

Guide to the G. & C. Merriam Company Archive

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: GEN MSS 370

CREATOR: G. & C. Merriam Company

TITLE: G. & C. Merriam Company archive

DATES: 1797–1978

BULK DATES: 1830–1892

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 119.49 linear feet (155 boxes + 4 broadside folders)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The archive consists of correspondence, documents, writings, printed material, and photographs documenting the history of the G. & C. Merriam Company. The papers provide insight into the business practices of the nineteenth century publishing and bookselling trade, particularly in Massachusetts, and contain much material on lexicography, the development of American English, and the publishing history of Webster's Dictionary. Principal correspondents include Merriam Company editors Chauncey Goodrich, Noah Porter, William G. Webster, William A. Wheeler, and printers H.O. Houghton & Co. There are both legal and financial records, including contracts with agents and publishers, and opinions of lawyers on copyright issues.

There are sixty-five letterpress copybooks, as well as numerous account books, daybooks, merchants books, order books, and inventories, documenting the firm's business affairs. Twelve scrapbooks carry examples of the firm's stationery, circulars, advertisements, and clippings.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of the G. & C. Merriam Company, 1978.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Boxes 152-155 and Broadside folder 811: Restricted fragile material. Reference surrogates have been substituted in the main files. For further information consult the appropriate curator.

Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

G. & C. Merriam Company Archive. General Collection, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University.

Associated Materials

The Beinecke Library also acquired the G. & C. Merriam Company library, which has been housed and cataloged separately, with the provenance traced. The original woodcuts and engraved plates are currently deposited in the Sterling Memorial Library's Arts of the Book Collection, as are microfilm and a photocopy of the set of proofs of dictionary illustrations on index cards in boxes 96-99, lacking the holograph notes on their versos.

THE G. & C. MERRIAM COMPANY & WEBSTER'S DICTIONARY

The origins of the G. & C. Merriam Company were in a business begun in 1797 by Ebenezer and Daniel Merriam in West Brookfield, Massachusetts. Daniel's sons, George and Charles, served an apprenticeship to their uncles, then moved to Springfield in 1831, where they became booksellers and publishers of schoolbooks, Bibles, and law books, particularly Joseph Chitty's *Pleadings*.

When Noah Webster, renowned for his *American Dictionary of the English Language* (first published in 1828), died in 1843, his heirs sold the unbound sheets of the 1841 edition of the dictionary to the firm of J.S. & C. Adams, which soon found the two big volumes hard to sell. G. & C. Merriam purchased it from Adams, and at the same time gained the right to publish revisions, making them the owners of the *American Dictionary*. The Merriams then moved to publish a revised and enlarged edition in one volume at \$6 a copy. The chief editor of the revision was Chauncey Goodrich, professor at Yale and son-in-law to Noah Webster, who was aided by a core group of experts in their fields. The Webster heirs fought the low price of the dictionary, but the Merriams contended that the price would broaden the market and make it a fast seller. The new edition, *An American Dictionary of the English Language (New Revised Edition)* appeared in 1847, and was an immediate success.

The business grew: well versed in business affairs, the Merriams became masters of the art of promotion, with agents in the field, slogans ("Get the Best"), printed advertisements of all forms, and testimonials

gathered from famous men of the day. This was due in part to the stiff competition from Joseph Worcester's *Universal and Critical Dictionary of the English Language* (1846). Worcester had worked with Noah Webster on the abridged edition of 1829, and had then struck out on his own, publishing *Worcester's Pronouncing and Explanatory Dictionary* in 1835. With the publication of the now revised *American Dictionary* in 1847, the era of the "war of the dictionaries" was born. The Merriams, learning that Worcester was working on a third edition, immediately began preparing a new printing of the 1847 edition, to appear in 1859. It was enlarged with new words and supplements, a section of synonyms, and especially illustrations, which were added at the last moment, when it was learned that the Worcester dictionary was including them. Ultimately, the 1859 printing of the Webster dictionary reached publication before Worcester's, and thus was able to claim the distinction of being the first illustrated American dictionary.

The Merriams then worked on creating a completely new edition of the Webster dictionary, selecting Noah Porter, a professor and later president of Yale, as the principal editor, and H.O. Houghton & Co. as their printers. This edition was published in 1864 and was entitled *An American Dictionary of the English Language, Royal Quarto Edition, Unabridged*.

Between 1864 and 1892, when the firm incorporated under the name G. & C. Merriam Company, four new editions and numerous supplements were published: the 1879 edition, that included a biographical supplement; the 1882 edition, prepared for the subscription trade, that contained a history of the United States; the 1884, that included a gazetteer of the world. Finally, in 1890, the first *Webster's International Dictionary*, an unabridged dictionary, edited by Loomis J. Campbell, was issued, containing 175,000 listings, 56,000 more than in the 1864 revision. In 1900 a further supplement was published, and in 1909 a revised dictionary was published (*Webster's New International*).

In 1877, Charles Merriam, aged 71, sold his interest to Ivison, Blakeman, Taylor & Co., who placed Orlando M. Baker in the firm as their representative. The firm incorporated in 1892, changing its name to The G. & C. Merriam Company. In 1904 Homer Merriam, who was serving as president, retired and was succeeded as president by Orlando M. Baker, who died in 1914. He was followed by H. Curtis Rowley, who was succeeded by Orlando Baker's son, Asa G. Baker. Asa Baker was succeeded in 1934 by Robert C. Munroe. In 1982, many presidents later, the company was renamed Merriam-Webster, Incorporated.

Chronology of the Early History of G. & C. Merriam Co.:

1797 Ebenezer (1777-1858) and Daniel Merriam (1771-1823) start a business in West Brookfield, Massachusetts under the name of E. Merriam and Company, apprenticing Daniel's sons, George and Charles.

1823 Daniel Merriam's death. Name of the firm changed to E. and G. Merriam.

1831 George and Charles and their brother-in-law Mr. Little move to Springfield, Massachusetts, where they establish a printing office and bookstore by the name of Merriam, Little & Co.

1832 Mr. Little leaves the firm, and the name changes to G. & C. Merriam in April.

1856 Homer, brother to George and Charles, becomes a partner, although the name of the firm remains unchanged.

Further information on the history of the G. & C. Merriam Company may be found in Robert Keith Leavitt's *Noah's Ark, New England Yankees, and the Endless Quest: A Short History of the Original Webster Dictionaries, with Particular Reference to their First Hundred Years as Publications of G. & C. Merriam Company*. Springfield, Massachusetts: G. & C. Merriam Company, 1947.

Scope and Contents

The G. & C. Merriam Company Archive consists of correspondence, documents, writings, printed material, and photographs documenting the history of the G. & C. Merriam Company. The collection spans the years 1797-1978, but most of the material dates from 1830 to 1892. The papers provide insight into the business practices of the nineteenth century publishing and bookselling trade, particularly in Massachusetts; and

contain much material on lexicography, the development of American English, and the publishing history of Webster's Dictionary.

The Archive is housed in 155 boxes and is organized into four series: *Historical File*, *Letterpress Copybooks*, *Ledgers*, and *Other Papers*. Boxes 102-111 and 112-151 contain Volumes and Oversize material which could not be housed in sequence in the main files. Boxes 152-155 contain Restricted Fragile material.

[Series I, Historical File](#), 1804-1977 (boxes 1-26), has been preserved largely as established by the Merriam Company, with the addition of a few loose items that had not yet been interfiled. The papers are organized into three subseries: Correspondence, Documents and Other Papers, and Other Correspondence and Documents. Many of the items in the Historical File were indexed by the Merriam Company; the card indexes may be found at the front of the series. The indexes contain synopses of the items, and are arranged both alphabetically (by author and subject), and chronologically. These indices provide the best access to material relating to a person or subject in the Historical File, as the filing practice for the materials themselves is idiosyncratic: material generated by a single author may be filed sometimes as many as three different ways: under the personal name, under the corporate name of the letterhead on which he wrote, and under the subject of the letter. Many of the items that have been indexed have slips of paper affixed to them listing the tracings referenced in the card catalog. Names of businesses were filed and indexed by last name of the business (e.g., J.S. & C. Adams filed under "A"); they have been refiled according to the first letter of the corporate name, in keeping with library practice. There were a few instances in which correspondents had been misidentified; in those cases the card indexes have been corrected and the items refiled. In addition to original materials, the Historical File also includes photocopies and typed transcripts in lieu of originals; the card indexes have been annotated to indicate this. It is not known where many of the originals of the photocopies are located.

The correspondence in the Historical File consists primarily of incoming business letters concerning the Merriam Company's principal publications, the Webster dictionaries and Chitty's *Pleadings*. The File also contains a few drafts of outgoing letters; these occur particularly in the 1850's. (For most outgoing correspondence, see Series II, *Letterpress Copybooks*.) As one would expect, these files contain much information on the company's bookselling, publishing, and promotional ventures, their handling of copyright and other legal issues, which particularly involved the Webster heirs.

Principal correspondents include Merriam Company editors Chauncey Goodrich, Noah Porter, William G. Webster, and William A. Wheeler. Letters from Goodrich, the first Merriam dictionary editor, include early discussions of the layout of the dictionary, his compensation, and production schedule. Much of the correspondence with William A. Wheeler consists of drafts of letters from the Merriams. There are also seven folders of letters from H.O. Houghton & Co. about printing and production schedule details, particularly between 1872-1874, and 1877-1878.

The correspondence files also include many testimonials from well known authors and politicians: Grover Cleveland, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Ulysses S. Grant, Benjamin Harrison, Rutherford B. Hayes, Washington Irving, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, William Tecumseh Sherman, Zachary Taylor, Daniel Webster, John Greenleaf Whittier, and Samuel Clemens (who wrote another letter on the origin of the word 'stateroom'). There is a large file of letters with suggestions for corrections and additions to the dictionaries; many of these were prompted by advertising which challenged readers to find words not in Webster's, with a promise of a free dictionary to those who did. Many of the correspondents in this file are experts in their fields, and some of the letters carry pencilled annotations by Merriam staff indicating the action taken.

Several engravers who provided services to the company also are represented: John Andrew & Son, Milton Bradley Co., and David Bogue. A letter from John Andrew & Son includes approximately fifty proofs of illustrations of reptiles and fish. Finally, there are a few pieces of personal correspondence: Noah Webster to his wife (dated February 16, 1831) and an early letter from William Merriam to his brothers in 1834.

Documents and Other Papers includes legal and financial records, writings and printed material. The filing order mirrors the correspondence subseries, and many of the same names and subjects appear in both. The legal documents and financial records include agreements with other publishers, indentures, contracts with agents and publishers, statements of account, deeds, powers of attorney, copyright certificates, statements of sales, opinions of lawyers concerning rights of Webster heirs and copyright

issues, an apprenticeship agreement between G. & C. Merriam and Wm. W. Howland (1832), wholesale dealers licenses for G. & C. Merriam, a bill of sale from Ebenezer Merriam to George Merriam for one half of the business (1824), co-partnership agreements, receipts, and small volumes of accounts kept for H.O. Houghton & Co., and Case, Tiffany & Co. The William G. Webster file includes an 1847 contract with G. & C. Merriam, renewed in 1852, entitling the Merriams to all right, title and claim to the Webster Dictionary: related copyright documents are filed under "Webster Heirs." The printed material in the files consists of testimonial pamphlets and resolutions of state legislatures, and writings include Chauncey Goodrich's "Remarks on the Pronunciation of the English Language," as well as eight folders of autograph notes concerning suggested corrections and additions.

[Series II, Letterpress Copybooks](#), 1851-1905 (boxes 27-89), consists of a numbered run of 62 volumes covering the years 1875-1905, followed by three unnumbered volumes dating from 1851 to 1905, with gaps. The 62 sequentially numbered copybooks lack seven volumes: number 1 (July 9, 1877 to February 12, 1878), and numbers 57-62 (September 25, 1890 to March 13, 1891). The volumes contain the Merriam Company's outgoing letters and complement the incoming correspondence found in Series I. The volumes document the firm's routine business affairs: dealings with editors, printers, and agents, filling orders, directing promotion, and contacting school superintendents and bookstore owners in various parts of the country. The numbered volumes are indexed, and beginning with letterbook six give the subject of letters to such principal correspondents as H.O. Houghton & Co.; Ivison, Blakeman, Taylor & Co.; G.W. Borland & Co.; and editors Dorsey Gardner and L. J. Campbell.

[Series III, Ledgers](#), 1818-1921 (boxes 90-92), is organized into six subseries: Account Books, Daybooks, Merchants Books, Order Books, Inventories, and Miscellaneous Ledgers. There are fifteen account books, dated 1818-1892, with a gap from 1850 to 1852. There are three ledgers, two daybooks, and one order book dated 1818-1832, the years of the early businesses E. Merriam & Co., E. & G. Merriam, and Merriam, Little & Co. These ledgers record bookselling and printing activities, as well as sales of shoes and other miscellaneous items. Early customers include printers and publishers Dorr & Howland, James Loring, Isaiah Thomas, Jr., and West, Richardson, and Lord. There are separately bound indexes to two early volumes; later account books include indexes bound in. In addition to the consecutive run of account books, there is a separately maintained booksellers account book for the period 1843-1848, and a copyright account book for 1854-1873. Miscellaneous Ledgers track such information as Sales of Webster Abridgements, the cost of publishing the Webster Dictionary, maintained from 1844-1847, and a volume of miscellaneous notes, including Houghton's prices for binding the 1864 edition, and the number of persons required to make one hundred Webster dictionaries per day.

[Series IV, Other Papers](#), 1797-1978 (boxes 93-101), is organized into four subseries: Scrapbooks, Printed Ephemera, Writings, and Photographs and Postcards. Twelve scrapbooks kept by the Merriams, the earliest of which contains numerous bookseller labels on the front and back inside covers, carry examples of the firm's stationery, circulars, pamphlets, advertisements, and clippings. One scrapbook, dated 1866-1870, carries notes on publishers, booksellers, and paper companies in the United States, with personal information on owners, including estimates of worth, and credit ratings. Another scrapbook has clippings about the Webster-Worcester competition gathered into "controversial" and "non-controversial" categories. Printed Ephemera includes various forms of advertising ephemera, including circulars, clippings, and pamphlets, many of them Merriam Company advertisements, some of them about the Merriam Company, the Webster-Worcester competition, Noah Webster, the Merriams themselves, and also includes a leaf from Johnson's Dictionary (box 112, folder 732). There are also four boxes of proofs of illustrations for a dictionary, photoreproductions mounted on 5x7" index cards, with holograph notes on some of the card versos, dated 1953-1956. The Writings, a varied assortment, include three leaves from Noah Webster's holograph draft of the 1828 edition of the *Unabridged Dictionary*, as well as holograph revisions attributed to Noah Webster on a printed dictionary page. Also in Writings are lists of words not in Webster, and Homer Merriam's "Annals of the Merriam Family." There are only a few photographs, of Noah Webster's birthplace, his house, and the first printing office of the Merriams in West Brookfield, Massachusetts.

Volumes (boxes 102-111) contains material from series III and IV, and is arranged in series order. [Oversize](#) (boxes 112-151) contains material from series I-IV and is arranged in box order. The [Restricted Fragile](#) material in boxes 152-155 consists of originals for which preservation photocopies have been made.

Collection Contents

Series I: Historical File, 1804-1977

10.8 linear feet (26 boxes)

Series I, *Historical File*, is organized into four subseries: Card Indexes and Summary, Correspondence, Documents and Other Papers, and Other Correspondence and Documents. The subseries are arranged alphabetically. Letters from correspondents not listed individually may be found in "letter" general files.

CARD INDEXES AND SUMMARY

Index to the Historical File: Alphabetical

b. 1, f. 1	A-H	
b. 2, f. 2	I-Testimony of Schools	n.d.
b. 3, f. 3	Testimony of Supreme Court-Z	n.d.
Index to the Historical File: Chronological		
b. 4, f. 4	1797-1873	n.d.
b. 5, f. 5	1874-1966	n.d.
Other Card Index and Summary		
b. 6, f. 6	Index to the Historical File: Spellers and Dictionaries	n.d.
b. 7, f. 7-8	Summary of incoming correspondence from booksellers Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 715	1890-94

CORRESPONDENCE

b. 7, f. 9	"A" general Letters from Gorham D. Abbott and John Andrew are photocopies	1868-85, n.d.
b. 7, f. 10	A.L. Bancroft & Co.	1872 Sep 6
b. 7, f. 11	A.S. Barnes & Co. Letters dated Aug 23 1853 and Dec 30 1857 are photocopies	1853-65, n.d.
b. 7, f. 12	Abbot, Ezra	1878 Aug 3
b. 7, f. 13	Abbott, Austin	1861, 1862
b. 7, f. 14	Abbott, Lyman	1873, 1879
	Abridgments Stored in: Oversize, box 112, folder 716	1854 Apr 7
b. 7, f. 15	Alcott, William A.	1849 Nov 9
b. 7, f. 16	Allen, F. Sturges	1890 Oct 13
b. 7, f. 17	Allen, George Nelson	1859 Nov 3

CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

b. 7, f. 18	Allen, William	1855
b. 7, f. 19	Allison, William L.	1877 Mar-Jun
b. 7, f. 20	Alvord, Corydon A.	1859 May, Aug
b. 7, f. 21	American Book Company	1892-98
	<i>An American Dictionary</i>	
b. 7, f. 22-23	1847 edition	1847-64
b. 7, f. 24	1859 edition	1860-62
b. 7, f. 25	1864 edition	[1860]-89
b. 7, f. 26	Ashmun, George	[1849?] Dec 29
b. 7, f. 27	Audubon, John James Letter is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 7, f. 28-29	"B" general Letters from E. H. Ball and Seth Bliss are photocopies	1852-96, n.d.
b. 7, f. 30	Bache, A. D. Draft of a letter to Bache from G. & C. Merriam. Draft of letter to Wm. Henry on back of letter	n.d.
b. 7, f. 31	Baird, Spencer Fullerton	1878 Dec 18
b. 7, f. 32-33	Baker, Orlando M.	1873-[98]
b. 7, f. 34	Bancroft, George	1849-79
b. 7, f. 35	Barnum, Samuel W. Letter dated Jul 20 1885 is a later typed transcript	1879, n.d.
b. 7, f. 36	Bartlett, W. H. C.	1861 Oct 2
b. 7, f. 37	Batchelder, George W.	1856-65
b. 7, f. 38	Bateman, Newton	1858 Mar 25
b. 7, f. 39	Beecher, Charles	1849 Jul 9
b. 7, f. 40	Beecher, Edward	1855 Apr 2
b. 7, f. 41	Bell & Daldy	1864-71
b. 7, f. 42	Blackie & Son Letter dated Apr 10 1857 is a photocopy	1859, n.d.
b. 8, f. 43	Bogue, David	1850-53
b. 8, f. 44	Bohn, Henry George	1844-45, n.d.
b. 8, f. 45	Boston Stereotype Foundry	1862-63

CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

b. 8, f. 46	Boston Type & Stereo Foundry	1847 Feb 20
b. 8, f. 47	Boswell, Keney & Co.	1858 Oct 1
b. 8, f. 48	Bradley, Joseph P.	1881-91
b. 8, f. 49	Breed, George	1859 Feb 23
b. 8, f. 50	Brewer, David J.	1890 Jan-Nov
b. 8, f. 51	Briggs, George N. [autograph]	n.d.
b. 8, f. 52	Brown, Henry Billings	1891 Jan 24
b. 8, f. 53	Brown, James	1849 Aug 10
b. 8, f. 54	Burritt, Elihu	1856 Apr, Jul
b. 8, f. 55	"C" general Letter from Lucy A. Coles dated Jun 3 1920 is a typescript carbon	1854-[1920]
b. 8, f. 56	Camp, D. N.	1867 Jan 9
b. 8, f. 57	Campbell, L. J.	1877-84
b. 8, f. 58	Case, Lockwood & Co. Stored also in: Oversize, bsd, folder 785	1866 Oct 6
b. 8, f. 59	Case, Tiffany & Co. Letter dated Jan 14 1857 is a photocopy	1847-57, n.d.
b. 8, f. 60	Cathcart, George R.	1877-90
b. 8, f. 61	Chandler, J. E.	1851 Feb, Jun
b. 8, f. 62	Chapman, R. A.	1845-54, n.d.
b. 8, f. 63	Chapman & Chamberlain	1856 Jul 22
b. 8, f. 64	Childs, George William	1861 Sep, Oct
b. 8, f. 65	Chittenden, Russell Henry	[1889 Jan 4]
b. 8, f. 66	<i>Chitty on Bills</i>	1852, 1859
b. 8, f. 67	Choate, Rufus	1854-56
b. 8, f. 68	Chulalongkorn, King of Siam Letter dated Aug 31 1879 filed under King of Siam in catalog	1879 Aug 31
b. 8, f. 69	Clay, Henry [autograph]	n.d.
b. 8, f. 70	Clemens, Samuel Langhorne	1891, 1901
b. 8, f. 71	Cleveland, Grover	1886, 1890
b. 8, f. 72	Cobb, Lyman	1856 Sep

CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

b. 8, f. 73	Cobden, Richard	1850, n.d.
b. 8, f. 74	Collins Dictionary	1877 Mar 19
b. 8, f. 75	Cook, Edward	1876-78
b. 8, f. 76	Cook, Increase Letter to John Babcock & Co. dated Feb 12 1803 is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 8, f. 77	Coolidge, George F.	1866, n.d.
b. 8, f. 78	Cox, Rowland Typescript carbons of letter from Cox to Merriam Co. dated Nov 10 1894 and response of Merriam Co. to Cox dated Nov 12 1894	n.d.
b. 8, f. 79	Cox, Walter S.	1882-90
b. 8, f. 80	Craig, J. P.	1856 Jul 9
b. 8, f. 81	Curtis, Benjamin Robbins	1860-64
b. 8, f. 82	Curtis, George William	1856-64
b. 8, f. 83	Cushing, Caleb	1850-81
b. 8, f. 84	"D" general	1854-59
b. 8, f. 85	D. Appleton & Co.	1855-66
b. 8, f. 86	Dana, Edward Salisbury	1889 Apr
b. 8, f. 87	Dana, Henry S.	1860 Jun-Jul
b. 8, f. 88	Davidson, David	1850 Jun 14
b. 8, f. 89	Dawson, R.	1889 Dec 29
b. 8, f. 90	Depew, Chauncey M.	1890 Dec 5
b. 8, f. 91	Dexter, Franklin Bowditch	1878-1908
b. 8, f. 92	Draper, Lyman C.	1858 Apr 15
b. 8, f. 93	Dwight, Theodore Letter is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 8, f. 94	Dwight, Timothy	1889 Sep 24
b. 8, f. 95	"E" general Telegraph message from G. G. Evans is a photocopy Stored also in: Oversize, box 113, folder 735	1850-80, n.d.
b. 8, f. 96	E. & L. Merriam Letter is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 8, f. 97	Elliott, E. B.	1866-69

CORRESPONDENCE (continued)

b. 9, f. 98-101	Ellsworth, William Wolcott Letters to Ellsworth from Merriam Co. dated Mar 2 1846; Mar 14 1848; Apr 1 1852; Sep 19 1857; Apr 3, 5 and May 15, Oct 12, 1858 and Oct 31 1861 are later typed transcripts. Letter to W. C. Fowler dated Apr 6 1854 and letter to William G. Webster dated Sep 7 1854 are later typed transcripts	1844-67, n.d.
b. 9, f. 102	Emerson, Ralph Waldo	[1878] Aug 21
b. 9, f. 103	Everett, Edward	1856 Apr 23
b. 9, f. 104	"F" general	1850-91
b. 9, f. 105	Fields, James T.	1855, 1881
b. 9, f. 106	Fish, Hamilton	1850, 1875
b. 9, f. 107	Fiske, Edward W.	1851 Mar 1
b. 9, f. 108	Ford, Paul Leicester	[1901 Apr 1]
b. 9, f. 109	Fowler, W. C.	1870-73
b. 9, f. 110	Frelinghuysen, Frederick T.	1882 Feb 27
b. 9, f. 111	"G" general Letter from J. G. Gilchrist and S.C. Griggs & Co. are photocopies	1859-90, n.d.
b. 9, f. 112-113	G. & C. Merriam Letters dated Apr 3 1851, Sep 6 1859 and Nov 19 1859 are photocopies Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 717	1844-74, n.d.
b. 9, f. 114	G.P. Putnam's Sons	1873 Sep-Oct
b. 9, f. 115	Garland, A. H.	1882 Feb 23
b. 9, f. 116	George Routledge & Sons	1877 Mar
b. 9, f. 117	Gilbert, R. R.	1854 Apr 13
b. 9, f. 118	Godkin, Edwin Lawrence	1877 Dec 28
b. 9, f. 119-123	Goodrich, Chauncey	1844-50
b. 10, f. 124-128	Goodrich, Chauncey Letter to William W. Ellsworth dated Apr 2 1853 is a later typed transcript. Letter to Merriam Co. dated Nov 16 1853 is a later typed transcript	1851-53
b. 10, f. 129-133	Goodrich, Chauncey	1854-61, n.d.
b. 10, f. 134	Goodrich, William H.	1870 Dec 7
b. 10, f. 135	Gorman, Willis Arnold	1855 May 21
b. 10, f. 136	Grant, Ulysses S.	1884 Aug 9
b. 10, f. 137	Greene, Richard Gleason	1893 Sep 23

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b. 10, f. 138	Grout, Lewis	1852 Mar 11
b. 10, f. 139-140	"H" general Letters from Daniel Harris, Joel Harris, L. A. Hopkins, Hudding & Brother, E. Hunt, and A. Huntington are photocopies	1845-84, n.d.
b. 10, f. 141-143	H.O. Houghton & Co.	1865-77
b. 11, f. 144-147	H.O. Houghton & Co.	1878-91
b. 11, f. 148	Hadley Brothers & Kane	1873 Jul 26
b. 11, f. 149	Haldeman, Samuel Stehman Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 718	1841-68
b. 11, f. 150	Hall, C. C.	1856 Mar 3
b. 11, f. 151	Halleck, Fitz-Greene	1856 Mar
b. 11, f. 152	Hamlen, Benjamin L.	1844 Dec 13
b. 11, f. 153	Harlan, John M.	1882 Feb 23
b. 11, f. 154	Harper Brothers	1853 Feb
b. 11, f. 155	Harris, William Torrey	1880-89
b. 11, f. 156	Harrison, Benjamin TLS to J. Q. Adams dated 1888 Dec 8. With forwarding letter by Adams, Putnam & Co.	1888 Dec 12
b. 11, f. 157	Hayes, Rutherford B.	1880 Mar 3
b. 11, f. 158	Henry, Joseph	1856 Mar 17
b. 11, f. 159	Herrick, Edward Claudius	1856 Oct 20
b. 11, f. 160	Hoar, George Frisbie	1891 Jan 13
b. 11, f. 161	Holland, J. G.	1864 Sep 28
b. 11, f. 162	Holley, Alexander Lyman	1861 Feb-Oct
b. 11, f. 163	Holmes, Oliver Wendell, 1809-1894	1878-88
b. 11, f. 164	Hopkins, Mark	1859-60
b. 11, f. 165	Houghton, Mifflin & Co.	1891-94
b. 11, f. 166	Howells, William Dean	1878, 1891
b. 11, f. 167	Huntington, Francis Junius	1853-62
b. 11, f. 168	<i>Imperial Dictionary</i>	1856-83
b. 11, f. 169	Industries, Testimony of	1868-79
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b. 11, f. 172	Irving, Washington	1849-51
b. 11, f. 173-178	Iverson, Blakeman, Taylor & Co.	1865-92
b. 12, f. 179	"J" general	[1854] Dec 26
b. 12, f. 180	J.B. Lippincott & Co.	1858-77
b. 12, f. 181	J.S. & C. Adams	1844-46
b. 12, f. 182	James, John Angell	[1850] Dec 12
b. 12, f. 183	James T. White & Co.	1879 Jul 25
b. 12, f. 184	John Andrew & Son Letters dated Oct 21, Oct 22, Dec 2, and Dec 18 1857 are photocopies	1861-73, n.d.
b. 12, f. 185	Johnson, Rossiter	1878 Jan 23
b. 12, f. 186	Jones, Henry	1863-64, n.d.
b. 12, f. 187	Judson, Charles N.	1877-91
b. 12, f. 188	"K" general	1850, 1886
b. 12, f. 189	Kansas	1859 Mar 21
b. 12, f. 190	Kimball, Horace E.	1860 Jun-Jul
b. 12, f. 191	Knox, Thomas Wallace	1879 Jun 24
b. 12, f. 192	Kwong, Ki Chiu	1879-81
b. 12, f. 193	"L" general	1860 Aug 30
b. 12, f. 194	Lamar, L. Q. C.	1891 Feb 13
b. 12, f. 195	Lane, John C.	1856 Mar 14
b. 12, f. 196	Law Firms, Testimony of	1879-80
b. 12, f. 197	Le Grand & Geo. L. Marvin	1852-56
b. 12, f. 198	Libraries, Testimony of	1856, 1879
b. 12, f. 199	Library of Congress	1890-91
b. 12, f. 200	Lincoln, Crawford	1977 Dec
b. 12, f. 201	Lincoln, Robert Todd	1882 Feb 6
b. 12, f. 202	Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth	1864, 1878
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b. 12, f. 205	Lyman, C. S.	1861 Jan-Sep
b. 12, f. 206	"M" general Letter from the Mercantile Library is a photocopy	1833-68, n.d.
b. 12, f. 207	Mackenzie, R. Shelton	1864 Oct 3
b. 12, f. 208	Mahn, C. A. F.	[1855]-58, n.d.
b. 12, f. 209	Mann, Horace	1848-50
b. 12, f. 210	Marsh, George Perkins	1856 Mar [12?]
b. 12, f. 211-212	Mason Brothers Letters dated Sep 2, 10, 18 1857, and Feb 13 1866 are photocopies	1856-66, n.d.
b. 12, f. 213	Mason, Lowell	1853-64
b. 12, f. 214	Maury, Matthew Fontaine	1856 Mar
b. 12, f. 215	Mayhew & Ivison	1859 Sep
b. 12, f. 216	Merriam, A. F.	1848 Nov 3
b. 12, f. 217	Merriam, A. G.	1897-98
b. 12, f. 218	Merriam, Charles Letter dated Feb 9 1834 is a photocopy	1856-76, n.d.
b. 12, f. 219	Merriam, George Letters dated Apr 1 1851, Jan 14 1852, Feb 22 1853, and Apr 9 1853 are photocopies	1844-60, n.d.
b. 12, f. 220	Merriam, George S.	1891 Oct 23
b. 12, f. 221	Merriam, Homer	1877-94
b. 12, f. 222	Merriam, William	1834 Oct 1
b. 12, f. 223	Methodist Book Concern	1880 Sep, Oct
b. 13, f. 224	Meyer, C., Secretary to H.R.H. Prince Albert	1849 Jun 20
b. 13, f. 225	Milton Bradley Co.	1891 Jun 6
b. 13, f. 226	Minnesota	1871 Sep
b. 13, f. 227	Mitchell, Donald Grant	1856 Mar, Apr
b. 13, f. 228	Mongkut, King of Siam	1853-54
b. 13, f. 229	Moody, Dwight Lyman	1873 May 22
b. 13, f. 230	"N" general	1849-77
b. 13, f. 231	Nesmith, T. A.	1854-68
b. 13, f. 232	<i>New York Tribune</i>	1881-89

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b. 13, f. 233	Notes Letters dated Sep 29 1857, Oct 21 1857, Oct 27 1857, Nov 16 1857 are photocopies	1857, n.d.
b. 13, f. 234	"O" general	1858-1950
b. 13, f. 235	Ohio	1856 Feb
b. 13, f. 236	"P" general	1849-90
b. 13, f. 237	Park, Edwards Amasa	1858 Apr 15
b. 13, f. 238	Pauncefote, Julian, Baron	1891 Feb 21
b. 13, f. 239	Peabody, Andrew P.	1854 Jan 12
b. 13, f. 240	Pendleton, William S. Letter is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 13, f. 241	Pennsylvania	1856 Mar 14
b. 13, f. 242	Perkins, J. C.	1861-75
b. 13, f. 243	Perkins, John On verso is a letter from Savage & McCrea, dated 1859 Mar 5	1859 Mar 5
b. 13, f. 244	Phelps, Austin	1858 Apr
b. 13, f. 245	Phillips, Wendell	1864 Jul 10
b. 13, f. 246	Polk, James K. [autograph]	n.d.
b. 13, f. 247	Poole, William Frederick	1855 Mar 7
b. 13, f. 248-252	Porter, Noah Letter dated Apr 1859 encloses letter from C. A. F. Mahn. Letter dated Sep 26 1881 forwards letter from W. W. S. Keats	[1850]-89
b. 13, f. 253	Printers & Printing, Testimony of	1847-79
b. 13, f. 254	Purcell, John Baptist	1856 Sep
b. 13, f. 255	"R" general Letter from F. & G.C. Rand is a photocopy	1854-79, n.d.
b. 13, f. 256	Reed, T. B.	1891 Jan 21
b. 13, f. 257	Regan, Bishop	n.d.
b. 13, f. 258	Rice, Kendall & Co.	1865 Mar 15
b. 13, f. 259	Rowley, H. Curtis	1890 Feb 17
b. 13, f. 260	"S" general Letters from George W. Seavy and W. Stowe are photocopies	1848-1908, n.d.

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b. 13, f. 261	Sargent, Epes Letter dated Nov 18 1857 is a photocopy	1856-59, n.d.
b. 13, f. 262	Saxe, John Godfrey	1856 Mar 20
b. 14, f. 263-267	Schools and Colleges, Testimonials of	1848-92
b. 14, f. 268	Scudder, Horace Elisha	1889 Jun 7
b. 14, f. 269	Seelye, Julius Hawley	1880 Mar 17
b. 14, f. 270	Seward, William Henry	1856 Mar
b. 14, f. 271	Shearman, Francis W.	1851-55
b. 14, f. 272	Shears, A. G.	1863 Mar 16
b. 14, f. 273	Sheldon, E. S. Letter dated Apr 3 1889 written on second page of letter from Noah Porter to Merriam & Co. dated Mar 31 1889	1889 Mar-Sep
b. 14, f. 274	Sherman, William T.	1875 Nov 12
b. 14, f. 275	Sickels, David Banks	1880-88
b. 14, f. 276	Skeat, W. W.	1881 Jul, Oct
b. 14, f. 277	Spackman, William M.	1895-96
b. 14, f. 278	Sparks, Jared	1848 Apr 20
b. 14, f. 279	Spencer, John C.	1851 Jun 18
b. 14, f. 280	Stebbins, C. B.	1859-62
b. 14, f. 281	Stowe, C. E.	1864-65
b. 14, f. 282	Straw, Levi H.	1860-62
b. 14, f. 283	Sumner, Charles	1856 Mar 12
b. 14, f. 284	Supreme Court of the District of Columbia	1889-91
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b. 14, f. 286	Supreme Court of Kansas	1890-91
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b. 14, f. 288	Swan, Brewer & Tileston	1860 Oct 15
b. 14, f. 289	Swan, Brown & Tileston	1861 Jan 25
b. 14, f. 290	"T" general Letter from Tillman C. Trowbridge is a photocopy	1850-89, n.d.
b. 14, f. 291	Taylor, Bayard	1856 Mar 26

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b. 14, f. 292	Taylor, Zachary	1849 May 26
b. 14, f. 293	Terhune, John	1858 Jan-Feb
b. 14, f. 294	Thomas, Isaiah Letter from Ebenezer Andrews dated Aug 9 1804 is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 14, f. 295	Thomas, Joseph	1861 Jan-Oct
b. 14, f. 296	Ticknor, George	1864 Oct 1
b. 14, f. 297	Tilton, D.	1866 Feb-Apr
b. 14, f. 298	Trübner & Co.	1860 Jun 8
b. 14, f. 299	Tyler, Moses Coit	1884 Jan 25
b. 14, f. 300	Tyler, W. S.	1851 Dec 22
b. 14, f. 301	United Kingdom of Sweden and Norway	1858 Feb 2
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b. 14, f. 304	"W" general	1849-1927
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b. 14, f. 306	Walker, Francis Amasa	1875 Jun 29
b. 14, f. 307	Wanamaker, John	1889 Jul 1
b. 14, f. 308	Washington, Booker T.	1887 May 21
b. 14, f. 309	Webster, Daniel	1848 Mar 21
b. 14, f. 310-311	Webster, Noah Letter dated Feb 16 1831 to his wife Letter dated Mar 6 1834 to N. & J. White. Typed transcripts only for the following letters: Jun 2 1797, Feb 12 1803, Feb 19 1856, Jan 21 1857. Letters dated Sep 26 1815, Dec 14 1834, Feb 3 1835, Mar 3 1837, and Jan 14 1857 are photocopies	1831, 1834, n.d.
b. 15, f. 312-315	Webster, William G. Letter dated Apr 12 1853 is a later typed transcript	1847-66
b. 15, f. 316	Webster Heirs	1861-70
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b. 15, f. 317	Royal Octavo Edition	1867 Feb 26
b. 15, f. 318	<i>Webster's Academic Dictionary</i>	1856 Feb 20
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b. 17, f. 346	Webster's in Southern U.S.	1856 Apr 9
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b. 20, f. 397	White, Andrew Dickson Appended testimonials signed by Hiram Corson, W. D. Wilson, T. F. Crane, G. Harris, and H. S. White, professors at Cornell University	1884 Jan 14
b. 20, f. 398	White, Henry	1839-71
b. 20, f. 399	White, Norman Letters dated Apr 7, 11, 12, and 13 1854 are photocopies	1851-58, n.d.
b. 20, f. 400	White & Sheffield	1844-46
b. 20, f. 401	Whittier, John Greenleaf	1878-91
b. 20, f. 402	Wiley, Calvin Henderson	1860 Mar 9
b. 20, f. 403	Wiley, John	1863 Apr
b. 20, f. 404	Wilkins, Carter & Co. Letter is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 20, f. 405	Willard, Frances Elizabeth	1890 May 21
b. 20, f. 406	Willis, Nathaniel Parker	1856 Mar 26
b. 20, f. 407	Wisconsin Letter dated Apr 21 1857 is a photocopy	1859-78, n.d.
b. 20, f. 408	Wood, J. G.	1884 Dec 16
b. 20, f. 409	<i>Worcester's Dictionary</i>	1855-78
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b. 20, f. 411	A.L. Bancroft & Co.	1884 Jul 25
b. 20, f. 412	A.S. Barnes & Co.	1855 Dec 5
b. 20, f. 413	Abridgments Indenture dated Apr 7 1854 is a later typed transcript	n.d.
b. 20, f. 414	Allen, William	1855
b. 20, f. 415	<i>An American Dictionary, etc.</i> - 1847 Document dated Dec 1851 is a later typed transcript Stored also in: Oversize, box 113, folder 736	1844-60
b. 20, f. 416	<i>An American Dictionary, etc.</i> - 1859	1855-59
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b. 20, f. 419	Award of Arbitrators Document is a later typed transcript	n.d.
b. 20, f. 420	"B" general	1856-60, n.d.
b. 20, f. 421	Baltimore, Maryland Public Schools	n.d.
b. 20, f. 422	Bell & Daldy	1866-73
b. 20, f. 423	Blackie & Son	1856-59, n.d.
b. 20, f. 424	Bogue, David	1850 Nov 22
b. 20, f. 425	Booksellers Document is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 21, f. 426	Boston Stereotype Foundry	1862-64
b. 21, f. 427	Boston Type & Stereo Foundry Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 719	1847 Mar-Oct
b. 21, f. 428	"C" general Statement of account from Sumner Chapin is a photocopy. Document concerning commutation is a later typed transcript	1856-73, n.d.
b. 21, f. 429	Campbell, L. J.	1877-78
b. 21, f. 430	Case, Lockwood & Co.	1860, 1873
b. 21, f. 431-432	Case, Tiffany & Co.	1852-56
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b. 21, f. 434	Chapman, R. A.	[1853 Apr 11]
b. 21, f. 435	Chapman & Morris	[1853 Apr 1]
b. 21, f. 436	Choate, Rufus	1854 Jan
b. 21, f. 437	Co-Partnership Agreements	1840-87
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b. 21, f. 439	"D" general	1848 Jul 4
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b. 21, f. 443	Deeds Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 720	1847-59
b. 21, f. 444	Denison, Charles H.	1882-83
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b. 21, f. 447	Ellsworth, William Wolcott Documents dated 1857-59 are later typed transcripts	1844, n.d.
b. 21, f. 448	Executors of Noah Webster Document is a photocopy	n.d.
b. 21, f. 449	F.J. Huntington & Co.	1837 Mar 30
b. 21, f. 450	F.S. & J. Parker	1847 Mar 10
b. 21, f. 451	Fowler, W. C.	1854-55
b. 21, f. 452	"G" general	[1875 Jul]
b. 22, f. 453-457	G. & C. Merriam Documents dated 1834-82 and undated are photocopies Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 721	1832-1909, n.d.
b. 22, f. 458-460	Goodrich, Chauncey Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 722	1845-65, n.d.
b. 22, f. 461	"H" general	1848-63
b. 22, f. 462-464	H. O. Houghton & Co.	1863-82
b. 22, f. 465	Huntington, Francis Junius Documents dated Apr 1 1854 and Apr 3 1857 later typed transcripts	1853-57, n.d.
b. 22, f. 466	Huntington & Savage Imperial Dictionary Stored in: Oversize, box 112, folder 723	1831-54, n.d. 1883 Apr
b. 22, f. 467	Indiana	1855 Nov 28
b. 22, f. 468	Iowa Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 724	1858-62
b. 23, f. 469-470	Iverson, Blakeman, Taylor & Co. Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 725	1866-90
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b. 23, f. 473	J.S. & C. Adams	1843-44
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b. 23, f. 475	Jones, Henry	1847 Jan-Oct
b. 23, f. 476	Judson, Charles N.	1877 Nov
b. 23, f. 477	Kwong, Ki Chiu	1870-80
b. 23, f. 478	"L" general	1885 Jun 9
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b. 23, f. 484-485	Mason Brothers	1854-67, n.d.
b. 23, f. 486	Mason, Lowell	n.d.
b. 23, f. 487	Merriam, Charles	1877-80
b. 23, f. 488	Merriam, George	1824 Apr 5
b. 23, f. 489	Merriam, Homer	1856-89
b. 23, f. 490	Merriam, Chapin & Co. Documents dated 1850-51 are photocopies, as is the calendar for 1856	1853-55, n.d.
b. 23, f. 491	Michigan	1857, n.d.
b. 23, f. 492	Minnesota	[1871], 1883
b. 24, f. 493	Mitchell, J. B.	1873-76
b. 24, f. 494	"N" general	1862 Jul 23
b. 24, f. 495	Nesmith, T. A.	[1868]
b. 24, f. 496	New York	1850-56
b. 24, f. 497	North Carolina	1856 Apr 14
b. 24, f. 498	Notes	1844-73
b. 24, f. 499	"P" general Document signed by Willis Phelps is a photocopy	1879, n.d.
b. 24, f. 500	Parker, Joseph	1886 Mar 8
b. 24, f. 501	Perkins, John	1851 Aug 1
b. 24, f. 502	Porter, Noah	1855-79
b. 24, f. 503	"R" general Document signed by William J. Rhees is a photocopy	1850-66, n.d.
b. 24, f. 504	Renewers Documents dated May 12 1854 and Apr 14 1857 are later typed transcripts	1856, n.d.
b. 24, f. 505	Rowley, H. Curtis	[1889]
b. 24, f. 506	Russell, W. F.	1870-75
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b. 24, f. 508	Sales	[1864-65]
b. 24, f. 509	Samuel Bowles & Company Documents are photocopies Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 726	n.d.
b. 24, f. 510	Schaff, Philip	1865 Apr
b. 24, f. 511	Schools and Colleges, Testimonials of	1848-1901
b. 24, f. 512	Smithsonian Institution	1847 Dec 22
b. 24, f. 513	Sobieski, ----	1857
b. 24, f. 514	Springfield Fire & Insurance Company Document dated Sep 26 1854 is a photocopy	1864, n.d.
b. 24, f. 515	Supreme Court of the District of Columbia	1882-90
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b. 24, f. 517	Supreme Court of Nebraska	[1881 Oct 1]
b. 24, f. 518	"T" general	1855 Jul 2
b. 24, f. 519	Telephone	1882-86
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b. 24, f. 521	Ticknor, William D.	1843 Oct 24
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b. 24, f. 523	"U" general	1863, 1877
b. 24, f. 524	United States Treasury Department	[1864]
b. 24, f. 525	"W" general	[1882]
b. 24, f. 526	Webster, Daniel	[1849]
b. 24, f. 527-528	Webster, Noah Documents dated Oct 2 1824, Jun 1 1843, Feb 28 1852, Apr 7 1854, Apr 25 1844, Apr 12 1854, and 1856 are later typed transcripts. Documents of 26 May 1826, May 7 1833 are later autograph copies	1804-54, n.d.
b. 24, f. 529	Webster, William G. Memorandum of opinion, undated, is a later typed transcript	1846-58, n.d.
b. 24, f. 530-533	Webster Heirs Documents dated Nov 1 1853, Feb 16 1855, May 13 1856, Sep 16 1854, and undated are later typed transcripts	1844-68, n.d.
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b. 25, f. 534	<i>Webster's International Dictionary</i> Documents are later typed transcripts, carbon	n.d.
b. 25, f. 535	Royal Octavo Edition Documents dated May 15 1847, Nov 20 1850, and May 13 1858 are later typed transcripts	1844-67, n.d.
b. 25, f. 536	<i>Webster's Academic Dictionary</i> Suggested Corrections and Additions	1852-55
b. 25, f. 537	Writings, printed material Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 727	1863-68
b. 25, f. 538-544	Writings, printed material Stored also in: Oversize, box 113, folder 738 Covers of volumes with Suggested Corrections and Additions to Webster Dictionaries previously tipped in Stored in: Oversize, box 114, folder 747	n.d. 1856, n.d.
b. 25, f. 545	Wheeler, Marshall & Bruce	1873 Jan 28
b. 25, f. 546	Wheeler, William Adolphus	1862-[73]
b. 25, f. 547	White, Henry	1868 Apr 9
b. 25, f. 548	White, Norman Document dated Dec 24 1853, May 8 1857, Jun 2 1857 are later typed transcripts	1853-56, n.d.
b. 25, f. 549	White & Sheffield	[1846]
b. 25, f. 550	Wiley & Putnam	1847 Mar, Sep
b. 25, f. 551	Willard, Carl	1859 Jul 16
b. 25, f. 552	Wisconsin	[1880]
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b. 25, f. 555	Yale College	1850 Jan 18
b. 25, f. 556	Unidentified	n.d.
OTHER CORRESPONDENCE AND DOCUMENTS		
b. 26, f. 557	Abstract of Contracts	n.d.
b. 26, f. 558	Merriam & Co. envelopes with notes about contents Contents now interfiled in the Historical File	n.d.

Series II: Letterpress Copybooks, 1851-1905*51.8 linear feet (65 boxes)*

Series II, *Letterpress Copybooks*, consists of 62 sequentially numbered letterpress copybooks, however, volumes 1 and 57-62 are lacking. These copybooks are indexed. These are followed by three unnumbered volumes dating from 1851 to 1905, with gaps.

b. 27, f. 559	Number 0: January 19, 1875 to July 8, 1877	1875-77
b. 28, f. 560	Number 2: February 13, 1878 to November 13, 1878	1878
b. 29, f. 561	Number 3: November 13, 1878 to May 21, 1879	1878-79
b. 30, f. 562	Number 4: May 21, 1879 to December 10, 1879	1879
b. 31, f. 563	Number 5: December 11, 1879 to June 1, 1880	1879-80
b. 32, f. 564	Number 6: June 1, 1880 to December 8, 1880	1880
b. 33, f. 565	Number 7: December 9, 1880 to June 6, 1881	1880-81
b. 34, f. 566	Number 8: June 6, 1881 to November 12, 1881	1881
b. 35, f. 567	Number 9: November 12, 1881 to March 18, 1882	1881-82
b. 36, f. 568	Number 10: March 18, 1882 to July 20, 1882	1882
b. 37, f. 569	Number 11: July 20, 1882 to October 25, 1882	1882
b. 38, f. 570	Number 12: October 25, 1882 to January 5, 1883	1882-83
b. 39, f. 571	Number 13: January 5, 1883 to April 18, 1883	1883
b. 40, f. 572	Number 14: April 19, 1883 to August 25, 1883	1883
b. 41, f. 573	Number 15: August 27, 1883 to November 15, 1883	1883
b. 42, f. 574	Number 16: November 15, 1883 to February 1, 1884	1883-84
b. 43, f. 575	Number 17: February 2, 1884 to May 12, 1884	1884
b. 44, f. 576	Number 18: May 13, 1884 to August 12, 1884	1884
b. 45, f. 577	Number 19: August 21, 1884 to September 17, 1884	1884
b. 46, f. 578	Number 20: September 18, 1884 to November 6 1884	1884
b. 47, f. 579	Number 21: November 7, 1884 to January 7 1885	1884-85
b. 48, f. 580	Number 22: January 8, 1885 to February 24, 1885	1885
b. 49, f. 581	Number 23: February 25, 1885 to April 24, 1885	1885
b. 50, f. 582	Number 24: April 25, 1885 to July 8, 1885	1885
b. 51, f. 583	Number 25: July 9, 1885 to September 21, 1885	1885
b. 52, f. 584	Number 26: September 22, 1885 to November 18, 1885	1885

b. 53, f. 585	Number 27: November 19, 1885 to January 6, 1886	1885-86
b. 54, f. 586	Number 28: January 6, 1886 to March 8, 1886	1886
b. 55, f. 587	Number 29: March 9, 1886 to May 17, 1886	1886
b. 56, f. 588	Number 30: May 18, 1886 to August 16, 1886	1886
b. 57, f. 589	Number 31: August 17, 1886 to October 16, 1886	1886
b. 58, f. 590	Number 32: October 18, 1886 to December 15, 1886	1886
b. 59, f. 591	Number 33: December 16, 1886 to February 16, 1887	1886-87
b. 60, f. 592	Number 34: February 17, 1887 to April 30, 1887	1887
b. 61, f. 593	Number 35: May 2, 1887 to July 25, 1887	1887
b. 62, f. 594	Number 36: July 26, 1887 to September 29, 1887	1887
b. 63, f. 595	Number 37: September 30, 1887 to November 19, 1887	1887
b. 64, f. 596	Number 38: November 21, 1887 to January 7, 1888	1887-88
b. 65, f. 597	Number 39: January 9, 1888 to March 2, 1888	1888
b. 66, f. 598	Number 40: March 3, 1888 to May 11, 1888	1888
b. 67, f. 599	Number 41: May 12, 1888 to July 26, 1888	1888
b. 68, f. 600	Number 42: July 27, 1888 to September 28, 1888	1888
b. 69, f. 601	Number 43: September 29, 1888 to November 22, 1888	1888
b. 70, f. 602	Number 44: November 23, 1888 to January 19, 1889	1888-89
b. 71, f. 603	Number 45: January 21, 1889 to March 21, 1889	1889
b. 72, f. 604	Number 46: March 22, 1889 to June 4, 1889	1889
b. 73, f. 605	Number 47: June 5, 1889 to August 24, 1889	1889
b. 74, f. 606	Number 48: August 26, 1889 to October 24, 1889	1889
b. 75, f. 607	Number 49: October 25, 1889 to December 14, 1889	1889
b. 76, f. 608	Number 50: December 16, 1889 to February 8, 1890	1889-90
b. 77, f. 609	Number 51: February 10, 1890 to March 25, 1890	1890
b. 78, f. 610	Number 52: March 26, 1890 to May 1, 1890	1890
b. 79, f. 611	Number 53: May 2, 1890 to June 7, 1890	1890
b. 80, f. 612	Number 54: June 9, 1890 to July 11, 1890	1890
b. 81, f. 613	Number 55: July 12, 1890 to August 19, 1890	1890
b. 82, f. 614	Number 56: August 20, 1890 to September 24, 1890	1890

b. 83, f. 615	Number 63: March 14, 1891 to April 18, 1891	1891
b. 84, f. 616	Number 64: April 20, 1891 to June 3, 1891	1891
b. 85, f. 617	Number 65: June 4, 1891 to July 13, 1891	1891
b. 86, f. 618	Number 66: July 14, 1891 to September 1, 1891	1891
b. 87, f. 619	Number 67: September 2, 1891 to October 7, 1891	1891
b. 88, f. 620	Number 68: October 8, 1891 to November 4, 1891	1891
b. 89, f. 621	Letter copybook Containing letters to Chauncey Goodrich; Case, Tiffany & Co.; William G. Webster on nineteen pages. At back of copybook is a list of newspapers and their circulation, undated	1851-55, n.d.
	State, County, & City Superintendent's Book. Letterpress copybook: July 30, 1877 to December 12, 1878 Stored in: Oversize, box 115, folder 748 Letters to School Superintendents	1877-78
b. 89, f. 622	Letterpress copybook, many letters signed O. M. Baker for G. & C. Merriam	1880-87
	Letterpress copybook: July 29, 1882 to January 1905 Stored in: Oversize, box 116, folder 749	1882-1905

Series III: Ledgers, 1818-1921*1.25 linear feet (3 boxes)*

Series III, *Ledgers*, is organized into six subseries: Account Books, Daybooks, Merchants Books, Order Books, Inventories, and Miscellaneous Ledgers. Each subseries is arranged chronologically.

ACCOUNT BOOKS

E. Merriam & Co.; E. & G. Merriam Stored in: Oversize, box 117, folder 750 Accompanied by separately bound index	1818-32
E. & G. Merriam "Leger" Stored in: Oversize, box 118, folder 751	1824-31
E. Merriam & Co.; E. & G. Merriam Stored in: Oversize, box 119, folder 752	1828-32
Ledger A. On title page: Merriam, Little & Co. August 1st, 1831. G. and C. Merriam, April 28th, 1832 Stored in: Oversize, box 120, folder 753	1831-36
Ledger B Stored in: Oversize, box 121, folder 754	1836-39
Ledger C Stored in: Oversize, box 122, folder 755 Accompanied by separately bound index	1840-44
Ledger D Stored in: Oversize, box 123, folder 756	1843-46
Ledger E Stored in: Oversize, box 124, folder 757	1846-49
Ledger Stored in: Oversize, box 125, folder 758	1853-56
Ledger Stored in: Oversize, box 126, folder 759	1856-65
Ledger Stored in: Oversize, box 127, folder 760	1865-76
Ledger Stored in: Oversize, box 128, folder 761	1876-77
Ledger Stored in: Oversize, box 129, folder 762	1877-82
Ledger A Stored in: Oversize, box 130, folder 763	1882-87
Ledger B April 1887-March 1889 Stored in: Oversize, box 131, folder 764	1887-89

ACCOUNT BOOKS (continued)

	Booksellers account book Stored in: Oversize, box 132, folder 765 With bookseller's label of D. C. King, Law Bookseller tipped inside front cover	1843-48
	Ledger Stored in: Oversize, box 133, folder 766	1845-47
b. 90, f. 623	Copyright account book	1854-73
b. 90, f. 624	Mutual Accounts [Accounts with George, Charles, and Homer Merriam]	1875-85
	Editorial accounts Stored in: Volumes, box 102, folder 705	1880-90
	Account book for orders for 1890 <i>Webster's International Dictionary</i> Stored in: Volumes, box 103, folder 706	1891-93
DAYBOOKS		
	E. Merriam & Co.; E. & G. Merriam Stored in: Oversize, box 134, folder 767	1828-31
	Merriam, Little & Co.; G. & C. Merriam. On spine: A Stored in: Oversize, box 135, folder 768	1831-33
	G & C. Merriam Stored in: Volumes, box 104, folder 707	1844-45
MERCHANTS BOOKS		
	Merchants Accounts, No. 1 Stored in: Oversize, box 136, folder 769	1841-44
	B [spine title] Stored in: Oversize, box 137, folder 770	1843-45
ORDER BOOKS		
	Merriam, Little & Co.; G. & C. Merriam Stored in: Oversize, box 138, folder 771	1831-36
	November 28, 1840 - December 31, 1842 Stored in: Volumes, box 105, folder 708	1840-42
b. 90, f. 625	Paper cover removed from 1840-42 order book	n.d.
	January 2, 1842 - September 18, 1844 Stored in: Volumes, box 106, folder 709	1842-44
	September 18, 1844 - December 9, 1846 Stored in: Volumes, box 110, folder 710 G. and C. Merriam advertisement pasted inside front cover	1844-46
	December 11, 1846 - January 31, 1851 Stored in: Volumes, box 108, folder 711	1846-51
INVENTORIES		
b. 90, f. 626	1858, 1860, 1863, 1864, 1866, 1869, 1873	1858-73

INVENTORIES (continued)

b. 90, f. 627	Invoice of property sold by G. & C. M. to H. M. January 1876	1876
b. 90, f. 628	Inventory, April 21, 1877. [Rough draft]	1877
b. 90, f. 629	April 1, 1878 to April 1, 1882 inclusive. [Summary]	1878-83
b. 90, f. 630	Inventory 1877-1878	1877-78
b. 90, f. 631	Inventory 1879	1879 Apr
b. 90, f. 632	Inventory 1880	1880 Apr
b. 90, f. 633	Inventory 1881	1881 Apr
b. 90, f. 634	Inventory April 1882. Rough draft	1882 Apr
b. 90, f. 635	Inventories April 1, 1882-1887	1882-87
b. 91, f. 636	Inventories April 1, 1888-1892	1888-92
b. 91, f. 637	Merriam Co. note on package containing smaller inventory booklets	1921
MISCELLANEOUS LEDGERS		
b. 91, f. 638	Notes on cost of publishing Webster Dictionary Notes on number of pages, cost of paper and printing, cost of editor	1844-47
b. 91, f. 639	Between Old and New Firms -- Webster Speller Sales Includes sales of abridgements, cost of sundries of quarto dictionary, contract with Masons, copyright account with Masons, sales of speller	1855-68
b. 91, f. 640	Cost of Dictionaries and law books With three advertisements pasted in at back	1857-1912
b. 91, f. 641	Miscellaneous notes: estimates of cost, sales and profits of 1864 edition, Houghton's prices for binding, number of persons required to make 100 Webster's Dictionary per day, new words	1864-78
b. 91, f. 642	About new edition of the quarto: sales Includes sales of octavo as well. With notes on southern school systems at back, sales of Chitty, of Law	1866-1914
b. 91, f. 643	Sales summary	1867-71
b. 91, f. 644	Sales of Webster Abridgements With Building Expenses in back, 1866	1867-87
	Office Interviews and Other Notes, From Business Books Stored in: Volumes, box 109, folder 712 Covers period 1879 Aug 5-1889 Feb 1	1879-89
b. 92, f. 645	Office interviews With notes on advancement of work by editors, pay rates, list of books supplied to editors. A memorandum from a letter from H.O. Houghton dated 1881 May 25 is tipped in back cover of volume Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 728	1880-1902

MISCELLANEOUS LEDGERS (continued)

b. 92, f. 646	Dividends and statements	1883-92
b. 92, f. 647	Booksellers: Rating and Terms	1889-1901

Series IV: Other Papers, 1797-1978

4.75 linear feet (9 boxes)

Series IV, *Other Papers*, is organized into four subseries: Scrapbooks, Printed Ephemera, Writings, and Photographs and Postcards.

SCRAPBOOKS

	Clippings and pamphlets Stored in: Oversize, box 139, folder 772 Inside front and back covers are pasted numerous bookseller labels	1850-54
b. 93, f. 648-650	Pages of clippings, pamphlets, circulars (disbound)	[1850]-90
	Newspaper notices, "controversial" and "non-controversial" Stored in: Oversize, box 140, folder 773 "Controversial" clippings pasted in starting from the front and "non-controversial" clippings pasted in starting from the back in dos-à-dos fashion. Bookseller labels inside front cover	1855-58
	Advertisements: pamphlets and circulars Stored in: Oversize, box 141, folder 774	1856-83
	Clippings relating to Webster's Unabridged Stored in: Oversize, box 142, folder 775	1864-65
	Clippings, circulars, advertisements, pamphlets relating mainly to Webster's Unabridged Stored in: Oversize, box 143, folder 776	1864-82
	Notes on publishers, booksellers, paper companies all over the United States Stored in: Oversize, box 144, folder 777 Notes contain personal information on owners, estimates of worth, and credit rating	1866-70
	Stationery, circulars, pamphlets, color plates Stored in: Oversize, box 145, folder 778	1884-94
	Printed advertisements and testimonials, etc. Stored in: Oversize, box 112, folder 729 and box 146, folder 779	1900-09, n.d.
	William A. Wheeler scrapbook of clippings, pamphlets relating to Webster Dictionaries Stored in: Oversize, box 147, folder 780 With letter from Walter Wheeler tipped in at front, offering the Merriam Co. his father's scrapbook	1860-1940
	International Dictionary, Vol. 1: Clippings Stored in: Oversize, box 148, folder 781	1891-95
	International Dictionary, Vol. 2: Clippings Stored in: Oversize, box 149, folder 782	1892-1914
b. 93, f. 651	Loose material removed from International Dictionary, Vol. 2	1897-1931
	International Dictionary, Vol. 3: Clippings Stored in: Oversize, box 150, folder 783	1900-05

SCRAPBOOKS (continued)

b. 93, f. 652	Loose material removed from International Dictionary, Vol. 3	1903-05
PRINTED EPHEMERA		
Advertisements		
b. 93, f. 653	"List of Books Published," circulars List of Books Published for Mar 1846, Feb 1848, Jan 1866, Jan 1869 are photocopies	1835-90, n.d.
b. 93, f. 654-655	Clippings Includes full issues of "The Hampden Whig" Springfield, Mass. Vol. 4, No. 8, April 10, 1833; "The Massachusetts Teacher" Boston, May, 1859, Vol. XII, New Series, Vol. 4, No. 5 and full issue of "The Mother's Magazine" Vol. 16, No. 2, New Series Vol. II, No. 2, February 1848; "The Independent" New York, Vol. XX, No. 1029, August 20, 1868; "The Soldiers' Record" Hartford, Conn. Vol. IV, No. 5, August 12, 1871; "The Springfield Union Anniversary Issue" May 26, 1886; "No License Advocate" Springfield, Mass., December 5, 1887 Stored also in: Oversize, box 113, folder 739 and bsd, folder 786	[1806?]-1900, n.d.
b. 93, f. 656-659	Pamphlets advertising new editions, with specimen pages	1846-1906, n.d.
b. 94, f. 660	Pamphlets advertising new editions, with testimonials	1853-55, n.d.
b. 94, f. 661-663	Circulars advertising new editions Stored also in: Oversize, box 113, folder 740	1849-96, n.d.
b. 94, f. 664	Circulars and pamphlets concerning Webster vs. other dictionaries	1855-1913, n.d.
b. 94, f. 665	<i>The Dictionary in The School-Room</i> , Springfield, Mass.: G. & C. Merriam	1873
b. 94, f. 666	The Story of A Book In Three Chapters: The Men Who Made It, How the Book is Made, a Triple Verdict, Springfield, Mass.: G. & C. Merriam Company	n.d.
Other Printed Ephemera		
b. 94, f. 667	Clippings about Noah Webster Includes issue of "Merrys Museum and Parleys Magazine" Vol. XXII, No. 1, July, 1851 Stored also in: Oversize, box 113, folder 741	1797-1958, n.d.
b. 94, f. 668-669	Clippings, circulars, and pamphlets about the Merriams Includes full issue of "Scribner's Monthly" Vol. XV, No. 4, February 1878 and full issues of "The Graphic" Springfield, Mass. New Series, No. 15 & 16, July 19, 1894 and July 26, 1894 and <i>Springfield Massachusetts, The City of Homes</i> Compiled and Published by The New York Industrial Recorder, 1898 Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folders 730-731	1878-1944, n.d.

PRINTED EPHEMERA > Other Printed Ephemera (continued)

b. 94, f. 670-671	<p>Clippings: reviews of Webster dictionaries</p> <p>Includes bound volume containing notices of Webster dictionaries and in back of volume an incomplete draft of <i>The Book of Talk about Common Things</i> Designed as an introduction to the <i>Child's Guide</i> and to follow <i>The Easy Primer</i> as a reading book for children</p> <p>Includes full issues of "The Independent" New York, Vol. VII, No. 413, October 30, 1856; "The Iowa Citizen" Des Moines, Iowa Vol. III, No. 46, December 29, 1858; "Legal and Insurance Reporter" Philadelphia, Vol. II, No. 11, December 15, 1860; "Exhibitors Weekly Bulletin, News of Interest and value concerning the Exhibits at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition" Vol. VII, No. 3, October 30, 1915</p> <p>Stored also in: Oversize, box 113, 742 and bsd, folder 787</p>	1845-1915, n.d.
b. 94, f. 672-673	Circulars and clippings relating to Orthography, Etymology, and Orthoepy	1861-69, n.d.
b. 94, f. 674	G. & C. Merriam Co. stationery	[187-]-1911, n.d.
b. 95, f. 675-676	Pamphlet, notices, rewards of merit, blank pages printed by the Merriam Co.	1836-82, n.d.
b. 95, f. 677	Acts and Bills relating to the purchase of Dictionaries for common schools	1851-82, n.d.
b. 95, f. 678	<i>Retail Price List of the American Educational Series, Ivison, Blakeman, Taylor & Co., Publishers</i>	1872
b. 95, f. 679	The Story of the Merriam Family, Springfield, Mass: Clark W. Bryan & Co., Printers	1887
b. 95, f. 680	<i>Webster's New International Dictionary</i> . Galley proofs of p. 823, corrected	1909
	Galley proof and page proof for an Addenda page, corrected Stored in: Oversize, box 113, folder 743 Galley proof of entries from "pussyfoot" to "radio beacon." Page proof of entries from "projector" to "radio link"	1926
b. 95, f. 681	<i>100th Anniversary of the Establishment of G. & C. Merriam Company, Springfield, Massachusetts</i>	1931
b. 95, f. 682	Livengood, W. W. <i>Our Heritage...An Address Delivered to the Entire Agency Force of American Book Company</i>	1947
b. 95, f. 683	<i>Dinner to Commemorate One Hundred Years of Association, H. O. Houghton and Company, G. & C. Merriam Company</i>	1963
b. 95, f. 684	Forbes, E. J. <i>The So-Called 'American Spelling.' Its Consistency Examined</i>	n.d.
	A leaf from Johnson's <i>Dictionary</i> Stored in: Oversize, box 112, folder 732	n.d.
	Unidentified. Printed column from unidentified dictionary, with autograph manuscript corrections Stored in: Oversize, box 113, folder 744 Column of words "Core"- "Corn"	n.d.

PRINTED EPHEMERA > Other Printed Ephemera (continued)

b. 95, f. 685	Miscellaneous printed ephemera Includes issue of "The Michigan Alumnus, Vol. XLIV, No. 1, October 2, 1937 Stored also in: Oversize, box 112, folder 733	1880-1937, n.d.
b. 95, f. 686	Engraved wood block for Royal Quarto Dictionary advertisement "J. J & Co. 35 Ann St. N.Y." carved on back of block	n.d.
b. 95, f. 687	Engraved wood block for Unabridged Dictionary, Illustrated advertisement	n.d.
Proofs of Illustrations for Dictionary		
b. 96, f. 688	A-E, photoreproductions of proofs, with holograph notes	1953-56, n.d.
b. 97, f. 689	F-P, photoreproductions of proofs, with holograph notes	1953-56, n.d.
b. 98, f. 690	P-V, photoreproductions of proofs, with holograph notes	1953-56, n.d.
b. 99, f. 691	V-Z, photoreproductions of proofs, with holograph notes	1953-56, n.d.
b. 100, f. 692	Index to the Printed Material	n.d.
WRITINGS		
b. 101, f. 693	Allen, William. Word list. Holograph manuscript	1855
b. 101, f. 694	Goodrich, Chauncey. Preface to the Revised Edition [of 1847] by the Editor, autograph manuscript, corrected draft [incomplete]	n.d.
b. 101, f. 695	Marsh, Charles Perkins. Plan of a Hand Dictionary. Holograph manuscript, signed	1860 Apr 29
	Merriam, Homer. Annals of the Merriam Family. Bound holograph manuscript Stored in: Oversize, box 151, folder 784	1862-1906
	Merriam histories of Webster's Dictionaries. Bound autograph manuscript Stored in: Volumes, box 110, folder 713 Includes Charles Merriam's <i>Recollections</i> , Homer Merriam's continuation of same, copy of a letter from Noah Webster to Jonathan Barnes 1839 Dec 21, a listing of the different editions of Webster's Quarto, a copy of a letter from S. Converse to C. Merriam 1866 Jul 14, Sales of Webster's Abridgements and Webster's Unabridged	1883-1938
b. 101, f. 696	Loose items removed from Merriam histories volume	n.d.
b. 101, f. 697	Webster, Noah. Three leaves from the holograph draft of the 1828 edition of the <i>Unabridged Dictionary</i> One leaf runs from "Bandit" to "Bang" and the other two run from "Brach" to "Branchy"	n.d.
	[Webster, Noah?] Holograph revisions to a printed dictionary page with tipped on pages carrying holograph additions Stored in: Oversize, box 112, folder 734 Printed dictionary pages pp. 85-86 from "Apophlegmatic" to "Apparition"	n.d.

WRITINGS (continued)

b. 101, f. 698	Webster, William G. Preface to the Academic Dictionary. Holograph manuscript	1850 Sep
	Unidentified. Dictionary Chart Stored in: Oversize, box 113, folder 745 Chart, dated Oct 1946, is a photocopy	n.d.
	Unidentified. A List of Noah Webster's Books. Bound autograph manuscript Stored in: Volumes, box 111, folder 714	1916, n.d.
b. 101, f. 699	Loose items removed from A List of Noah Webster's Books	1911-16, n.d.
b. 101, f. 700	Unidentified. A New Catalogue, in the Year 1858, of 1,050 words not in Webster. Autograph manuscript, 2 leaves From "Adaptment" to "Awardment"	[1858]
b. 101, f. 701	Unidentified. New Words and Corrections Made in Plates, etc. Bound autograph manuscript	1875-88
PHOTOGRAPHS AND POSTCARDS		
b. 101, f. 702	Noah Webster birthplace in West Hartford, building and furniture	[1947, 1978]
b. 101, f. 703	Noah Webster House from New Haven, Restored in Greenfield Village, Dearborn, Michigan	n.d.
b. 101, f. 704	First Printing Office of the Merriams, West Brookfield, Mass.	n.d.

Volumes*0.8 linear feet (10 boxes)*

Volumes contains materials from Series III and IV, and is arranged in series order.

b. 102, f. 705	Editorial accounts (in Series III)	1880-90
b. 103, f. 706	Account book for orders for 1890 <i>Webster's International Dictionary</i> (in Series III)	1891-93
b. 104, f. 707	G & C. Merriam daybook (in Series III)	1844-45
b. 105, f. 708	Order Book: November 28, 1840 - December 31, 1842 (in Series III)	1840-42
b. 106, f. 709	Order Book: January 2, 1842 - September 18, 1844 (in Series III)	1842-44
b. 107, f. 710	Order Book: September 18, 1844 - December 9, 1846 (in Series III) G. and C. Merriam advertisement pasted inside front cover	1844-46
b. 108, f. 711	Order Book: December 11, 1846 - January 31, 1851 (in Series III)	1846-51
b. 109, f. 712	Office Interviews and Other Notes, From Business Books (in Series III) Covers period 1879 Aug 5-1889 Feb 1	1879-89
b. 110, f. 713	Merriam histories of Webster's Dictionaries. Bound autograph manuscript (in Series IV) Includes Charles Merriam's <i>Recollections</i> , Homer Merriam's continuation of same, copy of a letter from Noah Webster to Jonathan Barnes 1839 Dec 21, a listing of the different editions of Webster's Quarto, a copy of a letter from S. Converse to C. Merriam 1866 Jul 14, Sales of Webster's Abridgements and Webster's Unabridged	1883-1938
b. 111, f. 714	Unidentified. A List of Noah Webster's Books. Bound autograph manuscript (in Series IV)	1916, n.d.

Oversize*50 linear feet (40 boxes)*

Oversize contains material from series I-IV, arranged in box order.

b. 112, f. 715	Summary of incoming correspondence from booksellers (in Series I)	1890-94
b. 112, f. 716	Abridgments (in Series I)	1854 Apr 7
b. 112, f. 717	G. & C. Merriam (in Series I)	1832-1909, n.d.
b. 112, f. 718	Haldeman, Samuel Stehman (in Series I)	1841-68
b. 112, f. 719	Boston Type & Stereo Foundry (in Series I)	
b. 112, f. 720	Deeds (in Series I)	1847-59
b. 112, f. 721	G. & C. Merriam (in Series I)	1844-74
b. 112, f. 722	Goodrich, Chauncey (in Series I)	1845-65, n.d.
b. 112, f. 723	Imperial Dictionary (in Series I)	1883 Apr
b. 112, f. 724	Iowa (in Series I)	1858-62
b. 112, f. 725	Iverson, Blakeman, Taylor & Co. (in Series I)	1866-90
b. 112, f. 726	Samuel Bowles & Company (in Series I)	n.d.
b. 112, f. 727	Suggested Corrections and Additions to Webster Dictionaries: Writings, printed material (in Series I)	1863-68
b. 112, f. 728	Loose items removed from Office Interviews, 1880-1902 (in Series III)	1902-20
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