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Collection Overview

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SUMMARY: Correspondence, account books, business papers, and ships' records, relating to the many commercial concerns and shipping ventures Henchman S. Soule and his brothers conducted from New Haven, Connecticut, including world voyages and investments in California gold exploration.

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b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Harvard School of Business Administration May, 1942.

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Biographical / Historical

Henchman S. Soule of New Haven, Connecticut held an extensive shipping business. Ships of which he was a part owner with his brothers, or of which he was agent, traded with many foreign countries, as well as with ports in the United States. Two of his brothers and a nephew were masters of many of the ships. He had many private investments, and was agent for two commercial concerns, the papers of which are with the collection. The California Gold Expedition was one of his ventures.

Henchman S. Soule died in 1859. His papers were given to Yale University Library by the Harvard School of Business Administration in May 1942.

Scope and Contents

Correspondence, account books, business papers, and ships' records, relating to the many commercial concerns and shipping ventures Henchman S. Soule and his brothers conducted from New Haven, Connecticut, including world voyages and investments in California gold exploration.

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	Business papers	
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b. 1, f. 7	Bank communications from Merchants Bank	1846-1852
b. 1, f. 8	Accounts current	1845-1857
b. 1, f. 9	Household account book	1855
b. 1, f. 9	Miscellaneous account book	1856
b. 1, f. 10	Personal bills	1846-1852
b. 1, f. 11	Freight bills	1853-1857
b. 1, f. 12	Investments	1847-1859
b. 1, f. 13	Invoices, bills, receipts	1845-1859
b. 1, f. 14	Notes	1841-1857
b. 1, f. 15	California Expedition	1849-1852
b. 1, f. 16	Fowler & Co.	1856-1858
b. 1, f. 17	Rippowam Co.	1855-1858
b. 1, f. 18	Miscellaneous agreements	1844-1857
b. 1, f. 19	Miscellaneous shipping papers	1848-1858
b. 1, f. 20	Printed matter	1851-1852
	Ships' papers [includes accounts, bills, receipts, notes, disbursements, insurance policies, letters, and lists of cargoes, passengers, provisions, and charter parties]	
b. 2	<i>Ship Arthur</i> English	1848-1855
b. 2	<i>Bark Corporal Trim</i> English	1854
b. 2	<i>Brig George Loyall</i>	1844-1846
b. 2	<i>Bark Glen</i>	1847-1854
b. 2	<i>Ship Haidee</i>	1844-1852
b. 2	<i>Ship Harraseeket</i>	1856-1859

b. 2	Ship <i>Lydia</i>	1850-1854
b. 2	Bark <i>Madonna</i>	1849-1852
b. 2	Ship <i>Milwaukee</i>	1853-1858
b. 2	[Brig <i>Norman?</i>] [possibly Brig <i>Rush</i>] English	1851-1852
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b. 3	Brig <i>Rush</i>	1849-1853
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b. 4	Ship <i>Yorick</i>	1856-1859
b. 5	Account book	1849-1857

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Budgets, Personal
Business
Businessmen
Shipping
Ships -- Cargo
Voyages around the world

Geographic Names

California -- Gold discoveries
New Haven (Conn.) -- Commerce

Genres / Formats

Ships' papers

Names

Soule, Henchman Sylvester, 1799-