

Finding Aid

Summary Information

Title and Dates:

Liscom family papers, 1835-1900

Repository:

New Hampshire Historical Society
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Collection Number:

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Author of Finding Aid:

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Creator:

Liscom family

Language:

The materials in this collection are in English

Extent:

2 boxes

Abstract:

Lemuel Liscom, 1799-1886 was a resident of Hinsdale, NH. He and his wife, Emerancy (Horton) Liscom, had ten children including Sarah, who married Pardon D. Smith, and Lemuel Franklin, who was elected state senator in 1896. The collection contains records from the Liscom & Smith business [a general merchandise store?], including cash books, accounts, and ledgers, as well as various school papers belonging to the Liscom children.

Access and Use

Acquisition Information and Provenance:

The Liscom family papers were purchased by the New Hampshire Historical Society from Joziatis on November 16, 2010.

Processing Information:

This collection was processed by Suzanne Huggard in February 2013. The finding aid was written by Suzanne Huggard in February 2013, and revised by Rebecca Enman in February 2013. This finding aid follows the standards set-forth by *Describing Archives: A Content Standard*.

Access Restrictions:

The collection is open for research use. However, permission to publish potentially private information must be granted on an item-by item basis. Please contact the librarian for more information.

Location:

The collection is housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord, New Hampshire.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements:

The collection is in good physical condition. The ledgers have worn bindings, but are not fragile.

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Biographical Information

Lemuel Liscom, 1799-1886 was born in the section of Hinsdale, NH that later became Vernon, VT. At a young age he moved to Boston, MA, where he worked for a coal dealing firm, before eventually starting his own successful coal company. He married Emerancy Horton of Hinsdale in 1831, and in 1835 they purchased what was considered to be one of the oldest farms in Hinsdale. He engaged in farming and lumbering, and was one of the first in town to raise tobacco. Lemuel and Emerancy had ten children, including Sarah, who married Pardon D. Smith in 1854, and Lemuel Franklin, who took over his father's farm after his death, and was elected to the state senate in 1896.

Collection Scope and Content

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The collection contains records related to the Liscom & Smith business [possibly a general merchandise store?] located in Hinsdale, NH; materials include an undated employee register, four ledgers dating from 1835-1878, which contain detailed information regarding accounts and names of account holders during that period, and three volumes of cash books, 1856-1881. Also included is a record of guardianship of John H. Liscom, a ward of the family, 1868-78. Loose papers include school exercises, poetry, stories, and other school work of the Liscom children, as well as a school notebook c. 1900, belonging to Mary Ellason Liscom.

Arrangement:

The Liscom Family papers, 1835-1900 are arranged chronologically by type.

Subject terms

Organizations:

Corporations:

- Liscom and Smith.

Locations:

- Hinsdale (New Hampshire).

People:

- Hadley, Charles P.
- Liscom, Charles
- Liscom, John H.
- Liscom, Lemuel
- Liscom, Mary Ellason
- Smith, Pardon
- Smith, Liscom J.

Contents List

Box 1

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Folder 2	Misc. writing, mainly poetry, 1850-60
Folder 3	2 school notebooks, c.1900
Folder 4	“Old Ledger,’ 1835-1865
Folder 5	Ledger, 1847-1855
Folder 6	Liscom. J. Smith’s Journal ‘A,’ 1855-56
Folder 7	Account Book, Liscom J. Smith, ‘Ledger A,’ 1855-78

Box 2

Folder 1	Box Inventory
Folder 2	Cash Book, 1856-61; Cash Book, 1861- 66
Folder 3	Cash Book, 1866-67
Folder 4	Cash Book, 1867-81
Folder 5	Ledger, 1870-78
Folder 6	Record of Guardianship of John H. Liscom, ward, 1868-78; Employee Register, undated

Related Materials

For further information on the history and genealogy of the Liscom family, see:

- Gazetteer of Cheshire County N.H, compiled by Hamilton Child, page 191, call # 977.8a
- Genealogical and family history of the state of New Hampshire Vol. 4, compiled by Ezra S. Stearns, years 1931-33, call # 929.1778g v. 4.