



Inventory of the Bourne, Kingsbury, Lord Collection (Collection #11)

The Brick Store Museum
Kennebunk, Maine

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Physical Description:

This collection of nine ledgers was acquired by the donors from Fred Rouleau, a Kennebunk dealer who because of his early interest in local documents was able to acquire much local material, often from directly from descendants. His notes are in some of the ledgers on loose sheet.

Of all collection the donors wrote: "These manuscripts are the most extensive group known covering the day to day operating of southern Maine shipbuilders. The building, carving and outfitting of vessels are listed, as are accounts with the ships Ancona, Hartley, Cato, Oakland, and Chester; and the bark Isadore, as well as the brigs Richmond Packet, Swiss Boy and Maine. Crew lists and wages appear also, as well as records of timbers and construction materials." I would add that Memorandum of Agreement can also be found in the back of some ledgers.

This collection includes acquisition numbers 82.23.2-10.

Listing of ledgers:

- Ledger 1: “John Bourne and Son” inscribed inside. “George W. Bourne 1822” on cover. Also “A” from 1822-26. Entries from 1822-26. Acq. # 82.23.2.
- Ledger 2: “John Bourne & Son...6 Quires Bot. in 1825” inscribed inside. “B” in cover. Entries from 1826-34. Acq. # 82.23.3.
- Ledger 3: “Bourne and Kingsbury’s Carpenter Records Commenced February 20, 1832” inscribed inside. “C” on cover. Indexed. Acq. # 82.23.4.
- Ledger 4: Bourne and Kingsbury account book. “D” on cover. Entries from 1832-34. Memorandum of Agreement in back. Separate index booklet. Acq. #82.23.5
- Ledger 5: Bourne and Kingsbury account book. “C” on spine. Entries on 1834-76. Separate index booklet. Acq. #82.23.6.
- Ledger 6: Bourne and Kingsbury account book. “E” on cover. Entries 1834-41. Memorandum of Agreement in back. Index. Acq. #82.23.7.”
- Ledger 7: Ledger “Ross O. Lord” on cover. Entries (for “merchandize”) from 1844-49. Acq. # 82.23.8.
- Ledger 8: George C. Lord and Co. account book. New cardboard binding. Entries from 1829-60. Children have made drawings in back. Acq. #82.23.9.
- Ledger 9: George W. Bourne day book. “10” on cover. Entries from 1836-46. Acq. #82.23.10.

Reference Resources:

See Bourne’s History of Wells and Kennebunk

See Remich’s History of Kennebunk

See Barry’s Sketch of A River

Mr. and Mrs. Dean A. Fales, Jr.
Drawer F
Kennebunkport, Maine, 04046

1982 gifts of objects to the Brick Store Museum, Kennebunk, ME 04043

- I. Framed watercolor painting of Great Hill and Parson's Beach, Kennebunk, Maine, probably 1884. Local view in gold stamped frame with maroon velvet liner. "Dillon and Son" on back of mat. Old newspaper backing dated October 1884. 19" x 14" overall.
- II. Important group of nine manuscript volumes, relating to ship building at Kennebunk Landing, 1822-1876 by the Bourne and Kingsbury families, the most important builders there.
 1. "A" "George W. Bourne 1822" on cover. Ledger of John Bourne and son inside. 1822-1826. 8 ½ X 13 1/3, 357 pp.
 2. "B" "John Bourne & Son..6 Quires Bot. in 1825" inside. 1826-1834. David Felt, Boston Stationer's label, 8 ½ X 13 1/4. 548 pp.
 3. "C" on Cover. "Bourne and Kingsbury's Carpenter Record Commenced February 20, 1832" inside. David Felt, Boston Stationer's label. 6 5/8 X 15", 83 double pp.
 4. "D" on cover. Bourne and Kingsbury account book, 1832-1834. Agreements in back 6 3/8 x 15", 116 double pages
 5. "C" on spine Bourne and Kingsbury account book, 1834-1876. 10 ½ X 16 ½, 360 pp. (2/3 used)
 6. "E" Bourne & Kingsbury account book, 1834-41. Agreements in back. 6 ¼ X 15 3/8", 128 double pages, plus more.
 7. Large ledger, "Ross O. Lord" Merchandise. Oliver Holman & Co., Boston label. 1844-49. 10 ½ X 15 3/8, 424 pp., plus some at end.
 8. Account book, new cardboard binding, "on our account Howe & Lord." 1829-1860. 6 ¼ x 15 ¼, pp.221-350+ Children's drawings.
 9. "10" account book, 1836-46. Day book probably of George W. Bourne. 7" X 16", 393 pp. plus more.

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Subject Tracings:

Bourne, George W.

Bourne, John

Kingsbury, Henry

Lord, George C.

Lord, Ross

Ships (partial listing)

Ancona

Cato

Chester

Hartley

Isadore

Maine

Oakland

Richmond Packet

Swiss Boy

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