

American Antiquarian Society

Manuscript Collections

Name of collection:

Central Bank (Worcester, Mass.), Business Records,
1830-1864

Location:

Folio volumes "C"

Size of collection:

2 folio volumes, with 3 loose items

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

RLIN id:

Sources of information on collection:

For information on the Central Bank, see Charles Nutt, History of Worcester and Its People (New York: Lewis Historical Publishing Company, 1919), pp. 1008-09

Source of collection:

Gift of Roland E. Howard, 1916

Collection description:

The Central Bank, the second bank in Worcester, Massachusetts, was chartered in 1829 with a capital of \$100,000. The first president was Benjamin Butman (1787-1872), and George Augustus Trumbull (1792-1868) served as cashier from 1829 to 1836. In 1864 the bank received a national charter and became the Central National Bank. In 1903 it passed into the ownership of the Worcester Trust Company.

This collection contains two record books. The first volume, 1830-1864, lists shareholders of the bank and the number of shares they owned. It also records the sale of shares. The second volume, 1834-1838, records the daily transactions of the bank. There are also three loose items, including announcements for examinations of the bank's books.