

John Bradstreet Papers, 1754-1782

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- #1 De Normandie, Daniel to John Bradstreet, 4 May-30 November 1758. "Account of all monies received and paid for the batteau service by De Normandie under the direction of John Bradstreet," 127 pp.
- #2 Bradstreet, John, [September 1764]. "Notes for Expedition against Detroit," 27 pp. (see also Box 1, Folder #4)

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Bateau and Transport Service Records

This collection of French and Indian War documents was given to the Society in 1846 by Rev. William B. Sprague (See his letter of May 14, 1846, in which he refers to the "large account books of Gen'l Bradstreet"; see also Proc. of A.A.S., 1812-1849, p. 496).

Previously bound in 9 volumes, these Bateau and Transport Service Records were removed, repaired and arranged in chronological order. They now fill one manuscript box and two oversize manuscript boxes.

Records were filed by the action date, i.e., the date actual payment was made or records were authorized. This date appears at the top of each document in pencil. All documents have been interfiled by date with the exception of one series of records. This contains several sections bearing obvious pagination, pp. 1-79. It contains records for November 16, 1758 - April 30, 1759 and is filed separately in Box 1, Folder 4.

Records with most general dates precede other more complete dates. For example, 1761 precedes January 1, 1761. Documents with the same dates are arranged by last name of commanding officer, when the information is provided, and then by inclusive dates of record. Similarly dated documents listing no officers frequently bear series numbers. These serve as basis for arrangement following date. Frequently there are duplicate copies of these records which are filed with the original and were designated "duplicate" when written.

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