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Manuscript Collections

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**Name of collection:**

American Temperance House (Worcester, Mass.),  
Hotel Register, 1834-1836

**Location:**

Folio volumes "A"

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**Size of collection:**

1 folio volume (230 pp.)

**N.U.C.M.C. number:**

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**Sources of information on collection:**

For information about the American Temperance House, see Caleb A. Wall, Reminiscences of Worcester, 1657-1877 (Worcester: Tyler and Seagrave, 1877) pp. 276-277.

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**Source of collection:**

Unknown

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**Collection description:**

In 1835 Alfred Dwight Foster (1800-1852) converted his house on Main Street in Worcester, Massachusetts, into a hotel. The brick building was known as the "American House" or the "American Temperance House." Among the proprietors were Eleazer Porter ( - ), Richard W. Adams ( - ), Warner Hinds (1790-1873), and others. The building was enlarged and converted into stores in 1857, and was known as "American House Block."

This collection, of one folio volume, consists of the hotel register of the American Temperance House for the period 1834 to 1836. Entries include the name of the guest, date of registration, place of residence, room number, and notations that the guest had paid.