone
Folder 12--1812-Correspondence with Harvey, Deaves and Harvey
1812--Correspondence with March and Benson
Folder 13--1812--John Bulkeley-Lisbon
1812--Borgoine and O (?), North Carolina
1812--Barclay Salkelet, Liverpool
Folder 14--1905-1816 from Lenix, Sharp, Wharf, and Lewis
Folder 15--1801-1813--various correspondents
Folder 16--1798-1814--various correspondents
Folder 17--Bills of lading, receipts and notes

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Folder 18--Samuel Hale, Jr. (1758-1828)
Brickhouse, Portsmouth
Folder 19--Wm. Hale Jr. (1804-1893)
1843-1892 correspondence concerning the Portsmouth & Dover RR
Folder 20--to Wm. Hale Jr. (1804-1893), correspondence 1837-1848
Folder 21--to Wm. Hale Jr. (1804-1893) correspondence 1852-1856
Folder 22--to Wm. Hale Jr. (1804-1893) correspondence 1858-1872
Folder 23--genealogical and biographical papers, including biographical memories of Major Samuel Hale and William Hale Sr.
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Box A--Register, genealogy, acquisition papers, etc.
Box 1--earliest papers
Box 2--William Hale Sr. (1765-1848) correspondence to and from
Box 3--William Hale Sr. (1765-1848) correspondence
Box 4--Samuel Hale Jr (1758-1828), and William Hale Sr. (1765-1848)
account books
Box 5--William Hale Sr. (1765-1848), correspondence, bank books, household accounts
and papers, trip journals
Box 6--William Hale, Sr. (1765-1848), Personal correspondence, mostly to wife Lydia
Rollins Hale (1773-1841); includes three folders of her own correspondence
Box 7--Chadbournes
Box 8--William Hale, Jr. (1804-1893)
business, legal, financial documents and accounts
Box 9--Hale family
family papers, legal, personal, and estate
Box 10--Hale family, correspondence
Box 11--Rollins family
family correspondence, financial records, estate papers, legal papers, etc.
Box 12--Rollins family
estate, legal, business papers
Box 13--Bartlett family--the Hannahs
Box 14--Bartletts, family correspondence, some legal and business papers
Box 15--Sawyers
legal documents, estate papers, financial and real estate, etc.
Box 16--Jonathan Sawyer (1817-1891)--financial documents, personal
Box 17--Jonathan Sawyer (1817-1891)--financial documents, personal
Box 18--Jonathan Sawyer (1817-1891)--from various correspondents, mostly business
Box 19--Jonathan Sawyer (1817-1891)--personal, financial, legal, and estate papers
Box 20--Jonathan Sawyer (1817-1891)--Estate and financial papers of Jonathan and wife
Martha
Box 20-1--Tuxedo Box (oversized) 20-1--Sawyer papers
Box 21--Sawyer Woolen Mills
Box 22--Sawyer Woolen Mills; Ledgers
Box 23--Jonathan Sawyer (1817-1891)--account books
Box 24--Sawyers, family correspondence, mostly children of J. and Martha Sawyer
Box 25--Charles H. Sawyer(1840-1908)
political, financial, personal correspondence, etc.
Box 26--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908)--family correspondence
Box 27-28--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908)
correspondence from various writers as noted on outside of each folder
Box 29--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908), Business papers
Box 30--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908), as governor, concerning the Hazen Bill
Box 31--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908), account books, 1875-1892
Box 32--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908), Check registers, 1900-1907
Box 33--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908), Diaries, 1885-1897
Box 34--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908), Diaries, 1869-1894
Box 35--Charles H. Sawyer (1840-1908), children and other relatives of
Box 36--George Frost, Sr. (1765-1841), small books
Box 37--Frost papers, mostly family correspondence
Box 38--George Frost, Sr. (1765-1841), legal documents
Box 39--George Frost, Sr. (1765-1841), financial documents
Box 40--George Frost, Sr. (1765-1841), legal documents, mostly copies
Box 41--George Frost, Sr. (1765-1841), paperbound small books, ledgers, etc.
Box 42--George Frost, Sr. (1765-1841), books
Box 43--sons of George Frost, Sr. (1765-1841), and Margaret Burleigh
Box 44--George Frost, Sr. (1765-1841), correspondence, deeds, legal papers
Box 45--George Frost, J. (1801-1879), financial documents, 1820-1839
Box 46--Nathaniel Low (1742-1808), correspondence: legal, estate, etc.
Box 47--Dr. Nathaniel Low (1792-1883), correspondence, books, etc.
Box 48--Dr. Nathaniel Low (1792-1883), correspondence, legal papers; also letters
from Mary Ann Hale Low, wife, (1798-1883)
Box 49--Dr. Nathaniel Low (1792-1883), financial documents, drafts of speeches
Box 50--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), correspondence, mostly to wife Jennie
Box 50A--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), account books
Box 51--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), Financial documents, receipts
Box 52--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), Quartermaster papers
Box 53--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), Quartermaster papers
Box 54--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), Quartermaster papers
Box 55--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), Quartermaster papers
Box 56--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), Quartermaster papers
concerning forage reports, bills of lading, etc.
Box 57--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), Quartermaster papers
Box 58--Nathaniel Low, Jr. (1838-1890), Quartermaster papers
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Box 61--Jennie Niles Low, Lydia Hale Low, Juliet Low, correspondence
Box 62--Sarah Low (1830-1913), daughter of Dr, Nathaniel Low
Box 63--Sarah Low (1830-1913), legal, financial, estate
Box 64--Alexander, William, Julia, and William Low, Jr., family correspondence
Box 65--Dr. James W(ellington) Cowan (b. 1814), correspondence, medical, etc.
Box 66--Dr. James W. Cowan, books
Box 67--Boynton, Churchill, Coffin, Crummett, Gushee
Box 68--Hodgdon, Horne, Lapish, Mellen, Moulton, O'Connor
Box 69--Caleb Hodgdon, daybooks, 1794-1836
Box 70--Pepperell, Prescott, Salter, Sheafe, Sherburne, Simpson, Smith, Stevens, Street, Thompson, Tibbits, Varney, Waldron, Wallace, Weeks, Wentworth, Wright
Box 71--unidentified, notebooks, almanacs, standard diaries, etc.
Box 72--Unclassifiable as to who these papers belonged to

Oversized Boxes

A--Nathaniel Low, Jr. 1838-1890
B--Nathaniel Low, Sr. 1792-1883
C--box of 'cassimeres, fabric samples
D--Dr. James W. Cowan, ledgers
E--Dr. James W, Cowan, daybooks, 1837-1846
Book list

The books listed are numbered in such a way as to reflect their location on the shelves, as well as who the book belonged to. The first number indicates the box that the book follows, the second number indicates the order of the books themselves, and if there are a number of books in that grouping, how many there are...

4-1--Samuel and William Hale, Daybook, 1788-1796
4-2-- Samuel and William Hale, Daybook, 1803
8-1--William Hale, Jr. Ledger, 1851-1893
10-1--Andrew Hale; Daybook, 1838-184-- and Ledger, 1869-1873
   (two books in one tyvek envelope)
15-1--Francis A and Jonathan Sawyer 1891-1898, accounts
   15-2--F.A. and Jonathan Sawyer, employee time book, 1852-1855
   15-3--Alfred I. Sawyer, daybook, 1833-1840
   15-4--Alfred I. Sawyer, daybook, 1822
   15-5--Alfred I. Sawyer, Daybook, 1839-1850
   15-6--Ledger, (Sawyer), 1815-1829
   15-7--unidentified book, 1876, possibly Sawyer
   15-8--ledger and index, 1827-1832
Tuxedo Box 22-1, Millard and Sawyer, Daybooks, 1842-1843
   Millard and Sawyer, Daybooks, 1844-1847
29-1--C. H. Sawyer, book of newsclippings concerning his campaign for governor
55-1--Nathaniel Low, Jr. Quartermaster Papers: Stable Records, 1864
55-2-- Nathaniel Low, Jr. Quartermaster Papers, Shipyard Accts, 1864
55-3--Nathaniel Low, Jr. Quartermaster Papers, Quartermaster Daybook, 1865
66-1--Moses Hall, Ledger
68-1--John Jenkins, Ledger, 1820
Collection of papers of various families connected to the Hales, Rollins, Sawyer, Low, and Frost families, all influential and prominent families in their day. They count among their ranks governors, patriots, war heroes, a famous poet and several forward-facing women, one of whom served in the Civil War as a nurse.

We have tried to be as clear as possible about the family relationships, since there are several spots where several people bearing the same name were also related to each other in varying ways, and it can get incredibly confusing, without a detailed map.