Inventory of the Perkins-Wentworth Collection
(Collection #54)

The Brick Store Museum
Kennebunk, Maine

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Physical Description:
This collection was given by Miss Elizabeth Perkins and is her personal collection of genealogical material. Miss Perkins is a descendant of one of the local Perkins families and also the Wentworth family, as well as, indirectly, numerous other families who have lived locally for many years. Her extensive research notes on the Perkinses and Wentworths, as well as material on auxiliary families should be useful to others working on those families.

Miss Perkins was a friend and correspondent with the local historian, Henrietta Schmidt, and there is a small group of letters to and from Miss Schmidt.

The collection includes one or two photographs, a few primary documents, newspaper articles about local people and events, as well as distant Perkiness and Wentworths. Its acquisition number is 83.19.5-9.

Box and Folder Breakdown:

Pamphlet Box 1:
Binder, “Descendants of Thomas Perkins, Jr.”
Binder, “Descendants of Captain Thomas Perkins”
Binder, “Miscellaneous Perkins Genealogy.” This includes material on William Lord Jr. of Kennebunk, son of Sarah Perkins.
Pamphlet Box 2:

Binder, “The Descendants of Ensign Thomas Perkins (1681 – 1761) of Cape Porpoise”
Binder, “Samuel Perkins and Willie Bond, Genealogy Charts”
Binder, “Ancestors of Elizabeth Estelle Perkins, Genealogy Charts”
Binder, “Perkins Family Records, First Church of Christ in Arundel”
Binder, “Kennebunk. Census 1790.” Also “Perkinses in Maine and New Hampshire. Census 1790”
Binder, “Arundel. Census 1790”
Binder, “Perkins Family Cemeteries”

Box 1:

Folder 1: Ancestral Register of Elizabeth Estelle Perkins and Olive Perkins
Folder 2: Maps (mostly the Kennebunks) marked with locations of Perkins houses and property
Folder 3: Maps. York County.
Folder 4: Maps. Other.
Folder 5: Notes concerning local cemeteries and burials in same.
Folder 6: Notes pertaining to roads, mills, forts in the Kennebunks.

Photocopy of newspaper article about the Kennebunks, particularly Kennebunkport, published in the Dover (N.H.) Daily Republican, August 2, 1884. “Written by Granddaughter of Uncle John Wentworth.”

Folder 8: Correspondence, 1963, of E. E. Perkins with Clara Classon, editor of Kenneth Roberts at Doubleday, pertaining to Roberts’s compilation of War of 1812 prisoners (from the Kennebunks) at Dartmoor Prison and photostat of that list.

Folder 9: Miscellaneous clippings concerning Kenneth Roberts.
Folder 10: Papers pertaining to Adventures in Reading program, sponsored by the South Congregational Church and the United Church of Christ. 1969 – 1970.
Folder 11: Miscellaneous published guides and listings for historical materials in the National Archives, Washington, DC.
Folder 12: Miscellaneous guides and charts offering suggestions and guidance in doing genealogical research
Folder 13: Columns of Henrietta Schmidt clipped from The Tourist News, 1960s (many pertaining to Perkinses)
Folder 15: Miscellaneous notes compiled by the donor while doing her genealogical research.
Folder 16: Notebook of notes compiled by the donor while doing her genealogical research. Three small notebooks containing notes of donor compiled while doing her genealogical research.

Box 2:

Folder 1: Miscellaneous listings of Perkins deeds, wills, etc. particularly at the Court House in Alfred
Folder 2: Photocopy of will of Thomas Perkins of Arundel, dated 1746.
Folder 3: Papers pertaining to Oliver Perkins, Kennebunk (born 1799). Typescript of will of Abraham Perkins of Hampton, dated 1683.
Folder 4: Miscellaneous Perkins family letters, invitations, Christmas cards, etc. dating from ca. 1910 – 1960.
Folder 5: Miscellaneous photocopies and typescripts of various Perkins documents at the Court House in Alfred
Folder 6: Miscellaneous data pertaining to Perkinses of Rye, NH
Folder 7: Correspondence, etc. pertaining to Gertrude and Perk Perkins, California.
Folder 8: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Wentworth and allied families.
Folder 9: Miscellaneous letters, advertising cards, etc. pertaining to the Wentworth and allied families.
Folder 10: Miscellaneous newspaper articles pertaining to the Wentworth and allied families.
Folder 11: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Gilpatrick family.
Folder 12: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Gilpatrick family.
Folder 13: Correspondence (1963) and notes pertaining to the genealogy of Ruth Harvey Haskell (Mrs. Broderick) particularly pertaining to her Sherlock line.
Folder 14: Correspondence and papers with the Colonial Dames concerning the claim to membership of Ruth Harvey Haskell.
Folder 15: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to Harvey family genealogy.
Folder 16: Sherlock family file marked “active” by donor.
Folder 17: Sherlock family file marked “inactive” by donor.

Box 3:

Folder 1: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Boothby family
Folder 2: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Bond family
Folder 3: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Webber and Oakes families
Folder 4: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Laighton family of Portsmouth

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Folder 5: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Mitchell family
Folder 6: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Woodbury family
Folder 7: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Wakefield family
Folder 8: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Hill family of Portsmouth
Folder 9: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Kenney family
Folder 10: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Murphy family
Folder 11: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Durrell family
Folder 12: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Gooch family
Folder 13: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Littlefield family
Folder 14: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Jefferds family
Folder 15: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Garland family
Folder 16: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Day family
Folder 17: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Hubbard family
Folder 18: Miscellaneous notes pertaining to the Storer family
Folder 19: Photocopies of photographs that are part of this collection and have been removed to the photo file
Folder 20: Compilations from Bryant’s List of vessels built by various Perkinses and by Bradford Oakes
Folder 21: Notes on various people culled from the Andrew Walker Diary
Folder 22: Miscellaneous brochures of local organizations dating from the 1960s
Folder 23: Miscellaneous brochures of Maine organizations and places dating from the 1960s
Folder 24: Miscellaneous brochures of various New England and New York state organizations and places dating from the 1960s
Folder 25: Correspondence of the donor 1944 – 1968
Folder 26: Undated correspondence of the donor and miscellaneous items
Folder 27: Correspondence with and other material pertaining to Henrietta Schmidt of Turbot’s Creek
Folder 28: Notes of Sandra Armentrout pertaining to this collection and written when she accepted it from the donor for the Brick Store Museum.

This collection also includes:

The Wentworth Genealogy, by John Wentworth, Two volumes, published privately, 1870. - Genealogy shelf


A Stroll by a Familiar River, by William E. Barry --Maine A/H shelf

A few postcards of Maine places --- with similar postcards
A copy of “The Tripod,” Thornton Academy, Commencement Number 1901 --Miscellaneous
Box 11, Folder 12
A 4’ x 6’ card file, indexed by family names, compiled by the donor.

Subject Tracings:
Bond family
Boothby family
Bryant, S. E., District of Kennebunk
Census, 1790
Day family
Durrell family
Garland family
Gilpatrick family
Gooch family
Harvey family
Haskell, Ruth Harvey
Hill family
Hubbard family
Jefferds family
Joy, Kenneth, “Out of the Past”
Kennebunks, The – Organizations 1960s
Kenney family
Laighton family
Littlefield family
Lord, William Jr.
Maine, Organizations 1960s
Mitchell family
Murphy family
New England – Organizations 1960s
Oakes family
Parsons, Henry
Perkins, Elizabeth Estelle
Perkins, Oliver, 1799 –
Perkins, Thomas, Arundel (Kennebunkport)
Perkins family
Roberts, Kenneth
Schmidt, Henrietta
Sherlock family
South Congregational Church
Storer family
Wakefield family
Walker, Andrew – Diary
Webber family
Wentworth family
Woodbury family
York, Edna B.

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