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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Levi Woodbury Family Papers

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**Summary:** Correspondence, diaries, speeches and writings, financial and legal papers, genealogical notes, autograph collections, scrapbooks, clippings, and other papers chiefly of Levi Woodbury and also of his son, Charles Levi Woodbury, and other family members.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

### People

Anne, Queen of Great Britain, 1665-1714--Correspondence.

Bancroft, George, 1800-1891--Correspondence.

Barnes, Isaac O.

Benton, Thomas Hart, 1782-1858--Correspondence.

Blair, Montgomery, 1813-1883.

Cahoone, John. John Cahoone journal. 1829.

Charles II, King of England, 1630-1685--Correspondence.

Clapp, Asa W. H. (Asa William Henry), 1805-1891.

Clapp, Asa, 1762-1848.

Eastman, Nehemiah, 1782-1856.

Fox, Gustavus Vasa, 1821-1883. Gustavus Vasa Fox papers.

Fox, Virginia L. Woodbury Virginia L. Woodbury Fox correspondence and diary.

Hancock, John, 1737-1793--Correspondence.

Helferstein, John--Correspondence.

Hill, Isaac, 1789-1851--Correspondence.

Hoyt, Jesse--Correspondence.

Hubbard, Henry, 1784-1857--Correspondence.

Jackson, Andrew, 1767-1845--Correspondence.

Jackson, Andrew, 1767-1845.

Morse, Samuel Finley Breese, 1791-1872.

Pearce, Dutee Jerould, 1789-1849--Correspondence.

Putnam, William L. (William Le Baron), 1835-1918--Correspondence.

Rantoul, Robert, 1805-1852--Correspondence.

Rives, William C. (William Cabell), 1793-1868--Correspondence.

Rush, Richard, 1780-1859--Correspondence.

Steele, George Washington, 1839-1922--Correspondence.

Taylor, Mary A.

Van Buren, Martin, 1782-1862--Correspondence.

Van Buren, Martin, 1782-1862.

West, Nathaniel, 1794-1864--Correspondence.

White, Campbell Patrick, 1787-1859--Correspondence.  
Woodbury family.  
Woodbury, Charles H. (Charles Howe)--Correspondence.  
Woodbury, Charles Levi, 1820-1898. Charles Levi Woodbury papers.  
Woodbury, Ellen C. D. Q. (Ellen Carolina De Quincy), -1909.  
Woodbury, Gordon, 1863- --Correspondence.  
Woodbury, Levi, 1789-1851.  
Woodbury, Levi, active 1780-1781. Levi Woodbury logbooks. 1780-1781.  
Wright, Silas, 1795-1847--Correspondence.

### **Organizations**

Bank of the United States (1816-1836)  
United States. Congress. Senate.  
United States. Department of the Treasury.  
United States. Navy Department.  
United States. Navy--History.  
Vigilant (Ship)

### **Subjects**

Bank deposits.  
Currency question--United States.  
Customs administration--United States.  
Elections--United States--19th century.  
Finance, Public--United States.  
Financial crises--United States--19th century.  
Fisheries--Canada.  
Fisheries--United States.  
Indians of North America--Treaties.  
Presidents--United States--Election.  
Public lands--United States--19th century.  
Public prosecutors--Massachusetts--Boston.  
Seizure of vessels and cargoes.  
Telegraph--Patents.

### **Places**

New Hampshire--Politics and government--1775-1865.  
United States--Politics and government--19th century.

### **Titles**

*Treaty of Washington (1871 May 8)*

### **Occupations**

Cabinet officers.  
Governors--New Hampshire.  
Judges.  
Justices, U.S. Supreme Court.  
Lawyers.  
Senators, U.S. Congress--New Hampshire.

## **Provenance**

The papers of Levi Woodbury (1789-1851), lawyer, judge, governor of New Hampshire, United States Senator, secretary of the navy, secretary of the treasury, and Supreme Court justice, along with those of his son, Charles Levi Woodbury (1820-1898), lawyer, were presented to the Library of Congress between 1929 and 1972 by Gist Blair, Edith Blair Staton, William E. Smith, Robert S. Pace, and others. The Library also purchased materials 1903-1965.

## Related Material

Material related to the Woodbury family is also included in the [Blair Family Papers](#) in the Manuscript Division.

## Copyright Status

Copyright in the unpublished writings of the Levi Woodbury family in these papers and in other collections of papers in the custody of the Library of Congress has been dedicated to the public.

## Access and Restrictions

The papers of the Levi Woodbury family are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

## Microfilm

A microfilm edition of part of these papers is available on forty-four reels. Consult reference staff in the Manuscript Division concerning availability for purchase or interlibrary loan. To promote preservation of the originals, researchers are required to consult the microfilm edition.

## Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Notes

(A [Genealogical table](#) expressing relationship to Levi Woodbury is also available.)

### Levi Woodbury

Date	Event
1789, Dec. 22	Born, Francestown, N.H.
1809	Graduated with honors from Dartmouth College, Hanover, N.H.
1809-1812	Studied law at Litchfield, Conn., Boston, Mass., and Exeter, N.H.
1812	Admitted to the bar and began practicing in Francestown, N.H.
1819	Married Elizabeth W. Clapp; moved to Portsmouth, N.H.
1817-1823	Associate justice, New Hampshire superior court
1823-1824	Governor of New Hampshire
1825	Member, New Hampshire state house of representatives
1825-1831	United States senator
1831	Declined nomination to the New Hampshire state senate
1831-1834	Secretary of the navy
1834-1841	Secretary of the treasury
1838	Declined appointment as chief justice, New Hampshire superior court
1841-1845	United States senator
1845-1851	Associate justice, U.S. supreme court
1851, Sept. 4	Died, Portsmouth, N.H.

## Charles Levi Woodbury

Date	Event
1820, May 22	Born, Portsmouth, N.H.
1831	Moved to Washington, D.C., with family
1840-1845	Practiced law, Ala.
1845	Moved to Boston, Mass., and practiced law
1857	Member, New Hampshire state legislature
1858-1861	United States district attorney for Massachusetts
1870-1871	Member, Massachusetts state legislature
1898, July 1	Died, Boston, Mass.

## Genealogical Table (Relationship to Levi Woodbury)

Barnes, Hannah T. Woodbury	sister
Barnes, Isaac O.	brother-in-law; husband of Hannah T. Woodbury
Blair, Gist	grandson; son of Montgomery and Mary E. Woodbury Blair
Blair, Mary E. [a.k.a. Minna] Woodbury	daughter
Blair, Minna	<a href="#"><u>See Richey, Minna Blair</u></a>
Blair, Montgomery	son-in-law; husband of Mary E. Woodbury
Blair, Montgomery, Jr.	grandson; son of Montgomery and Mary E. Woodbury Blair
Blair, Woodbury	grandson; son of Montgomery and Mary E. Woodbury Blair
Brooks, Frances B. Clapp Olney	sister-in-law; sister of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Brooks, Samuel R.	brother-in-law; second husband of Frances B. Clapp Olney
Brunetti y Gayoso, Virginia W. Lowery, Duchess of Arcos	granddaughter; daughter of Archibald H. & Frances A. Woodbury Lowery
Clapp, Asa G	father-in-law
Clapp, Asa W. H.	brother-in-law; brother of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Clapp, Charles Q.	brother-in-law; brother of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Clapp, Elizabeth W.	<a href="#"><u>See Woodbury, Elizabeth W. Clapp</u></a>
Clapp, Elizabeth W. Quincy	mother-in-law
Clapp, Frances B.	<a href="#"><u>See Brooks, Frances B. Clapp Olney</u></a>
Clapp, Julia M. Dearborn	sister-in-law; wife of Asa W. H. Clapp
Clapp, Julia O. Wingate	sister-in-law; wife of Charles Q. Clapp

Clapp, Mary J. E.	niece; daughter of Asa W. H. and Julia M. Dearborn Clapp
Clapp, Mary J. G.	<a href="#">See Emerson, Mary J. G. Clapp</a>
Clapp, W. H. Emerson	nephew; born Edward C. Emerson, son of Andrew L. and Mary J. G. Clapp Emerson, changed name, 1848
Dearborn, Julia M.	<a href="#">See Clapp, Julia M. Dearborn</a>
Dearborn, Sarah	relationship unknown
Dodge, Harriet Woodbury	sister
Dodge, Perley	brother-in-law; husband of Harriet Woodbury
Eastman, Anstriss B. Woodbury	sister
Eastman, George N.	nephew; son of Nehemiah and Anstriss B. Woodbury Eastman
Eastman, Nehemiah	brother-in-law; husband of Anstriss B. Woodbury
Emerson, Andrew L.	brother-in-law; husband of Mary J. G. Clapp
Emerson, Edward C.	<a href="#">See Clapp, W. H. Emerson</a>
Emerson, Mary J. G. Clapp	sister-in-law; sister of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Fox, Gustavus V.	son-in-law; husband of Virginia L. Woodbury
Fox, Isabel W. Howe	niece; daughter of Luke and Mary Woodbury Howe
Fox, John	nephew-in-law; husband of Mary E. Howe and Isabel W. Howe
Fox, Mary E. Howe	niece; daughter of Adonijah and Mary Woodbury Howe
Fox, Virginia L. Woodbury	daughter
Grimes, Martha Woodbury	sister
Grimes, Mary J. W.	<a href="#">See Morton, Mary J. W. Grimes</a>
Grimes, Thomas	brother-in-law; husband of Martha Woodbury
Guild, Charles F.	nephew of Gustavus V. Fox
Howe, Adonijah	brother-in-law; first husband of Mary Woodbury and brother of Luke Howe
Howe, Isabel W.	<a href="#">See Fox, Isabel W. Howe</a>
Howe, Luke	brother-in-law; second husband of Mary Woodbury and brother of Adonijah Howe

Howe, Mary E.	<a href="#">See Fox, Mary E. Howe</a>
Howe, Mary Woodbury	sister
Kettell, James	husband of Mary Quincy
Kettell, Mary Quincy	maternal aunt of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Lowery, Archibald H.	son-in-law; husband of Frances A. Woodbury
Lowery, Frances A. Woodbury	daughter
Lowery, Virginia W.	<a href="#">See Brunetti y Gayoso, Virginia W. Lowery</a>
Lowery, Woodbury	grandson; son of Archibald H. and Frances A. Woodbury Lowery
Morton, Mary J. W. Grimes	niece; daughter of Thomas and Martha Woodbury Grimes
Olney, Frances B. Clapp	<a href="#">See Brooks, Frances B. Clapp Olney</a>
Olney, Gideon W.	brother-in-law; first husband of Frances B. Clapp
Quincy, Abraham H.	maternal uncle of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Quincy, Charles E.	cousin of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Quincy, Elizabeth W.	<a href="#">See Clapp, Elizabeth W. Quincy</a>
Quincy, Martha	probably a cousin of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Quincy, Mary	<a href="#">See Kettell, Mary Quincy</a>
Richey, Minna Blair	granddaughter; daughter of Montgomery and Mary E. Woodbury Blair
Sheafe, Edmund Q.	a relative of Mrs. Levi Woodbury
Wingate, Julia O.	<a href="#">See Clapp, Julia O. Wingate</a>
Woodbury, Anstriss B.	<a href="#">See Eastman, Anstriss B. Woodbury</a>
Woodbury, Charles H.	nephew; son of Peter P. Woodbury
Woodbury, Charles L.	son
Woodbury, Elizabeth W. Clapp	wife; daughter of Asa G. and Elizabeth W. Quincy Clapp
Woodbury, Ellen C. deQ.	daughter
Woodbury, Frances A.	<a href="#">See Lowery, Frances A. Woodbury</a>
Woodbury, George W.	brother

Woodbury, Gordon	great nephew; grandson of Peter P. Woodbury
Woodbury, Hannah T.	<a href="#">See Barnes, Hannah T. Woodbury</a>
Woodbury, Harriet	<a href="#">See Dodge, Harriet Woodbury</a>
Woodbury, James T.	brother
Woodbury, Jesse	brother
Woodbury, John McG.	relationship unknown
Woodbury, (Captain) Levi	relationship unknown
Woodbury, Luke	cousin
Woodbury, Martha	<a href="#">See Grimes, Martha Woodbury</a>
Woodbury, Mary	<a href="#">See Howe, Mary Woodbury</a>
Woodbury, Mary E. ("Minna")	<a href="#">See Blair, Mary E. Woodbury</a>
Woodbury, Mary Woodbury	mother
Woodbury, Peter	father
Woodbury, Peter P.	brother
Woodbury, Peter T.	nephew; son of Peter P. and Martha Riddle Woodbury
Woodbury, Robert S.	nephew; son of George W. and Martha J. Spiars Woodbury
Woodbury, Virginia L.	<a href="#">See Fox, Virginia L. Woodbury</a>
Woodbury, William R.	nephew; son of Peter P. and Martha RiddleWoodbury
Woodbury, Zebulon	relationship unknown

## Scope and Content Note

The Levi Woodbury Family Papers include correspondence, diaries, speeches and writings, financial and legal papers, genealogical notes, an autograph collection, scrapbooks, clippings, and other material relating to Levi Woodbury (1789-1851), his son, Charles Levi Woodbury (1820-1898), and other family members. The collection spans the period 1638-1914 but is concentrated chiefly in the years 1804-1897. Levi Woodbury's papers, which make up three-fourths of the collection, provide an insider's view of United States policy and politics during the first half of the nineteenth century.

The largest segment of the papers is the [General Correspondence](#) file. A major portion of the file documents Levi Woodbury's cabinet service, especially as secretary of the treasury (1834-1841). The executive branch perspective of Jacksonian policy is clearly evident in the controversy surrounding the Bank of the United States, the removal of deposits, the Specie Circular, and the Panic of 1837 as well as the operation of customs houses and land offices.



Correspondence dealing with national politics also figures prominently in the file. Letters received during Woodbury's cabinet and senatorial years (circa 1824-1845) concern the presidential elections of 1824 and 1828, the nomination of Martin Van Buren in 1836, and the Democrats' loss of the presidency to the Whigs in 1840 and their success in 1844. Most of Woodbury's outgoing correspondence during these years is in the form of letterpress copies which have been segregated as a separate subseries. The copies are of poor quality and are often difficult to interpret. Some of the most informative material consists of letters from around the nation describing local elections and reactions to administration policy.

Significant correspondents include George Bancroft, Thomas H. Benton, John Helfferstein, Isaac Hill, Jesse Hoyt, Henry Hubbard, Andrew Jackson, Dutee J. Pearce, Robert Rantoul, William C. Rives, Richard Rush, Martin Van Buren, Nathaniel West, Campbell B. P. White, and Silas Wright, Jr.

Woodbury's national government service is also documented in memoranda, notes, reports, and speeches in the [Speeches and Writings](#) file; diary entries relating to his years as secretary of the navy, in the [Journals and Diaries](#) file; and in clippings and scrapbooks of clippings in the [Miscellany](#). There is relatively little in the papers pertaining to Woodbury's years on the Supreme Court. His early years as student, lawyer, judge, and governor are covered most completely in the [General Correspondence](#), [Speeches and Writings](#), and [Journals and Diaries](#) files. His memoranda on self examination, personal reflections, and an autobiographical sketch done in 1817 provide insight into his formative years. In addition to Woodbury's diary entries, the [Journals and Diaries](#) file contains a copy of a journal by Captain John Cahoone aboard the *Vigilant* in 1829, ships's logs kept by a Captain Levi Woodbury, 1780-1881, and a lengthy diary kept by Woodbury's daughter, Virginia L. (Woodbury) Fox, 1860-1878.

The [Family Correspondence](#) series and the [Family Papers: Administrative and Financial File](#) contain material written by or relating to Woodbury's extended family. The most numerous and important letters in the Family Correspondence are those exchanged by Woodbury and his wife. Woodbury's letters, many of which are in draft form, are concerned with personal, family and political matters and cover much of his courtship and married life. Also important in these files are letters written by Isaac Barnes, Montgomery Blair (mostly to Charles L. Woodbury), Asa G. Clapp, Asa W.H. Clapp, Nehemiah Eastman, Virginia L. (Woodbury) Fox (mostly to C. L. Woodbury), Charles L. Woodbury, Elizabeth W. (Clapp) Woodbury, and Ellen C. deQ. Woodbury (mostly to C. L. Woodbury). A folder of general correspondence of Gustavus V. Fox, assistant secretary of the navy, 1861-1865, is also present, although most of the correspondence postdates his government service.

The [Genealogical Notes](#) series consists chiefly of notes on the Woodbury and related families. Largely the work of Charles L. Woodbury and his sister, Ellen, the notes probably provided the basis of Charles Woodbury's *Genealogical Sketches of the Woodbury Family: Its Inter marriages and Connections*, published posthumously and edited by Ellen C. deQ. Woodbury (Manchester, N.H., John B. Clarke Co., 1904).

The [Miscellany](#) series includes an autograph collection compiled by Charles L. Woodbury and others, two Indian treaties (1713 and 1717), contemporary copies of letters from Charles II and Queen Anne, and a letter from John Hancock to his wife regarding Congress's imminent flight from Philadelphia (1777). Copies of documents retained by the donors are inserted in the collection. Letters addressed to Levi Woodbury and once a part of this autograph collection have been interfiled in the [General Correspondence](#) file. The Miscellany series also contains biographical material on Levi Woodbury, including a memoir by his son (1881), and on Charles L. Woodbury, naval documents from the papers of Gustavus V. Fox dealing with fiscal matters and contracts (1847-1850), declarations of the crew of the *Lillias* (1860), and a report on the "Naval Defence of Sweden" (1867); appointments and citations; and printed material.

The papers of [Charles L. Woodbury](#) contain his [general correspondence](#), [subject files](#), and [speech and writings files](#). Two scrapbooks and clippings associated with Charles L. Woodbury are filed among the [Miscellany](#). Of primary interest in these papers is material relating to the United States- Canadian fisheries dispute of the 1880s. Letters, notes, and clippings document the seizure of various United States vessels and Woodbury's legal work directed toward modification of the Washington Treaty of 1871. There is also material case related to Samuel F. B. Morse's telegraph patent and on matters relating to the estate of Mary A. Taylor. Civil dockets of Woodbury's years as United States district attorney for Massachusetts are also present. The remainder of his papers contain drafts and notes of articles and speeches. Correspondents include William L. Putnam, George Steele, Charles H. Woodbury, and Gordon Woodbury. Although the last two mentioned are relatives, their letters, aside from two by Gordon Woodbury, have not been placed in the [Family Correspondence](#) series, since they deal primarily with business matters.

## Organization of the Papers

The collection is arranged in nine series:

- [Journals and Diaries, 1780-1878](#)
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## Description of Series

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**BOX 58-72 REEL 38-44 Miscellany, 1638-1912**

Autograph collection, printed biographical and other material, envelopes, invitations, naval documents, letter fragments, scrapbooks, clippings, appointments and citations, and uncatagorized material.

Arranged by type of material and thereunder chronologically.

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Appointments and citations.

Arranged by name and chronologically thereunder.

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