

American Antiquarian Society

Manuscript Collections

NAME OF COLLECTION:

Marlborough (Mass.), Records, 1656-1889

LOCATION:

Octavo volumes "M"
Folio volumes "M"
Manuscript boxes "M"

SIZE OF COLLECTION:

10 octavo volumes; 2 folio volumes; 1 manuscript box

SOURCES OF INFORMATION ON COLLECTION:

SOURCE OF COLLECTION:

Gift of C. S. Brigham, 1915

COLLECTION DESCRIPTION:

Marlborough, Middlesex County, Massachusetts is located fifteen miles east, northeast of Worcester, Mass. It was incorporated as a town in 1660 and as a city in 1890.

This collection of local records, covering the period 1659 to 1889, includes Cyrus Felton's (1815-1890) collection of Vital Statistics and Genealogical Registers, and his notes on historical events, all covering the period from mid-seventeenth century through late nineteenth century. Also included are early Marlborough documents, for the period 1741 to 1867; records of town meeting, both original and copies, for the period 1664 to 1827; and surveyor's plans, one of which was drawn by Jonathan Danforth (-) in 1764, the others covering the period from 1805 to 1828. Many pages have been torn from the octavo volumes.

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Octavo Volume

- 1 Cyrus Felton, "Vital Statistics," Vol. I, 1861-1863
--with short section of historical events, and short section of Cyrus Felton accounts
- 2 Cyrus Felton, "Vital Statistics," Vol. II, 1863-1869
--with separate lists of deaths in neighboring towns
- 3 Cyrus Felton, "Vital Statistics," Vol. III, 1870-1882
--with separate lists of births, marriages, and deaths in neighboring towns
- 4 Cyrus Felton, "Vital Statistics," Vol. IV, 1882-1889
--same format as #3
- 4a Cyrus Felton, "Register of Deaths," 1660-1869
--listed chronologically
- 5 Cyrus Felton, "Notes of Historical Events," Vol. I
--includes late 17th century through late 19th century events, listed by month
- 6 Cyrus Felton, "Notes of Historical Events," Vol. II
--same format as #5
- 7 Cyrus Felton, "Notes of Historical Events," Vol. III
--same format as #5
- 7a Cyrus Felton, "A Brief Sketch of the Town of Marlborough, Mass."
--includes original settlement of town through late 19th century, with lists of principal town officers interspersed throughout; half of volume (from back to middle) includes arithmetic problems and definitions
- 8 Cyrus Felton, "Extracts from the Great Book of Town Records," 1657-1746
--with extracts from other sources such as census records, Americans Statistical Association, etc.; includes notes on the settlement of neighboring towns

Folio Volume

- 1 Cyrus Felton, "Genealogical Register of Inhabitants," Vol. I, A-R
--includes original Petitioners, 1656, through late 19th century, with list of marriage, mid-17th century through 1838, at end of volume
- 2 Cyrus Felton, "Genealogical Register of Inhabitants," Vol. II, S-Z
--includes mid-17th century through late 19th century, with addendums, a list of marriages, 1839-1849, and lists of attorneys and physicians

Manuscript Box

- Folder 1 Copies of records of town meetings, including original Proprietors records, copied by Mary E. Spalding (-), and covering the period 1664 to 1806
- Folder 2 Records of town meetings, 1807-1827
- Folder 3 Documents, 1741-1867, including many certificates of Parents consent for marriages of minor children
- Folder 4 Plans of land, 1764 and 1805-1828
- Folder 5 Cyrus Felton, "Vital Statistics"
--six small notebooks of miscellaneous notes