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 Orr; 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, 1929 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.


Amos Cole: certificate of arrival at Barbados, by Gedney Clark, August 28, 1755. Cole was commander of the brigantine Britannie.

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 Danrell 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 Winnipesaukee, 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
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.