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Stanley Smith Papers

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Extent: 4 boxes

Scope and Contents note: The collection consists of Smith's personal correspondence, 1918-1936, and numerous deeds, letters, indentures and other documents dating between the 1600s to the late 1900s that he collected. Most of the 18th century correspondence appears to be between William and Thomas Davis of Plymouth, MA and their business associates. Deeds and other documents are predominantly from the Cape Cod towns of Chatham, Eastham, Harwich and Orleans.

The collection is divided into four series: Series I is personal correspondence; series II is Smith's collection of 18th century correspondence; series III is a collection of legal documents and receipts; series IV is a collection of 18th century deeds and indentures; and series V is a collection of maps of Cape Cod, New England and North America. Series V also contains some miscellaneous deeds, legal, and other papers not originally cataloged with the rest of the collections. Series VI consists of miscellaneous historical documents (financial, legal, correspondence, receipts, etc.), previously uncataloged. Included in the collection are a number of deeds and other documents related to Indians / Native Americans.

Biographical note: Stanley Smith was born in 1869 and died in 1941. He summered on Cape Cod, Massachusetts, alternately in Orleans and Chatham, and maintained his winter residence on State Street in Boston. He married Sally Foster around 1923. Smith collected documents about local families, businesses and land transactions. He was an expert on local genealogy and was frequently consulted.

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Series I: Personal correspondence from and to Stanley Smith, 1918-1936 (5 folders)

1. Undated
2. 1918-1924
3. 1925-1927
4. 1928-1929
5. 1930-1936

Series II: Other correspondence, 1781-1804 (40 folders)

1. Thomas Twining (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 9 June 1781
2. Thomas Twining (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 28 June 1781
3. Thomas Twining (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 19 August 1781
4. Thomas Twining (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 16 April 1782
5. Ezekiel Holbrook (Wellfleet) to Mr. Davis (Plymouth) 25 April 1784
6. Ezekiel Holbrook (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 7 September 1784
7. Nehemiah Smith (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 20 October 1784
8. Seth Smith (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 10 November 1784
9. Ezekiel Holbrook (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 15 March 1785
10. Ezekiel Holbrook (Wellfleet) to William Davis (Plymouth) 7 April 1785
11. Nehemiah Smith (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 16 April 1785
12. Ezekiel Holbrook (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 9 May 1785
13. Nehemiah Smith (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 3 December 1785
14. Ezekiel Holbrook (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 14 January 1786
15. Nehemiah Smith (Eastham) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 28 February 1786
16. Ezekiel Holbrook to Thomas William Davis (Plymouth) 4 May 1786
17. Lewis Hamlin (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 25 January 1787
18. Waterman and Hamlin (Wellfleet) to William and Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 21 May 1787
19. Sturgis Gorham (Barnstable) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 7 July 1787
20. Sam Hinckley (Barnstable) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 12 October 1787
21. Lewis Hamlin (Wellfleet) to Mr. Davis (Plymouth) 4 December 1787
22. Samuel Waterman (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 12 January 1788
23. Silas Newcomb (Provincetown) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 24 August 1788
24. Ezekiel Holbrook (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 7 September 1788
25. Ezekiel Holbrook (Wellfleet) to Thomas William Davis (Plymouth) 29 September 1788
26. Lewis Hamlin (Wellfleet) to Thomas William Davis (Plymouth) 9 February 1789
27. Lewis Hamlin (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 8 June 1789
28. Richard Sears (Boston) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 24 March 1791
29. Ignatius Loring (Falmouth) to William Davis (Plymouth) 4 August 1798
30. Nehemiah Smith (Eastham) to William Davis (Plymouth) 3 January 1792
31. Lewis Hamlin (Wellfleet) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 3 October 1792
32. Nehemiah Smith (Eastham) to William Davis (Plymouth) 26 March 1796
33. Nehemiah Smith (Eastham) to William Davis (Plymouth) ? August 1796
34. Nathaniel Carver (Truro) to William Davis (Plymouth) 31 May 1798

35. Nathaniel Carver (Truro) to William Davis (Plymouth) 6 June 1798
36. Ignatius Loring (Falmouth) to William Davis (Plymouth) 24 June 1798
37. Moses Baker (Dennis) to Thomas Davis (Plymouth) 31 October 1798
38. Moses Baker (Dennis) to William Davis (Plymouth) 18 January 1799
39. David Thatcher (Yarmouth) to Thomas Davis 12 October 1799
40. Heman Smith (Eastham) to Mr. Davis (Plymouth) 18 May 1804

Series III: Various legal documents and receipts, 1660-1860 (13 folders)

1. Photos: A.O. Smith Sr. (father of Stanley Smith), 2 pictures of Elisha Cole's Windmill, undated
2. Partial will: Nehemiah Smith, undated
3. Miscellaneous receipts, estate payments, bills of sale, collection notes, probate documents, inspections bills, certificate for citizenship, etc. dated 1660-1860. Names include Ezekial Cahoon, Isaac Crosby, John Gould, Thomas Gould, Gould Linnell, Jane Long, Elkannah Nickerson, Thomas Robbins, Eldridge Small, Eli Small, Ebenezer Snow
4. Declaration of faith: Nathaniel Gould 1750
5. Power of Attorney: Nathan Snow for Thomas Snow 1 August 1780
6. Letters of Marque for brig Expedition, Master Ephraim Lombard, owners: Isaac Smith, John Codman, Photostat copy, 1780-81
7. Power of Attorney: Joseph Atkins for Gould Linnell 21 June 1798
8. Will: Jonathan Snow 20 February 1805
9. Will: Benjamin Small 1805, transcription of same
10. Certified Election Return Woburn MA 1811
11. Probate document: John Gould July 1816
12. Balance sheet for schooner William Tell, Master John Gould, noted as a fish voyage, 1847
13. The Barbarian of Slavery Speech given by Senator Charles Sumner in the U.S. Senate 4 June 1860

BOX 2

Series IV: Deeds and indentures, 1707-1816

Deeds from Native American to European Colonials are in this box along with other historic deeds.

1. William Nickerson to Joseph Nickerson, Plymouth (Monomoy). 40 acres of land on or around Monomoy Island. 18 March 1673.
2. Elisha Hopkins to Nathaniel Gould Barnstable (Harwich) 8 January 1729
3. Bethiah Haus to Paul Crowell Barnstable (Chatham) 15 November 1733
4. Jonathan Linnel and Thomas Linnel to Nathaniel Doane Barnstable (Harwich) 22 January 1734/5
5. Jonathan Linel to Thomas Linel and Jonathan Linel Barnstable (Eastham and Harwich) 3 October 1737
6. Joseph Mayo to Nathaniel Brewer mortgage deed 10 acres in Roxbury 13 February 1745

7. Solomon Kenwick to Paul Crowell Barnstable (Chatham) 24 February 1748
8. Beriah Broadbrocks to Ebenezar Brodbrocks Barnstable (Harwich) 29 August 1749
9. Nathaniel Gould, Jonathan Linnel, Nathaniel Mayoior, Division of Meadow in Eastham 16 April 1750
10. Nathaniel Gould to John Thomas Richard Barnstable (Harwich) 29 April 1755
11. Elkannah Nickerson to Paul Crowell (Indenture) Barnstable (?) 2 December 1755
12. Elkannah Nickerson to David Crowell Barnstable (Chatham) 2 December 1755
13. Ebenezar Broadbrooks to David Crowell Barnstable (Harwich) 25 November 1758
14. Elkannah Nickerson to Thomas Snow Liverpool, England 29 March 1762
15. Martha Hamilton to Jonathan Linnell Barnstable (Eastham) 16 June 1763
16. Nathaniel Snow to Thomas Snow Barnstable (Eastham and Harwich) 17 January 1765
17. Amos Knowles to John Gould Barnstable (Harwich) 8 February 1769
18. Nathaniel Gould to John Gould Barnstable (Harwich) 10 November 1769
19. Joshua Mayo to John Gould Barnstable (Harwich) 2 May 1770
20. Reuben Rider to David Crowell Barnstable (Chatham) 16 January 1777
21. Josiah Rogers, Thomas Avy(?), Marcy Cole, Joseph Linnell, John Yates to John Gould Barnstable (Chatham) 13 February 1783
22. Anna Higgins to Ebenezar Harding et al Barnstable (Eastham) 7 April 1789
23. Henry Rogers to John Gould Barnstable (Eastham) 11 March 1793
24. John Knowles to Gould Linnell Barnstable (Orleans) 29 December 1795
25. Timothy Doane to Gould Linnell Barn stable (Eastham) 25 October 1798
26. John Gould to Gould Linnell Barnstable (Orleans) 22 November 1798
27. Edmund Doane to Elnathan Snow Nova Scotia (Orleans) 14 December 1802
28. Joseph Atkins to John Gould Barnstable (Brewster) 1 May 1807
29. Deed to support man at home in exchange for real estate -- Phoebe Snow to Isaac Snow et al Barnstable 15 January 1812
30. David Crowell to James Crowell, Barnstable (Chatham). 5 February 1813.
31. David Crowell to James Crowell Barnstable (Chatham) 4 April 1814
32. Hiram Baker to John Gould Barnstable (Orleans) 28 December 1816
33. Nathan Snow and Prince Rogers Barnstable (Orleans) 26 January 1829

Deeds involving Native Americans and Colonials

1. Wamsutta to William Bradford et al Plymouth (Acushna) 1652(?)
2. Sachemus to Thomas Prence Plymouth (Stoneybrook) 3 December 1663
3. Thom Sipsun to John Hurd Barnstable (Harwich) 7 April 1707
4. Tom Sipsun and John Sipsun to Jonathan Linnell Barnstable 25 November 1713
5. Isaac Larrance to John Yates Barnstable (Harwich) 4 June 1717
6. Larrance Geffery to Amos Larrance and Isaac Larrance Barnstable (Harwich) 25 July 1717
7. Elkannah Linnel et al Barnstable to (?) (Eastham?) 16 April 1774

BOX 3

Series V: Maps of Cape Cod, New England and North America 1700's-1800's and miscellaneous appended documents (deeds, legal papers, and miscellany)

MAPS (loose in box)

1. General plan of Oyster Harbors, Osterville, MA, no date.
2. A sketch map of a portion of Plymouth Colony to illustrate Church's Annals of (King) Philip's War. No date.
3. New England or Eastern States. No date.
4. New England, New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. No date
5. Outlines of Quanset Pond. (Hand drawn). No date.
6. Land near Pleasant Bay, Orleans, Harwich. (Hand drawn.) No date.
7. Map laid before the state's general, New England, August, 1616.
8. Land near Pleasant Bay (Freeman, Mayo, etc.) (Hand drawn.) 1729.
9. A new and accurate map of the Colony of Massachusetts Bay, 1780.
10. A map of the Province of Massachusetts Bay and Colony of Rhode Island with part of Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Vermont. 1782.
11. Directions for sailing by Cape Cod Lighthouse and into Cape Harbor. (Photocopy) 1799.
12. New England. Engraved for Morse and Parish's History of New England, 1809.
13. Map of Massachusetts. 1838.
14. Boundary line on tidewater between the towns of Mashpee and Barnstable, 1893.
15. Bounds of the Province Lands, 1893.

FOLDER 1: MISCELLANEOUS DOCUMENTS

1. Indian/Native American trade beads. Accompanied by a note that indicated that the beads were found in the effects of Capt. Elbridge Small of Orleans, and were originally owned by his great-great-grandfather Benjamin Small of Yarmouth and Harwich, circa 1726.
2. Family tree of John Cowell, "who came from England."
3. Sheet music. *Lawrence Quick Step*. Dedicated to S. Abbott Lawrence and the members of the New England Guards. Cover engraving depicts a military encampment at Barnstable, 1839. Ships are visible in the harbor beyond.
4. Clippings (4) in brown paper folder
 - a. 1851 from Gleason's Pictorial. Article and images of Camp Meeting at Eastham.
 - b. 1851 Article and images of Edward K. Curtis and presentation silver. Curtis, born in Truro, was the owner of a notable shipping company.
 - c. 1852 image of Celebration of the Cape Cod Association, Provincetown.
 - d. 1854 image and article on Edward K. Curtis of Truro.

FOLDER 2: DEEDS and LEGAL DOCUMENTS

These documents were appended the collection after it was initially cataloged. In order by date.

- 1681. Eastham. Division of land between Richard Sparrow, giving his land to Captain Johnathan Sparrow and John Sparrow.
- 1692. Monomoy. Thomas Clarke gave land to Andrew Clarke.
- July 6, 1694. Settlement of Estate. William Newland, Sandwich.
- March 13, 1719. Will of Mercy Laurence, Harwich.
- February 10, 1736. Bill of Sale. Joshua Brown of Eastham.
- 1739. Eastham. Nathan Freeman sold land to Nathan Freeman Jr., John Freeman, and Eliezer Freeman. (Photocopy)
- 1747. Harwich. Eleazer Rogers made a land agreement with Thomas Freeman.
- 1748. Harwich. Thomas Freeman & Samuel Freeman in land agreement with Eleazer Rogers, Ebenezer Rogers, Judah Rogers, and Rueben Nickerson.
- 1748. Harwich. Thomas Freeman and Samuel Freeman in land agreement with Eleazer Rogers, Ebenezer Rogers, Judah Rogers, and Rubeun Nickerson.
- 1750. Harwich. Thomas Tremain sold land to Eleazer Rogers.
- 1754. Harwich. Debt paid for the burning of Schooner Mayflower. Solomon Kenwich to Eleazer Rogers and Ensine Rogers.
- 1761. Harwich. Agreement regarding fencing at lands, Moses Rogers and Eleazer Rogers.
- 1761.1. Harwich. Agreement regarding fencing at lands, Moses Rogers and Eleazer Rogers.
- 1761.2. Harwich. Settlement of estate of Samuel Mayo to son Thomas Mayo, Samuel Mayo, Mercy Mayo, Rebecca Higgins, Paul Higgins, Phoebe Crosby, William Crosby, Sarah Pain, Samuel ____?, Barnabus Howes, and Lois Howes. (Photocopy.)
- 1767. District of Mashpee to John Percivill, Treasurer. Account of expenses.
- 1776.1. Harwich. Edward Smalley and John Smalley in an agreement on the estate with their father Benjamin Smalley, providing care, etc.
- 1776.2. Harwich. Edward Smalley and John Smalley land agreement with Benjamin Smalley.
- 1791. Eastham. Mary Jackson sold land to Reuben Eldredge.
- 1798.1. Orleans. Lease agreement. John Gould leased land to Gould Linnell in Orleans, Harwich, and Brewster.
- 1791.2. Coy of document above.
- 1799. Harwich. Article of agreement on land between Benjamin Small and Seth Cahoon.
- 1800. Harwich. William Small sold land to Elnathan Eldredge.
- 1804. Harwich. Indenture and division of land. Benjamin Small, Eli Small, son, Benjamin Small Jr., William Small, Thomas Small, James Small, and Zebdee Small.
- 1808. Wellfleet. Solomon Newcomb. Last will and testament with bequests to sons, daughter, grandchildren, and others.
- 1809. Orleans. Eliakim Higgins sold land to John Sparrow.
- 1810. Harwich. Guardianship agreement between Silvanus Chase, Elisha Snow Jr., David Snow, Osborn Snow, Elisha Snow, guardian for Reuben and minor.
- Orleans. Eliakim Higgins quitclaim deed for land and dwelling with John Sparrow.

- 1814. Deed. Ariel D. Annable of Barnstable to Joseph Chipman of Barnstable, parcel of salt meadow in Barnstable at Sandy Neck. June 24, 1816.
- January 23, 1823. Deed. Silvester Baker of Barnstable to Joseph Chipman of Barnstable. Woodland.
- 1827. Wellfleet. Joseph Hatch agreed to pay Allen Freeman for a parcel of land and half a dwelling house.
- 1832. Orleans. Quitclaim deed between Thomas Higgins and Sparrow Horton, related to debt owed to Edmond Long.
- 1839. Orleans. Last will and testament. Eliakim Higgins with bequests to children and grandchildren.
- 1840. Harwich. Eli Small sold real estate to Thomas Kendrick.
- 1843. Chatham. Isaac Hardy sold land and dwelling to Nathaniel Freeman.
- 1846. Award of Arbitration. Timothy Percival and Joseph Laurence, both of Sandwich. Disputed line between woodlands.
- December 20, 1852. Deed for pew. North-West Congregational Parish & Society to Ephraim Percival of Sandwich.
- Orleans. Alexander Kendrick conveys parcel of land as part of debt to Chester Edwards.
- November 20, 1865. Warranty Deed. Sylvanus B. Phinney of Barnstable and Joshua Nickerson of Chatham to Deborah L. Kittredge of Boston (wife of Edward L. Kittredge) for cleared land near Railroad Avenue of Barnstable.

BOX 4

Series VI – Miscellaneous historical documents (financial, legal, correspondence, receipts, etc.) ADDED IN 2022

FOLDER 1: CHARTERS, SEAMAN’S PAPERS, MISCELLANEOUS, 1749-1823

- 1737 – Application for a license to sell “strong drink” by John Lumbard of Truro, a “man of sober conviction.”
- 1749 -- Portage (freight) bill, voyage from Boston to various port, including Honduras and Amsterdam
- 1749 – Directions to Captain Joseph Atwood, voyage to Honduras, Amsterdam
- 1755 – Port of Boston, Commander Freeman’s ship cleared Custom-House bound for Cape Cod with fish
- 1758 – Owners of meadow in Eastham have voted to divide the meadow
- 1783 – Boston, Certificate of Clearance, permission to depart with articles listed, Simeon Higgins, Master & Commander of Sloop Polly
- 1789 – Thomas Robbins, a seaman aboard Nathan Wood’s Ship “Maria” waiting for passage to America. Robbins paid 30 shillings a month.
- 1796 – Uriah Higgins under oath swears that he was born in America (Cape Cod) and is under no allegiance to another country.
- 1803 – Bill for rum, salt, etc. to Edward Small
- 1804 – Benjamin Lincoln, Collector, certifies that Thomas Robbins, Seaman, is a citizen of the United States

- 1804 -- Inspection bills for Daniel Pease from James Otis, Collector
- 1819 – Schooner George Fish breakdown of proceeds from fish and oil – account settled. Duxbury. Signed by Reuben Drew.
- 1820 – Receipt – Zacharias Stevens, Agent for fishing company in Gloucester to pay \$12 for 4 barrels of “bate” (bait) – half for the Schooner Diligent and half for the Schooner Lydia. Mentions Captain Joseph Lennett.
- 1821 – Great and small general bills from Atwood Drew for boat supplies, food rum, etc.
- 1821 (2) – Capt. Higgins, owner of the Schooner Rose, receipt for payments.
- 1823-1829 – Roster of Officers of Second Regiment, Third Brigade, and Fifth Division of the Militia, from multiple Cape Cod towns.
- 1847 – Receipt for ownership of 1/32 of Bark Elm, signed James Taylor
- 1862 – Steph. (Stephen) Nickerson of the American Schooner H. P. Russell, shall receive cargo of sugar from Cuba bound for New York City

FOLDER 2: CORRESPONDENCE, 1770s-1855

- Unreadable date – Provincetown, Dear Daughter from Mother, relates an assault by Lyman Morse on Lizzie Peyden
- No date, circa 1770s -- no location, To the Honorable Colonel Winslow from Nathan Basset and Solomon Kenwick, testifying that Eleazer Rogers is unfit for military duty due to some physical ailments
- 1785 – Mrs. ___ to Ruth Rogers, Widow of Eastham
- 1785 – Mr. C to Thomas Freeman of Eastham
- 1790 – Copy of a letter from William Payne of Easthampton, LI to William Myrick of Eastham, his half brother
- 1815 – To David Eldridge from John _____ of Marblehead, regarding insurance
- 1826 – To Eldredge Small of Brewster from Johnathan Crowell who shipped on the Brig Mary & Liza of Boston
- 1829 – Truro, to Clarissa Paine from C.J (?)
- 1829 – Truro, to Clarissa Paine, Charlestown, MA, from Aruboch (?) Davis
- 1831 – letter to Eli Small of Harwich from James Long, discussing the legislature, the Reformed Methodist Society, and the Methodist Protestant Church
- 1832 – Orleans, To Oliver Smith from Joann _____ (?)
- 1832 (2) – Chatham Harbor, aboard Ship Reliance, From Joseph Cole to sister Rebecca Cole. Asks his sister not to write him right away until she hears from him. Asks her not to tell Phebe where he is as he promised her he would not go to sea anymore. He also encourages Rebecca not to marry in haste but let “virtue predominate.”
- 1835 – To Israel Rogers, Alexandria Virginia, onboard Schooner Wilmot, from his sister Eunice Rogers and his brother Stephen Rogers
- 1836 – To Dorothy Hamer of Harwich from her husband George who was working in Cumberland, RI
- 1843 – From George Hamer to his son John Edwin Hamer of Harwich, written from the Brigg (sic) Salon, off Fayall (sic) Faial Island, Azores). He also includes a note to his wife Dorothy

- 1847 – A. O. Smith – Account of how Smith, with two friends, took passage in schooner for Orleans, Cape Cod. The schooner was named President Washington and was a packet that ran between Boston and Orleans
- 1848 – No town but refers to the Cape – To Eliza Pond from Addison Pond of Franklin, Massachusetts
- 1855 – From H. O. Sparrow, writing from St. Thomas, to Orianna. No town. Both a love letter and a whaling account.

FOLDER 3: MISCELLANEOUS TOWNS LEGAL AND FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS

- No Town name
 - No date – Inventory of the personal and real estate of Thomas Mayo
 - 1825 – Statement regarding the will of Benjamin Higgins regarding the disposition of any real estate purchased after he made the will, and that his widow should try to effect a settlement for dower thirds.
- Brewster 1801-1836
 - 1801 – Deed, for Schooner Two Brothers, David Eldredge and Abijah Crosby of Brewster to Lewis Doane of Chatham
 - 1811 – Deed, Joseph Wade Clark of Hanover to David Eldredge and Abijah Crosby of Brewster, a “good boat” Two Brothers of Gloucester
 - 1826 – Indenture, Benjamin Berry, William Crosby, and Joseph Crocker, overseers of the poor, Town of Brewster, bind Moses Long, minor, son of Edmond and Susanna Long, to Eli Small and Elizabeth, his wife, of Harwich to become an apprentice and learn the mystery of a seaman.
 - 1836 – Deed/agreement Jeremiah Mayo of Brewster and David Eldredge of Brewster
 - 1836 – Commonwealth vs. David Eldredge. Polly _____, complainant, accused Eldredge of forceful assault and carnal knowledge. Eldredge was found not guilty.
- Dennis 1796-1811
 - 1796 – Account of the estate of the late Reuben Baker
 - 1798 – Deed, Thomas Crowell of Dennis to Reuben Baker of Dennis, one feather bed, straw bed, bedstead, fine bed coverlets, 1 pair blankets, six sheets, 1 pillar (pillow) and 2 pillar (pillow) cases
 - 1811 – Reuben Baker complaint. _____ was born, her mother died and Nathan Baker wanted Reuben Baker to keep the child for \$1 per week. Reuben kept the child for two years and 9 weeks, but instead of payment, Nathan gave him an item that belonged to his late wife.
- Falmouth, 1723-1818
 - No date – subscribers and jurors agree that some alterations should be made to a road located in Falmouth
 - 1723 – Joseph Parker of Falmouth attach the estate for 400 pounds to Jonathan Weekes
 - 1818 – Appraisalment of Schooner Emilia, District Court of Massachusetts, Woods Hole
- Provincetown, 1742-1842

- 1742 – Inventory of goods and estate of James Freeman of Provincetown
- 1842 – Petition of Thomas Lothrop of Provincetown to Nathaniel Davis Esq. requesting a coroner for the area, to assist with deaths, particularly those that happen during shipwrecks
- Sandwich, 1718-1820
 - 1718 – A request to attach the goods & estate of Jonathan Fish of Sandwich for 200 pounds debt to Nathaniel Otis, and bring him to trial before the Justices of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas.
 - 1777 – Receipt from John Percival to Ruth Jones, as administration for the state of late husband Allen Jones.
 - 1781 – Receipt for Lot Bacon's earnings as a soldier in the Continental Army.
 - 1756 – Province of Massachusetts Bay, Harrison Gray Esq., Treasurer and Receiver-General for his Majesty's said Province: Order to John Persival, Constable or Collector of the Town of Sandwich to raise 160 pounds 1 shilling ninepence & three farthings in taxes.
 - 1781 – Sandwich enlistment document for Lot Baker
 - 1782 – Deed, Simeon Fish of Sandwich to John Percival of Sandwich, a dwelling house in Falmouth of Samuel Fish and Phinneas Fish
 - 1802 – A poem on the death of Captain David Hood by John Bursley. (With accompanying typescript copy.)
 - 1811 – Appointment of Benjamin Percival of Sandwich to Justice of the Peace signed by Governor Elbridge Gerry.
 - 1813 – Deed, David Bowerman of Sandwich to Benjamin Percival of Sandwich. One individual half part of livestock with Bowerman owned in common with Ebenezer Wing.
 - 1820 – Estate document. Elisha Percival of Kennebec in Maine to Timothy Percival, Administrator of the estate of Elisha's father Benjamin Percival of Sandwich
- Truro
 - 1786-1828 – Truro deaths registered by Rev. Jude Damon, copied from the original in 1883
- Wellfleet, 1769-1823
 - 1800 – Last will and testament of Simon Newcomb of Wellfleet, witnessed by Sam Waterman, Edward Smith, and Mary Young
 - 1809 – Samuel Pierce and wife Grace, Reuben Cowell and wife Jerviah (?), and David Atkins and wife Huldah, and Priscilla Holbrook, widow of Solomon Holbrook, have received their share of the estate of Simon Newcomb.
 - 1823 – Pew Deed, Uriah Atwood of Wellfleet to Simon Newcomb for pew in Congregational Meetinghouse
- Yarmouth, 1828-1847
 - 1828 – Bill of sale, Enoch Matthews of Yarmouth to Alden Nickerson and Nathaniel Small, for the Sloop called Rolinza (?)
 - 1834 – Bill of sale for \$300 Silas Baker of Yarmouth to Edward Kendrick of Chatham for part of Brig Cecilia of Boston and Charlestown
 - 1847 – Bill of Sale, 2/60ths of Brig March of Yarmouth. Silas Baker to Oliver Smith.

FOLDER 4: BARNSTABLE

LEGAL AND FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS 1716-1848

- 1716 – Order to attach the goods of Aleo (?) Jethro, an Indian woman of Harwich, spinster, for debt to John Otis of Barnstable.
- 1730 – Samuel Smith of Barnstable, Chairmaker, has his estate attached and must appear in court for owing James Gordon of Boston 10 pounds.
- 1739 – Dispute, Prence Wixon or Wickson, in company with ____ Chase and Thomas Chase, over payment for bushels of rye and shingles.
- 1741 – His Majesty’s Court of General Sessions
 - Present the West Precinct of Barnstable for their deficit in not having a sufficient Pound. *[NOTE: In farming communities, disputes inevitably arose when one person’s livestock damaged another person’s crops. New England laws required farmers to fence their fields and keep farm animals from straying. Owners had to pay a fine to a town-appointed pound keeper to recover stray animals and were liable for any damage the animals had done.]*
 - Present John Bee of Eastham School Master, for not frequenting publick ways.
 - Present William Chase of Harwich for breach of His Majesty’s peace by striking James Lord in anger.
 - We present Caleb Case of Yarmouth for not frequenting the public worship of God on Lord’s Day.
- 1743 – Barnstable, Kenelm Winslow, Justice of the Peace, says Thomas Hinckley of Chatham, Lot Gray, Nathan Hinckley of Harwich are indebted to the King for 4 pounds.
- 1744 – Keeper of the Goal [Jail]. “I send you Josiah Pockuntan, Indian of the Mashpee, for stealing...”
- 1748 – Zachary Hamblin, Timothy Hamblin, James Hamblin, John Hamblin, and Jabez Hamblin – complaint of William Bassett of Barnstable for theft of goods.
- 1752 – Wharf deed, Rendezvous Creek, Barnstable from Ebenezer Hinckley to Cornelius Crocker.
- 1757 – Benjamin Childs of Barnstable paid debt of four pounds
- 1757 (2) – Benjamin Bursley of Barnstable convicted of profane swearing
- 1761 – Payment to Ephraim Ellis 6 shillings for payment as a grand juror
- 1763 – The County of Barnstable to James Otis for services and expenses as a Committee Man for building a new Court House and selling the old Court House
- 1766 – Receipt for Barnstable Grand Jury signed by Joseph Otis
- 1766 (2)– County of Barnstable to Nathaniel Stone, keeper of his Majesty’s Goals. List of payments to workers.
- 1766 (3) – Account of Nathaniel Stone, Sheriff, County of Barnstable
- 1767 – Account of Nathaniel Stone, Sheriff, County of Barnstable
- 1768 – Account of Joseph Otis, County of Barnstable
- 1769 – Grand Jury, List of Jurors and miles travelled, days served, and amount paid
- 1770 – Account of Nathaniel Stone, Sheriff, County of Barnstable
- 1773 – Inventory in lawful money, of the estate of Allen Jones of Barnstable, Yeoman
- 1774 – Pew deed, East Meeting House, Barnstable, John Gray to Jethro Thacher
- 1777 – Superior Court Grand Jury list and payments

- 1788 – Court held at Barnstable before Daniel Parker, Justice of the Peace regarding James Allyn and John Russell. The defendant is fined as Sheriff for violent acts
- 1788 (2) – Joseph Otis payment of 88 pounds. Signed by Daniel Davis, Justice of the Peace.
- 1794 – Pew deed. Jonas and Mercy Whitman sell to John Bursley a pew in the West Meetinghouse, originally owned by Mary Goodspeed.
- 1802 – Deed from Samuel Huckins to Ebenezer Swift for land in Barnstable
- 1804 – Gauging Bill, Joseph Doane, Brig Vigilant, 13 hogsheads of molasses (1343 gallons), issued by Joseph Otis, Collector, Port of Barnstable.
- 1805 – Covenant against landowner Josiah Fish, for blocking passage along a stretch of road, impeding travel by others. Signed by Benjamin Percival, James Percival, Stephen Fish, James Hoxie, John Ewer, Barnabus Ewer, Silvanus Jones, and others.
- 1806 – Barnstable, Subscribers to purchase a cart road over land belonging to Josiah Fish near Long Pond
- 1807 – Deed, Hannah Bourne of Boston to Adino Hinckley of Barnstable, salt meadow land in Barnstable, Sandy Neck
- 1809 – Pew deed, Nathaniel Jenkins and Asa Jenkins of Barnstable in the West Meetinghouse for \$0 to Lemuel Bursley
- 1809 – Probate will, John Smith of Harwich let \$150 to widow Elizabeth Smith
- 1810 – Auction at the dwelling house of John Easterbrook, late of Barnstable – all contents and land known as Stoney Cove near Mill Creek – proceeds to go to support his children. Also a piece of meadow lands in Yarmouth at a place called Grey's Beach. Also an old chaise.
- 1810 (2) – Appraisal of real estate of Ansel Thomas by appraisers Alden Gifford, James Tobey, and Ellis Howland
- 1811 – Will of Benjamin Higgins presented by Dorcas Higgins, witnessed by Polly Higgins, John Sparrow, and Benjamin Sparrow
- 1811 (2) – Uriah Mayo, plaintiff vs. Zacharius Small. Small says he is not guilty. Signed by Daniel Davis.
- 1811 (3) – Memorandum, John Reno of Yarmouth, Abner Davis of Barnstable, and Joseph Bennett of Falmouth indebted to Zacharius Small of Orleans.
- 1812 – Mathais Smith conveys to his son Isaac Smith his homestead for \$800.
- 1815 – Barnstable, Intention of marriage between James Nickerson of Sandwich and Meribah Anthony of Marshpee (Mashpee).
- 1821 – Pew deed, North East Meetinghouse, East Precinct Barnstable, Prince and Abigail Bearse to Jabez Nye
- 1823 – Probating of will of Susannah Cobb, William Cobb, Executor.
- 1823 (2) – Last will and Testament of Susannah Cobb of Barnstable, single woman
- 1825 – Last will and testament of Joseph Cobb, Barnstable
- 1831 – Pew Deed, Methodist Episcopal Church, Barnstable, John Bassett to Jabez Nye
- 1848 – List of parishioners of the Methodist Episcopal Church, Barnstable, who donated money or labor to build a suitable parsonage

FOLDER 5: CHATHAM

LEGAL AND FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS 1716-1848

- No date. Account of sales of sundries, personal estate belonging to the late Thomas Howes of Chatham.
- 1700 -- Barbery Godfrey, single woman of Chatham and Jeff(?) Eldredge, oath before Joseph Doane, Justice of the Peace, accusing her of being with child out of wedlock and charged with fornication. Also, Joseph? Doane and Bette his wife, both of Chatham, charged with fornication and having a child out of wedlock prior to their marriage.
- 1708 -- (Damaged document -- partially unreadable). Regarding the difficulty of dividing land among heirs (Collins, Eldredge and Howes), some of whom are deceased and others under age. Signed by James Otis Judge of Probate.
- 1713/1 -- A description of the 5th lot in the 5th division of Chatham recorded by the proprietor's clerk Joseph Doane.
- 1744 -- William Foye, Treasurer General of His Majesty's Province of Massachusetts Bay orders John Rider, Constable or Collector of Chatham, to collect 76 pounds 2 shillings, 11 pence in taxes
- 1768 -- Chatham. Subscribers being lawfully chosen to divide the term in quarters in order to provide schooling.
- 1789 -- Chatham. To Ames Nickerson from Joseph Atwood regarding payment for wages for "his" black boy Nathan, for accompanying Nickerson to Boston.
- 1809 -- Acknowledgement of shipment of codfish by Enoch Howes. Signed by Joseph Atwood, Schooner Traveller in the Port of Chatham bound for Sardinia.
- 1810 -- Joseph Atwood of Chatham appointing Sears Atwood to serve as his attorney.
- 1817 -- Pew deed. Meeting house in Chatham. Jonathan Hamblin to Joseph Atwood.
- 1817 (2) -- Bill of sale. Joseph Atwood of Chatham to Sears Atwood, a portion of the Schooner Traveller,
- 1820 -- Pew deed. Prince Young and Jerusha Young, his wife, of Chatham, to Joseph Atwood, a pew in the Congregational Meetinghouse in Chatham.
- 1820 (2) -- Pew deed. Chatham Meetinghouse. Samuel Collins of Danvers to Capt. Isaac Hardy of Chatham.
- 1828 -- An act to incorporate the proprietors of Chatham Academy.
- 1829 -- Land auction. William Myrick, auctioneers. Includes conditions of sale and list of properties. Purchasers included Thomas Mayo, Ensign Eldredge, David Eldredge, and Ezra Nickerson.
- 1831 -- Pew deed. John Seabury of Chatham to Sears Atwood for pew in the Meetinghouse.
- 1831(2) -- Pew deed. John Seabury of Chatham to Joseph Atwood. Pew in the meetinghouse.
- 1833 -- Agreement to finish building a stove for Joseph Atwood by David Taylor, Joseph Mayo, Ebenezer Paine, and Thomas Higgins Jr.
- 1834 -- Ship deed -- Ephraim and Annie Lombard of Boston to Edward Kendrick Jr. of Chatham, ¼ part of Brig Cervantes.
- 1848 -- Pew deed. Methodist Episcopal Meetinghouse. Samuel Ryder, Warren Rogers, and Benjamin F. Eldredge of Chatham and Harwich, Committee of the Methodist's Meetinghouse

FOLDER 6: EASTHAM

LEGAL AND FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS 1677-1871

- 1677 – True Copy of document noting that the meado(w) on _____ Island in Eastham was divided and lotted out
- 1677(2) – True copy of will of Joseph Rogers of Eastham. I do give my daughter, Elizabeth Higgins, wife of Jonathan Higgins, 6 acres of land.
- 1703 – Address of the “indians of the Township of Eastham” who voluntarily submit to be protected as loyal subjects of the Crown and to abandon idolatry and superstition.
- 1703(2) – Land agreement, Town of Eastham. Granted to John Freeman and Jonathan Higgins.
- 1705 – Thomas Cole, Jonathan Knowles, and Nicholas Snow, arbitrators in dispute between partners concerning a whale and harpooner
- 1706 – (copied from the original in 1896). John Smith Sr. of Eastham has given to John Mayo power of attorney to recover his rights in lands. John Smith allows John Mayo half of the money on the land.
- 1713 – Town of Eastham at a Town meeting granted land to Joseph Sparrow.
- 1720 – Sheriff, County of Barnstable, complaint made by John ____ (Done?) (Jones?) Esq. of Eastham. His Indian servant Moses Ralph late of Harwich left his master’s service without leave or asking license of reasonable cause. Sheriff to find him and bring him to Joh Bacon so he can deliver him back to his master.
- 1729 – Probate record for the estate of Thomas Mayo.
- 1734 – Copy of will of Samuel Mayo.
- 1737 – Eleazer Rogers please to give leave that George may cart the rest of my wood over your land. From Timothy Cole.
- 1743 – Joseph Doane of Eastham testifies that he and William Gray were riding from Samuel Down’s house to Barnstable. Road encumbered by boughs.
- 1754 – Ebenezer Rogers to William Taylor – goods sold (powder, coffee, nails, grain, etc.)
- 1755 – South Proprietors of Eastham – parcels of land changing hands and voted on for recording.
- 1757 – Joshua Higgins Jr. and Joshua Higgins III concerning the sale of Schooner Mayflower to Ebenezer Rogers.
- 1758 – Indenture agreement between Desire Doane of Eastham, widow of Joseph Doane, and Margery Pompmo, Indian woman, for indenture of son John Pompmo.
- 1760 – Bill of sale, Schooner Mayflower, from Samuell (Samuel) Knowles of Eastham to Eleazer Rogers.
- 1764 – Widow Hannah Sparrow sells a small parcel of meadow land in Eastham to Nathaniel Gould
- 1764 (2) – Will of Joseph Cole of Eastham, leaving his property to his sons
- 1766 – Receipt. Received of Gershom Cole, Executor to the estate of Joseph Cole, for witnessing Mr. Cole’s will.
- 1766 (2) – Expense list / account of Gershom Cole, sole executor to the last will and testament of Joseph Cole, late of Eastham.
- 1767 – Obligation for payment by Zaccheus Higgins Jr., Joshua Higgins, and William Higgins to Ruth Higgins, Widow of Joshua Higgins, late of Eastham, Sarah Rogers,

widow, Eleazer Rogers and Ruth his wife, Hannah Higgins and Rachel Higgins, spinsters, and Edmund Higgins and Esther his wife.

- 1770 – Probate document, Solomon Sparrow of Eastham, appointed guardian of Jabez Sparrow, a minor son to Jonathan Sparrow, late of Eastham. (Note: Signed by James Otis, Esq., Judge of the Probate of Wills)
- 1770 (2) – Probate document, Solomon Sparrow of Eastham, appointed guardian of Lois Sparrow, a minor daughter to Jonathan Sparrow, late of Eastham. (Note: Signed by James Otis, Esq., Judge of the Probate of Wills)
- 1774 – Meeting of the proprietors of the south precinct of Eastham to rectify an error in the books of records regarding the bounds of a piece of meadow land.
- 1776 – Request notifying John Gould of Eastham to give evidence that he knows of Gideon Baty’s selling or using tea or of his depres_____? paper money. (Owning tea or using paper money were illegal acts against Great Britain.)
- 1778 – A meeting of the proprietors (Thomas Rogers, Benjamin Higgins, _____?, Gershom Cole and Reuben Cole), of the south part of Eastham to review the fencing of a meadow.
- 1778 (2) – Levy and collect taxes by January 1779, signed Amos Knowles, William Myrick, and Barnabas Freeman of Eastham.
- 1782 – John Yates selling Eastham swamp land to John Gould.
- 1782 (2) – Desire Bangs, Administratrix of the goods and estate of Richard A. Morrison of Eastham, to Samuel Higgins.
- 1783 – Bryan Martin of Eastham appoints Eliakim Higgins to sell a parcel of woodland.
- 1787 – Abigail Rogers must appear in court, charged with owing Mercy Cole money.
- 1787 (2) – Ruth Rogers must appear in court, charged with owing Mercy Cole money.
- 1789 – Mast will and testament of Eliakim Higgins of Eastham.
- 1790 – Jonathan Mayo received from Eliakim Higgins a sum of money for ¼ of a windmill.
- 1794 – Mary Snow, widow of Nathaniel Snow, agreed with her sons Doane and Nathaniel, to spilt estate into thirds and Nathaniel will care for her.
- 1797 – Deed for one-half of Schooner Polly, Thomas Arey to James Gould.
- After 1803 – A description of Acts (, 1639, 1693, 1713, 1787, 1803) related to the authorization of Selectmen to lay out private ways and Town ways and to do no damage to any person without recompense.
- 1832 – To land agent in Boston – lawyer to draw for the land that Seth Knowles – deceased – was entitled to for serving in the American Revolution and determining if land goes to heir.
- 1871 – Pew deed to Nehemiah Smith for a pew in the meetinghouse in Eastham.

FOLDER 7: HARWICH

LEGAL AND FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS 1720-1861

- No date. Inventory of the estate of Stephen Nickerson Jr.
- No date – Draft of the lands sold by Simon Indian , Josiah Cooke at Potammaquit (?)
- 1708 – Land sold by Thomas.
- Freeman to John Rogers bearing the date April 1708 with note “now in possession of Eleazere Rogers).

- 1716 – Last will and testament of Thomas Freeman of Harwich (later Brewster), leaving his worldly goods to his wife Rebecka (Rebecca) and son Thomas.
- 1717 – Will of Quequequansett of Harwich, an Indian man. (Copied from the Probate records by Josiah Paine.) Note reads that Quequequansett was also called William Stockman.
- 1726 – William Chase appeared before the Inferior Court of Harwich for non-payment to Ebenezer Bacon.
- 1726 (2) – Non-payment of debt by William Chase of Harwich and Ebenezer Bacon.
- 1727 – Eleazer Rogers of Harwich bound (in debt) to Hannah Cole, Mary Cole, and Sarah Cole
- 1741 – Harwich. James Walker to apprentice to Paul Sears? (or Lewis) as a cooper.
- 1742 – Harwich. Obligation of Hezekiah Doane bound to Thomas Freeman for payment of 100 pounds.
- 1746 – Articles of Agreement. Richard Atteman, an Indian, died intestate, and “we whose names are here-unto annexed being his lawful heirs.” Heirs include wife Esther and daughter Esther.
- 1747 – Deed, Josiah Swift to Joseph Ellis, his homestead farm in Harwich.
- Circa 1747/8 – Will of Ephraim Covell of Harwich, 1677-1748, leaving property to daughter Mary Burgess.
- 1754 – Land deed. Chillingsworth Foster Jr. to Benjamin Bearse, land in the South Precinct of Harwich.
- 1754 (2) – Copy (in Stanley Smith’s handwriting). Indenture for Hannah Lubba (Luba), age six, daughter to Jane Lubba (Luba) a poor widow woman not able to support herself and her family. Child indentured to Benjamin Cobb of Harwich.
- 1755 – Copy (in Stanley Smith’s handwriting). Indenture for Thankful Lubba (Luba), age 5 and three months, whose father is dead and her mother not able to support herself and family. Child indentured to Watson Freeman of Harwich.
- 1755 (2) – Land dispute of Thomas Freeman of Harwich.
- 1757 – Copy. Dated at Harwich. Document drafted by “Indian Natives” regarding rights to their lands, may of the Nation at War against the French and Indians, many died leaving squaws and the elderly. Billingsgate Point in Eastham in question. Signed or marked by Isaac James, Joshua Ralph, Joshua Jethro, James Oliver, John Ralph, John Ralph Jr., David Quansitt, Thomas Ralph, Samuel Crook, and Amos Lawrence. (Appears to be a copy of a document held at the State Archives, Volume 33, State Papers, 4 vol. Indian Papers.)
- 1758 – Obligation. Eleazer Rogers Jr. is bound to care for Eleazer Rogers and his wife Martha Rogers of Harwich.
- 1760 – Obligation. Eleazer Rogers is bound to Nathan Bassett of Chatham and Thomas Chase of Yarmouth, laborers.
- 1760 (2) – Martha Rogers, widow of Eleazer Rogers, received a bond stipulating that her son must meet bond obligations.
- 1762 – Warrant. Requirement to levy and collect taxes performed by the Constables of Harwich in the name of the King.
- 1766 – Accounting of funds received of Kenelm Winslow.

- 1769 – Harwich probate document mentions Jonathan Kenwick (?) and Myricks (?) Hopkins.
- 1772 – Harwich. Deed. Elijah, Abigail, Nathanael, and Hannah Snow give their brother Osbron (Osborn) Snow a quitclaim deed to a piece of swamp land.
- 1772 (2) -- Appraisal of items from the estate of John Gould (?) including clothing, wooden ware, furniture, etc.
- 1772 (3) – Obligation between Prence (Prince) Freeman Jr. to Nathaniel Freeman. Of Harwich.
- 1773 – Land agreement between Nathaniel Smith and his son John for a parcel in Harwich. This is an 1896 copy of a 1773 document.
- 1775 – Probate document to John Smith of Harwich upon the death of his father Nathaniel Smith. Signed by James Otis.
- 1779 – John Cahoon of Harwich, last will and testament.
- 1780 – Indenture. Benjamin Lincoln to apprentice to Seth Lincoln for 14 years.
- 1782 – Bond. Osborn Snow and Elijah Snow.
- 1786 – Document regarding school funding in Harwich, appointing Thomas Freeman to call a meeting of the Town to look into the matter. Signed by numerous local men.
- 1787 – Petition to the Commonwealth to authorize the Selectmen of the Town of Harwich to sell a piece of land and use the proceeds to support Jane Quoye during her lifetime and any remainder after her death be used to support of any other poor Indian or Indians in the Town as the Selectmen judge to be necessary.
- 1794 – Letter to Levi Rogers and heirs of Eleazer Rogers from _____ Freeman regarding his visit with the Widow Stone, who wishes him to pay what is owed on the bond.
- 1799 – James Snow, son of Edward Snow, consents to be apprentice to Benjamin Small until 1810. Payment of \$25.20 with interest agreed upon.
- 1799 (2) – Edward Snow binds to his son James Snow as apprentice to Benjamin Small.
- 1801 – Benjamin Small Jr. conveys a portion of a pew in the South Parish Meetinghouse of Benjamin Small and heirs for \$25.
- 1805 – Jesse and Seth Cahoon and Eli Small price the estate of William Cahoon.
- 1806 – Harwich. Benjamin Small appoints Eli Small as his attorney.
- 1807 – Harwich. Eli Smith paid Patience Crowell for household goods.
- 1809 – Probate Court document to Elizabeth Smith regarding estate of the late John Smith.
- 1810 – Account of land sales from the estate of the late John Smith.
- 1812 – Harwich. Pew deed for the Methodist Meetinghouse William Eldredge to Eli Small.
- 1812 (2) – James and Eli Small paid Tibida Small \$70 for a pew.
- 1813 – James Wickson (Wixon) of Attleborough grants Eli Small of Harwich power of attorney.
- 1814 – Harwich. Moses Small should be exempt from military duty because of a leg injury. Signed by Nathaniel Hopkins, registered surgeon.
- 1814 (2) – Eli Small appoints Eldridge Small as his attorney.
- 1818 – Harwich. Quit claim deed. Joseph Godfrey to Elnathan Eldredge.
- 1819 – Agents for the North district of Harwich to meet about building a school house.

- 1822 – Andrew Clark of Harwich appointed trustee for Elizabeth Smith in the estate of John Smith.
- 1826 – Probate document for Andrew Clark of Harwich in the matter of the late Mercy Snow.
- 1831 – Notification that those who qualify can vote for Town officers, Lieutenant Governor, Governor Counsellor, and to vote on articles.
- 1831 (2) – From Selectman to surveyors of highways, assigning road repairs within certain parameters.
- 1836 – Deed pew, Methodist Meetinghouse. James Long to Eli Small.
- 1840 – Articles belonging to the estate of Eliakim Higgins signed by Sarah Higgins. (Two pages)
- 1841 – Summons. Pliny B. Small of Harwich v. Nathan Dillingham, plaintiff. Sherrif to attach goods and estate of Pliny B. Small to value of \$300.
- 1841 (2) – Harwich. Thomas Kendrick sold schooner “The Sun” (1/16 share) to J. Small of Brewster.
- 1842 – Bill of sale, Aaron Small to Eli Small, 70 bushels of corn, 5 tons of hay, horse barn, and horse.
- 1844 – Harwich. Children of Edward Smalley acknowledge receipt of \$75 each as stipulated in his will.
- 1849 – Harwich. Pew deed in the Methodist Episcopal Meetinghouse. To Eldredge Small and Francis Cahoon.

FOLDER 8: ORLEANS

LEGAL AND FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS 1677-1871

- 1790 – Orleans. Received from Ely Small \$3.55 for a suit against him by Solomon Sparrow.
- 1797 – Report of the Surveyor for the Town of Orleans regarding roads and ways, signed by Selectmen Hezekiah Higgins and Judah Rogers.
- 1798 – Estate of Gould Linnell of Orleans, leaving possessions to John Gould.
- 1800 – Sums on money received of Eliakim Higgins of Orleans, deceased, and his widow Barshabe Higgins, deceased. Signed by William Crosby and Abner Freeman.
- 1801 – Pew deed for one eighth of a pew to _____ Higgins by Prince Rogers.
- 1803 – Orleans. Received from Thomas Higgins, payment for wood land near Silvanus Higgins.
- 1808 – Money owed by Uriah Linnell for farming chores (plowing, hoeing, carting, etc.)
- 1811 – Barnstable Sheriff. Order to attach goods or estate of Zacheus Small of Orleans for \$200 and bring him before the Court of Common Pleas, case brought by Uriah Mayo for a property rights dispute over land in Orleans.
- 1811 (2) – Court case / land dispute between Urian Mayo of Orleans and Zacheus Small of Orleans for land in Orleans.
- 1814-1818 – Two requests for money on one sheet of paper.
 - 1814-1818 – Orleans – Due to me (unknown person) from Elnathan Eldredge for mowing
 - 1817 – Request by Gamaliel Chase to Thomas Robings for money owed to him.

- 1816 – Orleans. Received of Theophilus Mayo \$140 for ¼ part of a mill by James Rogers.
- 1820 – To the Sheriff, commanded to attach the estate of Shubail Rogers and summon him to court for nonpayment to Isaiah Kendricks.
- 1820 (2) – Orleans Probate Court appointing Jonathan Freeman as Administrator of the estate of Edmund Freeman, who died intestate. Signed by Judge John Davis of Barnstable.
- 1820 (3) – Indenture between Uriah Mayo of Orelans, guardian of his grandson Ira Mayo, who will apprentice as a house carpenter to Richard Sparrow of Provincetown.
- 1823 – Johnathan Freeman, Administrator for the estate of Edward Freeman of Orleans, is granted license to sell personal real estate. Signed by Judge John Davis of Barnstable.
- 1825 – Orleans. Power of Attorney transferred from Martha Higgins to James Higgins.
- 1825 (2) – Judah Higgins of Orleans is commanded to appear in court to face the judgement against him for \$120 by Barnabus _____?
- 1825 (3) – Subscribers request that the Selectmen of the Town of Orleans improve the west shores of the Town as usual, and “turning down horses and ____ cattle, the same being put under a proper watch.”
- 1825 (4) – Jabez Sparrow of Orleans grants Seth Doane his pew in the East Meetinghouse in Orleans.
- 1826 – An inventory of the Widow’s Thirds set off by the subscribers from the real estate of Benjamin Higgins, including land and windmill.
- 1827 – To Selectmen. Request to insert into warrant for next annual meeting to limit the number of retailers of spirits and tavern keepers, and ensure that they are morally upstanding and pious.
- 1828 – Pew deed. John and Abigail Snow of Brewster and John Grozier of Truro to Daniel Comings of half a pew in the Orleans Meeting House.
- 1829 – Pew deed. From Gideon Snow, Clerk of the Congregational Society in Orleans, to Abigail Doane, for a pew in the Congregational Meetinghouse in Orleans.
- 1829 (2) – Pew deed. From Gideon Snow, Clerk of the Congregational Society in Orleans to Samuel Higgins, for a pew in the Congregational Meetinghouse in Orleans.
- 1829 (3) – Pew deed. From Gideon Snow, Clerk of the Congregational Society in Orleans to Freeman Hopkins, for a pew in the Congregational Meetinghouse in Orleans.
- 1829 (4) – Pew deed. Elisha Hopkins to Asa Hopkins for two pews in the Baptist Meeting House in Orleans.
- 1830 – Pew deed. From Gideon Snow, Clerk of the Congregational Society in Orleans to Israel Rogers, for a pew in the Congregational Meetinghouse in Orleans.
- 1830 (2) – Pew deed. From Gideon Snow, Clerk of the Congregational Society in Orleans to Thomas Higgins, for a pew in the Congregational Meetinghouse in Orleans.
- 1830 (3) – Pew deed. From Gideon Snow, Clerk of the Congregational Society in Orleans to Thomas Freeman, for a pew in the Congregational Meetinghouse in Orleans.
- 1831 – Condition of Sale for sale of real estate and goods. Simeon Higgins, Lewis Doane, Isaac Doane, Abner Mayo, John Doane, Isaac Seabury, S. Comings, J Higgins, etc.
- 1831 (2) – Probate, Orleans. Will of James Higgins, deceased. Judge orders executor Thomas Higgins to pay off debts.

- 1831 (3) – List of property of James Higgins, deceased, to be sold at auction to pay debts.
- 1835 – Orleans. Thomas Higgins pays to Jesse Smith \$18-\$25 for 18 ¼ days' work on the scow.
- 1838 – Pew deed. Orleans. Olive Smith and Joel Snow to Mary Smith of Orleans in the Methodist-Episcopal Meeting House.
- 1839 – Real estate left to Thomas Higgins, left to him by his mother Sarah Higgins and her husband, including land formerly owned by John Sparrow and Sarah Knowles.
- 1839 (2) – Orleans. Received of Thomas Higgins the sum of thirty dollars for keeping Phebe Jarvis for one year. Signed Sarah Jarvis.
- 1839 (3) – Probate of last will and testament of Eliakim Higgins.
- 1840 – Receipt for payment to the heirs of Widow Sarah Jarvis (Nabby, Sarah, and Sylvia Jarvis) by Thomas Higgins.
- 1841 – Probate for Elizabeth Higgins of Orleans. Insufficient funds to pay off debts.
- 1841 (2) – Probate – Thomas Higgins Administrator for Elizabeth Higgins outlining her debts.
- 1846 – Pew Deed. Franklin Rogers to Herman Cole in the Congregational Meeting-house in Orleans.
- 1874 – Deed for peat swamp land in Orleans. Warren Rogers and Freeman Rogers to Eleazer Rogers of Orleans.