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<p>Name of collection:</p> <p>Bayley, Abner, Diary, 1745</p>	<p>Location:</p> <p>Octavo Volumes "B"</p>
<p>Size of collection:</p> <p>1 octavo volume, 32 pp.</p>	<p>N.U.C. number:</p> <p>N.A.</p>
<p>Finding Aids:</p> <p>None. For a biographical sketch, see Clifford K. Shipton, <u>Sibley's Harvard Graduates</u>, (X: Boston, Mass: Mass. Hist. Soc., 1958), pp. 11-15.</p>	
<p>Source of collection:</p> <p>Purchased from Ethel Parker, 1932.</p>	<p>Copies available:</p> <p>Electrostatic or microfilm copy available subject to limitation.</p>
<p>Collection Description:</p> <p>The Rev. Abner Bayley (1716-1798) was settled in the Congregational Church in Salem, New Hampshire, in January, 1740; he served as minister there until his death in 1798. His career was not remarkable, though he was an aggressive "Old Light" opponent of the revivalism of the Great Awakening.</p> <p>This diary for the year 1745, interleaved in Nathaniel Ames' <u>An Astronomical Diary, or, An Almanack for the Year of Our Lord Christ, 1745</u> (Boston: Printed by John Draper for the Booksellers, 1745), is a line-a-day format, reflecting Bayley's movements and associations. There are references to the siege of Louisbourg of that year, and Bayley's marriage to Mary Richardson Baldwin, March 27, 1745.</p>	