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HALE SHIPPING COLLECTION
PAPERS, 1780-1843
5 Boxes, ca. 2 1/2 linear feet

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

Samuel Hale (1758-1828) was born in Portsmouth, NH the son of Major Samuel Hale and Mary Wright. He was educated at his father's school. He trained as a tanner and currier then ran a lumber business on his father's lands in Barrington, NH. Next he opened a store in Portsmouth for general trade. When his brother joined him as a partner, they named the business "Samuel & William Hale". This name remained when they switched to the shipbuilding business. Samuel Hale moved his residence to Barrington. He served as town selectman, Representative of the General Court and State Senate, held various military positions and was judge of the Court of Common Pleas.

William Hale (1765-1848) was also born in Portsmouth, NH. He was a partner with his brother's business in Portsmouth. In 1797 when he moved to Dover, NH. He remained in partnership when the switch was made to shipbuilding. While Samuel Hale was politically active at the local level, William Hale became a major political figure in the state. He first became state senator in 1796, and served for the next four years. He was a member of the Governor's Council from 1803-1805. He sat in the U.S. House of Representatives during the eleventh Congress, 1809-1811, and the thirteenth & fourteenth 1813-1817. He retired to private life in 1817.

With the profits of the Samuel and William Hale firm invested in real estate throughout New Hampshire, he was able to become active in local interests such as Cocheco Manufacturing Co., the Dover Unitarian Society, the Strafford Agricultural Society, and the Gilmanton & Berwick Academies. He died in Dover November 8, 1848.

See also The Hale Family Papers, Acc # 1984-16.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE:

These papers contain a variety of information from the shipping business partnership of Samuel and William Hale. Types of material include contracts with sea men, wages paid; lists of cargo; duties paid; petitions filed regarding tempestuous weather, gales and damage to cargo; complaint of deserting sea men, captain who abandoned ship because of damage and shortage of provisions and left first mate to bring ship to port; insurance papers; repairs to ships; provisions stocked, sale of cargo and numerous small papers showing miscellaneous expenses.

SERIES I: SHIP AEOLUS

Jacob Treadwell, Master. Ports visited: Charlestown, Norfolk, Copenhagen, Rotterdam, Elsinore in Denmark, Baltic ports of Lubeck and Kiel, Tønning, Hamburg, Lisbon, Philadelphia, Falmouth

Box 1, fld	1-4	1803-1804
	fld 5	Cargo book, 1804
	fld 6-9	1805 including legal papers- Tønning
	fld 10-12	1806
	fld 13	Cargo book, 1807
	fld 14-16	1807 (no papers for Oct-Nov)

Box 2 fld	1	1809, 1810, 1812
	fld 2	no year
	fld 3	no year

Oversize Box 5

Over. fld	1	1804 (11 items)
Over. fld	2	1805 (18 items)
Over. fld	3	1806 (13 items)
Over. fld	4	1807 (8 items)
Over. fld	5	1809 (1 item)

SERIES II: SHIP HANTONIA

Ship Master 1799-1802 John Watts Moulton. In 1801 bound for Ireland, soon after sailing met with tempestuous weather, lost foremast, considerable damage, water in cargo, etc. Returned to Portsmouth, petition to district Court with account of damage and sale of cargo. 1812 John Wharf, Master, Gothenberg Sweden. Ship was damaged in Sweden, Icabod Rollins was sent over with power of attorney. Rollins disposed of cargo and refitted ship. Called the New Ship Hantonia she sailed to Portsmouth with John Adams as master in 1815. 1816-1820 Icabod Rollins, Master from Liverpool to Gothenberg and return. 1821-1827 William

Tinsdale, Master New York, New Orleans, Gibraltar,
Liverpool, etc.

Box 2, fld 5-6	1812-1813
fld 7-8	1815-1817
fld 9-10	1818-1821
fld 11	1822-1823
fld 12	1824-1827 & no date

Oversize Box 5

Over. fld 5	1799-1815 (14 items)
Over. fld 6	1816-1821 (12 items)

SERIES III: SHIP BALTIC

George F. Blunt, Master sailed to Kingston, Jamaica, West Indies, Havana, Cuba, Liverpool, London, Boston, Charlestown. 1804 Oliver C. Blunt, Master sailed in March 1815 and reported to the American Consulate, Havana on April 15 that strong winds drove the ship on the Florida reefs. Threw part of cargo overboard to save vessel and get off reef. 1805-1810 Daniel Orr, Master, sale of ship 1810.

Box 2, fld 13	1800-1802
fld 14	1803
fld 15	1804-1810

Oversize Box 5

Over. fld 7	1801-1810 (16 items)
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SERIES IV: SHIP LACONIA

1806-1810, John Walker, Master. Charleston, Hamburg, Lubeck, Rotterdam, Liverpool, Norfolk, St. Mary's. Some of cargo shipped from Portsmouth to Charleston, SC in 1806; Protest statement 1810; was captured by French Privateer Le Decide. Mate and two sea men taken hostage and ransomed. Boat allowed to proceed to Portsmouth and hostages released when Hale paid \$9,000. 1810-1812 Ebenezer Rowe Captain, Liverpool, Norfolk, Lisbon, Amelia Island, inventory of ship at St. Mary's in 1812; for sale notice, Oct. 1812 Thomas Hunt Master bound from Scrubby Bluff to Savannah new owners John Francis and Richard Rollins estate.

Box 3, fld 1	1806-1807
fld 2	1808-1809
fld 3	1810
fld 4-6	1811
fld 7-9	1812
fld 10	1813 & no date
On Shelf	Log book, Richard Rollins, 1812

Oversize Box 5

Over. fld 8 1806-1813 (15 items)

SERIES V: BRIGANTINE GUSTAVIS

1796-1797 George Turner, Master Liverpool, 1798-1800 George F. Blunt, master Lisbon-west Indies; 1800-1801 John Morris, Master Portsmouth to Philadelphia, Virginia, Rotterdam, Gurnsey, St. Ubes & Isle of May.

Box 3, fld 11 1797-June 1800
fld 12 July 1800 - July 1801
fld 13 Sept, 1801 - Dec, 1801
fld 14 1815 & no date

Oversize Box 5

Over. fld 9 1796-1801 (10 items)

SERIES VI: SHIP MARTHA

1817-1819 Thomas Lunt, Capt. New Orleans, Charleston, Amsterdam, Liverpool, Dover, Dublin, Ramsgate, St. Ubes. 1820-29 Thomas Lunt, Capt. Manifest. 1829-1833 Andrew Hussey, Master to Rio de Janero; 1833-35 Eben Knight, Master, Charleston, SC encountered gales, inspected & repaired.

Box 3, fld 15 1817-1818
fld 16-19 1819
fld 20 1820-1821
Box 4, fld 1 1822-1823
fld 2 1824-1831
fld 3 1833-1835 & no date

Oversize Box 5

Over. fld 10 1810-1822 (12 items)

SERIES VII: SHIP LYDIA

George Humphreys, Master, 1821, Savannah, ship was grounded and assisted by Capt. Miller of the Schooner Gleaner. Statements of loss and damage. 1823-1827 Capt. E. Thompson. 1828-1833 Wm. Parker, Master, West Indies and Turks Island.

Box 4, fld 4 1821-1823
fld 5 1824-1828
fld 6 1829-1832
fld 7 1833-1836 & no date

Oversize Box 5

Over. fld 11 1821-1830 (6 items)

SERIES VIII: VARIOUS SHIPS

- Box 4, fld 8 Barrington, 1794-1795
Oversize Box 5
Over. fld 12 Barrington, 1794 (2 items)
Benjamin Balch Jr., Capt. to sail from
Piscataqua to New York, Carolinas,
Europe and return. While anchored in NY
another ship blew into it and Barrington
was damaged.
- Box 4, fld 9 Diana, 1780
Capt. Thomas Manning/Martin
- Box 4, fld 10 Ossian, 1808-1815
Oversize Box 5
Over. fld 12 Ossian, 1812 (2 items)
1808-1816 Icabod Rollins, Master. In
1811 the ship left Liverpool for Amelia
Island with a cargo of salt. In
September they ran into a very heavy
gale, gales again in October near
George's Bank and short of supplies went
to Portsmouth for repairs and supplies.
- Box 4, fld 11 Romulus, 1802-1803
Oversize Box 5
Over. fld 12 Romulus, 1802 (1 item)
On sale in Charleston, Sc, 1802
inspected for Hale, work done on brig at
Sheaf Wharf, Portsmouth, sold at auction
1803.
- Box 4, fld 12 Strafford, 1798-1799
Oversize Box 5
Over. fld 12 Strafford, 1795-1799 (5 items)
1795-1798 Benjamin Balch Jr., Master,
Portsmouth, Europe, West Indies, St.
Ubes. Affidavit given in Norfolk 1799
re Capt. Balch, drinking and beating
sea men, insufficient provisions, gale,
ship damaged, Balch got picked up by a
Danish ship and abandoned the First mate
and crew to get back as best they could.
- Box 4, fld 13 Various ships, 1790-1843
Maria & Eliza report of underwriters
and shippers re damages after storm.
Africana, Jonathan D.?, Master Havana

to Rhode Island & Boston carrying 6,000 Spanish Milled Dollars.

Schooner Caroline, Solomon Clark, Master, Havana to Boston, 5,000 Spanish milled dollars

Schooner Enterprize, John Trefethern, Master, Portsmouth to Pennsylvania, carried beef & pork.

Jane, E. McIntosh, Master Charleston to Boston

Brig Edward & Charles, Edward Pettingill, Master

Schooner Mary, Master Lunt Portsmouth to Philadelphia

Schooner Brilliant, Master Tullock, Portsmouth to Willington

Brig Timothy Pickering, Capt. Tilden Survey of hatches

Grotins, Francis Sheaf, Commander, Europe to USA taken by American Privateer

Adonia, Ranger, Peace, Hitty, Pilgrim, Friendship

SERIES IX: MISCELLANEOUS

- Box 4, fld 14-15 Building a new ship, 1789-1793
Contract with Isaac Waldron and William Hale of Barrington with Thomas Chadborn to build a new ship. papers re: labor, supplies, lumber, etc.
- fld 16 Receipts, 1789-1843
- fld 17 Correspondence, 1789-1826
- fld 18 Edmund Roberts, 1833
Mission to Japan, exchange notes 1833, Edward Livingstone Sec. of State for E.R. to Fish, Gimmel & Co. and to Catherine Roberts., Notes from Mrs. Shaw's portfolio re Roberts
- fld 19 Plainfield, NH 1830-1840
John Bryant, treasurer, payments made 1830-31, mostly 1838-40
- fld 20 Land papers, 1816 & envelopes
Letters and receipts of land sale and land lists. Some names mentioned: John Hunt, Jacob Upham, Timothy Brooks, Samuel Blodgett of Randolph.

CARDS MADE FOR CATALOG:

Shipping	Ships-Lydia
Hale, William (1765-1848)	Ships-Hantonia
Hale, Samuel (1758-1828)	Ships-Martha
Roberts, Edmund (1784-1836)	Ships-Diana
Privateers	Ships-Ossian
Ships-Barrington	Ships-Romulus
Ships-Ossian	Ships-Brig Gustavis
Ships-Baltic	Ships-Strafford
Ships-Aeolus	Ships-Laconia
Treadwell, Jacob	Rollins, Icabod
Logbooks	Japan
Plianfield, H	Portsmouth, H
Waldron, Issac	Chadborn, Thomas

SEE ALSO

Hale, Samuel & William
Letterbooks, 1808-1828
2 vols.

Commercial shipping correspondence from the
Hales in Portsmouth to ships captains
in various ports.

1. Portsmouth, NH
2. Shipping