

INVENTORY

**Series I. Professional Files relating to the "History of Oberlin College" and Other Writings, 1900-1958, n.d.**

**Subseries 1. Correspondence Files**

Box 1

Letters (Outgoing), 1928-1947 (3f)  
Letters (Incoming), 1930-1958

**Subseries 2. Author's Notes & Materials File**

Box 1 (cont.)

"List of old Manuscripts," in Library, prepared by G. Hopkins, 1930  
Notes taken by R. S. Fletcher, n.d.

Box 2

"Oberlin, 1833-1866" (bound vol., typescript), with Appendix (2 vols.)  
Research Materials, 1900-1956  
    Jacob Dolson Cox, 1900-56  
    "The Gay Young Man," Ms. with typescript by Mrs. Edward Thomas,  
        1850s, 1857  
    John Seixas, 1933  
Responses for Permission to Quote, 1941-1942

Box 2A (oversize)

Scrapbook re: "A History of Oberlin College from Its Foundation Through the Civil War," and Oberlin History, 1916-20

**Subseries 3. Other Talks and Writings by R.S. Fletcher**

Box 2 (cont.)

Articles, various titles, 1929-1954  
Talk—"The New Enterprise" (13p.), n.d.  
Talks, various titles, 1935-1955  
"Forgotten Men of Early Oberlin," 1933

**Series II. Research Files: Original Records (from private sources), 1833-1946, n.d.**

Box 3

Chittenden, Mary, Letters of, 1890-1891  
Cowles, Miss Mary Louise, Diary of, n.d. [April-Aug., 1854?]

**Series II. Research Files: Original Records (cont.)**

Box 3 (cont.)

Fenn, Delia, Letters of, 1835  
Hollis, Gilbert, Letters of, 1866-1869  
Jones, D.J., Letters of, 1851, 1856, 1859, 1907  
Keep-Dawes Mission (Re: Finances), c. 1839-1840  
Leonard, Delavan, Notes, plus writings, 1894-1897<sup>t</sup>  
Library, 1889-1908, n.d.  
Miscellaneous Correspondence, pre-1865  
Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1877-1899  
Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1900-1906  
Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1908-1946  
Miscellaneous Ephemera, 1833-1903  
Miscellaneous, 1841-1931  
Miscellaneous Letters, 1847-1876  
Reed-Thayer Letters, 1850s-1894, n.d. (7f)  
Shipherd, John J., Letters of, 1833-1835<sup>t</sup>  
Tappan Square, 1933  
Warner, Hannah, 1840-1863  
West, Edmund A., 1839-1841

Box 3A

*Lucy Stone: Pioneer of Women's Rights* by Alice Stone Blackwell, 1930.  
Copy of book and related correspondence, 1937, 1942 [2002/074]

**Series III. Research Files: Non-Original Records, 1816-1908, n.d.**

**Subseries 1. Typescript Copies (Name Files), 1816-1898, n.d.**

Box 4

Allen, George N., 1845-1855 - Cowles Papers, 1836-1863  
Allen, George N., 1845-1855  
Baldwin Papers, 1841-1862, n.d.  
Blackwell, Antoinette Brown, 1847-1848, 1851, 1853, 1855, n.d.  
Brown, John, 1859  
Burke, Mrs. E.P. [Emily P.], 1850  
Chaney, Ann Elisa (writings), 1839  
Coburn, Carrie & Mary (letters), 1860-1865  
Cole, Stephen M. (diary), 1863

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**Series III. Research Files: Non-Original Records (cont.)**

**Subseries 1. Typescript Copies (Name Files) (cont.)**

Box 4 (cont.)

Collester, F.A., 1851-1852  
Comings Papers (F. Fletcher letters), 1836-1837, n.d.  
Congdon, Zephaniah, 1853  
Cowles Papers, 1835-1839, n.d.  
Cowles-Kansas Mss. (Henry letters), 1854-1859  
Cowles, Henry, Day Book, 1835-1843  
Cowles, Henry, *Catalog & Record of Colored Students*, [1862]  
Cowles, Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ (Alice W.), Note Books, #1&2 Diary, 1838-1840  
Cowles, Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, Lectures of, n.d.  
Cowles Papers, 1836-1863 (4f)

Box 5

Cowles Family Tree, n.d. - Fenn, Delia, 1835  
Cowles Family Tree, n.d.  
Cowles, Alice Welch (various essays), 1830s-1840s  
Cowles, Helen M. (mostly letters), 1845-1849  
Cowles, Mary, Diary of, 1851-1852, 1854 (2f)  
Cowles, Mary Louisa, Journal of, 1856-1857 (3f)  
Cowles, Mary L. (to Frank P. Woodbury), 1857-1858  
Cowles, Myra, Papers of (letters to Betsy Cowles), 1846  
Dascomb (James), Note and Account Book, 1834-1836  
(Includes associated material, Phoebe Haynes diary, 1865, 1868)  
Dascomb, Dr. & Mrs. James: Letters, 1833-1852  
Emerson, Joseph, Notes on his Lectures, n.d.  
Fairchild, James H.: Letters to Mary Kellogg, 1838-1841  
Fenn, Delia, 1835

Box 6

Finney Letters in Library Office, 1837-1874 - Johnson, Phineas, 1816  
Finney Letters in Library Office, 1837-1874  
Finney, Charles G., 1827-1870 (6f) (2 are genealogy)  
Finney, Charles G., unpublished mss., 1830s-1860s  
Fish, George W., 1856  
Fletcher, Nathan P. (Treasurer), c. 1837 (2f)  
Fraser, John G., Diary & Notes of, 1865-1867  
Gilbert, Mary Minerva (journal, essays), 1853  
Going to Oberlin: Dascomb, Fletcher, Livingston, Sherwood, Winslow  
(letters), 1834-1840  
Gorham, Mary, 1853-1854

**Series III. Research Files: Non-Original Records (cont.)**

**Subseries 1. Typescript Copies (Name Files) (cont.)**

Box 6 (cont.)

Hanmer, Elizabeth, 1852-1853  
Hubbard, Frances M. (account book), c. 1856  
Ingersoll Letters, 1838-1844  
Johnson, Phineas (fragment of Diary: Journey in Lorain County), 1816

Box 7

Keep, John, 1834-1868 - Scott, W.S., Diary of, 1865  
Keep, John (letters, autobiography), 1834-1868 (3f)  
Kingsbury, Seldon B. (Civil War Diary), 1861-1862  
Letters, 1830s-1880s (3f)  
Library Miscellaneous File, 1833-1884  
Mahan, Asa, 1836-1884, n.d. (2f)  
Miscellaneous Documents, copies of, 1840-1886  
Monroe, Mr. & Mrs. James (letters to), 1842-1866  
Monroe, Elizabeth Maxwell, c. 1842-1852  
Morgan, John, 1866  
Morgan, John: calendar of his letters to Mark Hopkins, 1830-1883  
Penfields (letters of Aaron, Peter, Austin), 1830-1844  
Prudden, Henry, Letters & Journal, 1859-1860  
*Prudden, Nancy, Letters of, (transferred to 30/205)*  
Reminiscences, of Mary Rice Whitney, Lucretia Smith Sikes, and  
Oliver L. Spaulding re.: college in 1841-1860  
Scott, W.S., Diary of, 1865

Box 8

Shipherd, John J., 1818-1831 (7f)

Box 9

Shipherd, John H., 1818-1844 - Stiles, Edmund R., Diary of, 1861-1862  
Shipherd, John J., 1818-1844 (9f)  
Smith, Gerrit, 1834-1864 (2f) (see also box 19)  
Stiles, Edmund R., Diary of, 1861-1862

Box 10

Stone, Lucy, Letters & talk, 1845-1898 - Zearing, Louis, Letters of, 1851  
1853  
Stone, Lucy, Letters & talk (corresp. about), 1845-1898 (2f) See also  
Series II.

**Series III. Research Files: Non-Original Records (cont.)**

**Subseries 1. Typescript Copies (Name Files) (cont.)**

Box 10 (cont.)

Stuart, Robert & David, Notes on by R.S.F., n.d.  
Tappan, Lewis (letters), 1842-1865  
Tenny, Levi (letters), 1834-1836  
Townsend, Dr. Norton S. (incls.: proposals for agricultural college,  
1840s-1850s, survey Agric. Ed., 1876)  
Upton, J. Sprague (journal), 1857  
Walker, Amasa, at Oberlin (excerpt from R.S.F. book), n.d.  
Ward, Artemus, 1863-1865  
Warner, Hannah & Warren (letters), 1841-1845  
Warner, Lucien C.: The Story of My Live (Chapt. 3), n.d.  
Weld, Theodore, correspondence, 1833-1865  
Whipple, Adelia A., 1858  
Wilder: Theodore Wilder's Notebook, 1860-1865  
Winegar, Sara Minerva, 1864-1865  
Woodbury, Benjamin, 1833  
Wright, James L. & others [Salisbury], 1830-1847  
Zearing, Louis, Letters of re: gold mining, 1851-1853

**Subseries 2. Typescript Copies (Subject Files), 1833-1908, n.d.**

Box 11

Agricultural & Horticultural Society, 1839-1847, n.d. - Finances, 1830s-1850s  
Agricultural & Horticultural Society, 1839-1847, n.d. (3f)  
Agricultural Society, 1835-1865. See also Townsend, Dr. N.S.  
Alumni Association, 1839-1867  
Alumni Records Office, Miscellaneous files, 1834-1845  
Board of Education, records of, 1835-1842  
Civil War (letters & misc.), 1861-1865  
Coeducation (comments), 1836-1858  
Classwork & Courses of Study (commentary), 1836-1843  
College Education (oration, W.A. Bemis), [ca. 1858?]  
Course of Study, 1843-1844  
Conservatory Director, 1872-1908  
Debate Questions, 1840-1860  
Dialectic Association, Minutes of, 1839-1845  
Excerpts from Books re: Oberlin in 1840-1860

**Series III. Research Files: Non-Original Records (cont.)**

**Subseries 2. Typescript Copies (Subject Files) (cont.)**

Box 11 (cont.)

Faculty Meetings, 1835-1843  
Faculty Records, 1834-1846  
Female Moral Reform Society of Elyria, 1837-1850  
Finances, 1830s-1850s

Box 12

Hudson, Ohio - Oratory, n.d.  
Hudson, Ohio (reminiscences), 1897  
Ladies Board Proceedings, 1851-1862  
Ladies Literary Society (L.L.S.), 1846-1863  
LaGrange (Indiana) Collegiate Institute, 1837-1874  
Lane Seminary, 1834-1836  
Letters, Asking admittance, 1833-1840  
Literary Societies, 1849-1865  
Manual Labor, n.d.  
Maternal Association (constitution, minutes), 1835-1860  
Oberlin Anti-Slavery Society Constitution, 1835  
Oberlin Episcopal Church, (re: Appeals), 1854-1856  
Oberlin Church Records, 1834-1856, n.d. (2f)  
Oberlin Collegiate Institute: First Circular, March 8, 1834;  
Rules & Regulations, 1840-1867  
Oberlin Evangelist Association, 1840-1851  
Oberlin Female Moral Reform Society, 1835-1859  
Oberlin Musical Association & Musical Union, 1837-1887  
Oberlin Non-Resistance Society Constitution, 1840  
Oberlin Society, 1834-1841  
Oberlin Society & Collegiate Institute, 1833-1835  
Oberlin Unmasked, by Delazon A. Smith, 1837  
Oneida Institute, 1834  
Oratory, n.d.

Box 13

Peace Convention, Proceedings, 1843 - Treasurer's Office, Files A-B  
Peace Convention, Proceedings, 1843  
Petitions to the Faculty, 1837-1841, n.d.  
President's Annual Reports, 1867-1870  
Prudential Committee, 1835-1869 (4f)  
Russia Township Records, 1855-1869  
Secretary's Office, 1833-1907 (3f)

**Series III. Research Files: Non-Original Records (cont.)**

**Subseries 2. Typescript Copies (Subject Files) (cont.)**

Box 13 (cont.)

Stewart Stove, n.d.  
Student Confessions, 1833-1837  
Students: List of unrecorded students, 1834-1845  
Students: Miscellaneous & Women's Biographical sketches, 1836  
Students: Negro, 1833-1908  
Students: Statistical, 1838-1870  
Tabor, Iowa, 1857-1860  
Tea, Coffee & Tobacco, 1837-1852  
Tent, 1836-1847  
Theological Society's Records, 1844-1851  
Treasurer's Office, Files A-B (2f)

Box 14

Treasurer's Office, Files C-O (13f)

Box 15

Treasurer's Office, Files P-W - Young Men's Lyceum, 1849-1865  
Treasurer's Office, Files, P-W (5f)  
Treasurer's Vault, 1834-1865  
Trustee Minutes, 1834-1866? (4f)  
Trustees' Papers (Secretary's Office), 1841-1864  
Union Society, 1841-1850  
Western Reserve College Church, 1835-1836  
Western Reserve Faculty Records, 1833-1839  
Wilberforce University, 1868  
Young Men's Anti-Slavery Society, 1851-1853  
Young Men's Lyceum, 1849-1865

**Subseries 3. Typescript Copies (Periodicals), 1833-1867**

Box 16

Periodicals:

"Advocate & Family Guardian," 1853-1864 (2f)  
"Advocate of Moral Reform," 1835-1846 (3f)  
"Advocate of Moral Reform & Family Guardian," 1848-1851  
"Cleveland Liberalist," 1837  
"Cleveland Observer," 1837, 1839-1840

**Series III. Research Files: Non-Original Records (cont.)**

**Subseries 3. Typescript Copies (Periodicals) (cont.)**

Box 17

Periodicals:

- "Cleveland Plain Dealer," 1850
- "Cleveland Whig," 1834-1836
- "Elyria Courier," 1847-1853
- "Lorain County News," 1860-1867 (7f)
- "McDowall's Journal," 1833-1834
- Miscellaneous, extracts from newspapers, 1837-1860
- "New York Evangelist," 1834-1841 (see also box 19)
- "Oberlin Evangelist," 1838-1849 (6f)

Box 18

Periodicals:

- "Oberlin Evangelist," 1850-1862 (10f)
- "Oberlin Student's Monthly," 1858-1861
- "Ohio Atlas," 1833-1841
- "Ohio Cultivator," 1846-1856
- "Ohio Observer," 1834-1837, 1840-1845 (3f)
- "University Quarterly," 1860-1861

**Subseries 4. Photostats (Various types of documents), 1830-1901**

Box 19

- Abolitionism Unveiled...*, by Henry F. James, 1856
- Finances, 1830s-1850s
- Lord, Elizabeth Russell, Papers of, 1838?-1863
- Miscellaneous, Copies of Letters, 1835-1901
- Miscellaneous, from the Oberlin College Library, ca. 1830s-1865  
(See enclosed listing in folder.) (2f)
- Miscellaneous, other than letters, various dates
- New York *Evangelist*, 1830-1841
- Smith, Gerrit, Letters rec'd, 1836-1866
- Tappan, Lewis, Letters sent by, 1842-1856



**Series IV. Research Files: Non-Textual Records, ca. 1930s-1943**

Box 20

Lantern Slides

Box 21

Photographs, Illustrations used & not used (3f)

Box 22

Print Blocks - Oversized. Room 420A

Box 23

Unbound copy: *A History of Oberlin College...* — for microfilm, 2 vols.

**Series V. Additional Materials Received, 1916-1971, n.d.**

Box 24 (oversize)

Scrapbook, student days at Oberlin College, 1916-20

“The Ghost of Jimmy Smith,” by Robert S. Fletcher, WEOL, Broadcast, April 8, 1953 (33½ LP, two sides) (Elyria, Ohio)

Box 25

Correspondence 1928-9, 1933-35, 1940, 1959, 1960, 1969, 1971, n.d. (2f)

Writings (manuscripts, notes) c. 1920s-1950s (3f)

Writings by others, 1937, 1968, n.d.

Photographs, n.d.

Negatives, n.d.

**Series VI. Lantern Slides, ca. 1920s-50s**

Slides kept and listed in the order in which they were originally boxed.

Box 1

Everyday life in Massachusetts

Mexican War

C.L. White and E.J. Foscue, *Regional Geography of Anglo-America*

Great Plains/eastern boundary of Great Plains

Rocky Mountains

Atlantic Coast

Piedmont

Denominational maps of USA, 1890: Congregational, Lutheran

Cross-Atlantic shipping routes

**Series VI. Lantern Slides (cont.)**

Box 1 (cont.)

Soldiers (unspecified)  
Lincoln portraits  
Civil War portraits  
Camera obscura  
Cartoons/political cartoons  
Jesse Applegate portrait  
Native American life  
Floor plan of a ship  
Niagara Falls  
Log cabin settlement  
Unspecified portraits  
WW2 maps: Philippines, France  
Stylized city  
Maps: presidential elections of 1872, 1880, 1884, 188, 18892, 1896  
Unspecified crowds  
Laying rails, Union Pacific Railroad, 1866  
Oregon Trail  
European ship of 1629  
Horses  
Coastal settlements  
Inflation statistics, 1912-1940  
Average wages (CIO), 1947  
Brawling men

Box 2

Spanish Civil War: "Allied Case against Franco"  
American draft  
    H.R. 515  
    Political cartoons: postwar training program, post war soldier survey  
        on draft  
Crowds walking past Berkshire Knitting Mill  
Riots  
Territorial changes 1919-1924 in Northern and Eastern Europe  
Crowds walking on railroad tracks  
FDR portrait  
Burning of the Merchant's Exchange, 1872  
Brig *America*  
*Clermont* on the Hudson (sketch by C.B.J.F. de Saint-Memim)  
Steam frigate *Fulton*  
Pawnee Indians, 1866

**Series VI. Lantern Slides (cont.)**

Box 2 (cont.)

Westerners breaking up herd of bison  
Map: Western railroads, 1880  
Armed man in fringed coat  
Civil War  
    Gettysburg  
    Antietam  
    Aftermath of unspecified battle (1862)  
Railcars on Union Pacific Railroad  
Early photography & moving images  
    Daguerreotype gallery  
    Zooprexiscopes (Edgerton, horse)  
    Morse and daguerreotype camera  
    Camera room, 1870)  
    Kinematoscope  
    Saxton's first daguerreotype  
    Ambrotype of Professor John Draper  
    Stereoscopic daguerreotype  
    Four-tube camera  
    Carte de visite: Miss Nellie Grant  
    Brady Gallery  
Worker riot and police  
Tepee Village  
Diagram of horse herding routes  
Exposed rock (landscape)  
C.L. White and E.J. Foscue, *Regional Geography of Anglo-America*  
    Interior Grain Belt  
Men on horseback  
Bison herds  
Richmond, VA, 1865)  
Broadway, 1857)  
Donald McKay  
Boston, MA, 1860  
Union Pacific Railroad trestle  
Prince of Wales  
Andrew Jackson portraits  
Horses  
System of land survey  
Railroads  
Harper's Ferry, 1865

**Series VI. Lantern Slides (cont.)**

Box 3

Tanning hides  
Political cartoons: "More for Monopoly," "Boomerang," Franco  
WWII: U.S. vs. Japanese naval losses  
Bomb shelter  
Recreational games: baseball, soccer  
Military meeting  
Battle carnage  
"Portrait of a Bigot": Sen. Theodore C. Bilbo  
Headlines on organized labor  
Detective cameras  
Shanty town  
Man with horse  
Clinton Anderson, Sec. of Agriculture, Washington D.C. (text slide)  
Agrarian workers  
Stormy seas  
Germans in search of food  
Traveling dark tent and stereoscope camera, 1860-1861  
Flexible film  
Wolcott's camera, 1840  
Portraits: Herbert Himmler; Hitler and aides  
Depiction of a forge  
Railroad cartoons: "How to Fix a Railroad"  
Asia scenes  
Graphs of WWII factory pay  
Family incomes, 1910-1936  
"Welcome Ivan"  
Land/coast map from sky  
Coast geographical formation  
WWI political cartoon  
Spinning competition  
Franklin Delano Roosevelt  
Chinese Revolution leaders: Mao, Chiang Kai-Shek  
Political cartoons: big business  
Farm prices since 1939  
Trees  
Graphs of political participation based on economic class  
WWII political cartoons  
Graphs of food prices  
N.Y. Harbor from Battery Castle Garden  
Production graphs  
Chinese rebellion vs. USA

**Series VI. Lantern Slides (cont.)**

Box 3 (cont.)

Dead bodies of Chinese workers

American air force statistics WWI and WWII

Casualty graphs

Early shack city

Joining of the rails

Stage at Salt Lake City

Rail bridge

Survey: public opinion on compulsory military training

Soldiers

"Somebody Must Have Dropped Something"