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MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS

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**NAME OF COLLECTION:**

DeWolf-Lawrence Family, Correspondence, 1785-1843

**LOCATION(S):**

Mss. boxes "D"

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**SIZE OF COLLECTION:**

one manuscript box (93 items)

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**SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON COLLECTION:**

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unknown

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**COLLECTION DESCRIPTION:**

The DeWolf family moved to Nova Scotia after 1755 when the English Governors encouraged New England people to settle there. James DeWolf (1762-1834) was married three times; his second wife, Nancy (Lawrence) DeWolf (1764-1807) was the daughter of Rev. William Lawrence (1723-1780) of Lincoln, Mass. Lawrence was the first minister of the First Congregational Church of Lincoln. James DeWolf's daughter by Nancy DeWolf was Abby Kane (DeWolf) Bartlett (1794-1842), wife of Enoch Bartlett (1779-1860), a Boston merchant and horticulturalist (a collection of whose papers are also at the AAS).

This collection of correspondence includes family letters exchanged between various Massachusetts towns and Liverpool, N.S., from 1785 to 1843. The major correspondents are Nancy (Lawrence) DeWolf writing to her mother, Love (Adams) Lawrence (1725-1820), and Abby Kane (DeWolf) Bartlett writing to her father. The correspondence, filed chronologically, is personal and domestic, mentioning contemporary events only briefly. Also included are the wills of James DeWolfe and Nancy's son, William Smith DeWolf (1802-1843).

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