

Guide to the Whitcomb, Chase, and Parker Family Papers, 1793-1937

Administrative Information

Title and Dates:

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Creator:

Chase, William, 1753-1816
Parker, Nathaniel, circa 1806-1857
Whitcomb, Oliver Patch, 1847-1937

Language:

The materials in this collection are in English.

Extent:

4 boxes ; 1.6 linear feet

Abstract:

The bulk of the collection pertains to the Oliver Patch Whitcomb family. He was a Civil War veteran and the collection contains records of his service. The family, beginning with the Chase family, has a long history in the town of Troy, NH, and Richmond, NH. The collection of glass-plate negatives provides images of the Troy area, as well as supposed family members.

Access and Use

Acquisition Information and Provenance:

The Whitcomb, Chase, and Parker Family Papers were a gift from Janet E. Merritt in 2010. Ms. Merritt is the granddaughter of Oliver Patch Whitcomb. Included in her gift was documentation of the genealogical research Merritt had done on the family.

Processing Information:

The collection was processed by Suzanne Huggard in 2010. The finding aid was written by Suzanne Huggard in 2010 and updated by Katelynn Vance in October 2014. This finding aid follows the standards set forth by *Describing Archives: A Content Standard*.

Access Restrictions:

Available for research.

Location:

The collection is housed at the New Hampshire Historical Society in Concord, New Hampshire.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements:

The paper based materials in this collection have no special technical requirements for use. The glass plate negatives require permission from the librarian on staff for use and should be used with supervision. The negatives require gloves for handling and a lightbox for viewing.

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Collection Overview

Biographical Information:

Oliver Patch Whitcomb was born November 10, 1847 at Richmond, NH, the son of Jacob and Samantha (Chase) Whitcomb. At Troy on November 18, 1867, he married Ellen Parker, daughter of Nathaniel and Eliza (Whitcomb) Parker. Ellen was born at Troy on December 24, 1846. Their children were Frank A. born August 13, 1868; Nettie Isabel born 1875; Edith Judith born November 5, 1877; Jennie E. born November 10, 1880; and James Edwin born October 5, 1888. Oliver was a farmer. Ellen died at Troy on March 26, 1917. Oliver died there November 3, 1937.

William Chase was born September 8, 1753 at Gloucester, RI, the son of Peleg and Mary (Case) Chase. William married Rhoda Westcot on March 9, 1781 at Richmond, NH. She was born at Richmond on November 19, 1761, the daughter of James and Hannah (Horton) Westcot. William and Rhoda had: Mary born 1781, Royal born 1783, William born 1785, Hannah born 1787,

James and Mathilda (twins), Peleg born 1792, Dickens born 1800, and Elnathan. William died March 7, 1816 at New Chester, NY. Rhoda died after 1843 in Pennsylvania.

Nathaniel Parker, son of Daniel and Jennie (Cochran), was born about 1806, perhaps in Waitsfield, VT. On November 12, 1834 at Troy, NH, he married Eliza Whitcomb, daughter of Zopher and Mehetable (Tenney) Whitcomb, born 1805 at Marlboro, NH. They had three children: Hamilton born 1836, Minerva born 1838, and Ellen born 1846. Eliza died June 28, 1848. Nathaniel married her sister Nancy on October 16, 1848. Nathaniel died at Troy on October 30, 1857; Nancy died there on September 16, 1882.

Collection Scope and Content Note:

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Arrangement:

The materials in this collection are arranged by surname.

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Subject Terms

People:

Austin, Sarah Whitcomb, 1837-1901
Chase, Esther Ballou, 1818-1862
Chase, William, 1753-1816
Eastman, Nettie Whitcomb, 1875-1937
Parker, Nathaniel, circa 1806-1857
Pratt, Judie Whitcomb, 1845-1873
Streeter, Jennie E. Whitcomb, 1839-1923
Whitcomb family
Whitcomb, Ellen Parker, 1846-1917
Whitcomb, Jacob Jr., 1813-1855
Whitcomb, James Edwin, 1888-1981
Whitcomb, Jennie E., 1880-1956
Whitcomb, Mary Ella, 1852-1936
Whitcomb, Oliver Patch, 1847-1937
Whitcomb, Samantha Chase, 1814-1907

Subjects:

Account books
Correspondence
Deeds
Diaries
Genealogy

Locations:

Richmond, NH
Troy, NH

Related Materials

Archives

Samantha Whitcomb, Letter and Photographs, 2002.067 (m)
Esther Chase, Receipts, 1968.010 (m)