

# Guide to the Gilbert-Cheever Family Papers

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**CREATOR:** Gilbert family

**TITLE:** Gilbert-Cheever family papers

**DATES:** 1836-1891

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 7 linear feet (16 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The papers document the families formed by the marriages of two sisters, Mary and Fanny Goodridge, to William Hinman Gilbert and Henry A. Cheever, respectively. William H. Gilbert was a clergyman from Weston, Connecticut who, with his wife, taught in schools in Vermont and Massachusetts. Henry A. Cheever was a sea captain who settled in San Francisco ca. 1853 and brought his wife and children there from Massachusetts. The papers consist of correspondence, diaries, journals, record books, photographs, memorabilia, printed matter, and sermons relating to the lives of these two families and their children. The Cheever letters from San Francisco describe the political and social life of the city in addition to carrying news of the family and domestic activities. William E. Goodridge, brother of the two Goodridge sisters, wrote from the West where he described life in Nevada. After his death in 1864, his fiancée Sara A. Gonsalves continued to write to the family from Washington D.C. with descriptions of visits to soldiers' hospitals and other references to the Civil War. William H. Gilbert, who was an army agent of the American Bible Society (1864-1865), also reported on the Civil War and later, writing on his travels in Alabama in 1870, described the lynching of a black school teacher.

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Frederic B. Schell, Jr., and Alice Horrax Schell in 1973 and 1976.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Biographical / Historical

Gilbert-Cheever Family Papers relate to members of the Goodridge, Gilbert and Cheever families of New England and California from about 1836 to 1900. The papers primarily concern the Reverend William Hinman Gilbert (1817-1905); his second wife Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert (1823-1895) their four children George Edwards Gilbert (1855-1879), Charles Minor Gilbert (1855-1881), Annie Ward Gilbert (1857-?); and Mary Alice Gilbert(1860-?); and Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert Is sister Fanny (Goodridge) Cheever (1825-?) and her husband Henry. A. Cheever (?-1873).

William Hinman Gilbert was born in 1817 in Weston, Connecticut, the son of Ezra and Rebecca (Minor) Gilbert. He graduated from Yale College in 1841, continued his studies at the Andover Theological Seminary from 1842 to 1843, and graduated from the Yale Divinity School in 1845. From 1845 to 1846 he was the minister at Haddam, Connecticut, where he married Elizabeth Mosely of Westfield, Massachusetts, on December 29, 1845. In March 1846 they moved to Westminster, Vermont, where he was pastor of the Congregational Church until 1851. Elizabeth (Mosely) Gilbert died in December 1846 in Westminster, leaving a son, William ("Willie") P.M. Gilbert, who married Jessie A. Little in 1870; they settled in Oberlin, Ohio where Willie worked as an assistant postmaster. They had five children: May Elizabeth (born March 1871, died September 1871); Edward Ellis (born June 1873); Winnie Emeline (born October 1875); William Henry (born October 1877); and a third son (born January 1880).

On April 10, 1849, Reverend Gilbert married Mary Goodridge, daughter of Joseph and Roxanna (Edwards) Goodridge of Westminster, Vermont, who was a graduate of and teacher at Bradford Academy in Massachusetts. She is an important figure in the papers, connecting the Goodridge, Gilbert and Cheever families; much of the correspondence in the papers is addressed to her.

Mary's sister, Fanny Goodridge, married Henry A. Cheever, a sea captain in the shipping trade during the 1840's and early 1850's. During a voyage to California he decided to stay in San Francisco and persuaded his wife Fanny and their children to move there from Massachusetts. He was employed in shipping, mining

and real estate in California, and became active in San Francisco politics. Two of Mary's brothers, William E. Goodridge and Joseph Goodridge, also moved to California. William stayed with the Cheevers for a time, then moved on to other places in the West, eventually working his way to the Nevada territory where he died in October 1864.

Reverend Gilbert and his wife Mary remained in New England in spite of Henry A. Cheever's attempts to lure them to California. Reverend Gilbert was pastor of the Congregational Church in Ashfield, Massachusetts, from 1851 to 1855, where his twin sons Charles Minor and George Edwards were born on April 22, 1855. From 1855 to 1864, he was pastor of the Congregational Church in Granby, Connecticut, where his daughters Annie Ward and Mary Alice were born June 30, 1857, and April 23, 1860, respectively. In 1864, Reverend Gilbert was appointed Superintendent of Scripture Distribution in the U.S. Army by the American Bible Society and the U.S. Christian Commission, with headquarters in Washington, D.C., and Baltimore. During 1864 and 1865 he travelled to army encampments and towns, primarily in Virginia and Maryland, overseeing the distribution of Bibles among the soldiers and visiting hospitals and prisons.

From the fall of 1865 until 1869, Reverend Gilbert was an agent for the Vermont Bible Society, and in 1868 both he and his wife served as principals of the Classical and English Boarding School in Norwich, Vermont. From 1870 to 1871 he was Superintendent of the American Bible Society for Connecticut and Western Massachusetts; from 1871 to 1878 he was Superintendent of the American Bible Society in New England; and from 1878 to 1900 he was Secretary of the Connecticut Bible Society. In the fall of 1900 he moved to California, where he died in 1905.

Charles Miner Gilbert and George Edwards Gilbert both entered Yale College in 1874 and graduated in 1878. After graduating from Yale, George Edwards taught school in Englewood, New Jersey, until his death from diabetes in September 1879. Charles Minor also taught school, in Peekskill, N.Y., and in New York City; he died in April 1881, also from diabetes. Annie Gilbert later became Mrs. Hobson, and Mary Alice married Edwin Horrax in 1886. Mary Alice and Edwin Horrax had three children, Gilbert, William and Alice. Gilbert Horrax, who married Geraldine Martin, became a doctor and was associated with the surgeon Harvey Williams Cushing. Alice Horrax married Frederic B. Schell, Jr., in 1922.

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## Scope and Contents

The Gilbert-Cheever Family Papers contain correspondence, diaries, journals, record books, documents, photographs, memorabilia, printed matter, and sermons relating to members of the Goodridge, Gilbert and Cheever families from about 1836 to 1900, with the bulk of the material from 1840 to 1880. Much of the materials in the papers is of a personal and family nature, describing details of domestic and social life in New England and San Francisco during the period. Subjects include diet, medicine (particularly diabetes), and death; education, primarily at Yale College, Bradford Academy (Massachusetts), and other schools; and religion, both attitudes of individuals and activities of religious organizations. There is also material concerning the shipping trade and life at sea during the 1840's and early 1850's; life in San Francisco from about 1853 to the 1880's; and the Civil War.

Also included is a significant amount of material concerning William Hinman Gilbert's pastorships in several New England towns from 1844 to 1864; his work for the American Bible Society and the U.S. Christian Commission, primarily from 1864 to 1882; and his real estate investments in Virginia during 1890-1891.

The papers are arranged in four series:

I. CORRESPONDENCE

II. DIARIES, JOURNALS, MEMORANDUM BOOKS AND ACCOUNT BOOKS

III. MEMORABILIA, PRINTED MATTER AND PHOTOGRAPHS

IV. SERMONS OF WILLIAM HINMAN GILBERT

CORRESPONDENCE consists chiefly of letters between family members and friends, and also includes some of Reverend William Hinman Gilbert's correspondence and reports regarding his work for religious organizations from 1864 to 1880.

A large part of the correspondence consists of letters to Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert from friends and family members, particularly her sister Fanny (Goodridge) Cheever and her husband Henry A. Cheever. During the 1840's and early 1850's, Henry A. Cheever often wrote to his wife and sister-in-law from ports such as Havana and New Orleans. After the Cheevers settled in San Francisco about 1853, they (particularly Fanny) maintained a steady correspondence with their friends and relatives back in "the States," extolling the climate and scenery of California, but decrying the violence, greed and corruption they saw in California life. As one commented in a letter to a New England relative, "One year's experience in California is equal to five in Massachusetts." Fanny's frequent letters to her sister Mary and to other relatives provide a continuing account of family illnesses, accidents, finances, visitors, livestock, gardens and other domestic activities, as well as observations on high prices, hard times, elections and other events in San Francisco.

William E. Goodridge's letters to his New England relatives are curiously vague as to the nature of his work; in one letter he commented that his family might not understand or approve of what he was doing. Apparently he did travel frequently, worked for a time for the express company, and was involved in a political campaign in Nevada. In his letters he wrote of his impressions and his feelings about the West, suggesting rather than describing in detail his experiences. In 1864 he described the rapid transformation of Nevada from a "savage wilderness" to a civilized society. From her homes in New York, eastern Pennsylvania, and then Washington, D.C., William's fiancée, Sara A. Gonsalves, wrote to Mrs. Gilbert concerning her hopes that William could return to the East. Following his death in October 1864, Sara described her tremendous grief. Her letters, dated 1861-1865, also commented on the effects of the Civil War, including descriptions of visits to soldiers' hospitals, a threatened invasion of Pennsylvania in 1862, visits to Congress, news reports of battles, celebrations of the capture of Vicksburg, and the New York draft riots. Sara's father, M.J. Gonsalves, wrote to Mrs. Gilbert in May 1865, describing his work as army chaplain at a hospital in Louisiana and the grief of former slaves over President Lincoln's assassination.

Another valuable perspective on the Civil War is provided by Reverend Gilbert's reports and correspondence concerning his work as a delegate of the U.S. Christian Commission and an army agent of the American Bible Society in 1864 and 1865. Of particular interest are his comments on conditions in Richmond in April 1865 and his reports of an expedition in May 1865 to recover bodies hastily buried at the Cold Harbor battlefield. Many of Gilbert's reports were copied in a letterpress book, dated February - July 1865.

Correspondence concerning Reverend Gilbert's career as a Congregational minister and as a Bible Society agent is scattered throughout the series. An interesting letter to Reverend Gilbert from Alabama in July 1870 vividly describes the lynching of a black teacher, including a copy of his last letter to his wife in Canada. Newspaper clippings describe the incident from a much different perspective. Correspondence for 1890 and 1891 includes information concerning Gilbert's interest in land investment in Virginia.

The series also contain letters written by Charles Minor Gilbert and George Edwards Gilbert while students at Yale and later while teaching school. The twin brothers exchanged frequent letters with each other, with their two sisters, and with their parents, concerning student life at Yale, their teaching positions, their illnesses with diabetes, and family news and visits. Letters exchanged with several doctors discuss diets, medication, and treatment for diabetes. There are also two letters from Professor Thomas A. Thacher of Yale to Reverend William H. Gilbert: May 25, 1872, offering financial assistance to enable Gilbert to send his two sons to Yale, despite the high cost; and February 7, 1880, regarding repayment of a loan for his sons' education.

Most of the material in the DIARIES, JOURNALS, MEMORANDUM BOOKS AND ACCOUNT BOOKS series consists of the journals, memorandum books and other record books kept by William Hinman Gilbert from 1847 to 1899. These volumes provide an unusually full and detailed account of his activities and observations. His journals from 1864 to 1865 are particularly interesting. The series also contains a diary kept by Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert of her trip to San Francisco in 1878, and notebooks and diaries of Charles Minor Gilbert and George Edwards Gilbert.

MEMORABILIA, PRINTED MATTER AND PHOTOGRAPHS contains biographical and genealogical information, printed matter, photographs, printed sermons, documents, essays, notes and memorabilia such as programs, invitations, pins and autograph books, relating to William Hinman Gilbert, Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert, Charles Minor Gilbert and George Edwards Gilbert. Of interest are publications, printed sermons, and documents relating to Reverend Gilbert's pastorships and to his work with religious organizations. Also included are Yale College memorabilia, photographs, and student essays and notes belonging to Reverend Gilbert and his sons Charles and George. Yale College catalogues, class record books, and a Class of 1878 photograph album have been transferred to the Yale College publications collection.

Series IV, SERMONS OF WILLIAM HINMAN GILBERT, consists of an extensive file of Reverend Gilbert's sermon manuscripts from 1844 to 1864. His early sermons (1844-1854) were numbered in chronological sequence; most of these sermons and many later sermons contain notations of dates and places where each sermon was preached. Some sermons were delivered ten or more times and a number were re-written at later dates. Numbered sermons marked as re-written have been arranged by the date of the revision rather than in Gilbert's numerical sequence. Undated sermons, sermon outlines, and notes are arranged in order of the biblical text on which the sermon was based. The series also contains sermon plans, 1844-1845 and n.d., which consist of notes on various biblical texts, topics to be covered and commentary for sermons. These were apparently compiled from courses taken at Yale Divinity School.

The papers were given to the Yale University Library in 1973 by Frederic B. Schell, Jr., and Alice (Horrox) Schell. Additional papers, including correspondence, memorabilia, and sermons, were given in 1976. Arrangement of the papers was completed in July 1977.

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## Arrangement

Arranged in four series: I. Correspondence. II. Diaries, Journals, Memorandum Books, and Account Books. III. Memorabilia, Printed Matter, and Photographs. IV. Sermons of W. H. Gilbert.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I: CORRESPONDENCE, 1836–(1851–1883)1891

2 linear feet (5 boxes)

CORRESPONDENCE is arranged chronologically, with a few folders of undated letters filed at the end of the series.

The number of items are contained in parentheses these are represented at the end of the unitdate

b. 1, f. 1	1836 (1)	1836 (1)
b. 1, f. 2	1839 (2)	1839 (2)
b. 1, f. 3-4	1840–1842 (1)	1840–1842 (1)
b. 1, f. 5	1842 (1)	1842 (1)
b. 1, f. 6	1843 (10)	1843 (10)
b. 1, f. 7	1844 (12)	1844 (12)
b. 1, f. 8	1845 (13)	1845 (13)
b. 1, f. 9	1846 (28)	1846 (28)
b. 1, f. 10	1847 (11)	1847 (11)
b. 1, f. 11	1848 (6)	1848 (6)
b. 1, f. 12	1849 (8)	1849 (8)
b. 1, f. 13	[1840–1949?] (3) English	[1840–1949?] (3)
b. 1, f. 14	1850 (5)	1850 (5)
b. 1, f. 15	1851 (17)	1851 (17)
b. 1, f. 16	1852 January–June (20)	1852 January– June (20)
b. 1, f. 17	1852 July–December (20)	1852 July– December (20)
b. 2, f. 18	1853 (20)	1853 (20)
b. 2, f. 19	1854 January–April (18)	1854 January– April (18)
b. 2, f. 20	1854 May–Dec, undated (21)	1854 May–Dec, undated (21)
b. 2, f. 21	1855 (20)	1855 (20)
b. 2, f. 22	1856 (19)	1856 (19)
b. 2, f. 22a	1857 (19)	1857 (19)



b. 2, f. 23	1858 (16)	1858 (16)
b. 2, f. 24	1859 (9)	1859 (9)
b. 2, f. 25	1860 (4)	1860 (4)
b. 2, f. 26	1861 (6)	1861 (6)
b. 2, f. 27	1862 (8)	1862 (8)
b. 2, f. 28	1863 (6)	1863 (6)
b. 2, f. 29	1864 (15)	1864 (15)
b. 2, f. 30	1865 (7) A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at <a href="mailto:mssa.assist@yale.edu">mssa.assist@yale.edu</a> to request access to the digital copy.	1865 (7)
b. 2, f. 31	Record book of letters and reports written by William Hinman Gilbert (carbon copies) (1)	
b. 2, f. 32	William Hinman Gilbert: letters and 1865 reports relating to the U.S. Christian Commission and American Bible Society (10)	
b. 3, f. 33	1866 (4)	1866 (4)
b. 3, f. 34	1867 (7)	1867 (7)
b. 3, f. 35	1868 (2)	1868 (2)
b. 3, f. 36	1869 (26)	1869 (26)
b. 3, f. 37	1870 January–June (13)	1870 January–June (13)
b. 3, f. 38	1870 July–December (17)	1870 July–December (17)
b. 3, f. 39	1871 (28)	1871 (28)
b. 3, f. 40	1872 (22)	1872 (22)
b. 3, f. 41	1873 (8)	1873 (8)
b. 3, f. 42	1874 January–June (15)	1874 January–June (15)
b. 3, f. 43	1874 July–December (27)	1874 July–December (27)
b. 3, f. 44	1875 (33)	1875 (33)
b. 3, f. 45	1876 January–June (26)	1876 January–June (26)
b. 3, f. 46	1876 July–December (25)	1876 July–December (25)

b. 3, f. 47	1877 (27)	1877 (27)
b. 4, f. 48	1878 January–June (16)	1878 January– June (16)
b. 4, f. 49	1878 July–August (22)	1878 July– August (22)
b. 4, f. 50	1878 September (36)	1878 September (36)
b. 4, f. 51	1878 October (54)	1878 October (54)
b. 4, f. 52	1878 November (47)	1878 November (47)
b. 4, f. 53	1878 December and undated (46)	1878 December and undated (46)
b. 4, f. 54	1879 January 1–15 (37)	1879 January 1– 15 (37)
b. 4, f. 55	1879 January 16–31 (30)	1879 January 16– 31 (30)
b. 4, f. 56	1879 February (27)	1879 February (27)
b. 4, f. 57	1879 March (37)	1879 March (37)
b. 4, f. 58	1879 April (21)	1879 April (21)
b. 4, f. 59	1879 May (25)	1879 May (25)
b. 4, f. 60	1879 June–August (23)	1879 June– August (23)
b. 4, f. 61	1879 September (22)	1879 September (22)
b. 4, f. 62	1879 October (32)	1879 October (32)
b. 4, f. 63	1879 November (18)	1879 November (18)
b. 5, f. 64	1879 December (21)	1879 December (21)
b. 5, f. 65	1880 January–February (32)	1880 January– February (32)
b. 5, f. 66	1880 March (22)	1880 March (22)
b. 5, f. 67	1880 April–May (31)	1880 April–May (31)

b. 5, f. 68	1880 June–August (32)	1880 June–August (32)
b. 5, f. 69	1880 September–December (38)	1880 September–December (38)
b. 5, f. 70	1881 January–April (25)	1881 January–April (25)
b. 5, f. 71	1881 May–December (13)	1881 May–December (13)
b. 5, f. 72	1882 (15)	1882 (15)
b. 5, f. 73	1883 (11)	1883 (11)
b. 5, f. 74	1884, 1886 (12)	1884, 1886 (12)
b. 5, f. 75	1890 (5)	1890 (5)
b. 5, f. 76	1891 (11)	1891 (11)
b. 5, f. 77	Undated – located among letters from circa 1840–1860 (16)	Undated – located among letters from circa 1840–1860 (16)
b. 5, f. 78	Undated – located among letters from circa 1850–1870 (14)	Undated – located among letters from circa 1850–1870 (14)
b. 5, f. 79	Undated – located among letters from circa 1852–1855 (22)	Undated – located among letters from circa 1852–1855 (22)
b. 5, f. 80	Undated – located among letters almost exclusively from years 1877–1882 (18)	Undated – located among letters almost exclusively from years 1877–1882 (18)
b. 5, f. 81	Undated (9)	Undated (9)

**Series II: DIARIES, JOURNALS, MEMORANDUM BOOKS AND ACCOUNT BOOKS,  
1847-1899**

*2 linear feet (4 boxes)*

This series contains material belonging to the following family members:

William Hinman Gilbert  
Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert  
Charles Minor Gilbert  
George Edwards Gilbert

The papers are arranged chronologically under the names of each of the above family members.

The number of items are contained in parentheses before the unitdate

William Hinman Gilbert

b. 6, f. 1	Parish and preaching record books (3)	1847-1855
b. 6, f. 2	Record of a bee colony (1)	1856 February-1857 November 7
b. 6, f. 3-4	Journals (3)	1852-1854, 1856-1858, 1859 January 1- November 30, 1859 December 3-December 20, 1860 January 1- November 12
b. 6, f. 5-6	Journals (2)	1861-1862, 1863 January 1- December 31, 1864 January 1- September 26
b. 6, f. 7	Journal (1)	1864 October 1-1865 May 21
b. 6, f. 8	Appointment and expense book (1)	1865-1866
b. 6, f. 9-10	Journal (1)	1865 June 12- October 28, 1865 November 4-1866 July 13
b. 7, f. 11	Journal (1)	1866 July 14-1868 March 8
b. 7, f. 12	Account book (1)	1866-1868
b. 7, f. 13	Memorandum books (include journal) (3)	1868 October 14-1869 June 1, 1869 June 1- August 31, 1869 September 1- November 7

William Hinman Gilbert (continued)

b. 7, f. 14	Memorandum books (include journal) (4)	1869 November 9–1870 January 20, 1870 January 21 March 25, 1870 March 26 May 31, 1870 June 1–June 28
b. 7, f. 15-16	Memorandum books (include journal) (3)	1870 September 1–1875
b. 7, f. 17	Account book (1)	1875
b. 7, f. 18	Memorandum books (include journal) (3)	1876 January 1–December 31, 1877 January 1–December 31, 1878 January 1–December 31
b. 8, f. 19-21	Memorandum books (include journal) (3)	1879–1884 July 22, 1885–1886 April 11
b. 8, f. 22-23	Memorandum books (include journal) (2)	1886 April 12–1889 June 24
b. 8, f. 24	Memorandum books (include journal) (4)	1889 July 1–October 2, 1889 October 2–December 20, 1889 December 22–1890 March 12, 1890 March 1–September 13
b. 8, f. 25	Memorandum books (include journal) (3)	1890 September 14–November 24, 1890 November 25–1891 February 18, 1891 February 19–May 15
b. 8, f. 26	Memorandum books (include journal) (2)	1891 May 16–December 22, 1891 December 23 1892 August 23 and 1893 March 23–24, 1892 July 26–1893 July 4
b. 9, f. 28-31	Memorandum books (include journal)(2)	1893 July 4- 1899 March 1
<u>Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert</u>		
b. 9, f. 32	Diary of a visit to San Francisco	1878

Charles Minor Gilbert

b. 9, f. 33	Diary (1)	1873
b. 9, f. 34	Notebooks (2)	1876, 1879-1880

George Edwards Gilbert

b. 9, f. 35	Diaries	1873, 1874
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**Series III: MEMORABILIA, PRINTED MATTER AND PHOTOGRAPHS, 1790,  
1840-1882**

1 linear foot (3 boxes)

The papers in this series relate to the following:

William Hinman Gilbert  
Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert  
Charles Minor Gilbert  
George Edwards Gilbert

The papers are arranged under the names of the above individuals.

The number of items are contained in parentheses before the unitdate

William Hinman Gilbert

b. 10, f. 1	Biographical information; photograph (8)	1873, undated
b. 10, f. 2	Emblems of K.E.E., Yale chapter (2)	1840
b. 10, f. 3	Miscellaneous papers related to theological studies at Andover Theological Seminary and Yale Divinity School	Circa 1842-1851
b. 10, f. 4	Davis, Reverend Emerson, <i>Memoir of Mrs. Elizabeth Gilbert</i> , Westfield, Massachusetts: H.B. Smith (Mrs. W.H. Gilbert, 1821-1846) (1)	1849
b. 10, f. 5	Sermon delivered at the [Congregational] Church in Westminster, Vermont (1)	1790
b. 10, f. 6	Miscellaneous papers related to the First Congregational Church. of Westminster, Vermont (4)	1851
b. 10, f. 7	Miscellaneous papers related to the Congregational Church in Ashfield, Massachusetts (9)	Circa 1851-1855
b. 10, f. 8	Miscellaneous papers related to the Congregational Church of Granby, Connecticut (12)	1856-1864
b. 10, f. 9	Miscellaneous papers related to the Elm Green Academy of Granby, Connecticut (21)	Circa 1859-1862
b. 10, f. 10	U.S. Sanitary Commission: bulletin, "Letters from the Army of the Potomac" (1)	1864
b. 10, f. 11	U.S. Christian Commission: "Statement for Army Meetings;" "Among the Wounded - Experiences of a Delegate" (2)	1864 June 1864
b. 10, f. 12	U.S. Christian Commission: Second 1864 Report of the Committee of Maryland; record of Thanksgiving Service (2)	1864
b. 10, f. 13	American Bible Society and Connecticut Bible Society: commissions, circulars, reports and specimen pages (35)	1865-1882
b. 10, f. 14	Pamphlets and programs of the Classical and English Boarding School, Norwich, Vermont (9)	1867-1868

Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert

## Mary (Goodridge) Gilbert (continued)

b. 10, f. 15	Goodridge-Gilbert families: notes, clippings, photographs (5)	Circa 1840-1850, undated
b. 11, f. 16	Bradford Academy: programs, catalogues (11)	1843-1852
b. 11, f. 17	Bradford Academy: programs, catalogues (13)	1853-1880
b. 11, f. 18	Essays and notes (36)	[ca. 1840-1949?]
b. 11, f. 19	Catalogue, map relating to the Cheever family of San Francisco (2)	1862, undated
<u>Charles Minor Gilbert</u>		
b. 11, f. 20	Autograph book	1871
b. 11, f. 21	Programs, invitations, photographs (39)	1873-1981
b. 11, f. 22	Programs, invitations, photographs (41)	1877-1881
b. 11, f. 23	Student essays (7)	Circa 1876-1878
b. 11, f. 24	Student notebook of lectures at Yale (1)	[1874-1878?]
b. 11, f. 25	Obituary notice, from "Obituary Record of Graduates of Yale College" (1)	1881
b. 11, f. 26	Charles M. Gilbert and George E. Gilbert: pins of honorary societies at Yale (7)	[ca. 1875-1878?]
b. 11, f. 27	Charles M. Gilbert and George E. Gilbert: programs of the Hartford Public High School Classes of 1870-1875 (30)	1870-1875
<u>George Edwards Gilbert</u>		
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b. 12, f. 28	Autograph book (1)	1871
b. 12, f. 29	Book of quotations (1)	1877
b. 12, f. 30	Programs, invitations, grades, certificates (41)	Circa 1875-1880
b. 12, f. 31	Programs, invitations, photograph (17)	Circa 1875-1880
b. 12, f. 32	Programs, invitations, newspapers, photographs (19)	Circa 1875-1880
b. 12, f. 33	Newspapers (6)	1877-1880
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## Series IV: SERMONS OF WILLIAM HINMAN GILBERT, 1844-1864

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b. 13, f. 2	1845 January–July (8)	1845 January– July (8)
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b. 13, f. 4	1846 (12)	1846 (12)
b. 13, f. 5-6	1847 January–December (10)	1847 January– December (10)
b. 13, f. 7-8	1848 January–December (12)	1848 January– December (12)
b. 13, f. 9	1849 January–June (11)	1849 January– June (11)
b. 13, f. 10	1849 July–December (10)	1849 July– December (10)
b. 14, f. 11	1850 January–June (17)	1850 January– June (17)
b. 14, f. 12	1850 July–December (15)	1850 July– December (15)
b. 14, f. 13	1851 (8)	1851 (8)
b. 14, f. 14	1852 January–June (17)	1852 January– June (17)
b. 14, f. 15	1852 July–December (14)	1852 July– December (14)
b. 14, f. 16	1853 January–October (9)	1853 January– October (9)
b. 15, f. 17	1853 November–December (8)	1853 November– December (8)
b. 15, f. 18	1854 January–June (9)	1854 January– June (9)
b. 15, f. 19	1854 July–December (6)	1854 July– December (6)
b. 15, f. 20-21	1855–1856 (4)	1855–1856 (4)
b. 15, f. 22	1857 (6)	1857 (6)

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b. 15, f. 24	1858 February–December (4)	1858 February– December (4)
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b. 16, f. 28	1861 January–May (5)	1861 January– May (5)
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b. 16, f. 30-31	1862–1863 (5)	1862–1863 (5)
b. 16, f. 31	1863 (5)	1863 (5)
b. 16, f. 32	1864 (3)	1864 (3)
b. 16, f. 33	Undated, arranged by biblical text (5)	Undated, arranged by biblical text (5)
b. 16, f. 34	Sermon outlines and notes, n.d., arranged by biblical text (14)	
b. 16, f. 35	Undated – incomplete and fragments (9)	Undated – incomplete and fragments (9)
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Diabetes  
Diet  
Families  
Lynching  
Shipping  
Women teachers

### Families

Cheever family  
Gilbert family

### Corporate Bodies

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Bradford Junior College (Bradford, Mass.)  
United States Christian Commission  
Yale College (1718-1887). Class of 1841  
Yale College (1718-1887). Class of 1878  
Yale University. Divinity School  
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### Names

Cheever, Fanny Goodridge, b. 1825  
Cheever, Henry A., d. 1873  
Gilbert, Annie Ward, b. 1857  
Gilbert, Charles Minor, 1855-1881  
Gilbert, George Edwards, 1855-1879  
Gilbert, Mary Alice, b. 1860  
Gilbert, Mary Goodridge, 1823-1895  
Gilbert, William H. (William Hinman), 1817-1905  
Gonsalves, M. J.  
Gonsalves, Sara A.  
Goodridge, Joseph  
Goodridge, William E., d. 1864