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 7:  Ledger “Ross O. Lord” on cover. Entries (for “merchandize”) from 1844-49. Acq. # 82.23.8.


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.

5. “C” on spine Bourne and Kingsbury account book, 1834-1876. 10 ½ X 16 ½, 360 pp. (2/3 used)

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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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