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Guide to the Barstow Family Papers, 1783–1898

Administrative Information

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Barstow Family Papers, 1783 – 1898

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Language:
The materials in this collection are in English.

Extent:
One box containing 17 folders, total of 188 items.

Abstract:

The collection is in three pats. One part is items recording events surrounding the 50th wedding anniversary of Zedekiah Smith Barstow (1790-1873) and Elizabeth Fay Blake. He was a Congregational minister in Keene NH, a trustee of Dartmouth College and held many church and educational offices. The second part is personal correspondence and word games of Josiah Whitney Barstow (1826-1922), a physician and director of a hospital for the insane in Flushing NY for forty years. The third part is genealogical notes on the Barstow and Blake families and a small amount of seemingly unrelated material that belonged to Samuel L. Mitchell.

Access and Use

Acquisition Information and Provenance:
Unknown

Processing Information:
Unknown.
This finding aid follows the standards set forth by *Describing Archives: A Content Standard*.

Access Restrictions:
Available for research.

Location:
The collection is housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord NH.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements:
Papers are in archival file folders in an archival document case. No technical requirements.

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Collection Overview

Biographical Information:

Zedekiah Smith Barstow (1790-1873) was born in Canterbury CT. He graduated from Yale University in 1813, tutored at Hamilton College and served as college chaplain. He married Elizabeth Fay Blake in 1818. That same year, he became the minister of the Congregational Church in Keene NH, where he served for over thirty years. He was a trustee of Dartmouth College and held many church and educational offices.

Josiah Whitney Barstow (1826-1922) was born in Keene NH. He graduated from Dartmouth Medical School and from Columbia University's College of Physicians and Surgeons in 1853. He married Flora MacDonald in 1865. For forty years, he was Director of Sanford Hall, a hospital for the insane in Flushing NY.

Collection Scope and Content Note:

The bulk of the Zedekiah Smith Barstow papers center on his Golden Wedding anniversary in 1868 and his obituary and cemetery lot in 1873.

The Josiah Whitney Barstow papers are mainly personal correspondence, including a number of word games.

There are genealogical notes on both the Barstow and Blake families.

The materials relating to Samuel L. Mitchell do not have an apparent connection to the rest of the collection. They are mainly library passes for universities in England.

Arrangement:
The papers have been arranged in four series:
Series I: Jedekiah S. Barstow (6 folders)
Series II: Josiah Whitney Barstow (7 folders)
Series III: Barstow/Blake families (2 folders)
Series IV: Miscellaneous and Mitchell material (2 folders)

Contents List

Box 1

Series I: Zedekiah S. Barstow (1790-1873)
Folder 1: Autobiography, undated [1 item]
Folder 2: Personal papers, 1859-1872 [5 items]
Folder 3-4: Golden Wedding Anniversary, 1868 [48 items]
Folder 5: Obituary [6 items]
Folder 6: Cemetery lot [14 items]

Series II: Josiah Whitney Barstow (1826-1922)
Folder 7: Autobiography, undated [5 items]
Folder 8: Correspondence (incoming), 1858-1896 [22 items]
Folder 9: Correspondence from E. Littell [7 items]
Folder 10: St. Georges Church, 1896 [4 items]
Folder 11: Word games and charades [10 items]
Folder 12: Passport [1 item]
Folder 13: Vergennes, VT property [11 items]

Series III: Barstow/Blake Families
Folder 14: Barstow family miscellaneous [19 items]
Folder 15: Blake family genealogy [11 items]

Series IV: Mitchell Material, Miscellaneous
Folder 16: Samuel L. Mitchell, 1786 (library passes) [21 items]
Folder 17: Miscellaneous [3 items]

Subject Terms

People:

Barstow, Josiah Whitney, 1826-1922
Barstow, Zedekiah Smith, 1790-1873
Blake, Elizabeth Fay
Mitchell, Samuel L.

Organizations:

Congregational Church, Keene, NH

Locations:

Keene, NH

Occupations:

Ministers
Physicians

Related Materials:

See also diary of Zedekiah S. Barstow, accession number 1977.003.