

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

Mary Bundy / Sturgis /Hooper Collection

MS. 84

Extent: 1 box

Scope and contents note: The collection consists of books owned by members of the Hooper and Sturgis families, notably Samuel Hooper and Anne Sturgis Hooper. Also included is a sepia photograph of Anne Maria Hooper Lothrop, daughter of Samuel Hooper and Anne Sturgis, and wife of Thornton Kirkland Lothrop. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren, including Mary Bundy, called her “Gar.” Supporting documents, including biographical and genealogical information, round out the collection.

Biographical note: Mary Buckminster Lothrop Bundy, descendant of William Sturgis & Elizabeth Davis, was the wife of the late McGeorge Bundy, political advisor and President of the Ford Foundation. Mary resides in New York City. She descends from William Sturgis as follows:

William Sturgis m. Elizabeth Marston Davis
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Anne Sturgis m. Samuel Hooper
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Anne Hooper m. Thornton Kirkland Lothrop
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W. S. Lothrop m. Alice Bacon
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Francis Lothrop m. Eleanor
|
Mary Lothrop m. McGeorge Bundy

In 2007, Mary Bundy donated portraits of William Sturgis’ wife, Elizabeth Marston Davis, and two of his daughters; Ellen (1812-1848) and Caroline (1819-1888) to Sturgis Library. **The portraits were done by noted artist Eastman Johnson, and have been verified by Johnson scholar Patricia Hills.** They closely resemble the style of the portraits Johnson did of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, Nathaniel Hawthorne, and Ralph Waldo Emerson, from the same time period (1846), which was early in his career. Scratched on the back of one of the frames is the line “executed by Johnston.” [sic]

In addition to the three portraits, Mary Bundy donated two silhouettes of members of the Sturgis/Lothrop families **cut by noted artist August Edouart during his visit to the United States**, sometime between 1839 and 1849. The first depicts Mrs. William (Elizabeth Davis) Sturgis; the second is of Eliza L. Lothrop. Eliza later married Charles

Homans, and her donations of large tracts of land to the Hancock Trustees of Public Reservations in Maine established a foothold for what would later become Acadia National Park. Homan's Path, built in 1916, was named in her honor.

The three portraits and two silhouettes were restored by Cape Cod Picture Framing in Dennis, MA in 2008, and are on display at the Sturgis Library along with a photographic portrait of William Sturgis acquired elsewhere. More work was done on the portraits by Green Dragon Bindery in 2017.

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Acquisition: Material donated by Mary Bundy of New York, NY, 2007. See control file for acquisition information and deed of gift.

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 2. Article The Homan's Path by Keith Johnston in *Friends of Acadia Journal*, Winter, 2002-2003, mentioning Eliza Lothrop Homans and her gift of land to Acadia National Park.
 3. Gift appraisal & description of 2 August Edouart silhouettes of Mrs. William Sturgis and Eliza Lothrop.
 4. Appraisal statement and description/history of 3 portraits of Elizabeth Marston Davis, Ellen Sturgis, and Caroline Sturgis. Ellen married Robert Hooper and Caroline married William Aspinwall Tappan. Both women were Transcendentalist poets.
 5. Partial genealogical chart for William Sturgis and Elizabeth Davis descendants, including Mary Bundy.

Folder 2

1. Sepia photograph of Anne Maria Hooper Lothrop (“Gar”), daughter of Anne Sturgis and Samuel Hooper and wife of Thornton Kirkland Lothrop. She was a long-time Trustee of the Sturgis Library.
2. A Short History of the Sturgis Library by Eugene Exman. Page 4 includes anecdotes about Anne Hooper Lothrop.

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Folder 3

1. *Friends in Council – A Series of Readings. Volume 1.* Published 1859. Inscribed “Anne M. Hooper.”
2. *Sermons by the Late Rev. Ezra Haw Goodwin.* Published 1834. Given by M. Davis to Susan Sturgis, 1834.
3. *Stories & Rhymes for Children.* Published 1838. Inscribed Anne M. Hooper.

Folder 4

2-volume set of *The Marble Faun.* Published 1860. Inscribed Alice S. Hooper (daughter of Anne Sturgis & Samuel Hooper.)

Loose in box

4-volume set *Histoire de Gil Blas de Santillane Par Lssage.* Published circa 1818. Inscribed “Samuel Hooper, St. Petersburg, 1828.”