

# Guide to the Timothy Lester Woodruff Family Papers

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 1229

**CREATOR:** Woodruff, Timothy L. (Timothy Lester), 1858-1913

**TITLE:** Timothy Lester Woodruff family papers

**DATES:** 1776-1904

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Family correspondence of John Woodruff and his son, Timothy Lester Woodruff. Included are several items documenting John Woodruff's career as a Congressman from Connecticut (1855-1857; 1859-1861) and his election on the American Party ticket. Also in the papers is a letter from Samuel Scott, an ancestor of the family, written while serving in the American Revolution.

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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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## Existence and Location of Copies

Correspondence, memorabilia, and clippings of Timothy L. Woodruff are available on microfilm (11,643 frames on 13 reels, 35mm.) from Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library, at cost. Order no. HM 86.

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## Biographical / Historical

John Woodruff: member of Common Council of New Haven, Ct., from 1848; member Connecticut General Assembly, 1852; member of Congress, 1855-1857, 1859-1861; Collector of Internal Revenue for Connecticut, 1862-1868.

Timothy L. Woodruff: president Maltine Manufacturing Co. and Pneumelectric Machine Co., Syracuse; lieutenant-governor of New York, 1897-1903.

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## Scope and Contents

Family correspondence of John Woodruff and his son, Timothy Lester Woodruff. Included are several items documenting John Woodruff's career as a Congressman from Connecticut (1855-1857; 1859-1861) and his election on the American Party ticket. Also in the papers is a letter from Samuel Scott, an ancestor of the family, written while serving in the American Revolution.

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## Collection Contents

### Inventory, 1776, 1849-1904, undated

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Scott, Samuel (active 1776)		
b. 1, f. 1	Autograph letter, signed, to his wife, Lois Scott	1776 August 18
b. 1, f. 1	Genealogy and copy of Lois Scott's reply See also: <a href="#">box 1, folder 7</a>	1776 August 26
Woodruff, Jane (Lester) (Mrs. John)		
b. 1, f. 2	Correspondence	1856-1863
b. 1, f. 2	Genealogy of the Lester family	1890
Woodruff, John (1826-1868)		
b. 1, f. 3	Correspondence	1849-1860
b. 1, f. 4	Financial papers	1868
b. 1, f. 5a	Political papers - Campaign handbill A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	[1854]
b. 1, f. 5b	Manuscript, speech for re-election A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	[1860?]
b. 1, f. 6	Memorabilia and clippings A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:beinecke.library@yale.edu">beinecke.library@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1847-1857, undated
Woodruff, Timothy Lester (1858-1913)		
b. 1, f. 7	Correspondence	1879-1892
b. 1, f. 7	Genealogy	undated
b. 1, f. 8	"The Rise of Spartan Power" English	1874
b. 1, f. 8	Address to the Hardware Club	undated
b. 1, f. 9	Mementos of the Republican National Convention	1888
b. 1, f. 10	Campaign posters	1898, 1904
b. 1, f. 11	Mementos of the visit of H. R. H. Prince Henry of Prussia	1902

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## Appendix: Microfilm inventory

HM 86 - Scrapbooks. Correspondence, memorabilia and clippings relating to T.L. Woodruff, his activities in the Republican Party and as lieutenant governor of New York, 1897-1903.

Microfilm. New Haven, Yale University Library, 1979. 13 reels / 65 v. [Vol. 48 is missing].

Note: Numbers listed in the Folder column indicate volumes.

Date	Reel	Folder
1847 Sep 28- 1897 Apr 21	1	1-4
1897 Apr 21 - 1898 May 31	2	4-8
1898 Jun 1 - 1899 Sep 17	3	8-13
1899 Sep 17 - 1900 Jun 20	4	14-18
1900 Jun 20 - 1901 Aug 25	5	19-23
1901 Aug 25 - 1902 Sep 10	6	24-28
1902 Sep 10 - 1903 Dec 17	7	29-33
1903 Dec 17 - 1905 Dec 27	8	34-39
1905 Dec 27 - 1907 Jul 3	9	40-45
1907 Jul 5 - 1907 Dec 17	10	46-47
1908 Mar 4 - 1908 Dec 3	10	49-52
1908 Dec 3 - 1910 Jul 6	11	53-58
1910 Jul 6 - 1912 Jun 5	12	59-63
1912 Jun 5 - 1913 Oct 20	13	64-66

## **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**

Families

### **Geographic Names**

Connecticut -- Politics and government  
New York (N.Y.) -- Politics and government  
New York (State) -- Politics and government  
United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865  
United States -- History -- Revolution,  
1775-1783  
United States -- Politics and government

### **Occupations**

Legislators  
Politicians

### **Names**

Woodruff, John, 1826-1868  
Woodruff, Timothy L. (Timothy Lester),  
1858-1913

### **Families**

Woodruff family

### **Corporate Bodies**

American Party -- Connecticut  
Republican Party (U.S. : 1854- )  
Yale College (1718-1887). Class of 1879