

**SHIPPING PAPERS****1707-1886**

3 boxes, approx. 1.5 lin. ft.

**Background Notes:**

This collection was comprised of a number of separate records, found throughout the collection and made into a composite. Captains/commanders who prepared material in this collection include Joseph Clark, Jr., John Noble, and Charles Moody. Other commanders include Thomas William; Elihu D. Brown, Samuel C. Handy and John Winkley of the Fox; Richard Tibbetts and William Orn; and Thomas Clarkson of the Albert Perkins. Other ships included in this collection include the US Flagship, Wabash; Brigs Durham, Thitus, Wells, Othello, Mandarin, Mars, Eleanor, Paulina, Polly, Enterprise,, Ferdinand, and Barque Columbus as well as the Ships Olive, Eliza, Jacob, and White Oak; and Schooners Hope and Olive Branch.

Box 1 contains correspondence, custom clearances, log books and sales/business records. Additionally, this box contains some military records, legal material and depositions, and other licenses and certificates. Box 2 is composed, primarily, of log books. Box 3 contains 4 large volumes of sales accounts and journals.

**Inventory:***Box 1,*

folder 1 Notes (written in 1952) by NHHS Librarian on shipping, 1707-1818

folder 2 Ralph Lindsay letter from Samuel and John Browne, owners, Salem, August 22, 1716: appointment as master of Brig Newbury and instructions to sail to Barbados

Robert Oram: Custom clearance, Schooner Rainbow bound for Newfoundland as entered and cleared custom house in New Hampshire, July 13, 1727

folder 3 Ebenezer Odiorne ( - ca. 1744), log book (1 volume): sailed from Island of Antigua, September 1728 to October 3; November 16 sailed from Piscataqua. January 16 to February 20, 1729 is an account of trip from Piscataqua to Antigua, Captain Walter Steward, commander (no charts with this).  
[NOTE: Volume is water stained, no cover, difficult to read. First part is copy-book for study of navigation.]

- folder 4 Jotham Odiorne, Portsmouth merchant: letter from Calwell, Lawton & Carelton, Cork, September 14, 1743; tour lumber was terrible.
- William Tyler Kirby Gilman (of Boston): insurance of Sloop Betsy, Boston to Halifax and return, March 27, 1759.
- William Byrd, 3<sup>rd</sup> (1728-1777): bill of exchange for L 400 protested; paid to William Waller for Davison & Newman, London, May 10, 1774. *[Note: duplicate notarized, seal.]*
- Amos Cole: certificate of arrival at Barbados, by Gedney Clark, August 28, 1755. Cole was commander of the brigantine *Brittannie*.
- John McCoy: certificate that McCoy served as marine on *Rawleigh*, wounded in engagement with British ship *David*, September 4, 1777, entitled to pension.
- folders 5-6 John Odiorne letters, 1798-1808: 30 items – letters to James Locke, merchant, Newburyport, from various European ports.
- folder 7 Samuel Williams: invoice for 100 barrels of flour, carried on Schooner *Lucy*, Captain Sampson, consigned J.T. Williams
- Protest of Captain Benjamin Damrell and crew that they did utmost to save ship and cargo, sailing from Portsmouth, wrecked on the coast of Surinam in a storm. Sworn before notary, March 25, 1812.
- John Thompson, master of Schooner *Jane*, clearance certificate for Cuba, given at Custom House at Portsmouth, June 28, 1809.
- Ephriam Trefethen: deposition, 1810 – Schooner *George*, Thomas Cutts, owner, George P. Frost, master – voyage from Martinique to Portsmouth, wrecked December 28, 1810.
- folder 8 Privateers – War of 1812 – Nova Scotia Court of Vice-Admiralty, 2 documents: proceedings against Schooner *Prudence*, William Marwin, Master, September 15, 1817.

*folder 8, continued:*

Privateers – War of 1812 – Schooner Fox, E. Brown, Commander, Account of sales of prize Brig Belise and cargo, 1814. Cargo sold at Saco, per order of T.G. Thornton, Marshall, July 20, 1814. Separate sale of dry goods at Portsmouth, August 18, 1814.

folder 9 Letter from David Main to Robert Johnston, San Francisco, July 11, 1849.

Certificate to Samuel Billings, master of the bark the Mary Annah of Portsmouth, from the Free Society for Trade and Industry, Rouen, France, April 4, 1852.

License to E.H. Rollins to act as pilot of steamer on Lake Winnepesaukee, June 23, 1886.

*Box 2,*

folder 1 Joseph Clark, Jr., journal 1807-1811: Spanish Lady (crossed out), Mandarin (Copenhagen to New York), Othello (Montego Bay to New Orleans), Mars (Charlestown to Liverpool), Barque Columbus (Portsmouth – Savannah, Baltimore)

folder 2 Joseph Clark, Jr., ships logs, 1807 – 1809: Brig Thitus (Liverpool to Barbados, Antigua to Liverpool), Ship Thomas Gordon (Liverpool to Portsmouth and return)

folder 3 Joseph Clark, Jr., journal 1809: Liverpool to Barbados/ Antigua, Gibraltar to Dublin, Ship Wells of Salem

folder 4 John Nobel, log book, 1803-1812: Brig Polly, Schooner Hope John Moore, log book, 1800-1801: Ship Jacob

folder 5 Charles Moody: log books, 1827-1829: Ships Olive and Eliza Letters

folder 6 James Colbourne: mess book, 1866

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*Box 3,*

- volume 1 Elihu D. Brown, Samuel C. Handy, John Winkley, Account of Sales for the Fox (privateer), 1814-1815.
- volume 2 Thomas Clarkson, Master, Journal of the Brig Albert Perkins, 1848-1849: Boston and Portsmouth to Charlestown
- volume 3 William Thomas: Sailing List, Portsmouth, NH, 1807-1819 -- register of vessels and their masters, dates of sailing and arrival, destinations
- volume 4 Rear Admiral Samuel Francis DuPont, US Flagship *Wabash*, S.A. Blockading Squadron: Watch, Station, Quarter, And Fire Bill, ca. 1862-1865.