

Henry Ives Diaries
A Finding Aid to the Collection in the Library of Congress



Manuscript Division, Library of Congress
Washington, D.C.
2014

Contact information: <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.mss/mss.contact>

Catalog Record: <https://lcn.loc.gov/mm2013085794>

Additional search options available at: <https://hdl.loc.gov/loc.mss/eadmss.ms014002>

Prepared by Karen Linn Femia

Finding aid encoded by Library of Congress Manuscript Division, 2014

Collection Summary

Title: Henry Ives Diaries

Span Dates: 1857-1914

ID No.: MSS85794

Creator: Ives, Henry, b. 1830

Extent: 55 items

Extent: 4 containers

Extent: 1.6 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

LC Catalog record: <https://lcn.loc.gov/mm2013085794>

Summary: Bank cashier and Congregational Church member and Sunday school teacher. Annual diaries with some newspaper clippings reporting on news and daily life in Ware, Massachusetts (1857-1867) and New Milford, Connecticut (1867-1914).

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

Ives family.

Ives, Henry, 1830-

Ives, Henry, 1830- --Diaries.

Organizations

East Congregational Church (Ware, Mass.)

First Congregational Church (New Milford, Conn.)

Subjects

Accidents.

Congregational churches--Connecticut.

Congregational churches--Massachusetts.

Fires.

Protestant churches--Connecticut.

Protestant churches--Massachusetts.

Voyages and travels.

Places

Connecticut--History, Local.

Connecticut--Social life and customs.

Massachusetts--History, Local.

Massachusetts--Social life and customs.

New Milford (Conn.)--Genealogy.

New Milford (Conn.)--History.

New Milford (Conn.)--Social life and customs.

Ware (Mass.)--Genealogy.

Ware (Mass.)--History.

Ware (Mass.)--Social life and customs.

Titles

Henry Ives papers

Occupations

Bank cashiers.

Provenance

The diaries of Henry Ives, bank cashier and Congregational Church member and Sunday school teacher, were given to the Library of Congress by James Olinkiewicz in 2013.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Henry Ives is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The diaries of Henry Ives 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.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Henry Ives Diaries, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

Date	Event
1830, May 12	Born, Massachusetts, of Isaac C. Ives and Hannah Fessenden
?-1852	Resident of Lee, Mass.
circa 1848	Student, Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., withdrew due to ill health.
1852-1867	Bank clerk and cashier, Ware, Mass.
1857	Married Lucy Shepard Yale
1867-?	Bank cashier, First National Bank, New Milford, Conn.
1914	Date of the last diary in the collection; continued to reside in New Milford, Conn.

Scope and Content Note

The diaries of Henry Ives (born 1830) span the years 1857-1914. The diaries are in annual volumes with spaces for daily entries. Ives includes some newspaper clippings and records major national events, but most entries report the news and daily life in Ware, Massachusetts (1857-1867), and New Milford, Connecticut (1867-1914), where he worked as a bank cashier. Events described include marriages, deaths, accidents, fires, family events, travels of friends and neighbors, and especially the activities of his churches, the East Congregational Church (Ware, Mass.), the First Congregational Church (New Milford, Conn.), and other local Protestant churches. Ives was deeply involved in his church, serving as a Sunday school teacher among other duties. Also of interest is the detailed accounting at the end of each volume that records cash payments for household goods for the year.

Arrangement of the Papers

The diaries are arranged chronologically.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	Diaries
BOX 1	1857-1872 (16 vols.)
BOX 2	1873-1885 (14 vols.)
BOX 3	1886-1899 (13 vols.)
BOX 4	1900-1914 (12 vols.)