Henry Sheldon Museum of Vermont History
Middlebury, Vermont

Manuscript Collection Inventory

Inventory of the Papers of Henry L. Sheldon
(1821-1907)

Range 2B-D

70 linear feet (188 volumes, 37 boxes)

Background
Henry Luther Sheldon was born in Salisbury, Vermont on August 15, 1821, the youngest of four boys (Homer, Horace, Harmon, Henry) born to Samuel and Sarah (Weeks) Sheldon. Samuel Sheldon (1786-1866) came from Salisbury, Connecticut in 1810 with his father's family to Salisbury, Vermont, where he acquired 100 acres and spent the rest of his life "carrying on the farm by manual labor, without a single labor saving machine or implement. Mr. Sheldon took no active part in public or political affairs, but being a great reader was well informed on all the prominent affairs of the time. He was a hard working industrious man, and but for a severe loss by fire, would have made a financial success of farming for the time being." (from HLS Vol. 2, Family Record Book.)

In 1813 Samuel married Sarah Weeks (1785-1870), who was born in Litchfield, Connecticut and came to Salisbury with her family in 1788. "Mrs. Sheldon was a woman of uncommon strength of character and decision for the time, active, industrious, ingenious, persevering, and well fitted for the task of bringing up and educating the family of children committed to her charge. The loom, distaff and spinning wheel were her daily companions and the family were clothed with the labor of her hands." (from HLS Vol. 4 Sheldon. How a Hundredth Anniversary was noticed in 1885.)

Henry received his education from the district school; from his mother, a former teacher; and from self-improvement clubs he formed with neighboring children. He learned something of the larger world from his older brothers, as they left home and looked for work. Horace bought the farm next to his parents. Homer clerked in stores in Boston and New Orleans for a short time, then settled in Middlebury where he clerked mostly for his brother Harmon. Harmon worked for a printer briefly, then in a store, and eventually became a prosperous merchant. He was Henry's next older brother and a source of worldly advice when Henry left the farm in 1841 to look for work.

For most of his adult life, Henry lived and worked in Middlebury, either for other people or himself, at a variety of jobs. He invested his earnings in several ventures, the most successful of which were old
buildings in downtown Middlebury that he repaired and rented out. Some buildings he kept for many years; others only briefly. The "Great Fire of 1891" that burned downtown east of the bridge started in or next to one of them.

During the 1840's, Henry Sheldon clerked in the Middlebury Post Office (1841-1843); in the store of Adams & Drury in Vergennes (1844); and in his brother Harmon's store in Middlebury (1845-1846), working some of those summers on his parents' farm. He also made and sold an organ; repaired clocks; and sold magazines.

In 1848 Sheldon bought an oyster saloon in the Nichols Block at the south end of the bridge, which he ran until he was appointed mail agent on the Rutland Railroad in 1850. For the next year he rode the train from Burlington to Boston and back, sorting the mail as it was picked up and dispatching it. In 1851 he quit to go back into business for himself, at first managing the re-opening of a black marble quarry in Shoreham, then buying Jonathan Hagar's book store (located in the Davenport Block on Merchants Row). His business ventures apparently proved unsuccessful, since he was back in the Post Office as a clerk from 1853 to 1855.

Persuaded by his family not to go to California in 1849, he did head out west later. Encouraged by Solomon Jewett, formerly of Weybridge, and armed with an appointment as Postmaster, Sheldon spent the winter of 1856 in Otoe Nebraska. Soon back in Middlebury, he served as Station Agent for the Rutland Railroad from 1857 to 1863, then spent 1864 as a partner in a steam sawmill in Ludlow.

From the mid-1860's on, most of Sheldon's income came from the rents of Middlebury buildings and from his music business - buying, selling, renting, and tuning pianos and organs. He also was paid a small amount for winding the town clock, serving as Village Clerk and as secretary of the Masonic lodge, and, in 1864, installing gas fixtures in stores and occasionally tending the telegraph.

Music was Sheldon's central interest. (When his brother had been trying to find him a job in 1841, he reported in a letter that one merchant had said "you had too much music about you for a clerk." letter # 841551.3) In his middle years Sheldon also made music his business. An advertisement in the Middlebury Register of January 10, 1866 said: "MUSIC HALL. The undersigned has fitted up a spacious Music Hall for the sale of Pianos, Melodeons, and Cabinet Organs. He is agent for the principal Piano manufacturers in N. York and Boston and can furnish instruments at much lower rates than can be purchased elsewhere. Old pianos taken in exchange for new. Sheet music ordered every week. Orders for Tuning may be left at bliss's store. Henry L. Sheldon." Several of the pianos he rented out can be found in the museum today.

He began playing the organ at St. Stephens Church in 1842 and eventually joined the church, became a vestryman and treasurer.Much of his life centered on the church, whether as officer, communicant, or, for 33 years, as organist.

Sheldon was active in several organizations, including musical ones, such as the Middlebury Choral Society, of which he was secretary and
treasurer. When he was in Otoe, Nebraska, he joined the Freemasons, and was active in Middlebury's Union Lodge No.2 until his death.

In 1866 he was a founding member of the Union Club, formed "for the purpose of social and literary amusement." In 1871 the members began playing Old Sledge (a card game) two evenings a week at Sheldon's office in the Welch block, until it burned in 1891. They then used a third floor room in the museum, on Saturday evenings only and never during Lent. From 1899 to 1901 they met in Sheldon's office in the Battell Block, but in December of 1901 they returned to the museum, using the north, or Vermont, room in the summer and his office in winter.

He had an active social life, frequently attending balls and parties. He never married, and suggested in his private memoranda at one point that he had been too diffident with one young lady, at another point that the person he loved was not free to marry him. Some of his friendships were continued by correspondence of many years, as was the case with A.H. Copeland and S.W. Jewett. Sheldon traveled occasionally to see the sights, in 1876 visiting the centennial celebration in Philadelphia.

In 1875 he bought a Roman coin that he later framed and described as the beginning of the Sheldon Museum. Over the next five years he developed an extensive collection that eventually included coins from fifty countries, many centuries and civilizations. He had cabinets made to display the coins; wrote brief biographies of the rulers whose coins he had; traded with other collectors and showed his collection to them; and joined the Vermont Numismatic Society. He had Sheldon commemorative medals struck to trade for other medals. He eventually traded his entire coin collection to Middlebury College for early Middlebury newspapers. (In 1994 the coin collection was transferred from Starr Library to the Middlebury College Art Gallery.)

When he found his collection was as complete as he could afford to make it, he turned to antiquarian and historical matters. At the end of 1881 he wrote in his diary: "...I have spent all my leisure the past year trying to benefit future generations by preserving the handiwork of the early settlers of Middlebury - books, all printed matter, manufactured articles representing all the different occupations of the early pioneers which I have called a museum. May those who many years hence look at these articles take as much pleasure in doing so as I have in collecting them."

In 1882 he incorporated the Sheldon Art Museum, Archaeological and Historical Society. Also in 1882, he bought Park Place, the present home of the museum, in partnership with Carleton Moore. Sheldon lived in half the second floor of the building, with his museum on the third, and took his meals with the Moore family, who occupied the rest of the property. In 1892, several years after Moore's death, the museum acquired full title to the property, but 3/4 of it continued to be rented out.

For the rest of his life Sheldon served as Secretary, Treasurer, Manager, and Janitor of the museum. An annual meeting of the board of trustees, which was composed in part of the vestry of St. Stephens
Church, elected the officers, accepted the gifts of Sheldon’s collection and real estate, and received his financial report.

He corresponded with other collectors and historians, including Abby Maria Hemenway and William Portus Baxter, sharing information about early publications, their collections, and sources. Most of his time was spent tracking down and acquiring documents and objects donated by local people; binding newspapers; compiling research notes; and showing his exhibits to visitors. He noted several times in his diary that he was collecting items faster than he could organize them.

His hearing, which had not been good when he was young, worsened over the years. Deafness forced him to give up his job as organist at St. Stephens Church in the 1870's. Although he served as Village Clerk from 1870 to 1895, his deafness kept increasing and many conversations were carried on by notes. He wrote a poignant (and undated) description of his increasing deafness, noting the sounds of daily life he no longer heard, such as a clock striking the hours and his own footsteps on the stairs. "Words can be communicated by other means, but not musical sounds. My great loss is services of the church." (HLS Papers, Box 4, Folder 4)

By the end of his life, he had outlived his brothers and most of his friends, and was isolated by his age and deafness. He died after a short illness on February 28, 1907, at the age of 86. The museum, which had been his main activity during his later years, was continued by the Board of Trustees and live-in caretakers.

**Scope and Content**
Sheldon's papers, 1833-1907, document his businesses, investments, personal life, and several local organizations. He was a methodical and thorough record-keeper who saved most of his papers: a diary he started at the age of 12; personal, business, and museum letters he received; financial records; research notes; deeds; notes for Middlebury Village and St. Stephens Church business; records of organizations he served as secretary; and memoranda relating to all aspects of his life. He also compiled close to 200 scrapbooks, some of documents, such as letters by Weeks family members; some of information, such as an annual listing of Middlebury merchants, professionals, and town and village officers. His papers provide unusually detailed records of his life and community, as well as an unusual kind of document, the notes people wrote to him when he couldn't hear them speak.

As Sheldon lost his hearing, visitors would write notes on scrap paper (usually the backs of advertisements) to which he would respond verbally. Some were about repairs to his buildings; others were lengthy conversations about Middlebury history; some were requests to see his museum. There's no way of knowing what proportion of his conversations he saved, nor when these conversations took place, as they are undated and usually unsigned. They probably date from sometime in the 1880's or 1890's until the end of his life. They have not been individually read and assigned to appropriate series, except in a few cases. Most are found in Series I.

**Series I: Personal papers, 1833-1907** (20 boxes, 8 volumes)
These papers relate to Sheldon's personal and social life and include:
**Diaries, 1833-1907, with some gaps.** The earlier diaries were written in small, home-made booklets and later copied over into bound volumes. He used his diaries mainly to record his activities. His thoughts were recorded occasionally as memoranda in notebooks.

**Personal and family papers** consist of both bound volumes and foldered material of various kinds, including genealogies of the Weeks and Sheldon families; commemorations of family events; a personal chronology; schoolwork; records of social, musical, and political organizations; valentines, invitations, and some letters; and miscellaneous documents.

**Conversations.** There is a box of conversations on various topics. They haven't been read and sorted.

**Letters.** Under a project that started in the 1930's most of Henry Sheldon's letters (eleven boxes) have been individually cataloged, indexed, calendared, and filed chronologically. The cataloging and indexing was not completed for letters dating after 1897. Letters that were not processed as part of this project (relatively few) are filed in the appropriate series.

**Financial records.** All Sheldon's income and expenses are accounted for over many years, in his financial records, which come in several forms. A volume of personal expenses and accounts notes where Sheldon worked each year between 1842 and 1905 and his personal expenses, as well as his income. Ledgers record his accounts with other people and the results of his investments from 1842 to 1907. Daybooks from 1848-1906 record the transactions as they took place. Cash books itemize the cash he received and paid out between 1837 and 1904. Miscellaneous notebooks include inventories of his personal belongings in the 1840's; a list of creditors in 1854; and bankbooks of some organizations. The financial records specific to his business interests are in Series II.

**Series II: Business papers, 1837-1906** (5 boxes, 2 volumes)
Financial accounts, records, legal papers, correspondence, and notes generated and received by Sheldon in his many types of employment make up his business records.

**Account books.** There is an account book listing the 25 keyboard instruments that Sheldon owned and rented out and a ledger for the Shoreham Marble Co., 1851-1853, along with small volumes of accounts from other ventures.

**Records.** Foldered records are filed by business activity, such as gas illumination, Justice of the Peace, and lumber business. They include some accounts, agreements, and letters.

**Real estate papers.** During the last half of the 19th century Sheldon invested mostly in real estate in Middlebury, though he speculated in some other areas. His records of these investments, including deeds, rents received, repairs, and some conversations with tenants, are included here.
**Miscellaneous accounts.** Financial accounts, including invoices, bills, and receipts, that have not been sorted by the business activity to which they pertain are filed chronologically.

**Series III, Middlebury Village records, 1846-1906** (3 boxes)
Henry Sheldon was Middlebury Village Clerk 1870-1895. The By-laws of 1876 required the clerk "to keep fair records of proceedings...to provide Auditor with Trustees' order...to compile a list of persons to be taxed..." As part of his duties he kept a variety of records and informal notes. He also had some of the records kept by his predecessors, as well as notes about village business that postdate his tenure, thus the records date from 1846 to 1906.

The series includes accounts, minutes, committee/trustee reports, informal notes and records. It is an incomplete series, e.g. vital statistics for only 1884-1897, minutes 1878-1896. The primary concerns reflect the importance of fire, water, roads, and justice. The series shows how information was compiled for the use of the village, as much of it was subsequently recorded in books now in the Town Clerk's office, such as the vital statistics and minutes of trustees meetings. He kept the notes from which the village's vital statistics were compiled.

**Series IV: St. Stephens Church Records, 1840-1906** (3 boxes)
Henry Sheldon was a member of St. Stephen's Church for 63 years, organist for 33 years, and vestryman for many years. He seems to have been at the church for most occasions when there was work to be done. He connected the museum and the church by storing museum property in the church and arranging that the museum board be composed in part of vestrymen.

The majority of the material here, dating from about 1879 to 1906, deals with financial and business matters. The series is organized topically and arranged alphabetically by folder title.

**Series V, Museum papers, 1879-1907** (5 boxes, 26 volumes)
Most of the papers Sheldon generated as part of his museum are included here, though some, such as the formal accession records, are in the Sheldon Museum records. They have been sorted into the following subseries:

**Acquisition.** Bound volumes and foldered material include desiderata, notes about potential donors and inventories of gifts. There are some bills and receipts for purchases, correspondence about donations, and an 1880 list of items received and expected.

**Collections: Autographs.** There are two volumes of alphabetical indexes to autographs in the museum, along with miscellaneous notes.

**Collections: Books.** One volume is a bibliography of items printed in Middlebury, Vt. There are also lists of books donated and purchased, for sale and for exchange.
**Collections: Coins.** This subseries includes catalogs, price lists, orders for coins, and some correspondence about coins, along with miscellaneous samples of scrip and some included.

**Collections: General.** Sheldon's early schemes for organizing his collections can be found in two volumes in which he listed "Sheldon's Museum trunks and boxes" with their contents. There are also notes about specific items in the collection, display tags, and conversations about the museum collection.

**Research.** Sheldon wrote some historical essays about local topics, such as an account of the various church and factory bells in Middlebury. More often, he compiled scrapbooks, such as one in which he wrote brief biographies of the founders of St. Stephen's Church or "Annals of Middlebury," in which he listed significant events in the town for each year after it was chartered. This subseries includes the essays and some drafts of the scrapbook entries, along with conversations about history and notes made in the course of indexing Swift's History of Middlebury and the Middlebury Mercury.

**Real Estate.** One volume contains Sheldon's account with Carleton Moore and his estate, the co-owners of the Park House and includes the rents received and repairs made. Another contains the museum's agreements with Joseph Battell regarding land under the Battell Block and next to the Vallette Block and rents received from him. Folders hold descriptions of the museum property, deeds, and leases.

**Museum Operations.** There are drafts and final versions of two volumes: "Directions for the Librarian of the Sheldon Museum," which details operations, and "Post Mortem Directions," containing instructions for his funeral and for carrying on the museum. While the directions to the librarian concentrate mostly on publications to get, the other gives more information about the buildings, including work needed on the annex and barn.

Routine operating documents include advertisements, binding directions, by-laws, testimonials, fire insurance policies, instructions in case of fire, and a "Memorandum of some things I wish to do for the museum as fast as I can get time."

**Notes and drafts.** One box contains drafts of essays by Sheldon, many of which probably appear in his scrapbooks or elsewhere in finished form. These have not been sorted.

**Postcards.** Another box contains post card replies to inquiries from Sheldon about books, pamphlets, ca. 1880-1892. Some are personal. These have not been sorted by topic.

**Scrapbooks.** Three scrapbooks about Middlebury College and one of Sheldon family letters are included here. The letters in the Sheldon family scrapbook have been catalogued and indexed with the general letter collection and have the notation BKSA.

**Series VI, Scrapbooks,** (1 box, 152 volumes).
This series was compiled by an earlier generation that assembled many of the scrapbooks held by the museum and numbered them sequentially. The numbering has been kept, although some scrapbooks have been moved to other manuscript collections, as appropriate. Those listed here, in addition to those in the museum papers series, were compiled by Henry Sheldon. They contain biographies, autographs, photographs, and compilations of information.

The most used scrapbook, which has been photocopied for reference use, is Scrapbook 173, known as Sheldon's House Book. It contains the history of buildings in the village of Middlebury, with their original and subsequent owners, ca. 1876 and 1901.


**Related Collections**
Middlebury Village Records
Sheldon Museum Records
Container List

Miscellaneous Oversize Manuscripts Box 1:
(Transferred from HLS Papers)

Music: single sheets with words and music for "Shore Musings," "Hampton, C.M.,” and "The Penitent Loco"

Music folder, in which some of the above were found

Newspaper sheet from a scrapbook: The Democratic Ploughman of Mar. 27, 1843 with the story of Sir William Deane and Mr. Hensen (Joshua Henshaw and Gideon Spencer)

SERIES I: PERSONAL PAPERS, 1833-1907

Diaries
Box 1
Diaries, 1833-1880 (22 bound volumes, 18 unbound)
No diaries for the years: 1851, 1853, 1856-1862, 1869

Box 2
Diaries, 1881-1907 (28 bound volumes)

Personal & Family Papers
Volume 1
Vital statistics and other items and occurrences in the Sheldon Family, commencing Anno Domini 1600 arranged by Henry L. Sheldon in 1898
Chronological listing of family events, mostly births and deaths for earlier generations and some land purchases, until Henry's generation, when more details are added, such as when he and his brother's started various jobs.

Volume 2
Genealogy of the Sheldons. Family Record Book, published 1875, filled in by Henry Sheldon and maintained after his death. It begins with the emigration of Isaac Sheldon to America in 1634 and ends with the obituary of Susan Sheldon Miner in 1934. Copies of portions of this have been sold by the museum since 1986 under the title "Henry Sheldon's Family Record Book."

Volume 3
Weeks family descent from John and Priscilla Alden.

Volume 4
"Sheldon. How a Hundredth Anniversary was noticed in 1885." and other celebrations of family anniversaries, 1885-1896, such as Sarah Sheldon's birth, Zaccheus Bass's birth. includes some family portraits and invitations.

Box 3
Personal and family papers (notebooks and bound volumes):
Weeks family meetings, 1847-1888: secretary's reports, officers, program summaries (includes minutes of 1847, 1850, 1855, 1860 meetings; date and location of 1865, 1870, 1888 meetings; circular announcing 1850 meeting; newspaper articles about the 1855 meeting)
"My 83rd birthday and what it came to": story and newspaper clippings of a ride in the "Munroe carriage" used by President Monroe when he visited Vermont in the 1820's

Personal chronology, 1821-1900 and notices in local newspapers (also contains C.B. Cooke's notes on metaphysical lectures by Prof. Webber, Middlebury College)
Descent from John and Priscilla Alden, with 19th century illustrations pasted in.

Album, 1835, with poems written in "Pencilings by the way, July 4, 1845" describing a trip to Montreal

"Description of the Sheldon Memorial Casket:" family history related to coins set into memorial casket

Coded notebook: scrambled letters, no key to code

Weeks family addresses, listing family members and towns, [1847?]

Cash expenses of building organ, 1842

Centennial Memoranda notebook with religious and personal reflections, 1880-1883 (includes notes on centennial exhibits; 1877 visit to Bennington for Centennial; where family members are in 1883; museum)

Weeks and Sheldon genealogy

Box 4
Personal and family papers (foldered):

Folder a1
Agriculture, essays on, 1846

Folder 1
Birthday notices, 1881-1901
invitations (personal and printed), history of "Munroe carriage"

Folder 2
Cemetery lot deeds, 1876,1878

Folder 2a
Church certificates of baptism and confirmation

Folder 3
Democratic political club, ca. 1876-1884
campaign materials, subscribers, minutes, election results for local and national elections

Folder 3a
Democratic club records, 1868-1880 (1 volume)
includes Seymour and Blair Club (1868), Greeley & Brown Club (1872), Democrats (1874-1880)

Folder 4
Health, personal
includes lament on deafness by HLS, and notes on prescriptions and
tonsillitis
see also folder 20 "eye"

Folder 5
Insurance, disability policy, 1851

Folder 6
Letters from Hannah Lucy Clarke, ca. 1868-1887
cousin of HLS seeking advice and money

Folder 7
Letters from A.H. Copeland, ca. 1892
Letters from Illinois from a business man and former member of HLS's
card club and Masonic Lodge (Born 1830, lived in Middlebury until ca.
1868. See also letter catalog for other letters from Copeland to HLS.)

Folder 8
Letters from various family members to HLS, no dates

Folder 9
Letters from Maria Hathaway, ca. 1892, daughter of Homer Sheldon, niece
of Henry Sheldon
many requests for provisions and assistance

Folder 10
Letters to Harmon Sheldon from HLS (copies), 1842

Folder 11
Letters from Frank Phelps, a student at Union College, ca. 1853-54,
writing of mutual girl friends and college  (See also letter catalog.)

Folder 12
Letters, 1853-1901
varied sources, many from out of state

Folder 13
Letters, miscellaneous, 1856-1902

Folder 14
Letters, social, 1859
Many writers seem to be ladies Henry's age: Maria Bingham, Eliza
Linsley, Helen Barber (a special friend), Emily Wainwright, Mary
Peabody, Sally Harris, Julia Cutter

Folder 15
Letter envelopes (empty) 1844-1905
good stamp assortment

Folder 16
Masonic Union Lodge, ca. 1868-1900
letters, notices, inventory, envelopes, notes, ritual treatise, history

Folder 17
Masonic Union Lodge
Henry L. Sheldon's Centennial Address, May, 1894 clipped from newspaper and pasted into pamphlet along with incomplete historical notes for it and Horace Sheldon's funeral sermon, written by himself, 1891

Folder 18
Masonic Union Lodge, ca. 1868-1900
Biography of founder Col. Chipman and Chipman genealogy

Folder 19
Masonic Union Lodge
Biography of Rev. Thomas Tolman, b.1756 (includes personal comments on Gov. Chittenden)

Box 5
Folder 20
Militia Notices, Action, 1840, 1857
a court martial for Henry's appearance without a lawful gun and a physician's note excusing him from service because of his poor eyesight
See also Personal chronology in Box 3

Folder 20a
Music (see also Miscellaneous Oversize Mss Box 1 for additional handwritten music)

Folder 21
Papers, memorabilia "some of my old papers"
Notes, cards, misc., (e.g., Vermont poem, M. Clark age 95, Stephen Douglas's stay in Middlebury)

Folder 22
Personal property inventory, 1874

Folder 23
Poems, 1840, by HLS and others

Folder 24
Reminiscences, timeline, 1830-1900
interesting thoughts about family and personal history

Folder 25
Rifle Club records, 1875-1877
Constitution, rules, members, scores

Folder 26
Rifle Club Centennial record, 1876
Record of HLS shots and targets

Folder 27
Social invitations from HLS, 1886, 1891

Folder 28
Social invitations to HLS, 1865-1900

Folder 29a
School arithmetic

Folder 29
School compositions, ca. 1835

Folder 30
School penmanship books, ca. 1836

Folder 31
Sheldon genealogy (misc. items, lists)

Folder 32
Sheldon, H.L., wills, 1850-1893

Folder 33
Sheldon Salisbury Homestead, 1811-1867
History and disposition

Folder 34
Strong, Mrs. J.W. of Chimney Point
Letters giving information on family and house
(now DAR Strong Mansion)

Folder 35
Union Club, 1866-1870 (social and literary club)
members, by-laws, treasurer's report

Folder 36
Valentines, 1846 ff.

Folder 37
Weeks Family Meetings, 1850-1888
correspondence, programs, notices, notes, original song by Harmon Sheldon

Folder 38
Weeks genealogy

Folder 39
Weeks, John, will, 1858

Conversations
Box 6
Conversations on miscellaneous topics, not sorted by subject (sorted
conversations are filed in appropriate series)

Letters
Box 7
Letters, 1840-1850

Box 8
Letters, 1851-1860

Box 9
Letters, 1861-1870

Box 10
Letters, 1871-1879

Box 11
Letters, 1880-1884

Box 12
Letters, 1885-1887

Box 13
Letters, 1888-1889

Box 14
Letters, 1890-1892

Box 15
Letters, 1893-1896

Box 16
Letters, 1897-1899

Box 17
Letters, 1900-1907

Financial records
Volume 5
Personal expenses and accounts, 1842-1905 (includes where Sheldon worked each year and his personal expenses, getting more detailed in 1848, and classifying the expenses into personal, clothing, board, taxes, etc.; beginning in 1860 he gives his income sources and amounts and totals his profit or loss; in 1870 he lists assets and liabilities.)

Volume 6
Ledger A, 1842-1852

Volume 7
Ledger B, 1851-1907

Volume 8
Ledger, 1851-1867 (partially duplicates ledger B above, was later used for drafting museum scrapbooks and records)

Box 18
Cash books, 1837-1904 (17 volumes)

Box 19
Bound volumes and booklets:

Expenses and receipts, 1837-1847 (6 booklets)

Account with A. Chapman, postmaster, 1849-52 (booklet)
Booklet of figures, 1853 on front

Invoice, 1842-1848 (1 volume, including: annual itemized invoice of personal belongings, 1844-1847; expenses of clothing, 1842-1848; cash account, 1843-1845; account with Charles Bowen, 1842-1843; account with Adams & Drury, 1844-45; magazine subscribers, beginning May 4, 1842 through 1843)
Invoice, 1844-1870 (1 volume, including: annual itemized invoice of personal belongings, 1844-1848; annual invoice, not itemized, 1849-
1850; list of creditors, May 1, 1854, with amount and date paid; invoice of assets and liabilities, 1856-1870; "balances. amount. available." for 1844-1849)

Blotter, 1845-1848 (1 volume)

Daybooks, 1848-1852; 1853-1875 (2 volumes) (first volume contains notes about emperors' whose coins Sheldon collected)

Box 20
Daybooks, 1876-1891; 1892-1906 (2 volumes)

Bankbook, 1873-1890

Checkbook stubs, Sheldon Museum, 1893-1898 (3 checkbooks)

Bankbook of the estate of Homer Sheldon, 1891-1895

Canceled checks of the Potter Chapter, 1894-1904

SERIES II: BUSINESS PAPERS, 1837-1906

Account books
Volume 9
Keyboard instruments (25 of them), sources, rentals and sales; source and purchase price; where they were in 1887; accounts of piano rentals; cost of each instrument and income from rental or sale of it; location of each in 1894 and 1896. (1 volume)

Volume 10
Shoreham Marble Co., ledger, 1851-1853
includes accounts with laborers (some of whom were paid partly in goods), suppliers, shippers, and buyers

Box 21 (Bound volumes)
Account book, 1853, 1865-66 (mostly accounts of steam sawmill in Ludlow in partnership with A. Wakefield)
Accounts of Shaw & Sheldon, 1870 (saloon record)


Account with Pettigrew, 1865-1866 (2 notebooks)

Accounts and order lists, ca. 1858 (used by someone else, possibly Harmon Sheldon, for orders and accounts, then by Henry Sheldon for miscellaneous notes on freight and in code)

HLS account with Jewett, 1857

Records
Box 22
Folder 1
Advertisements, franchise proposals

Folder 2
Bookstore and subscription sales, 1842-1854
Folder 3
Crook, Samuel, estate, ca. 1867 (clock)

Folder 4
Estate executor for Carlton Moore, 1884

Folder 5
Gas illumination in Middlebury, 1864-1871

Folder 6
Justice of the Peace, court orders, 1861-1879

Folder 7
Justice of the Peace, court orders, 1880-1895

Folder 8
Justice of the Peace case, Joseph Battell vs. Oliver Severance, 1886

Folder 9
Lawsuits (HLS as plaintiff and defendant), 1842-1890

Folder 10
Lumber business, Windsor County, 1863-1865

Folder 11
Lumber business, steam sawmill accounts, 1865

Folder 12
Lumber business, lawsuits, 1864-1871

Folder 13
Marble business, Brandon and Shoreham, 1851-1896
(See also Volume 10)

Folder 14
Maserve claim: Attempt to claim estate of Henry Maserve and Maserve genealogy, ca. 1874

Folder 15
Music business, 1851-1859

Folder 16
Music business, 1860-1890
(See also folder 38a and Volume 26, which also contains an account of musical instruments rented.)

Folder 17
Post Office, Middlebury (including application for Postmaster in 1885 and recommendations for position as mail agent on the Rutland and Burlington, 1849, and for a position as mail agent out West in 1854) 1854-1885

Folder 18
Post Office, Otoe, Nebraska, 1857

Box 23
Folder 19
Probate papers (HLS as administrator), 1878-1892

Folder 20
Promissory notes ("from Henry's purse"), 1863-1897

Folder 21
Railroad (Rutland and Burlington) accounts, records, 1861-1863

Folder 22
Railroad (Rutland and Burlington) business correspondence, 1862

Folder 23
Railroad (Rutland and Burlington) Receipts, 1858-1862

Folder 24
Railroad accounts of sales of Western tickets, commencing Jan. 1, 1859, includes some names and destinations

Folder 25
Saloon, account tabs, 1848-1851

Folder 26
Saloon, bills and receipts, 1848-1850

Folder 27
Saloon, bills, receipts, and inventories, 1868-1873

Folder 28
Saloon, invoice book (1848-1850); furniture and merchandise inventory (1867-82)

Folder 29
Sheep farming, 1867

Folder 30
Smith, Columbus: bills, accounts (including Shard Villa), 1881-1889

Folder 31
Smith, Columbus: bills, accounts, 1890-1906

Folder 32
Smith, Columbus: correspondence, misc. accounts, 1850-1889

Folder 33
Smith, Columbus: investment solicitations, 1871-1897

Folder 34
Smith, Columbus: cash received from Smith's tenants, 1907

Folder 35
Stock certificates, correspondence, prospecti, 1848, 1887

Folder 36
Taxes, excerpts from Middlebury's Grand List, 1890

Folder 37
Telegrams, 1861-1890

Real estate papers

Box 24
Folder 38
Middlebury, miscellaneous, 1857

Folder 38a
Middlebury, Rents of rooms, 1859-1869, instruments, 1862-1869

Folder 39
Middlebury, building repairs, 1876-1905

Folder 39a
Middlebury, conversations re: tenants and upkeep, ca. 1881-1896

Folder 39b
Middlebury Accounts – Memoranda re: bridge block never built, 1891-1906
(land rented to Joseph Battell, instead)

Folder 40
Middlebury, deeds, 1851-1892

Folder 41
Middlebury, insurance policies, 1871-1899

Folder 42
Middlebury, leases, 1849-1890

Folder 43
Middlebury, Sheldon Block specifications, 1887-1891

Folder 44
Weybridge, 1866

Folder 45 -51
Investments in Canada, Florida, Western territories, ca. 1857-1891
(Arranged partially by area or date; includes correspondence, deeds,
appraisals, tax bills)

Misc. Accounts

Box 25
Accounts not connected to specific business activities, including
receipts, bills, notes.
Arranged by decades.

Folder 52
1830's

Folder 53
1840's

Folder 54
1850's
Folder 55
1850's

Folder 56
1860's

Folder 57
1870's

Folder 58
1880's

Folder 59
1890's

Folder 60
1890's

Folder 61
1900-1907

Folder 62
Accounts undated

Folder 63
Accounts, miscellaneous; business correspondence, 1871-1895

SERIES III: VILLAGE RECORDS, 1846-1906

Box 26
Folder 1-11
Accounts, primarily bills, also receipts, notes 1850's-1890's

Folder 12
Middlebury Aqueduct Co. accounts 1884-1899

Folder 13
Band inventory 1883
(see also Petitions, misc.)

Box 27
Folder 14
By Laws 1875-1886

Folder 14a
Cemetery Association 1894-1902

Folder 15
Claims vs. Village 1878-1890

Folder 16
Complaint re: saloon 1878

Folder 17
Conversations

Folder 18
Culvert Committee Report 1865

Folder 19
Electric Lighting Plant 1887-1894

Folder 20
Fire companies (petitions, reports, correspondence) 1876-1892

Folder 21
Forms (unused trustees' orders) 18--

Folder 21a
Incorporation 1833

Folder 22
Legal papers (agreements, deeds, bonds) 1846-87

Folder 23
Library initial subscription statement n.d.

Folder 24
Meeting warnings 1875-1906

Folder 25
Minutes and related notes 1878-1896

Folder 26
Petitions 1871-1896

Folder 27
Police appointment 1870

Folder 28
Roads - petitions 1873-1892

Folder 29
Roads - raising Main St. 1891

Folder 30
Sewage proposal 1887

Folder 31
Sidewalk proposal 1867

Folder 32
Silas Wright Monument 1883

Folder 33
Tax ordinances and abatements 1870-1887

Folder 33a
Taxpayer lists n.d.

Folder 34
Telephone proposal by Jos. Battell 1881

Folder 35
Treasurer's Reports 1857-1886
Folder 36
Trustees' Annual Reports 1865-1890

**Box 28**
Folder 37-40
Vital Statistics (HLS notes on births, deaths, cause of death, location, mother's maiden name) 1884-1901

Folder 41
Voter list (in small ledger) 1901

Folder 42-46
Water works

Folder 42
Water works history and reports

Folder 43
Water works bills sent and received, agreements

Folder 44
Water works construction, repairs

Folder 45
Water works notes, drafts

Folder 46
Water works rates

**Series IV: St. Stephens Church, 1840-1906**

**Box 29** Accounts, 1840-1904
Folder 1-6
Bills and receipts

Folder 7
Finances

Folder 8-9
Financial reports

Folder 10
Pledges

Folder 11
Receipts

Folder 12
Ledgers

**Box 30**
Folder 13
Artifacts, description of ones used at St. Stephens and of changes to the building
Folder 14
Conversations

Folder 15
Diocese deed 1891

Folder 16
Insurance policies 1884-1899

Folder 17
Minutes of vestry and parish meetings 1879-1905

Folder 18
Miscellaneous

Folder 19

Folder 20
Notes and drafts of minutes, reports, letters

Folder 21
Organ notes (not music)

Folder 22
Other churches (dedication, fire report) in N.Y.

Folder 23
Pew deed

Folder 24
Platt will

Folder 25
Report 1897

Box 31
Checkbook stubs, returned checks 1884-1906

SERIES V: MUSEUM PAPERS, 1879-1907
Bound volumes
Volume 11
Desiderata, books purchased, partial museum inventory, in notebook that probably belonged previously to Nathaniel Harris, as it also contains dentist formulae and accounting of Sarah Douglas' estate

Volume 12
"Museum wants." Lists of serials and autographs owned or wanted

Volume 13
"Memorandums and minutes of all kinds," 1887-1900, mostly notes about potential donors

Volume 14
Checklist of items to be acquired annually

Volume 15
Alphabetical list of autographs in museum

Volume 16
Alphabetical list of autographs in the Sheldon Art Museum

Volume 17
Bibliography of Middlebury, Vermont, 1803-1897

Volume 18
Catalog of books listed by broad topic with location, beginning with "Section G, No 6 Catalog Religious" (badly stained, possibly by ink spill)

Volume 19
"A Description of the different kinds of wood used for the dark colored rounds in the Memorial Chair"

Volume 20
"Sheldon's Museum trunks and boxes," (lists of books, periodicals, music, contents of some trunks and boxes)

Volume 21
Classification scheme of museum holdings (contains: on flyleaf, incomplete index; through page 43, piano accounts on pages that had been tied closed; p. 44 "1881 Sheldon's Museum Boxes & Trunks" numbered 1-9, notes on where they are; p. 45 books and pamphlets from Dr. Wm. H. Sheldon, July 4, 1890; p.46 Catalogue of Books Pamphlets &c in Sheldon's Museum, giving classifications; lists of items in some of the categories; lists of gifts; p.88-91 Middlebury Public Houses; lists of such things as merchants, taken from the Middlebury Mercury, deaths from Lucius Shaw's memoranda; list of promiscuous articles in the museum; p.103 to end had been tied closed, contains more piano accounts and addresses of Weeks family members and information for the 1888 Weeks family meeting.)

Volume 22
"Extracts from the Middlebury Mercury, 1801-1810"

Volume 23
Swift's History of Middlebury bound with index by HLS

Volume 24
U.S.Mail on the Rutland Railroad

Volume 25
Rutland Railroad history in volume used for several purposes: accounts of eating saloon, 1872; p.20-115, lists of deaths taken from cemetery monuments and newspapers and names from Swift's history, all crossed off; p.117-127, "the development of the Rutland Railroad", beginning with an account of a meeting in 1833 to consider the possibility of a canal from Otter Creek in Whiting to Lake Champlain and ending with the opening of the railroad through to Boston in 1849; p.130, "average ages of Middlebury businessmen" in 1850 (68 3/4 years); drafts of biographies and lists probably copied into scrapbooks.

Volume 26
"Sketch of East St. in Salisbury" Notes on houses and residents, 1903
Volume 27
Account Book: "Carlton J. Moore and his estate in account with Henry L. Sheldon" 1882-1902

Volume 28
"Joseph Battell in account with the Sheldon Art Museum" 1892-1906, contains records of agreements and payments

Volume 29
"Directions for Librarian of the Sheldon Museum" Draft. (includes "Expense of building Storehouse for the Museum")

Volume 30
"Directions for Librarian"

Volume 31
"Post Mortem Directions" Draft

Volume 32
Post mortem instructions

Volume 33
Scrapbook of Middlebury College, containing photographs of buildings and people

Volume 34
Scrapbook of Middlebury College documents, 1800-1900

Volume 35
Scrapbook of Middlebury College programs, 1804-1885

Volume 36
Scrapbook of Sheldon Family letters (Known as BKSA in the letter catalog. Letters that have been removed from the scrapbook are stored with it in folders and are identified on the back with BKSA and the page number.)

Collections: Acquisition

Box 32
Folder 1
Bills, receipts for purchases, 1881-1895

Folder 2-4
Correspondence, notes re: donations

Folder 5
Desiderata

Folder 6
Notebook 1: Contents of Sheldon's Old Chest, 1880; items received and expected, 1880; exchange list;
Notebook 2: Items received, book inventory, history notes; Notebook 3: Grandey/Woodbridge books bought 1888

Folder 7
U.S. Navy correspondence re: surplus equipment, 1896-1903

**Collections: Autographs**
Folder 8
Notes, index, miscellaneous

**Collections: Books**
Folder 9
Notebook, with inventories of collections donated, beginning with "Articles from Dwight Matthews Oct. 7, 1898"; historical notes; and draft indexes

Folder 10
Notebooks: "Index to shelves in my Bedroom;"
"Books &c in Almon Clark sale Dec. 1890"

Folder 11
Inventory, lists

Folder 12
Inventory, lists

**Collections: Coins**
Folder 13
Catalogs, price lists

Folder 14
Description, correspondence

Folder 15
Display board

Folder 16
Disposition to college, 1906

Folder 17
Numismatic history

Folder 18
Purchases, orders (includes notebook "Orders for coins at auction sales" 1879 1883)

Folder 19
Scrip, bills

Folder 20
Scrip, bills (includes 2 scrapbooks of Vermont Glass Factory scrip)

**Collections: General**

**Box 33**
Folder 22
Conversations

Folder 23
Conversations
Folder 23a
Conversation re: museum and HLS portrait

Folder 24
Display cards and tags

Folder 25
Display cards and tags

Folder 26
Envelopes (empty)

Folder 27
Notes on collection by HLS, 1886-1900

Research
Folder 28
Addison County Centennial, 1892

Folder 29
Associations: Colonial Dames, Sons of American Revolution, ca. 1900

Folder 30
Bells of Middlebury, history

Folder 31
Biographical notes: Bascom, Blodgett, Crook, Halsey, Kellogg, Matthews, Sedgwick, others

Folder 32
Biographical notes: Zaccheus Bass

Folder 33
Newspaper story re: Joshua Henshaw and Gideon Spencer

Folder 34
Conversation re: Copeland family and Ep Jones

Folder 35
Biographical notes: Hickok family (Samuel, born 1774)

Folder 36
Biographical notes: Solomon Jewett (faith healer from Weybridge)

Folder 37
Conversation re: Walter S. Johnson

Folder 38
Biographical notes: Judd, Harris families

Folder 39
Conversation re: Isaac Markham

Folder 40
Biographical notes: Rev. J. Avery Shepherd (born 1816, Brandon)
Folder 41
Biographical notes: Ann Story and Farmingdale area

Folder 42
Biographical notes: Lorin Wainwright (reminiscence of Middlebury, 1829-1840)

Folder 43
Biographical notes: Daniel Wells, 1821-1884; Hartney family; Roswell Hopkins

Folder 44
Building Battell Bridge, notes, 1893

Folder 45
Business merchants and buildings, 1790-1890

Folder 46
Castleton School Centennial, 1887

Folder 47
Church history - Methodist, Baptist

Folder 48
Civil War incidents, 1863

Folder 49
Clock in Congregational Church, 1852

Folder 50
Court House, 1898

Folder 51
from Abby Maria Hemenway: essay re: Capt. Morse of Newbury for Vermont Historical Gazetteer

Folder 52
House history, Middlebury

Folder 53
House history, Salisbury

Folder 54
Inventors of Middlebury: Jeremiah Hall (circular saw), Isaac E. Markham (marble saw), Norman Tupper (sash machine)

Folder 55
Marble sawing, 1861-1883

Folder 56
Middlebury Centennial, 1886

Folder 57
Middlebury College historical notes

Folder 58
Middlebury deeds (Foot, Henshaw, Kellogg, Markham), 1790-1827 (transcripts)

Folder 59
Middlebury town history items, 1771-1821, 1894

Folder 60
Monument to settlers, proposal 1897

Box 34
Folder 61
Newspaper history, Middlebury

Folder 62
Plattsburgh Battle committee, 1889

Folder 63
Post Office history (England, U.S., Middlebury) 1711-1885

Folder 64
Printing - Daye Press, 1638

Folder 65
School house history, Middlebury, to 1846

Folder 66
Skene, Philip - confiscation legal brief, ca. 1784 (typed transcript)

Folder 67
Slavery - fugitive slave law incident, 1836

Folder 68
Smugglers riot, conversation with T. H. McLeod

Folder 69
Statue of Liberty donation certificates, 1895-1897

Folder 70
Swift's History of Middlebury work papers for index, 1898

Folder 71
Telegraph history, 1848-1898

Folder 72
Ticonderoga - soldiers with Ethan Allen

Folder 73
U.S.A. Cleveland Inaugural Ceremonies, 1893

Folder 74
U.S. military pensioners of Revolutionary War from Middlebury

Folder 75
U.S. soldiers of 1812 war from Middlebury

Folder 76
Vermont Glass Factory (Epaphras Jones)
Folder 77
Vermont Legislature Centennial of 1800 session in Middlebury, 1900

Folder 78
Vermont State forms and regulations, ca. 1840-1861

Folder 79
Vermont State - Old Home Week, 1901

Folder 80
Washington's Inauguration Centennial 1888

Museum Real Estate
Folder 81
Building - deed (HLS to Museum), bounds

Folder 82
Building - description, plans, alterations

Folder 83
Property - land sales, lease (Moore, Battell)

Folder 84
Property - Sheldon/Smith Block proposal, 1891

Museum Operations
Folder 85
Advertisements - genealogy

Folder 86
Advertisements - museum supplies

Folder 87
Association memberships

Folder 88
Binding directions

Folder 89
By-laws, incorporation, organizational structure

Folder 90
Commendations, testimonials

Folder 91
Expenses, receipts for maintenance, repairs (including bank book, 1891)

Folder 92
Fire instructions

Folder 93
Fire insurance policies

Folder 94
Freight receipts
Folder 95
Inquiries

Folder 96
Libraries, state (Vt., N.Y., Ma.), 1901-1902

Folder 97
Miscellaneous notes, ca. 1900

Folder 98
Press notices and publicity

Folder 99
Publications, pamphlets received

Folder 100
Work schedules, HLS ("Memorandum of some things I wish to do for the museum as fast as I can get time")

Notes and drafts

Box 35
Folders 101-108  Notes and drafts not sorted

Box 36
Post cards: replies to HLS inquiries re: books, pamphlets, some personal, ca. 1880-1892

SERIES VI: SCRAPBOOKS
Box 37
Scrapbooks 180, 198, 203, and loose papers from Scrapbooks 56, 64, 66, 111

HLS Spbk 1: Slade collection of autographs, 1837
HLS Spbk 2: Henry L. Sheldon collection of autographs, 1840-1844
HLS Spbk 3: Later autographs, a miscellaneous collection [1870-1900]
HLS Spbk 4: Presidential signatures, 1789-1932
HLS Spbk 5: Autographs of the Governors of Vermont [1860-1900]
HLS Spbk 6: Seymour Collection of autographs, 1700-1900
HLS Spbk 7: English and foreign autographs [1830-1880]
HLS Spbk 9: The Phelps and Slade controversy, 1844
HLS Spbk 11: Addison County Judges' and Clerks' Autographs, 1852-1875
HLS Spbk 12: Autographs of public men [1800-1900]
HLS Spbk 13: Autographs of President Cleveland and his family and others [1870-1890]
HLS Spbk 14: Autographs of persons over 100 years old [1880-1890?]
HLS Spbk 15: Vermont in Congress, 1795-1971
HLS Spbk 16: Commodore MacDonough & heroes of Plattsburgh, General Alexander Macomb and staff of September 11, 1814 and others, 1770-1820.
HLS Spbk 19: Autographs of the Allens and Fays and men prominent the antislavery struggle [1820-1850]
HLS Spbk 20: Middlebury Autograph Letters [n.d.]
HLS Spbk 21: First Catalogs of Middlebury College, 1801
HLS Spbk 22: Dr. Edward Tudor of Middlebury, Vt. and his Friends; Chipman Family; Strong Family [1800-1860?]
HLS Spbk 23: Autograph letters of Middlebury citizens, 1800-1860
HLS Spbk 24: Prince of Wales and others, 1860
HLS Spbk 25: Autograph Letters of Public Men [1850-1900?]
HLS Spbk 26: Letters of Public Men of Vermont, Members of Congress, etc., 1797-1839
HLS Spbk 27: Letters of Public Men of Vermont, 1813-1850
HLS Spbk 28: Early Settlers in Middlebury, [1760-1820]
HLS Spbk 29: Autograph Letters of Southern Men, 1860-1882
HLS Spbk 31: Autograph Letters of the Vermont Supreme Court, 1778-1899
HLS Spbk 38: Miscellaneous Autograph Letters, [1850-1902?]
HLS Spbk 40: Autograph Poems, 1850-1900
HLS Spbk 41: Middlebury in the War of 1861: State and Town Bounties, 1861-1865
HLS Spbk 42: Autographs of bishops and clergy of Middlebury, 1800-1900
HLS Spbk 44: Subscription papers; lists of names, 1800-1900
HLS Spbk 45: United States District Judges, Marshalls, Attorneys, and Clerks for the District of Vermont from its Organization in 1791
HLS Spbk 46: Middlebury doctors, 1800-1895
HLS Spbk 47: Family letters of Seymour, Slade, Linsley, Woodbridge, Chipman, Phelps, Bp. Hopkins, 1830-1900
HLS Spbk 48: Autographs of miscellaneous public men, 1800-1900
HLS Spbk 49: Autograph letters of the Mayors of Vergennes, 1790-1890
HLS Spbk 50: Autographs of the Worshipful Masters of Union Lodge No. 2, Middlebury, Vt., from its organization [in] 1794, 1800-
HLS Spbk 51: Autograph letters of prominent Vermont masons, 1800-1895
HLS Spbk 52: Officers of the blue and the gray: War of 1861
HLS Spbk 55: Letters, papers, and accounts of the selectmen of Boston, 1710-1771
HLS Spbk 56: Sons of the Revolution, 1890-1907 (Loose papers in Box 37)
HLS Spbk 57: Society of the War of 1812 [1880-1899?]
HLS Spbk 58: Proclamations
HLS Spbk 59: Autographs of Vermont governors, 1761-1860
HLS Spbk 60: Middlebury Post Office, 1793-1950
HLS Spbk 61: Portraits and Autographs: An Album for the People
HLS Spbk 62: Old deeds &c., 1748-1800
HLS Spbk 63: Foreign papers, 1840-1870
HLS Spbk 64: Wedding cards, 1880-1900
HLS Spbk 65: Circular cards etc. of St. Stephens Parish, Middlebury, Vt., 1880-1900
HLS Spbk 66: Ball cards, socials & publics, cotillion parties, sheet & pillow case, calico parties and masquerades, 1830-1905 (Loose ones in Box 37)
HLS Spbk 67: Rutland & Burlington Railroad, 1849-1900
HLS Spbk 68: Public invitations, 1880-1900.
HLS Spbk 69: Tickets leading towards Washington, and elsewhere, 1885-1900
HLS Spbk 70 and HLS Spbk 70B: Bill-heads, 1870-1900
HLS Spbk 71: The western Vermont Masonic Union cards, etc., 1879-1903
HLS Spbk 72: Programs for Forefather's Day, Middlebury, 1843-1900
HLS Spbk 73: Programs of the home talent of Middlebury, 1880-1900
HLS Spbk 75: Various miscellaneous printed papers, 1880-1900
HLS Spbk 76: Middlebury justice writs & some very old legal documents, etc., 1770-1870
HLS Spbk 77: Old Virginia deeds and papers, 1780-1830
HLS Spbk 78: Printed votes for Middlebury, county, state and 
Presidential elections, 1875-1890
HLS Spbk 79: Vermont governor's proclamations, 1840-1900
HLS Spbk 80: Middlebury Corporations from 1797, 1797-1880
HLS Spbk 81: The Vermont election law of 1890
HLS Spbk 81a: Middlebury Freemens Meeting of the 20th Century: sample 
ballets, 1900-1904
HLS Spbk 82: The telegraph, 1840-1880
HLS Spbk 83: Military Papers, 1789-1845
HLS Spbk 84: Seals, 1800-1900
HLS Spbk 85: John B. Hollenbeck: the oldest Vermont Mason, 1820-1892
HLS Spbk 86: McDonald-Sheldon: the oldest continuous mercantile firm in 
Middlebury--from 1814, 1815-1900
HLS Spbk 87: O.B. Clarke's forgeries, 1863
HLS Spbk 88: National American Party, 1855
HLS Spbk 92: The Addison, 1796-1896
HLS Spbk 95: Middlebury Bond Orders and Certificates, 1865-1901
HLS Spbk 96: Old Middlebury papers: newspapers reprints, posters,  
handbills, etc., 1793-1892
HLS Spbk 97: Stone Bridge, 1891
HLS Spbk 98: Thanksgiving Proclamations with reference to the  
asssaussion of President Garfield, 1881
HLS Spbk 99: Vermont governor's autograph letters and signatures, 1778-  
1800
HLS Spbk 100: Autograph letters of millionaires, [ca. 1850-1890]
HLS Spbk 101: Proclamations for the last Fast Day in Massachusetts and 
the first Patriots' Day in Massachusetts, 1893-1894
HLS Spbk 102: The Miles collection of hieroglyphics, views, &c., 1886
HLS Spbk 103: Vermont Bishops, 1829-1900
HLS Spbk 104: Commissions; Evidences of Taxation, Revenues &c. State  
and National [ca. 1700-1900]
HLS Spbk 105: Proclamations relating to the death and funeral of  
General U. S. Grant, July 1885
HLS Spbk 106: Advance and growth of the U.S. Post Office Dept. after  
1810, 1827-1900
HLS Spbk 107: Education in Addison County, 1797-1905
HLS Spbk 108: Posters for annual village meetings, 1846-1895
HLS Spbk 110: Revenue, 1758-1900
HLS Spbk 111: Stephen Douglas [Note: misspelled "Douglass" on the  
cover], 1897 Range 2E2, and folder in HLS Box 37
HLS Spbk 112: Centennial commemoration of the house-warming of General  
Samuel Strong of Vergennes, Vermont October 28, 1896
HLS Spbk 113: Middlebury water works, 1891
HLS Spbk 114: Newport [Rhode Island] Herald (January-March, 1788),  
1766-1788
HLS Spbk 115: Matthew Lyon's encounter in Congress, 1798
HLS Spbk 117 and 117a: Middlebury merchants, 1797-1890
HLS Spbk 118: Governors from Middlebury and Middlebury attorneys, 1790-  
1890
HLS Spbk 119: Old letters, 1789-1870
HLS Spbk 121: Portraits of Nobility of Scotland
HLS Spbk 122: Portraits &c., mostly Vermonters, 1800-1900
HLS Spbk 123: Seven prints of the "cartoons of Raphael" plus engravings  
of portraits of prominent men of the late eighteenth and   
nineteenth centuries
HLS Spbk 124: Copies of rare Washington and other relics, 1891
HLS Spbk 128: Marble sawing invented, 1790-1885
HLS Spbk 129: Bibliography of Vermont published in the weekly "Argus and Patriot" Montpelier 1876 by M.D. Gilman...
HLS Spbk 130: Bibliography of Middlebury, Vt, 1881
HLS Spbk 131: The house that Jack built, 1898
HLS Spbk 132: List of voters in Middlebury at the first of the twentieth century
HLS Spbk 133: History of the Vermont State Bank with specimens of its bank bills, also Vt. Glass Factory, 1806-1817
HLS Spbk 134: Catalogue of coins, medals, bills, &c. in H.L. Sheldon's coin cabinet, 1880
HLS Spbk 136: Letterheads [ca. 1870-1880]
HLS Spbk 137: Middlebury business firms at beginning of the 20th century, [ca. 1900-1901]
HLS Spbk 138: Lotteryys, stocks, etc., 1761-1826
HLS Spbk 144: Amateur Rhyming, 1841-1901
HLS Spbk 145: Columbus Smith Book; kept by Henry L. Sheldon, 1901-1906
HLS Spbk 147: Vermont Legislature Roll Call & Voting [1853]
HLS Spbk 154: Annals of Middlebury, 1609-1906
HLS Spbk 155: Deaths in Middlebury, nineteenth century, 1800-1905
HLS Spbk 156: Twentieth century memorial of Middlebury, Vt. Copies of all known pictures of persons living in town at the beginning of the 19th century [ca. 1790-1901]
HLS Spbk 157: 20th Century Memorial of Middlebury, Vt., 1778-1901
HLS Spbk 158: St. Stephen's Church with reminders of those by whom it was organized, 1810, 1810-1901
HLS Spbk 159: List of town officers, merchants and professional men in Middlebury, 1762-1906
HLS Spbk 160: List of books printed in Middlebury that are in the museum, 1803-1906
HLS Spbk 161: The Platt Fund, 1883-1898
HLS Spbk 162: Conant Fund Records, 1881-1898
HLS Spbk 167: List of things in the museum and Middlebury history, 1882-1904
HLS Spbk 168: List of Middlebury newspapers, 1801-1905
HLS Spbk 169: Legislature of Vermont held in Middlebury in October, 1800, with sketches of its officers and a list of its members
HLS Spbk 170: List of Newspapers, 1801-[ca. 1900]
HLS Spbk 171: Lists of school children in District HLS Spbk 4, Middlebury, commencing 1889, 1889-1894
HLS Spbk 172: Lists of buildings in Middlebury and owners as of the first of the 20th century, 1901
HLS Spbk 173: The House Book, 1783-1901
HLS Spbk 174: Copies of catalogues of officers and students of Middlebury College, 1800-1822
HLS Spbk 175: Paper Money of Middlebury [ca. 1900]
HLS Spbk 176: Middlebury Bibliography [n.d.]
HLS Spbk 177: Sheldon Museum Newspaper List, 1704-1904
HLS Spbk 178: Middlebury fires, 1805-1903 (2 volumes)
HLS Spbk 180: Magna Carta of the Moosalamoo Bank. (in HLS Box 37)
HLS Spbk 182: The First three Pioneer Settlers of Middlebury, Vermont, 1766-1773
HLS Spbk 187: Middlebury Soldiers of the Revolutionary War [ca. 1730-1850]
HLS Spbk 188: Union Club records 1866 [1866-1907]
HLS Spbk 189: Families, births and deaths in District No. 4, Middlebury, 1877-1896
HLS Spbk 191: Store pay due-bills and weigh-bills, 1813-1887
HLS Spbk 193: List of coins [n.d.]
HLS Spbk 194: Coins with biographies [ca. 1900]
HLS Spbk 196: Battle of Plattsburgh, letters and newspapers, 1845-1901
HLS Spbk 197: Third House Journal, Montpelier Vt. 1850
HLS Spbk 198: Middlebury Business Firms at the Beginning of the 20th Century. (In HLS Box 37)
HLS Spbk 199: Emma Willard, 1887-1893
HLS Spbk 203: Early records and papers of the Congregational Church in Salisbury, Vt., 1801-1826 (In HLS Box 37)
HLS Spbk 204: Foreign paper money, 1792-1876
HLS Spbk 205: Roller skating in Middlebury, 1884-1888
HLS Spbk 206: H.L. Sheldon's records as route agent of the Rutland & Burlington Railroad, 1850-1900

Scrapbooks missing or moved to other collections

#8: Vermont Governors' Commissions - missing.
#10: Frankage Collection - moved to Harmon A. Sheldon Books (SMRC00401).
#17: Autograph letters of Episcopal Bishops - missing.
#18: Autograph letters of prominent public men - missing.
#30: Entries of Carriages - moved to George Cleveland Papers (SMRC00661).
#34: Autograph Letters of Vermonters: G.H.I.J. - missing.
#36: Autograph Letters of Vermonters: R.S. - missing.
#43: Episcopal Church Letters - at St. Stephens Church.
#53: Autographs of Vermont Men - missing.
#54: Autographs of Miscellaneous Public Men - missing.
#74: Postal envelopes - missing.
#89: The museum building - Moved to Judd and Harris Papers (SMRC00610).
#90: Moved to Thomas A. Merrill Membership Certificates (SMRC00906).
#91: St Stephens Church papers - At St. Stephens Church.
#93: Vergennes Autographs - missing.
#94: Judd and Harris letters - Moved to Judd and Harris Papers (SMRC00610).
#120: Interesting letters (1813-1853) about Middlebury and neighboring towns - missing.
#125: Autographs of miscellaneous collection of men--not pasted in - missing.
#126: Newspaper clippings - Moved to Wainwright family Papers (SMRC00311).
#135: Addison County Court judges - autographs - Moved to Addison County Court records (SMRC00688).
#139: Wm. Slade's letters to his wife and Father - Moved to Slade family Papers (SMRC00535).
#140: Public letters, speeches, etc. of Gov. Wm. Slade - Moved to Slade family Papers (SMRC00535).
#141: Walter Sheldon's bills in the War of 1812 - Moved to Walter Sheldon Papers (SMRC00034).
#142: Letters and Papers of Walter Sheldon, War of 1812 - Moved to Walter Sheldon Papers (SMRC00034).
#143: Walter Sheldon's letters in the War of 1812 - Moved to Walter Sheldon Papers (SMRC00034).
#146: Reappraisal and Grand List - Moved to Middlebury Village Records (SMRC00583).
#148: Moved to Middlebury Village Water Department Records, 1892-1895 (SMRC00617).
#149: Grand List Assessment, ca. 1875 - Moved to Middlebury Village Records (SMRC00583).
#150: Timothy Pollett's letters, 1845-1849, to Charles Linsley - Moved to the Charles Linsley Papers (SMRC00596).
#153: Moved to Musical Association of Western Vermont (SMRC00619).
#153: Judge Smith's records of cases tried in Addison County Court - Moved to Addison County Court, Hearing and Trial Notes, 1803-1805 (SMRC00530).
#154: Judge Smith's memoranda of cases tried, Nov. term, 1809 - Moved to Pliny Smith Papers (SMRC00300).
#156: Lake Dunmore Glass Co. - Moved to Lake Dunmore Glass Company Records, 1811-1853 (SMRC00679).
#157: Moved to Fearnought Base Ball Club Record, 1867 SMRC00646).
#158: Moved to First Ecclesiastical Society of Weybridge Records, 1804-1875 (SMRC00744).
#159: Record book--the first in Middlebury under the 1852 prohibition law - Moved to Reuben L. Fuller, Liquor Sales Book, 1853-1854 (SMRC00345).
#160: Moved to O.P. Sheldon, Ledger (SMRC00673).
#161: Manuscript copy of the history of Salisbury, Vt. - Moved to Weeks Family Papers, Books (SMRC00307).
#162: Justice of the peace's decision record - Moved to the Pliny Smith papers (SMRC00300).
#163: A concise history of the Iroquois (manuscript copy) by John Weeks - Moved to Weeks Family Papers, Books (SMRC00307).
#164: Union Club Records, 1866 - missing
#165: Lectures on Materia Medica by Eli Ives, M.D., November, 1813 - Moved to the Zacheus Bass Papers (SMRC00209).
#166: Lectures by Dr. Zacheus Bass when studying medicine - Moved to the Zacheus Bass Papers (SMRC00209).
#169: Papers of Mt. Sinai Temple - missing.