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MS. 159
Ledger of Accounts of Shipwrecks on Cape Cod, 1838-1861

Extent: 1 ledger in a multi-folder box.

Scope and Content Note: The collection consists of a ledger of accounts of shipwrecks on Cape Cod from 1838-1861. Many of the accounts were signed/witnessed by Thomas Lothrop, Notary Public of Provincetown, and other accounts were signed by the shipmasters or crew of the ships. There are approximately 55 pages of accounts, followed by mostly blank pages with scattered notations and text. There are several receipts tucked in the volume, along with an advertisement for J. H. Patten Company of Boston, purveyors of brandies, gin, wines, and bourbons. The advertisement is labeled as “Reference, Capt. C.H. Walker.”

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Acquisition: Purchased from Ryan Cooper, Maritime Antiques, 2016.

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