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Manuscript Collections

<p>Name of collection:</p> <p>Dummerston, Vermont. Social Library. Records, 1808-1855</p>	<p>Location:</p> <p>Filed in Microform Reading Room</p>
<p>Size of collection:</p> <p>1 microfilm reel</p>	<p>N.U.C.M.C. number:</p> <p>N.A.</p>
<p>Finding aids:</p> <p>For information on the town of Dummerston, see Hamilton Child, <u>Gazetter of Windham County, Vt.</u> (Syracuse, N.Y.: Hamilton Child, 1884), pp. 169-83</p>	
<p>Source of collection:</p> <p>Gift of Barrows Mussey, 1967</p>	
<p>Collection Description:</p> <p>The Dummerston, Vermont, Social Library Records, 1808-1855 (one microfilm reel), include rules and regulations, a statement of objectives ("...for the purpose of procuring a Collection of Useful and entertaining Books...") signed by the proprietors, brief minutes of annual meetings, and a variety of lists detailing the operation of the subscription library.</p> <p>The lists include: the book numbering system employed by the library for identification purposes; alphabetized list of borrowers and the books (by number) borrowed; damages to books, i.e., their nature and cost; books not returned and fines charged; a chart of borrowers and books borrowed and returned. There are also treasurer's reports, brief details of new organizational meetings held over the years, and meeting notifications. The volume contains references to the formation of a debating organization at the library. Jason Duncan (-) and Simeon Colbey (-) were among the active members of the Social Library.</p>	

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