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b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

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Biographical / Historical

Agur Gilbert was born on May 2, 1807, in Huntington, Connecticut. He died on January 23, 1887, in Derby, Connecticut. His wife, Mary Louise Johnson, was born on September 28, 1808, and died on January 24, 1864, in Derby, Connecticut. They were married on February 4, 1830, in Derby, and had five children.

Scope and Contents

Papers of the family of Agur Gilbert, wood turners and toy makers of Derby, Connecticut. Consists of family correspondence, business letters, and account books, primarily for A. Gilbert and Son.
# Collection Contents

## Inventory

These are papers of the Gilbert family who were wood turners and toy makers of Derby, Connecticut. See also the inventory catalog under Gilbert Family Collection, which consisted of these papers, plus those of the Peyton R. Gilbert family (now MS Group No. 699).

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Selected Search Terms
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Subjects
Business
Families
Woodworking industries
Working class

Geographic Names
Connecticut
Derby (Conn.) -- History.
United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865

Genres / Formats
Account books.

Occupations
Businessmen.

Names
Gilbert, Agur.

Corporate Body
A. Gilbert & Son