

**Sturgis Library Archives
Town and Local History Collection**

**Kittredge Maritime Manuscript Collection
MS. 94**

Extent: 6 boxes

Scope and Content Note: This collection contains manuscripts which were originally part of the Kittredge collection of maritime materials. They were individually cataloged as part of the regular collections and accessible through records in the card catalog. Due to their fragile condition and unique content, they were recataloged to the archives sometime in the 1990s. They were recataloged and refoldered again in 2009.

The collection consists of a variety of manuscript documents, including account books, books of charge, ledgers, correspondence copy books, whaling contracts, personal diaries, company records, ship's logs and accounts, a "wast[e]" book, historical materials, and a tonnage book.

Historical and Biographical Information: These manuscripts and documents come from a variety of sources. Some were owned by George Lyman Kittredge and Henry Crocker Kittredge. Others were donated or purchased as individual items, from unknown sources.

Access: Unrestricted. Credit Sturgis Library archives for publication.

Acquisition: Not known.

Processed by: Lucy Loomis, September, 2009

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| 1 | 1 | Baker, Ezra
Account book 1870-1878 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indexes and details investments of Baker & Morrill, Boston, MA |
| 1 | 2-3 | Hardy & Baker
Correspondence copy books 1837-1840 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dated letter copies concerning schooners and their cargoes, primarily flour and grain.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Fldr 1: 1837-1838○ Fldr 2: 1839-1840 |

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2	1	Smiley (Sloop) Memorandum of agreement made...1770 April 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Contract between various parties in Massachusetts for whaling in the Strait of Belle Isle, Canada.
2	2	Small, James, 1787-1874 Miscellaneous writings , including: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A reminiscence of his father Isaac Small (pp. 1-7)• Political autobiography – Small was Truro town officer and state legislator, and writes chiefly about his work as Commissioner to save Provincetown and East harbors. Also includes two obituaries (pp. 9-110)• Diary – son of James Small keeps entries on separate pages under “passing events, meteorological, marine, personal, and general, plus a list of vegetable prices (pp. 111-125)• Letter to Nathaniel P. Atwood, Justice of the Peace [Atwood supported James Collins’ claim of shipwreck lumber against Small, who argues against the decision in this letter] (pp. 205-210)
2	3	Union Insurance Company, Provincetown, Massachusetts. Records 1839-1858 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Includes bylaws, warrants, minutes of meetings, stockholders, and dividends.
2	4	Ship Brewster Accounts, 1857-59 William Clark, Master
3	1	Howes, David Gorham Log book 1854-1855 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Journal and log for <i>Fleetwing</i>, Boston to San Francisco; <i>Robin Hood</i>, Honolulu to Shanghai; <i>Competitor</i>, Shanghai to Boston – Shipmasters Laban Howes, Richard Bearse, and Moses Howes. Also includes 4 poems and description of combat at Shanghai.
3	2	Chase, Job Harwich, Dec[e]mber the 18, 1806 : a book of charge 1806-1808 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lists date, person, commodity, quantity, and price, including the name of schooners

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3	3	Crocker, Loring L & N Crocker's ledger 1856-1878 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alphabetical entries in 2 sections, but chiefly blank, for Barnstable salt works – includes 2 separate leaves on estate of Rev. Daniel Webb, 1867 & 1885
3	4	Gorham, John, 1709-1752? Wast[e] book belonging to Jno [i.e. John] Gorham : began in Louisbourg, August 28th, 1745 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chiefly poetry and essays inspired by the siege, with approx. 3 pages of diary entries, 3 pages of family history and genealogy, and 1 page of accounts. June 29, 1737, Jno [i.e. John] Gorham's memor[an]d[u]m or daily journal 1737-1738 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Personal diaries and accounts of provisions, cargo, and labor for the ship <i>Thomas & Lydia</i>, sloop <i>Neptune</i>, and brigantine <i>Greenland</i>, chiefly in St. John's Newfoundland and London. Also a letter copy by unnamed father on his daughter's ruin.
3	5	Account books of freight on board Packet Herit Meriah [Harriet Maria] 1857-1860 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volume 1: 1857 – Capt. Samuel N. Smith• Volume 2: 1860 – Capt. Edward Hurd(?)
3	6	Higgins, Thomas W. Log book : voyages of the schooner Oriole of Boston, commanded b Capt. Alexander Baker of West Dennis and written by Thomas W. Higgins of Orleans, 1870-1872 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Costal Trade including Boston, Maine, New York, Philadelphia, Chesapeake port, and Pensacola. Log later used as a scrapbook, with newspaper poems and short stories pasted over previous entries.
4	1-3	Hinckley, Josiah [Diary] 1870-1881 (3 volumes in 3 folders) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Weather, gardening, local events, lumber business letters and remarks, and misc. notes. Two volumes are on unused printed receipt books of the Botolph Oil Well Company. Includes pressed ferns.

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5	1	Hinckley, Leander [Account book] 1837-1849 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chiefly records of cargoes bought and sold between Albany and Boston, with some intermediate ports. Also includes port charges, stock, freight bills, and other bills.
5	2	Hinckley, Joshua. Joshua Hinckley's book, 1803-1820 (3 volumes in 3 folders) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accounts for carpentry, labor & materials by date, person, commodity, quantity, and price. Long lists of vessel inspections for the government.
5	3	Matthews, Ellery [Notebook] 1852 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Math problems (pp. 1-38); lists of ship names, masters, and charges (pp. 49, 54-5, 102-3); length of spars tables (pp. 65, 126); misc. poems and quotes.
5	4	Nye, Everett I. [Cape Cod history materials] <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Written and printed enclosures loose and pasted in. Schooners indexed and described for Wellfleet and non-Cape Cod ports. Lists of town and county notables from 1850s to 1870s
6	1	Marine Insurance Accounts, Isaiah Crowell & Co., 1842-1848. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volume also used for a store inventory in 1913.
6	2	Hinckley, David [Account book] 1833-1854 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Separate accounts by father David, 1833-5, by person, date, and debt amount; and by son Thacher, 1846-54, for personal and business expenses, with misc. diary entries.
6	3	Green, Isaiah, L. No. 2 Tonnage book 1816-1817 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tonnage duties for fishing and coasting vessels in Barnstable by date, vessel type and origin, and name of vessel and master.