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PARROT/ TOSCAN FAMILY  
FAMILY PAPERS, 1779-1937  
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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:

See biographical information with Parrot Toscan Family main Register Acc. # <sup>1925-2</sup> 1981-27

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CARDS MADE FOR CATALOG:

Parrott, John Fabyan	Portsmouth, NH	Berry, William
Toscan, John	Greenland, NH	
Parrott, William W.	Occ- merchants	
Toscan, Eliza	War of 1812	
du Plantier, August Toscan	Ships - Hannah	
du Plantier, Toscan	Shipping	
Toscan Family	Women	
Adams, John Q. (Pres.) subject, 1825	Portsmouth Marine Society, 1827	
Brazil - Trade conditions, 1828	Toscan, Frederick	
Jackson, Andrew(Pres.) - politics 1829, 1831	Robert P. Parrott	
India, Calcutta - ice, 1836	Parrott, John T.	
Parker, Robert Capt.	Lee, NH	
Porstmouth Navy Yard, ca. 1814	Accounts - shipping	
Ships - Barque Mary	Cutts, Edward	
Genealogy - Parrott	Genealogy - Toscan	
Gnealogy - Brackett	Spaulding, James A.	

**Fld 1**

A brief note from Nathaniel Adams to Citizen Toscan, dated Portsmouth July 24, 1793, thanking him for hi "generous donation to the poor in this town."

Kingston (Jamaica) Aug 1, 1794 Letter to Toscan from J.F. Parrott.

Brookfield June 14, 1796 letter from John Toscan to Capt. John Parrott, with typed transcript, New York (by way of Portsmouth June 17, stamped)

Greenland, Nov 3, 1797 letter from Eliza Toscan & her husband addressed "Citizen John Toscan, Boston"

Undated letter from John F. Parrot to "Dearest Betsy" addressed Eliza F. Toscan Lancaster, NH favored by M.G. Brackett probably written from Greenland around 1798-1800

Lancaster Sept. 20, 1801 letter from John Toscan & his wife. recently returned to Greenland.

London, Sept 17, 1802 letter from Wm W Parrot to his sister Betsy, addressed to Mrs. Eliza Toscan, Portsmouth Julianna ? Brown via New York.

Brevet of Toscan's appointments as vice-consul in French Versailles Dec 6, 1779 with original signatures of the King and of de Sartine, Minister of the Marine.

**Fld 2**

Three letters in French from August Toscan du Plantier & Marjorie Hall dated Grenoble 23 Sept. 1935; 12 Dec 1935 and 3 May 1937. The first letter encloses the copy of a letter dated Jan 28, 1857 from Mr. du Plantier's grandfather, Toscan du Plantier to the French counsel in Philadelphia, telling of meeting Capt Frederick Toscan in 1825 or 1827 & giving genealogical information.

Fld 3	To	Env. Address	Dates
	Martha B.	Mrs. Hannah Parrott, in Ports.	Washington, DC , 24 Dec 1819
	John T.	same	same 28 Dec 1819
	William F.	same	same 27 Dec 1819
	Edward M.	same	same 29 Dec 1819
	Peter P.	same	same 30 Dec 1819
	Ellen O.	same	same 31 Dec 1819
	Hannah P.	no outside address	same Jan 1, 1820
	Martha B.	outside missing	same Feb 3, 1820
	John T.	Mrs. Hannah Parrott	same Feb 24, 1820
	William F.	William F., in Ports.	same Feb 26, 1820
	"Dear William"	Capt. Wm. W. Parrott of ship Mary & Susan	Greenland, NH 20 June 1834

Capt. W.F. Parrott Capt. W.W. Parrott Note: the above letters were written to seven of the nine children of J.F. Parrott. The two children not included are Sarah P. and Robert P. Parrott.

**Fld 4-5**

William Walker Parrott to sister Eliz. Toscan "Betsy", undated just arrived in Tobago and heading for London expecting to arrive April 1st.

Samuel Garrett to JFP Jan 27, 1804 JFP's accounts with Thomas Wilson as well as Garret's comments that the goods Parrot brought are likely to yield a handsome profit.

Wm W. Parrott to Eliza Toscan Savannah Feb 1, 1804  
Details of his and brother Enoch's sailing dates plus mention of the death of Old Deacon Brackett.

Susan Parrott (Enoch's wife) to Wm. W. Parrott Portsmouth Oct 25, 1809  
Enoch sailing, Susan lonely, thinking of giving up housekeeping and boarding over winter.

Wm. W. Parrott to JFP Gloucester Oct 25, 1811  
Asks for advice on movement of vessels, difficulty with port restriction, includes letter from William Pearce in London re the ship Falcon which met with misfortune. Same: Dec 12, 1811 shipping difficulties, possible war with England Mentions the Falcon, birth of a child, concern for Susan.

E. Toscan in Greenland to Mrs. Martha Parrott, his daughter in Gloucester, 10 Jan 1812 Busy preparing boys for voyages, sailing of other family members & local news.

Wm. W. Parrott to JFP May 12, 1812

Necessity of war with England and Federalist opposition to it, family matters.  
Same: Feb 22, 1813 recovering money & talk of Gideon Scott, notes victory of the ship Constitution which should give energy to the Navy, new 74 gunship being built in Portsmouth. Same: May 4, 1813 G. Scott and tricks played with money Massachusetts politics, Wm sees War as giving country national character and in 30 years moving ahead of England.

Power of Attorney granted by JFP Oct 24, 1821 to John M. Forbes, Buenos Ayres to collect money.

Sarah P. Parrott Portsmouth to JFP, U.S. Senate, Wash. DC Feb 1, 1822  
Family matters, advantages & disadvantages of matrimony.

Bonaparte Toscan to Uncle JFP New York Mar 18, 1823  
Visit to cousin Robert Parrott at West Point

Hannah Parker Parrott, Portsm, to Eliza D.T. Toscan in New Orleans Feb 3, 1825  
Eliza on brother Frederick's ship coming to New Orleans, family news & William Toscan on ship Neptune with Capt. Leach in snow storm.

Samuel W. Dana, Middleton, CT to JFP in Wash DC Feb 25, 1825  
Congratulations on son Lt. Parrott being named assist. Prof. at Military Academy, thinks newly elected President Adams will lessen party strife.

Sarah P. Toscan to Eliza D.T. Toscan April 18, 1825  
Family matters, "Bonaparte is farming for lack of anything else to do"

Portsmouth Marine Society, membership for Frederick Toscan Jan 10, 1827

Frederick Toscan, Rio de Janeiro to wife Martha, also 1st Cousin) in Portsmouth Dec 24, 1828 Voyage, looking for better markets, misses family.

Frederick Toscan, Rio de Janeiro to Edward M. Parrott Mar 14, 1829  
Trade and commerce wretched since the peace, markets overstocked at all posts from equator to River Plate, currency depreciated, too much competition, etc.

JFP( but actually from Edward M. Parrott to Frederick Toscan, May 14, 1829  
signs bother but is actually cousin, writes that 'Papa has become victim to the relentless persecution, traversing the whole country under the auspices of Jackson and his cabinet'. William had gone to Trieste with Geo Langdon in a brig. Town in deplorable state resulting from business failures.

Sarah P. Parrott to Capt. Frederick Parrott March 28, 1831

Expresses concern for his long absences, news of his children, efforts to elect Papa to Congress Bu "Jacksonites were again successful. related news of Bonaparte in Florida, other news.

Capt. Frederick Toscan, Greenland, March 20, 1832 Typed copy of newspaper eulogy

Bonaparte Toscan to Mrs. Martha B. Toscan April 29, 1832

Letter of sympathy at Frederick's death

Hannah P. Parrott to Peter P. Parrott Greenland July 14, 1832

partial letter, family news, compliment s on Peter's success in Philadelphia

Robert P. Parrott in Washington, DC to JFP Feb 10, 1834

Duties began today, still haven't found room, info re Falcon and French claim, hopes Uncle William's firm will survive failures.

Hannah P. Parrott to Capt. Robert P. Parrott, May 26, 1836

Family news, William got records amount of ice to Calcutta and received a silver cup as award,

Elizabeth Parrott to "Dear Greenleaf" ?? Aug 4, 1846

Social gossip

Georgiana Toscan to Peter P. Parrott June 23, 1837

brief note says little

Peter P. Parrott to John T. Parrott (brother) Oct 1, 1838

Wishes to get married, left Robert in Goshen as witness in law case.

Peter P. Parrott (Woodbury, CT) to Mrs. Hannah Parrott July 10, 1839

Account of trip to Boston, Providence & New York, difficult to read, "Saw the President come out of the Washington Hotel in NY, "van Buren is to be at the Foundry today."

**FLD 6**

Hannah P. Parrott to John T. Parrott Oct 21, 1840

Ellen & Hannah visit brother Peter, no particular news.

Robert P. Parrott, West Point Foundry to John T. Parrott Jan 20, 1842 Family news

Mary Arden Parrott to John T. Parrott Jan 13, 1841 difficulties traveling in winter crossing the river on the ice to get from Greenwood to the foundry at West Point.

Mary A. Parrott to Hannah P. Parrott Dec 8, 1842 Family news.  
Same? to Miss Augusta H. Toscan too difficult to read.

**FLD 7** Fragment: adjournment of town meeting signed by Jn F. Parrott, Moderator

Capt. Robert Parker, Lee, NH, pages 53 & 54 of letter book concerning proposed marriage between Robert Parker and Hannah Chesly, opposed by Robert's grown children. Memo of agreement between Hannah and Robert Aug 12, 1805

Frederick Toscan to brother William in Greenland. Dec 25, no year family news

William W. Parrott to sister Elizabeth April 19 from Salem William is interested in farming, is tired of roving about on the sea.

Hannah Parker? to sister Susannah Parker Portsmouth, family news

draft memorandum re: possible closing of Portsmouth Navy Yard by Congress because of snow storms and fog. Reference to the late War may date memo to ca. 1814. probably written by JFP

**FLD 8** Copy book and Account book: 1800-1802

Barque Mary -disbursements for voyages Nov 2 1800, JFP Portsmouth, New York, Europe & return. Feb 1801 Liverpool list of crew, wages etc., Lisbon, London Edward Cutts owner of Barque, pg. 50 upbraiding of E. Cutts, pg. 53-54 JFP defends his won conduct. Schooner Washington, portage bill, voyage to Rouen & Paris Feb 24, 1802 Copies of letters - 1801-1802 written from London & Harve, Rouen & Paris

Account book, Bordeaux June 15, 1793 invoice of sundries shipped on board the Hannah. JFP Master, Edw. Church merchant and Consul of the U.S. Items include white wine, claret, brandy, sweet oil, hams, candles, lamp black, hair powder, old linen, silk stockings, cordage, anchors, etc. Four pages of accounts of the ship Hannah, carried passengers leaving Bordeaux June 15, 1793 for Lisbon. Provisions purchased in St. Thomas in Nov. & Dec. other expenses 1793 & 1794. May 9, 1794 the Hannah taking on sundries at Aux Cayes, Haiti, Oct 1794? expenses attending trial of ship, cargoes in Jamaica. In the Back two pages of verse composed by passengers on the Jupiter from London to NY no date.

**FLD 9** JFP's letter book, business letters Aug 28, 1802 - Nov 20, 1807 written largely from Portsmouth Statement of the sales and returns of Ship Hannah's Cargo. Not dated. Ship apparently was captured by the British after leaving Haiti and forced to put in to Jamaica. Long process in court to have ship freed.

**FLD 10**

Series of six letters to Capt. JFP from Thomas Wilson in London April 1, 1801 to May 21, 1809.

Series of six letters to JFP from Bailey & Bogert, NY Feb 9 1800 to Jan 20 1809.

Four page account from William Berry of sums owed him by JFP Nov 23, 1831 to April 1, 1835 includes house rent & repairs, wages, horse & wagon, hay, etc.

**FLD 11-15 genealogy**

Picture of Mrs. George Fox Dickinson transferred to Special Collections

Parrott and related Family notes written by Corrine Parrott Dickinson

Single sheet biography of a Mr. Parrott

Fld 14 Cleeve Brackett, genealogy

Fld 15 related families, description of Nahum Parker, Parrott and Arden chart

**FLD 16**

James A. Spaulding, correspondence with W.R. Upton on Parrott genealogy

11 letters to cousin Margery about family genealogy 4 letter fragments

JAS autobiography

1 postcard

**FLD 17**

New clippings about family members

"French claims, 1832 relating to Admiralty claims, letter written by E.F.P. Toscan

1899 about a claim

Article on War of 1812

Story of the AM clipper ship

Dartmouth Alumni Magazine

**FLD 18**

Letter relating to Deborah Walker Parrott's tombstone 1931

1 photograph

various family letters & photos

Ed. M. Parrott

four silhouettes

various certificates 1930-1936

Misc signatures

letter concerning War of 1812