

Yale Family Papers PVMA Library

The Yale Family Collection contains papers of Linus Yale, Sr. (1797-1857), Linus Yale, Jr. (1821-1868), and Catherine Brooks Yale (1818-1900). Linus Sr. worked as a farmer, sawmill owner, and an inventor in Shelburne Falls, MA. His papers consist of patents issued to him in the 1830s and 1840s for improvements to sawmills. He later became interested in locks, and would pass his skills and interests on to his son, Linus Jr. who is represented in the collection by patents issued for a door, vault, and bank locks. The papers of Catherine Brooks Yale, Linus Sr.'s wife, consist of her essay on woman's suffrage, a ticket and program from the 1892 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, her obituary, an anti-suffrage pamphlet, and a Christmas message for a friend.

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Patents of Linus Yale Sr., 1830-1841

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Patents of Linus Yale Jr., 1853-1856

Folder 3

Catherine B. Yale's paper: (*Why Should Suffrage be Imposed on Women?*; "Dead Folks," an essay read before the Woman Suffrage Soc. of Shelburne Falls; Columbian Exposition items; 2 copies of obituary)

Folder 4

Miscellaneous articles and copies relating to the Yales