

Guide to Manuscripts

Mount Lebanon, New York

Alternative Name(s): New Lebanon

Spiritual Name: Holy Mount

(subdivided by families: CH, CE, NO, SE, SO, EA, LC, UC)

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Introduction

Archival arrangement

The Shaker manuscript records in the collection of the Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon are arranged according to an archival principles that suggests that records are best understood and most useful when they are organized according to the administrative structure of the group that produced the records. For the Shaker Church, this structure is hierarchical. At the top, the Central Ministry¹ at New Lebanon, New York, was designated “first among equals.” Local Ministries, all of whom had the authority to appoint qualified Brothers and Sisters as successors in their local Ministry, and as Elders, Eldresses, Deacons, and Deaconesses, and Trustees.² The local Ministries were responsible for the Shaker societies³ that comprised a bishopric⁴.

At the bottom of the pyramid were small living groups which the Shakers called **families**⁵. Each family of ten to over one hundred celibate men, women, and children was a communal,

¹ We choose to use the term “Central Ministry” throughout this guide for consistency, and because it reflects the centralized and far-reaching authority of this group of leaders. The Shakers first referred to these leaders as the “Lebanon Ministry” because of their location at New Lebanon, New York. In the Shakers’ formative years, the Lebanon Ministry was also titled the “Gospel Ministry.” After 1861, they were titled the “Mount Lebanon Ministry,” after 1893, the “Central Ministry,” and around 1918, the “Parent Ministry.” A full discussion of the Lebanon Ministry, including a listing of the members with short biographies of the Ministry from 1788 to 1946, is available in “Gospel Ministry,” by Stephen Paterwic and Brother Arnold Hadd. *Shaker Quarterly* 24 (Winter 1996): 3-30.

We also choose to follow the Shakers’ practice of capitalizing titles even when used separate from a specific person.

² The Trustees were called “Office Deacons” until _____.

³ The terms society, community, and village are used interchangeably.

⁴ Occasionally a single Shaker society would constitute a bishopric

⁵ A Shaker family had appointed Elders and Eldresses to lead its activities. Shakers livings together without appointed Elders and Eldresses were generally called houses or farms

economically self-sufficient living unit. Several families in close geographic proximity formed a **society** Two or more⁶ Shaker societies formed a **bishopric** and all of the bishoprics together constituted the United Society of Believers in Christ's Second Appearing, or more commonly the United Society of Shakers Shaker Church.

The ministry in each bishopric appointed leaders in each family. Leadership responsibilities were divided among three groups: **Elders** who were responsible for the spiritual guidance of members and the general oversight of the family; **Trustees** (also called Office Deacons) who held the property of the family and directed its business affairs in the outside world; and **Family Deacons** who supervised the domestic affairs of the family. Each leadership group, referred to as a "lot," was made up of at least two men and two women responsible for supervising the respective male and female sides of the family. This leadership structure was established for the largest, most committed family in each community referred to as the Church family. It was modified, as needed, for smaller families.

Directions for use of guide

The Shaker hierarchical structure dictates that the records of the Central Ministry⁷ are listed first. They are followed by the records of the societies which were part of the Mount Lebanon bishopric: Mount Lebanon, Watervliet, and Groveland, New York (Sodus Bay, Sonyea) and Narcoossee, Florida. The Mount Lebanon records are subdivided into its eight families: Church (Church, First Order), Center (Church, Second Order), Second, South, East, North, Upper Canaan and Lower Canaan. The Mount Lebanon Bishopric records are followed by those of the Hancock Bishopric, namely, the Hancock Ministry, and the societies at Hancock and Tyringham, Massachusetts, and Enfield, Connecticut. This arrangement continues for the remaining bishoprics and constituent societies (see chart on page 3). It is important to note that this arrangement is neither by state nor alphabetical.

In all cases, the ministry records precede the family records in each bishopric. All the records of a single family, regardless of format, are grouped together and not combined with the records of any other family. Within the family groups, the records are divided into manuscripts that are spiritual in content (elders), concern membership, business and property (trustees), reflect family household and agricultural activities and industries (family deacons), or are the personal papers of individual members.

Preceding each group of records is an introductory note providing some historical context for the records. References are also made to related manuscripts located elsewhere in the Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon collection, to important records in other collections available on microfilm at the Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon, and to references in other collection guides.

and were under the control but physically distant from a particular family.

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The Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon has a substantial collection of manuscripts from the Mount Lebanon Church Family and the Mount Lebanon North Family. Even for those with research interests in other communities, a brief reading of the descriptions for Mount Lebanon might provide useful insights into the variety of records kept by the Shakers. In addition to original manuscripts, the Library has an extensive collection of manuscripts on microfilm, secondary materials, serials, photographs, and Shaker imprints and ephemera, that are also available for research.

Organizational Chart
United Society of Believers (Shakers)

Central Ministry (Gospel Ministry, New Lebanon Ministry, Mount Lebanon Ministry, Parent Ministry)¹

Mount Lebanon Bishopric (Mount Lebanon Ministry)

Mount Lebanon, New York

Church Family (Church, First Order)

Center Family (Church, Second Order)

Second Family (Order of Families)

South Family

East Family (Hill Family, Brickyard)

North Family (Central Institution of Young Believers, Novitiate Order, Gathering Order)

Upper Canaan Family

Lower Canaan Family

Watervliet, New York

Groveland (Sonyea), New York and Sodus (Port Bay, Sodus Bay), New York

Narcoossee, Florida (Olive Branch)

Hancock Bishopric (Hancock Ministry)²

Hancock, Massachusetts

Enfield, Connecticut

Tyringham, Massachusetts

Canterbury Bishopric (Canterbury Ministry)³

Canterbury, New Hampshire

Enfield, New Hampshire

Harvard Bishopric (Harvard Ministry)

Harvard, Massachusetts

Shirley, Massachusetts

Maine Bishopric (Maine Ministry)⁴

Alfred, Maine

Gorham, Maine

Sabbathday Lake, Maine (New Gloucester)

Ministry of the West (Union Village Ministry)

Union Village Bishopric (Union Village Ministry)

Union Village, Ohio

Watervliet, Ohio⁵

Whitewater, Ohio

White Oak, Georgia

North Union Bishopric (North Union Ministry)
North Union, Ohio

West Union Bishopric (West Union Ministry)
West Union, Indiana (Busro)

South Union Bishopric (South Union Ministry)⁶
South Union, Kentucky

Pleasant Hill Bishopric (Pleasant Hill Ministry)⁶
Pleasant Hill, Kentucky

¹The Central Ministry moved to Hancock, Massachusetts, 1947-1957 and to Canterbury, 1957-1991.

²The Hancock Ministry was dissolved and the Bishopric placed under Central Ministry at Mt. Lebanon in 1893. Hancock was the seat of the Central Ministry from 1947 to 1957.

³Canterbury was the seat of the Central Ministry (Parent Ministry) from 1957 to 1991.

⁴In 1830, immediate care of the Bishopric of Maine was given to the Ministry at Canterbury. In 1859 the Maine Societies were granted independent status once more.

⁵Watervliet, Ohio was administered by its own Ministry from 1822 to 1864 at which time the Ministry was dissolved and the community placed under Union Village.

⁶The Ministries of Pleasant Hill and South Union were joined as the Kentucky Bishopric from 1868 to 1872.

**United Society of Believers, Mount Lebanon, New York, Central Ministry Records,
1804-1943** (30 volumes, 101 folders)

Historical Notes:

Father Joseph Meacham established the first Shaker Ministry at New Lebanon⁸, New York, in 1788. The Lebanon Ministry⁹ was the ultimate source of authority in the government of the Shaker Church. Meacham and his successors appointed subordinate local Ministries to supervise the formation of new Shaker communities and to attend to their well being. Each Ministry had one or more communities under its care. Communities united under a Ministry constituted a Bishopric. A listing of Ministries/Bishoprics is on page 3.

Ministries established rules and regulations. They appointed the primary family leaders and maintained a general oversight of both temporal and spiritual affairs. In addition to supervising the local Ministries, the Lebanon Ministry had direct care of the communities of the New Lebanon Bishopric — the societies at New Lebanon and Watervliet, New York, and when the Ministry at Groveland, New York, was disbanded in 1859, it too became part of the New Lebanon Bishopric.

The Lebanon Ministry was composed of two men and two women. The primary leaders were referred to as “Elder” and “Eldress”¹⁰ and their assistants as “Brother” and “Sister.” The first leaders were Father Joseph Meacham and Mother Lucy Wright. When Eldress Rosetta Stephens was released from the Ministry of February 12, 1846, the Mount Lebanon closed. The Central Ministry moved to Hancock, Massachusetts, and in 1957, to Canterbury, New Hampshire. The Central Ministry was dissolved with the death of Eldress Bertha Lindsay on October 3, 1990.

Scope and Content Notes:

Records include drafts of covenants and related discussions by Thomas Damon, Giles B. Avery and Harvey Eades (1860-1887); general circulars issued by the Ministry on debt and finances (1864-1870); and correspondence from Pleasant Hill and South Union, Kentucky (1862), and Union Village, Ohio (1872). Included in the financial records are Ministry accounts; records on Sodus Bay, Mount Lebanon, and Watervliet, New York; and legislative petitions, correspondence and real estate records pertaining to the closing and sale of Harvard and Shirley, Massachusetts, Watervliet, New York, Whitewater, Ohio, and South Union, Kentucky (1910-1920). Historical and

⁸ In 1861, a post office was established at the Shakers’ Trustees’ Office in New Lebanon. At that time to differentiate that post office from the one servicing the town of New Lebanon, the Shaker community was renamed Mount Lebanon. In general, when titles and/or locations are supplied in this guide, the name New Lebanon will be used for documents created before 1861, and Mount Lebanon for documents created after that date. The Shakers’ name for their village will be used as they appear in documents even when they have mistakenly used the old name.

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¹⁰ The first Brother or Sister appointed to each Ministry was accorded the honorific title, “Father” or “Mother.” This practice ended in ____.

theological works include testimonies about Ann Lee, a biography of Lucy Wright by Calvin Green, and theological treatises by Calvin Green, Seth Y. Wells and Giles B. Avery. Visions from the period of Mother Ann's work are recorded in volumes and booklets collected by or copied for the Ministry (1837-1856). Six of the booklets contain drawings attributed to Eleanor Potter. Other records pertaining to the Mount Lebanon Ministry are located in the Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees' records and the Canterbury, New Hampshire, Ministry's records.

Organization:

The records are divided into the following series:

- 1) Journals
- 2) Covenants and regulations
- 3) Correspondence
- 4) Legal and financial records
- 5) Shaker history, biography and theology
- 6) Visions

Series 1a: Journals

Summary of Ministry Elders' Journals

<i>Day Book</i>	1815-1829	OCIWHi V:B-85*
<i>A Daily Journal of Passing Events</i>	1830-1839	NN 1*
<i>A Daily Journal of Passing Events</i>	1839-1850	NN 2*
<i>A Daily Journal of Passing Events</i>	1850-1859	NN 3*
<i>A Register of Incidents and Events</i>	1859-1874	NN 4*
<i>Ministries Journal</i>	1874-1890	NN 5*

Summary of Ministry Eldresses' Journals

<i>A Domestic Journal of Important Concerns Kept for the Elder Sisters</i>	1780-1841	OCIWHi V:B 60
	1842-1860	OCIWHi V:B 61

(*These manuscripts from other libraries are available in the Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon's collection on microfilm.)

Series 1b: Travel journals

See "Notes Made by Giles B. Avery While Touring Eastern Societies Relative to Publishing the Sacred Roll. 1843." Acc No 12744.

Located under Canterbury, New Hampshire, Ministry (Parent Ministry), Greenwood Library of Shaker Manuscripts, No. 147.

See "Bro. Isaac Young's Journal. Tour with Bro Rufus Bishop, Through the States of Ohio and Kentucky. . .1834." Acc No 12751 12752.

Located under Canterbury, New Hampshire, Ministry (Parent Ministry), Greenwood Library of Shaker Manuscripts, Nos. 141 and 142.

Series 2: Covenants and regulations

Folder 1-1 "Church Covenant New Lebanon N.Y.," c. 1829-1830. (22 p.) Annotated revision of the 1814 Church Covenant.
Acc No 13368

Folder 1-2 to 1-4 Church Covenant, New Lebanon, NY, 1830. Proposed revisions and related discussions on the duties of trustees, c.1860-1880. (6 items) Writers include Thomas Damon, Giles B. Avery and Harvey L. Eades.
Acc No 10348 12164-A 12164-B 12165-A 12165-B 13598

Folder 1-5 "An Exposition of the Church Covenant, Or Articles of Association Adopted by the Church in the United Society called Shakers," by [Seth Y. Wells], n.d. (36 p.)

Locator No	Description
Folder 1-6	<p>Acc No 13537</p> <p>“Essential Improvements Of The New Covenant Over Covenant of 1830” by [Giles B. Avery], c. 1885. (5 p.) Discussions in support of Harvey L. Eades’ 1883 revision of the Church covenant.</p> <p>Acc No 12166</p>
Folder 1-7	<p>“Observations on New Covenant” by [Giles B. Avery], c. 1885. (18 p.)</p> <p>Acc No 10364</p>
Folder 1-8	<p>"Covenant of Novitiate Members of the Second Family of the United Society Called Shakers of, New Lebanon, Columbia Co, N.Y.," n.d. (8 p.)</p> <p>Acc No 12054</p>
Folder 1-9 1-10	<p>"Orders for the Church of Christ’s Second Appearing. Established by, Ministry & Elders of the Church, Mt. Lebanon Nov. 1887," (2 items 132 p.)</p> <p>Variations in text.</p> <p>Acc No 10480 10481</p>
Folder 1-11	<p>“Universal Circular to Believers, Concerning Care about Indebtedness to the World . . . 1864.” (3 p.)</p> <p>Acc No 12171</p> <p>“Covenantal Principles Relative to financial business arrangements between Brethren & Sisters among Believers,” 1870. (2 p.)</p> <p>Acc No 12167</p> <p>See also:</p> <p>Circular to Elders and Deacons concerning buildings, conveniences and inventions, 1802.</p> <p>Acc No 10476</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Records of the Mount Lebanon, NY, Church Family Deacons, Series 2. Regulations.</p> <p>Circular concerning buildings conveniences and inventions, 1803</p> <p>Acc No 12181</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Records of the Enfield, CT, Church Family Trustees, Series 2. Covenants and Regulations.</p> <p>“Circular Concerning Graves, Grave Yards, and Monuments,” 1872.</p> <p>Acc No 9600</p> <p>“Circular Concerning Graves, Grave Yards and Monuments,” 1872.</p> <p>Acc No 9601</p> <p>“Circular Concerning Photographs, Dauguerreotypes, Ferrotypes &c.,” 1873.</p> <p>Acc No 9599</p>

Locator No	Description
Records of the Hancock, MA, Ministry, Series 2. Covenants and regulations.	Series 3: Correspondence
Volume 2	Letters, Mount Lebanon Central Ministry, 1861-1888. Re: Extracts of legal decisions and opinions, Circular Epistles, and articles on theology and law copied by Giles B. Avery. (130 p.) Acc No 8849
Folder 3-1	Letter from the Pleasant Hill [Ministry] to Eliza Ann Taylor and Betsy Bates, 1862. (4 p., incomplete) Acc No 12146
Folder 3-2	Letters from the South Union Ministry to New Lebanon Ministry, 1862. (3 items, 11 p.) Includes letter from Sarah Jenkins and Paulina Bryant, South Union, KY, to New Lebanon Ministry Eldresses Betsy Bates and Ann Taylor. Acc No 12176 12177 12178
Folder 3-3 3-4	Letters from Elder William Reynolds of the Union Village Ministry to the New Lebanon Ministry, 1871-1876 (7 items, 50 p.) Concerning events at Union Village and North Union, OH; Pleasant Hill, KY; the Pennebacker case; and Frederick W. Evans at the Spiritualist Convention. Acc No 12155 (12515) 12151A-D 12154A-F 12152 12150A-C 12513 12145
Folder 3-5	Letter from Eunice Bathrick, Harvard, MA, to Eldress Eliza Ann Taylor and Polly Reed, 1881. (1 item, 4 p.) Acc No 9749
Series 4: Legal and financial records (Arranged first by bishopric, society, and family and then chronologically)	
General Accounts	
Volume 4	Account book, 1807-1852. Ledger of receipts and expenditures of Central Ministry, including missions to Ohio and land purchased in New Canaan, CT and Port Bay, NY. (18 p.) Acc No 7223
Folder 3-6	Memorandum book, [1799], 1804-1809. (32 p.) Memoranda of donations from the Church Family to various Young Believers families and work done for the Church in return. Written in "Memo Book for Spirit, Molasses [sic] . . .1799." Acc No 10115

Locator No	Description
Folder 3-7	Records regarding the purchase and sale of Sodus Bay, including loan agreements by Shirley and Harvard, MA, and Canterbury and Enfield, NH, 1828-1844. (6 items) Acc No 13393 13391 13392 13394 13395 13396
Mount Lebanon Bishopric: Mount Lebanon, New York	
Folder 3-8	Recipes and statistics compiled by Giles B. Avery, c. 1861. (3 items) Includes recipes for Imperial Rose Balm manufactured by the East Family, tomato catsup as prepared at Harvard, MA, and statistics related to the Church Family. Acc No 9611 9567 9542
Folder 3-9	“Decisions Concerning Seed and Medicine Business of the Church, October 6th 1887” Copy written by Giles B. Avery for the “Central Family.” Decision to abandon the seed business and use the labor of the Church family in putting up medicine. (4 p.) Acc No 9555a
Folder 3-10	Agreements concerning division of properties of the Mount Lebanon Second and South Families, 1863-1867. (6 items) Acc No 12170A-F
Folder 3-11	Report to the New Lebanon Ministry from Elder Richard Bushnell concerning North Family assets, 1860, with an appended note by M. Catherine Allen, c. 1910. (12 p.) Acc No 12174
Folder 3-12	Inventories, New Lebanon Church, 1841 and 1853. (2 items) Acc No 9643 9643A
Folder 3-13	Inventories, Lower Canaan Family, 1857-58, 1861-66, 1868, 1871, 1878, n.d. (13 items) Acc No 9644-9656
Folder 3-14	Papers related to sale of Shaker articles to the New York State Museum by Eldress Annie Rosetta Stephens, 1941. (4 items) Acc No 9636 9637 9638 9639
Mount Lebanon Bishopric: Watervliet, New York.	
Folder 3-15	“Stipulations Relative to the Division of the Real and Personal Estate of the Church Families at Watervliet, Albany Co., N.Y.,” 1860. Re: Setting off the Second Order as an independent family. Acc No 12161

Locator No	Description
Folder 3-16	Records on the closing of Watervliet, NY, 1927. (3 items) Contains a release settlement with Libbie DeLong and a letter from Chauncy Miller to Isaac Anstatt, 1897, concerning funds reserved for the Groveland, NY, sisters who came to Watervliet. Acc No 11781 11782 12158
Folder 3-17 3-18	Records pertaining to the rental, sale and school taxes for the Watervliet, NY, property, 1940-1943. (7 items) Includes agreements signed by Frances Hall. For other records on the sale of Watervliet, NY, property, see also: Records of the Central Ministry at Hancock, MA, Series, Legal and Financial Records. Acc No 11922 11923 11924 11825 11826 11920A&B
Harvard Bishopric: Harvard and Shirley, Massachusetts	
Folder 5-1 - 5-7	Records pertaining to the closing and sale of Harvard and Shirley, 1906-1919. (61 items) Acc No 10229 10230 15570-15583 15596 15597 15601 15603 15604 15604A 15605 15605A 15606 15607 15608 15610 15611 15611A 15612-15614 15615A-F 15616-15637
Union Village Bishopric: Union Village, Ohio	
Folder 6-1	Correspondence from Matthew B. Carter and Joseph Slingerland, Union Village, Ohio, to Benjamin Gates in regard to the Gass sisters and Dayton Furnace Co., 1889-1890. (9 items) Acc No 9717-9725
Folder 6-2	Contracts and leases pertaining to Dayton Furnace Co., negotiated by Benjamin Gates, 1889-1895. (14 items) Includes copies of assignment of patent rights for the Teed water motor to Cyrus R. Teed, leader of the Koreshan Unity. Acc No 9707-9716
Folder 6-3	Checkbook, checks and papers of Clarence D. Baldwin, manager, Dayton Furnace Co., 1892-1893. (90 items) Acc No 10570
Union Village Bishopric: Whitewater, Ohio	
Folder 6-4	Deed for the sale of Whitewater property, 1910 (1 item) Acc No 11828
South Union, Kentucky	

Locator No	Description
Folder 6-5 & 6-6	Correspondence, reports, and financial records pertaining to the sale of South Union, 1919-1922. (23 items) Acc No 12179 10311
Series 3: Shaker history, biography and theology	
Folder 7-1	"Copy of a letter of Father James Whittaker to his parents in England." Dated "Parts near Albany, 20th Feb'y 1784." (17 p.) Label on cover, "48." Acc No 13500
	"A List of those heads of families who believed in and about New Lebanon when the gospel first opened . . .," n.d.(2 p.) Label, "79" Acc No 13466
Folder 7-2	"Sayings of Mother [Ann Lee], & c Taken from David Slosson, J[r]." c.1810. (4 p.) Acc No 12162
Folder 7-3	"A Concise Statement of a few of the prophecies and worthy Sayings, Spoken by Mother Ann Lee and the first Elders who ministered the Gospel to us; for the use and Edification of those who Believe in the Second appearing of Christ." c. 1810. (108 p.) A collection of forty-two testimonies with preface and index. Acc No 13363
	See also: Manuscript copy of <i>Testimonies of the Life, Character, Revelations & Doctrines Our ever Blessed Mother Ann Lee. And the Elders with Her; Hancock, 1816.</i> Records of the Canterbury, NH Ministry, Greenwood Library of Shaker Manuscript, No. 34
Folder 7-4	[Seth Y. Wells], "A Brief Illustration of the Four General Dispensations. . . ." Manuscript of <i>A Summary View of the Millennial Church</i> (1848 ed.), Part V, Chapter IV, with annotations by Calvin Green[?]. (27 p.) Acc No 3284
Folder 7-5	"Pieces in Poetry and Prose Written by some of the Brethren and Sisters of the Gathering Order of Young Believers in New Lebanon, and Designed for a Social Gathering . . . August 8th, 1860. Coppied [sic] for the Ministry by Anna White." (55 p.) Label on cover "34." Acc No 13551
Folder 7-6	"An Account of a Social Meeting Held in a Pine Grove about 60 rods from the South Family in Canaan By the Junior Order of Believer at Mount Lebanon and Canaan Sept 2nd 1863." (80 p.) Contains music. Label on cover "35." Acc No 13552

Locator No	Description
Folder 7-7	Address by Giles B. Avery on the subject of sin, n.d. (4 p., incomplete) Acc No 9598
Volume 8-9	Calvin Green, "No II Seventy Principles" and "No IV An Illustration of the Seven Vials," [1848] (2 volumes, 143 p.) Acc No 3278 3333
Volume 10	Calvin Green, "Biographical Memoir . . . of Mother Lucy Wright", 1861. (216 p.) Acc No 8861
Volume 11	Volume of vital statistics extracted from Shaker manuscripts at Western Reserve Historical Society by Wallace H. Cathcart and presented to M. Catherine Allen of the Mount Lebanon Ministry, 1912. (382 p.) Acc No 8827

Series 4: Visions

“Vision” is here used inclusively for the terms: vision, roll, prophecy, communication, gift drawing, inspired message, spiritual message. The messages included in this series were recorded visions directed to, collected by, or copied for the ministry. Additional visions that were directed to an individual are located in the personal papers of that individual. Visions copied for other ministries, family elders or other people in positions of care are located under those administrative units.

Seth Y. Wells, Giles B. Avery and Isaac N. Youngs were the primary scribes appointed by the Ministry to copy visions.

It should be noted that the small red bordered labels found on the covers of many of these visions were attached by the Shakers. These labels are numbered in the hand of Sister Aida Elam of Canterbury, NH, who assisted Elder Irving Greenwood in assembling and cataloging the Shaker manuscript collection at Canterbury. In addition to thirty three bound volumes, this series includes a blue cardboard box of small booklets and packets of booklets with the enclosed note by Elam: “Box contains small volumes of Inspirational Writings. Continuing the series of spiritual messages to individuals 1840 to 1850. Nos. 34 to 80. No. 75 Illustrated Message.” It is suggested that these visions were removed from the Mount Lebanon meetinghouse in the early 1930s and brought to Canterbury. when the Mount Lebanon Church property was sold to the Lebanon School for Boys.

Volume 12	Inspired prophecies arranged in chapters, 1839-1844, 1863. (240 p.) Instruments include Miranda Barber, Calvin Green, Anna Dodgson, Elisha D. Blakeman, Matilda Reed, Joseph Wicker, Derobigne M. Bennet and Hannah Blake An
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Locator No	Description
	<p>additional prophecy was added by Harvey L. Eades in 1863. Label on front "16" Acc No 12341</p>
Volume 13	<p>"A Book. of Rolls, Letters, Messages, & Communications, To The Ministry and Elders, And individual members. Given by Divine Inspiration at New Lebanon. Not Recorded on Public Record. Transcribed 1842." (174 p.) Inscribed on spine "A." Label on front, "5" (For instruments see below, Volume 15.) Acc No 12306</p>
Volume 14	<p>"A Book. of Rolls, Letters, Messages, & Communications, To The Ministry and Elders, And individual members. Given by Divine Inspiration at New Lebanon. Not Recorded on Public Record. Transcribed 1842." (199 p.) Inscribed on spine "B." Label on front, "6" (For instruments see below, Volume 15.) Acc No 12331</p>
Volume 15	<p>"A Book of Rolls Letters Messages & Communications, To The Ministry and Elders, And individual members. Given by Divine Inspiration at New Lebanon. Not Recorded on Public Record. Transcribed 1843." 1841-1842. (73 p.) Inscribed on spine "C." Label on front, "7" Instruments Adah Zillah Potter, Elisha D. Blakeman, Matilda Reed, Philemon Stewart, Eleanor Potter, Anna Dodgson, Mary Wicks, Harriet Goodwin, Sarah Ann Standish, Emma Jane Blanchard, Semantha Fairbanks. Calvin Green and Miranda Barber. Acc No 12332</p>
Volume 16-17	<p>"A Record of Individual and Private Messages, Spoken by Divine Inspiration." 1839-1847. (2 volumes, 304 p.) Instruments Sarah Ann Lewis, Anna Dodgson, Philemon Stewart, Maranda Barber, Matilda Reed, Harriet Goodwin, Mary Wicks, Sarah Ann Standish, Eleanor Potter, Hannah Blake, [Emma] Jane Blanchard, Matilda Reed Semantha Fairbanks and Adah Zillah Potter. Accession Number 12333 is labelled on the table of contents "Book F" and carries the notation "Betsy Bates Book" on the flyleaf. Label on front, "8." Accession Number 12334 is labelled "Book 'G'" and there is a drawing of Mother Ann's seal by Eleanor Potter on p. 103. Label on front, "9." Acc No 12333 12334</p>
Volume 18	<p>"A Book, of Rolls, Letters, Messages and Communications; To the Ministry & Elders, and Individual Members. Given by divine inspiration in New Lebanon." 1839-1841. (228 p.) A chronological record with annotations that messages were copied to other volumes. Label on front, "18." Acc No 12317</p>
Volume 19-20	<p>"Of Holy Mother's Work [on the Holy Mount]." Volumes I and II, 1841-1842. (2 volumes, 279 p.) Labels on front, "3" and "4." Instruments Saphrona M. Smith (Watervliet, NY), Miranda Barber, Anna Dodgson, Semantha Fairbanks,</p>

Locator No	Description
	Philemon Stewart, Sarah Ann Standish, Adah Zillah Potter, and Hannah Ann Agnew. Acc No 12304 12305
Volume 21	"A Record of Holy Mothers Second Visitation and The Searching Work on the Holy Mount. Copied for the Ministry. New Lebanon, June 7 th 1842." "Volume II" (211 p.) (See page 1. This follows in the series "Of Holy Mother's Work," above, Acc Nos 12304 and 12305.) Contains music on pages 21, 37, 40-1, 43, 47, 50. Label on front, "17." Acc No 12342
Volume 22	"A Sacred Roll Of the Word of the Lord To the Nations of the Earth; Given by Inspiration in the Church at New Lebanon, in October 1840." (116 p.) Label on front, "13." Acc No 12338
Volume 23	"The Holy Roll of Heaven, or the Holy Book of Truth and Word of many Matters. Written by Divine Inspiration, At the Holy Mount of God. In the month of November 1841." (120 p.) Spine title: "Holy Roll, and Many Matters." Label on front, "10." Acc No 12335
Volume 24	"The Solemn and Sacred Word; Or Holy and Eternal Law of God Almighty, . . ." Begun Feb 20, 1841. (178 p.). Concerning drink and swine's flesh. Label on front, "18." Acc No 12308
Volume 25	"Concerning Swines Flesh" 1841-1851. (87 p.) Instructions against the consumption of swine's flesh, tobacco, tea, and coffee and temperance in the use of other animal food.. Instruments Benjamin Gates, Miranda Barber, Phebe Ann Smith, Matilda Wells, and Adah Zillah Potter. Label on front, "20." Acc No 12310
Volume 26	"Counsel Concerning Eating Drinking & Pork" (spine title), 1841-1845. (123 p.) Inscribed "Betsy Bates's Book." Includes references to other volumes and corrections in pencil. Signatures of the Ministry, Elders, Deacons and members of the Church, First and Second Orders, pages 51-60. Instruments: Benjamin Gates, Adah Zilah Potter, Philemon Stewart, Susan Kendal, Harvard, and Anna Dodgson. Label on front, "21." Acc No 12311
Volume 27	"The Holy Orders of the Church. Written by Father Joseph [Meacham] . . . 1841." (155 p) Inscribed "Betsy Bate's [sic] Book." Signatures on pages 87-92. Label on front, "22." Acc No 12312

Locator No	Description
Volume 28	“The Decrees of the Mighty Concerning the Tree of Life . . Copied June 23 rd 42.” Watervliet, NY, 1842-1848.(155 p.) Label on front, “25.” Acc No 12315
Volume 29	“A Collection of Various Interviues [sic] and Visionary Scen[e]s Wittnessed [sic] by Miranda Barber, After the Departure of our Heavenly Parents From the Holy Mount. New Lebanon.” 1839-1848. Inscribe on the flyleaf “Franklin B.” Pasted on inside front cover “Miranda Barber Betsy Bate’s [sic] Book.” Label on front, “26.” Acc No 12316
Volume 30	Visions received at the South House, Watervliet, NY, 1841-1842. (190 p.) Music on p. 70 and 106. Label on front, “28.” Acc No 12318
Volume 31	“Communications from departed Spirits Given in the form of Letters. Copied by Inspiration.” Watervliet, NY, 1842-1851. (91 p.) From George Washington; Lafayette; Charles the 1 st King of France; Edward, King of England; Maria Antonette [sic], formerly Queen of France; Caroline of Brunswick, Queen of England; Joan, of Noaks (France); and Frances Drake. Label on front, “23.” Acc No 12313
Volume 32	Visions seen at Watervliet, NY, 1841-1842. (54 p.) Label on back cover: “Fall of Man & [Birth?] of Jesus. Preceded by fall of Lucifer. More curious than edifying. Ought not to go out. 1842. Not worth Preserving, according to my estimation. A.G.H. [Alonzo G. Hollister]” Spine title: “Wisdoms Valley” Label on front, “11.” Includes also a visit from Holy Mother Wisdom. Acc No 12336
Volume 33	"A Statement of the First Meeting held on the Holy Mount when The whole Church assembled there. May 1st 1842. Collected and Transcribed by Derobigne M. Bennett." (132 p. Incomplete text) Ends mid sentence with references to later pages. Stamped on cover “No. 1.” Label on front, “33.” Acc No 12323
Volume 34	“A Record of Inspired Writings Given in the North, or Gathering Family, Through Different Instruments Copied for the Ministry New Lebanon 1842.” “Copied by Eldress Mary Antoinette Doolittle. North Family, Mt. Lebanon.” (197 p.) Instruments Phebe Van Houten, Emily Smith, Harriet Bullard, Catharine Van Houten, Ann Maria Finley, Elizaette Sutton, Clawson R. Middleton, Phebe Ann Jones, George Wickersham. Label on front, “15.” Acc No 12340
Volume 35	Visions received at the Second Order of the Church Family, New Lebanon, NY, 1840-1841, with an added essay on evil spirits by Seth Y. Wells, n.d., and

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	additional visions of Philemon Stewart, 1842-1851. (300 p.) Instruments Sarah J. Rea, Hannah Blake, Giles Avery, Peter L[ong], Abigail Crosman, Leah Taylor, Augusta Lannier and Hannah Agnew. Label on front, "30." Acc No 12320
Volume 36	"Book I. Life of the Patriarch Joseph. Book II. A Sketch of the Suferings [sic] and Travel of the Prophet Jeremiah." Harvard, Massachusetts, 1841-1843. (166 p.) Instrument, Eunice Bathrick. Written on front paste down page, "This Book Belongs to the Ministry at New Lebanon." Label on front, "12." Acc No 12337
Volume 37	"The Lives and Sufferings of Our Holy Savior, and of Blessed Mother Ann." Harvard, MA, 1841-1847. (121 p.) Instrument William Leonard. (This vision was published in 1904 with notes by Alonzo G. Hollister. Richmond No. 862.) Label on front, "19." Acc No 12309
Folder 38-1	Vision received at Watervliet, NY, 1834 and recorded by Polly Bacon, 1837. (2 p.) Acc No 14589 "Emily Lattimore's Vision in meeting, Sabbath day, Sept. 3, 1837. (1 p.) Acc No 14399
Folder 38-2	"Watervliet Visions South House. 1837." (74 p.) Collected by Elizabeth Youngs and transcribed by Isaac N. Youngs. Acc No 3334
Folder 38-3	"Narrative [sic] of James Wardl[e]y, jr. Seen and wrote down (in vision) by Phebe Ann Smith at Watervliet Mar 4th 1839." (29 p.) Acc No 10107
Folder 38-4	"Supplement to the Holy Laws of Zion . . . May 21st 1840 . . ." (17 p.) Instrument Eleanor Potter. Concerning buildings and hired men. (See "A General Statement of the Holy Laws of Zion" OCIWHi: VIII-B:140-140d.) Acc No 3335
Folder 38-5	"A Collection of Spiritual Messages and Gifts Received by Matilda Reed," 1840-1851. (69 p.) Acc No 3336
Folder 38-6	Visions received by Calvin Wells, Watervliet, N.Y., 1844-1849. (56 p.) Acc No 3337

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Folder 38-7	“Three polished birds in brilliant hue,” (first line) “Feb 7, 1871_Composed by Issachar Bates Sen., and sent by Eldress Betsey Bates, to Eldress Ann Taylor and Eldress Polly Reed. Medium, John Guildersleve.” (1 p.) Acc No 93.7.7
Box 39	Blue cardboard box labeled, "Books in script 34-80." Enclosed in the box a note written in the hand of Sister Aida Elam, Canterbury, NH, "Box contains small volumes of Inspirational Writings. Continuing the series of spiritual messages to individuals 1840 to 1850. Nos. 34 to 80. No. 75 Illustrated Message." The booklets enclosed in this box are either individually numbered or wrapped in numbered packets and are directed to the Ministry or to members of the New Lebanon Church, 1st and 2nd orders. [The “folder number” refers to the number on the volumes or packets. For preservation purposes several volumes have been removed to boxes 34 and 35.]
Folder 39-36	"The Word of Holy and Eternal Wisdom. . . to the beloved Ministry at Wisdom's Valley [Watervliet, N.Y.]," 1844. (43 p.) Red bordered label “36.” Acc No 13553
Folder 39-37	"Sacred Instructions, Adapted to the gathering orders of Believers, Throughout the United Branches of Zion . . Copied . . . at the Second Family in Wisdom’s Valley , (Watervliet) . . .Febry 26th 1842.” (56 p.) Label on recto, “No. 57. Febry 26 th 42. Paulina Bates.” Inscribed on fly leaf, "Betsy Bate’s Book". Red bordered label “37.” Acc No 13554
Folder 39-38	“The Gospel Monitor," 1842. (56 p.) Copy made by Freegift Wells [Watervliet, NY]. Red bordered label “38.” Acc No 13555
Folder 39-39	“Communications from the Prophets Joel & Ezekiel... Given by Inspiration, Jany 1841. Instrument Calvin Green.” Copied by Wm. Offord, January, 1856. (52p.) Red bordered label “39.” Acc No 13556
Folder 39-40	“Words of the Heavenly Father to the Holy Chosen of his Name. Also His Just Statutes and righteous Will for all those placed in the Sacred Order of the Ministry.” 1841 & 1858. (45 p.) Cover title “Ministry, Holy Mount. Exclusively for the Ministry. 1841 & 1858.” Red bordered label “40.” Acc No 13557
Folder 39-41	Visions received at South Union, Kentucky, 1839. (28 p.) Copy of a letter. Red bordered label “41.” Acc No 13558

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Folder 39-42	“Copy of a Communication made to the Ministry from all our first Parents, March 12, 1840.” (7 p.) Red bordered label “42.” Acc No 13559
Folder 39-43	"Holy Word of the Lord God Almighty . . Given at Wisdom’s Valley [Watervliet, N.Y.], and written by Inspiration at the Holy Mount March 5, 1843.” (97 p.) Cover title “The Holy Word of the Lord God Almighty.” Red bordered label ”43.” Acc No 13481
Folder 39-47	“The words of Eternal Wisdom Concerning suspending the public meeting at Watervliet,” 1842. (11 p.) Cover title. Red bordered label “47.” Acc No 13499
Folder 39-49	“Mother Ann’s own word to Eldress Ruth [Landon]. . .1841" (11p.) Red bordered label “49.” Acc No 13482
Folder 39-50	Roll from Mother Ann to “her little and chosen son, Daniel Boler.” 1842. (20 p.) Red bordered label “50.” Acc No 13483
Folder 39-51	“The Word of the Almighty Father and The Eternal Mother Wisdom. . . To the Watchmen at the Gates or the Doorkeepers throughout Zion. Written by Inspiration At the Holy Mount June 3 rd 1843.” (24 p.) Red bordered label “51.” Acc No 13484
Folder 39-52	"A Book Containing the particulars of Holy Mother Wisdoms Visit to Groveland with her Blessing March 19th 1843.” (29 p.) Cover title, “To the Ministry Holy Mount, Holy Mothers Wisdoms Visit at Groveland March 1843.” Red bordered label “52.” Acc No 13485
Folder 39-53	“The Following Communication was written on a silver breastplate, June 4th, 1842.” (19 p.) Cover title: “Garden of Eden. Watervliet 2 nd June, 1842 by Phebe Ann Smith.” Red bordered label “53.” Acc No 13486
Folder 39-54	“A Short Communication from Mother Ann to Elder Amos [Stewart], Mar. 11, 1853.” Instrument, Hannah Ann Agnew. (14 p.) Red bordered label “54.” Acc No 13487
Folder 39-55	Messages from Holy Mother Wisdom and others to Semantha Fairbanks, 1842. (26 p.) Red bordered label “55.” Acc No 13488

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Folder 39-56	“Abigail Crosman (2nd order) Jany 2 1842” “Meetinghouse” (25 p.) Red bordered label “56.” Acc No 13489
Folder 39-57	“A Farewell Present from Mother Ann Father William Father James & Eternal Holy Mother Wisdom to Calvin G. Reed.” 1842. (16 p.) Cover title “A comforting message to Calvin Reed 1842.” “Appears like G. B. Avery’s writing.” Red bordered label “57.” Acc No 13490
Folder 39-58-64	Visions received by Giles B. Avery from the Holy Father, 1843-1844. (7 volumes, 152 p.) Red bordered labels “58” to “64.” Acc No 13527-13533
Folder 39-65	“A Roll, from Mother Lucy, to the beloved Ministry, with her never ending love. February 2d 1842.” (14 p.) Cover title “From Mother Lucy to the Ministry, Wisdom’s Valley [Watervliet, NY], 1842.” Red bordered label “65.” Acc No 13513
Folder 39-66	“A Little Book of Communications, received Aug. 25th 1842, in the name of our ever blessed Mother Lucy. Copied by Inspiration Aug. 27th.” (47 p.) Red bordered label “66.” Acc No 13514
Folder 39-67	“An address to the youth and middle aged. Written by Mother Ann . . . and sent to Br Giles Avery by Elder Ebenezer Cooly and Br Arron Wood. January 31st 1841.” (42 pp.) Cover title “Entreatys & warnings or Earnest Exhortations From Mother Ann & Mother Lucy Feb. 1841. Sally Lewis’ parting words. Food for the Spirit.” Red bordered label “67.” Acc No 13515
Folder 39-68&69	Two booklets wrapped together with label “Inspired Messages to Rufus Bishop 1840 and 1841” (59 p.) Contains music. “A Letter from Almighty God to Brother Rufus; written by the Angel of Light, and copied August 5 th 1840.” Red bordered label “68.” Acc No 13534 “The Word of the Lord written on a Gold Breastplate, sent from Mother Ann by Father William, to Brother Rufus Bishop, June 19 th 1841.” Red bordered label “69.” Acc No 13535
Folder 39-70&71	Two booklets wrapped together with label “Inspirational Words to Ebenezer Bishop 1841 and 1842” Written at Watervliet, N.Y. (9 p.) Red bordered labels “70” and “71.” Acc No 13542 13543

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Folder 39-72	<p>“The Word of the Lord written on a gold Breast-plate Sent from Mother Ann by Father William, to Elder Ebenezer Bishop. June 19th, 1841.” Instrument, Anna Dodgson. (1 leaf) Red bordered label “72.” Acc No 13544</p>
Folder 39-73	<p>“Part III. of the Large Roll: or the Word of the Eternal Two in One,” 1841. (31 p.) Cover title “A Roll Concerning Tea, Coffee, Chocolate, Animal food,[sic] Tobacco, And of going journies among the world. Also in relation to our assembling on Holy Mount.” “Instrument Adah Zillah Potter.” Also on the cover the notation “Ministry.” Red bordered label “73.” Acc No 13516</p>
Folder 39-74	<p>“A little Book containing a Roll, Written by the Holy Angel of Wisdom, to the Holy Anointed. Concerning the assembling of the ancients, upon the Holy Mount . . . Likewise Holy Mother’s word of Warning to the People. Written September 18th 1842 Holy Mount, first Order.” (35 p.) Cover title: "Blessing on the Holy Mount." “See Sacred Record Vol. VII. For the Law concerning Swine’s flesh, spiritous liqors, [sic] Tea, Coffee, Tobacco & c. & c.” Red bordered label “74.” Acc No 13517</p>
Folder 39-75	<p>Six booklets wrapped together with labels “75” and “Illustrated Messages. From the Heavenly Parents, Mar. 1845”</p> <p>“Confidential to the Ministry.” Dec. 23rd, 1842. (8 p.) Drawing on p. 5 of cross given by the heavenly parents to the ministry. Acc No 13491</p> <p>“A Golden Roll, Or holy Gift, from holy Mother Wisdom, to the Ministry, copied Nov 4th, 1847.” (14 p.) Drawing in color on frontispiece of “Holy Wisdoms Seal of Life Or Death To all who Receive it,” and the “Emblem Of The Boxes Contain[in]g The Seals.” Drawing in color on tailpiece the “Sweet Scented Rose of Approbation.” Acc No 13492</p> <p>“A Short Notice, from the Heavenly Father & Holy Mother Wisdom. . . . Brought by a native spirit and given to Sister Asenith C[lark]. Copied by Eleanor Potter, Holy Mount 1st order, April 15, [1845].” (16 p.) Illustrated with ten red and blue pen drawings. Acc No 13493</p> <p>“A Short Notice from the Heavenly Father, from Holy Mother Wisdom; . . . Brought by a Native Spirit, called Electa Blanchard; for Br. Rufus Bishop. Holy Mount. Copied by Eleanor Potter, April 1st, [1845]” (16 p.) Illustrated with eleven red and blue pen drawings. Acc No 13494</p>

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- “A Short Word of Notice from the Heavenly Father & Holy Mother; . . . Given to Elder Ebenezer Bishop, Holy Mount, March 23rd 1845 Brought by a Native Spirit Electa Blanchard.” (16 p.) Copied by Eleanor Potter. Illustrated with ten red and blue pen drawings.
Acc No 13495
- “A Short Notice from the Heavenly Father, from Holy Mother Wisdom; & from all the Heavenly Parents. . . Brought by a Native Spirit, & given to Eldress Ruth Landon. Holy Mount 1st Order. Copied by Eleanor Potter, April 12th 1845.” (16 p.) Illustrated with twelve red and blue pen drawings.
Acc No 13496
- Folder 39-76 Nine booklets in wrapper with labels “76” and “9 books. Inspirational Writings 1842 Saviour and Mother Ann.” The booklets are addressed to: Eldress Ruth [Landon] & Sister Asenath [Clark]; Elder Sister Betsy Darrow; Betsy Bates; the Ministry; Asenath Clark; Elder Ebenezer [Bishop]; Rufus Bishop; Rufus Bishop; Ministry [includes hymn] written at Watervliet, N.Y., and New Lebanon, 1st and 2nd Order, 1841-1845. (9 volumes, 131 p.) Scribe Polly Reed and others.
Acc No 13518-13526
- Folder 39-77 Twelve booklets in wrapper with labels “77” and “Inspired Notices from Mother A. And Elders. 1840 to 1851.” Booklets are addressed to: Samuel White; Ministry Elder Rufus [Bishop], Eldress Asenath [Clark], Amos [Stewart] and Samantha [Fairbanks], Elder Sister Betsey Darrow (2); Elder Brother Amos Stewart; Elder Ebenezer [Bishop]; Calvin Green; Samantha [Fairbanks]; Ziporah Cory; Betty Mixer; Mercy Bishop; and Prudence Hammond. (12 volumes, 178 p.)
Acc No 13501-13512
- Folder 39-80 Six booklets in wrapper with labels “80” and “Copies of Inspirational Writings” Given by Witnessing Angel, 1842, to: Eldress Ruth Landon, Elder Sister Betsy Darrow; Elder Ebenezer [Bishop]; Sister Betsy Bates; Rufus Bishop; and Sister Asenath Clark. (6 volumes, 169 p.)
Acc No 13545-13550
- Folder 40-1 to 40-6 Revelations from the prophets received by Calvin Green, 1841-1842. (7 volumes 484 p.) Copied by Seth Y. Wells, 1842.
Acc No 3274 3276 3332 3283 3277 3279

See also:

"The Holy Orders of the Church. Written by Father Joseph. To the Elders of the Church at New Lebanon: And copied agreeable to Father

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Joseph's Word. February 18th 1841." Regulations signed by the New Lebanon Ministry and the Elders and Eldresses of the Church, 1st and 2nd Orders. Acc No 12733. Located under Canterbury, New Hampshire, Ministry, Greenwood Library of Shaker Manuscripts, No. 32.

Mount Lebanon, New York, Church Family Records

Historical Note:

Although Ann Lee and her English followers initially settled in Niskeyuna (Watervliet), New York, the first official Shaker community was established in New Lebanon, New York, the town in which a large group of American converts lived. The first Shaker meetinghouse was built there in 1785, and the Church was formally organized, or “gathered into order,” in 1787. The Church was originally divided into a first, second, and third family. The first family was comprised of a “purified generation” — children and unmarried adults. It was reorganized in 1811 as the Church, First and Second Orders. These two families had separate spiritual leaders (Elders and Eldresses) and domestic leaders (Deacons and Deaconesses) but were united in their business affairs under the same set of Trustees (Office Deacons). After the establishment of a post office in 1861, the name of the New Lebanon society was changed to Mount Lebanon to differentiate it from the nearby town of New Lebanon.

The Church Family was a large and active family, with over 200 members in the two orders through the 1850's. The meetinghouse was located in the Church Family and the Central Ministry resided there during much of the year. It was the most powerful Mount Lebanon family and its leaders often participated in the decisions of the Ministry or acted in behalf of other families. Six other families were located at Mount Lebanon: the Second, South, East, North, Upper Canaan, and Lower Canaan families. In 1879, the First Order became the Church Family and the Second Order became the Center Family. The Center Family closed in 1894 and its remaining members moved into the Church Family. When the Church Family property was sold in 1930 to the Lebanon School for Boys (renamed Darrow School), the few remaining members continued to live in a building called the Ann Lee Cottage at the Center Family. Following the death of Emma J. Neale in 1943, the Church Family was closed and with the sale of the North Family property in 1947, the society at Mount Lebanon officially closed.

United Society of Shakers, Mount Lebanon, New York, Church Family, Elders Records, 1814-1925, bulk 1840-1910. (32 volumes, 27 folders, drawings)

Historical Notes:

In 1792 an order of Elders (also called the “Elders lot”) was created at New Lebanon to take over the spiritual care of the family from the Ministry. A lot was composed of two men and two women each in charge of their respective male and female line or side of the family. Appointed by the Ministry, they were charged with the spiritual administration and governance of the family, giving counsel and guidance to members, hearing confessions, leading family worship, and in union with the Ministry, appointing Deacons, Trustees, and other officers of care. In cases of dispute, they were also placed first in order over the Deacons and trustees in temporal affairs.

For 33 years in the second half of the 19th century, Daniel Crosman was the leading Elder of the Church Family, succeeded by Calvin Reed and Timothy Rayson. Prominent Eldresses of the 19th

century were Betsy Blake, Polly Reed, and Augusta Stone, all of whom later became members of the Ministry. The last Church Family Elder, Alonzo Hollister, died in 1911. When the last Eldress died in 1929, the family was placed under the care of the remaining Trustees, Emma J. Neale and Sarah A. Neale. A complete list of the Church Family Elders order is available.

Scope & Content Notes:

Records include journals by Elder Timothy Rayson (1894-1909) and Eldresses Polly Reed (1855-1864) and Augusta Stone (1885-1888); a signed Church covenant (1814-1822) and probationary covenant book (1883-1922); the Millennial Laws (1845) and other regulations for the Sisters; commonplace books of Shaker autobiographies, funeral orations, religious essays and moral guidelines; bound volumes and booklets of visions; gift drawings; and manuscript hymnals and programs of music. Included also are medicinal recipe books of the physicians and a journal kept by Elisha D. Blakeman, Caretaker of boys, (1867-1872).

Organization:

The records are divided into the following series:

- 1) Journals
- 2) Covenants and regulations
- 3) Correspondence
- 4) Legal and financial records
- 5) Shaker history, biography and theology
- 6) Visions
- 7) Music
- 8) Physician's records
- 9) Caretaker's records

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Series 1: Journals

Subseries 1: Elders' journals

Volume 41-42 Journals kept by Timothy Rayson, 1894-1909. (2 volumes, 310 p.) A record of daily events, meetings, visitors, and Church Family work. The first volume also includes a daily record of the Mount Lebanon Center Family from 1894-1896, where Rayson was the elder until it closed in 1896. A third journal by Rayson is located under the Center Family. Enclosed in the 1894 -1899 journal is a funeral oration for Mary Hazard.

Acc No	8850	Journal, 1894-1899
	16566	Enclosure
	10474 oversize	Journal, 1901-1909

See also:

“Records Kept by Order of the Church,” 1856-1905, 1916.
 Acc Nos 10342 and 10343
 Located under Mount Lebanon, Church Family Trustees’ Records-Series 1: Journals and Books of Records, Volumes 80 and 81.

Diary of Daniel Crosman, 1880.
 Acc No 19211
 Located under Mount Lebanon Church Family Members’ Papers, F150-3.

Subseries 2: Eldresses' journals

Volume 43 “A Journal of Miscellaneous Items kept by the Elder Sisters,” [Polly Reed], 1855-1864. (1 volume, 222 p.) Includes notices of daily events, deaths, new members, activities of the ministry, and changes of members' place of residence.
 Acc No 10452

Volume 44 Journal kept by [Augusta Stone?], 1885-1888. (1 volume, 49 p.)
 Acc No 10457

Series 2: Covenants and Regulations

Subseries 1: Covenants

Volume 45 “The Covenant of the Church at New Lebanon . . . 1814” [-1828]. (21 p.)
 Contains 158 signatures with annotations on deaths and removals.
 Acc No 13539

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Volume 46	Probationary Covenant Book, Church Family, 1883-1922 (523 ll; 57 signed p.) Acc No 15062
Volume 47	Probationary Covenant Book, unused. 110 pages. NB: An individual page is described in Mary L. Richmond, <i>Shaker Literature: A Bibliography</i> , no. 1425. Acc No 13362 [Not filmed.]
Folder 48	Individual “resident friend” agreement for Charlotte Lansley, 1921, and withdrawal agreement for Frederick A. Tyler, 1925. (2 items) Acc No 9626 9771

Summary of Covenants of the Mount Lebanon Church

Church Covenant, 1795

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Church Covenant, 1801-1807

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Church Covenant, 1814-1828 *NOC*
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Church Covenant, 1830-1910 *NN*
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Probationary Covenant

Church Family, 1883-1922
NOC 15062

Probationary Covenant

Center Family, 1876-1896
NOC 15060

(*This manuscript from another library is available in the Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon’s collection on microfilm.)

Subseries 2: Regulations

Volume 49	“Millennial Laws, or Gospel Statutes and Ordinances, Adapted to the Day of Christ’s Second Appearing . . . , 1845.” (230 p.) Signed by the First and Second Order of the Church Family, New Lebanon. Acc No 12324
Folder 50-1	“Mother Lucy’s Golden Rule,” n. d. (19 p.) Instructions to sisters on preparing food, attending union meetings, etc. Acc No 3331
Folder 50-2	“Particular Counsel to the Sisters for Their Safe Going and Protection,” [Eliza Ann Taylor, 1855?] (17 p.) This became an addendum to the “Rules and Orders

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	of the Church” 1860. For authorship and details see Theodore E. Johnson, “Rules for the Church of Christ's Second Appearing,” <i>The Shaker Quarterly</i> 11 (Winter 1971): 143. (On front cover, labeled “46,” attached by Aida Elam of Canterbury. See Mount Lebanon, NY, Central Ministry Records-Series 4: Visions for details.) Acc No 13498
	Series 3: Correspondence
Folder 50-3	Letter. Alonzo Hollister to George F. Barford, New Concord, NY, 1901. (5 sheets) Includes unrelated slip of paper dated 1891. Acc No 9230 For other correspondence, statistics and notes on Mount Lebanon history by Alonzo Hollister see Mount Lebanon, NY, Church Family Members’ Papers
	Series 4: Financial and business records
	Series 5: History and Literature
	Subseries 1: Shaker history, biography and theology
Folder 50-4	Collection of James Whittaker’s letters copied in 1850 for Daniel Crosman (?). (20 p.) Acc No 10471 “Account of the mysterious appearances of Lights seen by some of the brethren & sisters of the South House [Watervliet, NY] Dec 10 th 1837.” (4 p.) Found enclosed in booklet above. Acc No 10472
Folder 50-5	[Lucy Wright] “Mother's Last Public Gift in Watervliet, Jany. 21, 1821.” (2 p.) Acc No 12159
Folder 50-6	“A short Piece of Writing Found by Some of the Brethren on Mount Sinai [Hancock, MA]; Written with a Pensyl [sic], by some one of the World. . . found this Spring 1843.” (2 p.) Acc No 12093
Folder 50-7	Testimony written by Thankful E. Goodrich for Betsy Bates, 1844. (2 p.) Acc No 13467
Folder 50-8	Commonplace book. Compiled by Matilda Reed(?) or Polly Reed(?), ca. 1849. (24 p.)

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	Acc No 8876
Volume 51	Anthology of aphorisms concerning duty, the elements of character, deportment, and communications. Copied by Polly Reed (?), ca.1852. (188 p.) This volume is an expanded version of Giles B. Avery's "An Anthological Register." (See Canterbury, NH, Ministry Records-Irving Greenwood's Library, No. 45.) Acc No 10468
Volume 52	" . . . A Brief Account of the Last Sickness, Decease, and Funeral Of Our Beloved Mother Eldress Betsey [i.e., Betsy] Bates. Also, Inspired Communications and Songs, Received from Her Spirit . . ." Copied at the Second Family, Mount Lebanon, 1869. (102 p.) Acc No 8874
Volume 53	"Diary of Three Brethren Going South, 1805 (cover title)." Copy made by [John M. Brown?], n. d. (221 p.) Journey of Issacher Bates, Benjamin S. Youngs and John Meacham to Ohio. Acc No 15220
Volume 54-55	Commonplace books, 1866-1869. (2 volumes, 385 p.) Collections of essays, correspondence, visions, and biographies copied for Daniel Crosman. Includes the work of Joseph Pelham, William Leonard, Frederick W. Evans, Charles D. Hampton, and Giles B. Avery. Pages 1-22 of Acc No 3330 are visions. Acc No 3330 Acc No 3273
Volume 56	"Mount Lebanon Lyceum Journal 1863." (103 p.) Title is from original cover which has been removed to a folder. Journal includes lectures by Elisha D. Blakeman, William Calver and Alonzo Hollister. Acc No 10460
Subseries 2: Miscellaneous collections of articles, essays and poems	
Volume 57	Scrapbook, 1843-1849. (234 p.) Contains newspaper clippings of articles and poems of historical, scientific and biographical interest. Acc No 8769
Volume 58-59	Commonplace books, c. 1860-1924. (2 volumes, 44; 240 p.) Collection of poems, visions, articles, aphorisms and essays, by non-Shakers and several unidentified sisters. (These volumes may be the work of self-improvement groups. One was formed at the North Family in 1891 by Catherine Allen and another at the Church Office and North Family in 1898 by Grace Ada Brown.)

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	Acc No 7215 Acc No 8854
Volume 60	Commonplace book, ca. 1880. (71 p.) Contains non-Shaker and Shaker poems, aphorisms and essays. Acc No 3275
Folder 61-1	“To our Sister. . . August 31 1884.” (2 p.) Memorial poem to Jane Blanchard Acc No 93.7.14 “Extracts” n. d. (4 p.) Essay on moral character. Acc No 93.7.18 “O, Little Table!” n. d. (2 p.) Poem contains reference to Ann Lee. Acc No 93.7.20
Folder 61-2	“Lines written by one of Hon J. P. Morgans saintly ancestors” n. d. (1 p.) Acc No 93.7.13 “Ring the bell” n. d. (1 p) Song without music, non-Shaker. Acc No 93.7.21
Folder 61-3	Poem. “The African Chief,” n. d. (4 p.) Acc No 9757
Folder 61-4	Poem. “The Shaker Slave,” n. d. (2 p.) Anti-Shaker writing. Acc No 14406 “Railroad Guide,” n. d. [after 1869]. (18 p.) Satirical essay about the Lebanon Springs Railroad incorporating the names of several Shaker leaders as puns. Possibly copied from a newspaper. Acc No 14409
Series 6: Visions	
Volume 62-63	“Visions seen by Elleyett Gibbs & Mariah Goff” [Watervliet, NY], 1837-1838. (2 volumes, 255 p; 55 p.) Copied by Isaac N. Youngs for the First Order of the Church Family, Mount Lebanon. Acc No 3270 3329
Folder 64-1	“Mother Ann’s Staff of Love and Remembrance To All her First-born Children upon Earth . . . 1840.” (25 p.) Acc No 3280
Folder 64-2	“A Short Address from Father William to the Sisters . . .1842.” (18 p.) Acc No 12080

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Folder 64-3	“Means for the Protection of Children,” 1841. (23 p.) A vision received from Holy Mother Wisdom and copied by Daniel Crosman. Acc No 9700
Folder 64-4	“A Book Containing Laws Rules and Words of Counsel Given by Divine Inspiration, in the First Order of the Church. Of New Lebanon To the Physicians, copied. 1842” (66 p.) Contents on pp. 91-92. Includes visions (1840-1842) and an entry from an old journal on the use of liquor and wine (1800). Acc No 3285
Folder 64-5	“Second Interview with Br. Garret. and Others, Saturday Evening March 29th 1851.” (2 sheet, 7 p.) Acc No 9543
Folder 64-6	Visions and music dedicated to the physician sisters, Jane Blanchard and Amy Reed, 1860-1869. (13 items) Acc No 12085 12094 12097-12099 12107-12109 12112 12115 12128 12137 12139
Folder 64-7	“Be clothed with a garment . . .,” n. d. (1 p.) Signed “Rebecca L.” Acc No 12089
Folder 64-8	“Let thy words be Comely,” n. d. (2 p.) Small card with words of advise to “Mothers Daughters” by [Polly Reed?]. Acc No 11544 “Mother Ann’s name” and “Mary Hazard’s name” n. d. (2 items, 4 p.) Two cards with writing in an unknown script and translation on verso. Acc No 8121 8122
Folder 64-9	“Seen June 9 1843 Copied June 14 Word of the Saviour.” (1 sheet, 2 sides matted) Gift drawings in unknown script on both front and back. Date and title from note written in pencil; there is also the date “1850” written in the text. Blue ink on white paper, 32 inches x 16 1/16 inches. (Patterson, figure 30, p. 99.) Acc No 8113 (Matted, in Map Dr 14)
Folder 64-10	“I am the Lord your God” “Seen June 4 1843 Copied June 9 Done by an Angel.” (1 sheet, matted) Gift drawing in unknown script. Date taken from note on back in pencil. Black ink on white paper, 16 1/8 inches by 16 1/8 inches. Acc No 8114 (Matted, in Map Dr 14)

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	Other visions are located Mount Lebanon , NY, Ministry Records-Series 4: Visions and in the personal papers of individual members.
	Series 7: Music
	Music, unless otherwise noted, falls under the control of the Elders' Lot. Hymnals with an inscription indicating personal ownership are located in the personal papers of that individual. (For additional Church Family hymnals see the personal papers of Henry Calver, Susan Calver, Henry Central, Andrew Fortier, Benjamin Gates, Mary Hazard and Sarah Ann Lewis.)
	Titles and information regarding musical notation are taken from Daniel W. Patterson, <i>The Shaker Spiritual</i> . (Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, 1979), "Checklist of Shaker Song Manuscripts," pp.479-537. For hymnals without a title page, the title is derived from the first song title (f.t.) or the first line of the first song (f.l.).
Volume 65	"The gospel's my choice." (f.l.) ca. 1862-1863. (96 p.) Music is written in small letteral notation. (Patterson L-202) Acc No 4445
Volume 66	"Ye faithful Watchman." (f.l.) 1867. (169 p.) Music is written in small letteral notation. Attributions to Emma J. Neale, Orren Haskins and Mary Hart. (Patterson L-338) Acc No 14385
Volume 67	"Aspiration." (f.t.) After 1868. (14 p.) Music is written in small letteral notation. (Patterson XE-7) Acc No 14386
Volume 68	"The Honest Souls Reward." (f.t.) 1868-?. (181 p.) Music is written in small letteral notation. Includes one school song and songs or poetry by Anna Dodgson and Amelia Calver. (Patterson XE-19) Acc No 14384
Volume 69	"Sing and be glad." (f.l.) 1869-1871. (112 p.) Music is written in small letteral notation. (Patterson L-298) Acc No 8797
Volume 70	"No. 1. Perseverance" (f.t.) ca.1860s. (55 p.) Hymnal and instructional text, with music written in small letteral notation. Appears to contain non-Shaker music transcribed from round note to letteral notation so it could be sung by a music instructor or student. Some songs are in 2 and 4 part harmony. (Not in Patterson) Acc No 93.7.6

Locator No	Description
Volume 71	“Come unto me ye weak.” (f.l.) 1870's. (125 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. Attributions to Amelia Calver and others, in pencil.(Patterson L-175) Acc No 14383
Volume 72	“How Divinely bright & glorious.” (f.l.) 1875-1879. (116 p.) Music is written in small letteral notation. Contains a hymn written in pencil on the flyleaf dated November 18, 1875, the first Sabbath meeting in the meeting room of the new dwelling house. Many of the hymns are attributed to Amelia Calver or Joseph Holden. (Patterson CB-32) Acc No 12814
Volume 73	“O Where are Reapers.” (f.t.) ca. 1880's-1890's. (53 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. (Patterson XU-25) Acc No 8796
Volume 74	“Scenes of Glory.” (f.t.) 1880's-1890's. (85 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. (Patterson XU-30) Acc No 8820
Folder 75-1	“Hark hear the call yea one and all.” (f.l.) “Received January 30, 1864.” (1 sheet) Music written in small letteral notation. Acc No 9550 “When the waves are adverse,” (f.l.) n. d. (1 p.) Song with music written in small letteral notation. Acc No 7432 “Program of Music. For The Week Apr 30th 1899.” (1 sheet, 2 p.) Preprinted form with manuscript list of hymns. Acc No 4558
Folder 75-2	Copygraph and mimeograph music sheets. “C. G. Reed’s copies,” ca. 1880-1910. (20 items, 26 p.) Music written in small letteral notation and standard notation. Multiple copies of several hymns with names of members of the Church family noted. Fastened together with metal fasteners with an index cover sheet. Acc No 14412 B.1-.20
Folder 75-3 & 75-4	Copygraph and mimeograph music sheets, ca. 1880-1910. (17 items, 24 p.; 31 items) Music written in small letteral notation and standard notation. Multiple copies of several hymns with names of members of the Church and Center family noted. Only one sample of each song has been filmed. Acc No- 14412a-ai 4457.1-.31

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Mount Lebanon, New York, Church Family Physicians' Records

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| Volume 76
oversized | “A Book of Medical Recipes, c. 1840-1860. (414 p.) Eastern community, probably Mount Lebanon.
Acc No 8197 |
| Folder 77-1 | “A Collection of Medicinal Receipts for the use of Physicians compiled by Sarah A. Standish” and others, ca.1860 and after. (37 p.)
Acc No 13438 |
| Volume 78 | Nurse's notebook and linen inventory kept by Anna Lane, 1887-1894. (54 p.)
Enclosures include druggist's prescriptions.
Acc No 3281 |

Mount Lebanon, New York, Church Family Caretakers' Records

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| Volume 79 | “A Daily Journal, or Diary of work &c. performed by the Boys and their Caretaker; in the First Order, New Lebanon...” by Elisha D. Blakeman, 1867-1872. Continued by another writer for 1873. [Probably William Anderson. See OC1WHi, Shaker Collection, mss. no. V:B-71, January 14, 1871] (98 p.) The remainder of the journal including blank spaces in the beginning pages have been used by James to record the weather and for other notations on farm work from 1900 to 1904. (113 p.) Typed label on front, “Journal James S. Glass 1900-1903.”
Acc No 7212 |
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“Means for the Protection of Children,” [received by Daniel Crosman], 1841. Acc No 9700. Located under Mount Lebanon Church Family Elder, Visions--Folder 64-3.

Records of School District No: 12, Mount Lebanon, New York, Volume 178 to Folder 180-3.

United Society of Shakers, Mount Lebanon, Church Family, Trustees' Records, 1773-1944
(30 volumes, 159 folders, folio deeds, and maps)

Historical Note:

The position of Office Deacon was established in 1794 to oversee the external temporal affairs of the Church families. Prior to that time, those duties were performed by the family deacons and by David Meacham. In 1811 when the Church Family was reorganized into the First and Second Order, the office deacons continued to oversee the external affairs of both families. Increasingly, the office deacons became known as Trustees in reference to their legal authority to hold title to property. Although the order of Trustees was composed of two men and two women, the women were referred to as office sisters and were not officially appointed as trustees until 1901. In 1901 all of the remaining families at Mount Lebanon were placed under a single order of Society Trustees. A complete list of Trustee or Office Deacon appointments is available.

The duties of the Trustees under the 1830 Covenant included keeping the Book of Records which contained copies of the covenant, leadership appointments, membership records and other important matters of a public nature as well as the preservation of all documents and written instruments pertaining to the united interest of the Church. In practice, other writers were appointed to keep these records, the first appointees being Seth Y. Wells and Isaac N. Youngs. In 1857, Giles B. Avery became Clerk and from that time the position of Clerk continued to be held by a junior member of the Ministry. The records, however, officially remained the responsibility of the Trustees.

In addition to keeping the Book of Records it was the duty of the trustees to receive and hold all consecrated property and donations, to conduct all business with the outside world on behalf of the Church and to keep regular and complete accounts of all business transactions. Shaker pedlars for the New Lebanon Church families made extended trips selling garden seeds, brooms, coopered ware, cloth and sieves. Other merchandise included oval boxes, spinning wheels, palm leaf and straw bonnets, baskets, dried herbs and products of the forge and field.

In 1872, when the East Family was sold, the Church Family continued to farm the fields under the management of William Anderson who kept records of its dried corn production under the name of "Brickyard." After the Civil War the Shakers began contracting Shaker labor to outside businesses as a source of income. In 1876, Trustees Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates contracted with A. J. White to produce and package White's medicine called "The Shaker Extract of Roots." Patent medicine production continued into the 1930's under the direction of Emma J. Neale.

New York State law dictated that the Church Family Trustees were required to hold title to all the real property of the other New Lebanon families as well as that of Church Family. By 1839, all deeds were transferred to the Church Family Trustees who acted thereafter in behalf of other families in the purchase and sale of real estate. The Church Family also entered into joint investments in land with the North Family at Mount Lebanon as well as the Church Family at Hancock, Massachusetts. By the 1880's, the Trustees were selling excess farmland and timberland in order to invest in commercial property in Chicago and New York City, a practice which involved Benjamin Gates in his own legal problems as well as those of Church Family Trustee Robert Valentine and the North Family trustee, Levi Shaw. The financial losses from these ventures was further exacerbated by the decision of Benjamin Gates to buy property for a short lived colony in Florida in 1895.

As the family in which the Central Ministry was resident, the New Lebanon Church Family played a prominent role in the Shaker Society and the activities of the Church Family Trustees reflected this increased responsibility. They were often involved in legal affairs not only on behalf of the Church Family but of other families or in the interests of the society as a whole, and helped articulate the Shaker response to claims on its property or in defense of its right to exemption from military service. As the primary agents for land transactions, they acted for the Ministry in the early decades in establishing new communities and, in the final decades of the 19th century, handled the business affairs of faltering families throughout the society.

In 1923, Emma J. Neale and Sarah A. Neale were the sole remaining Society Trustees. When the Church Family property was sold in 1930, they moved into the Ann Lee Cottage. The entire Mt. Lebanon society was closed in 1947.

Scope and Content Notes:

The records in this group reflect the diverse responsibilities of the Trustees. The Trustees acted as a repository for the “Records Kept by Order of the Church” vol 3 and 4, (1856-1916), an official record, not of accounts, but of daily events in the Church Orders written by the Clerk of the Society, who was in later years a member of the Ministry. Other records on membership, which are not complete, include indentures, appointments, death lists, cemetery maps, wills and inventories, and visitors registers. Covenants with original signatures are located in the records of the Elders.

Although there are some early accounts, the business records date primarily after the 1840s and include account books, receipts, and correspondence on garden seeds, herbs, medicinal extracts and cloaks. There is a particularly strong collection of records from the A.J. White medicinal extract industry after 1875.

Among the early real estate records is a register of deeds compiled by Isaac N. Youngs in 1839. The bulk of the real estate files date after the 1870's and represent land investments in Michigan, Illinois and New York City; railroad right of ways; and the sale of portions of Mount Lebanon. The records include the holdings of the North, Canaan and South families in addition to the Church Family.

The series of legal records, also incomplete, focuses on court cases related to indentures and membership and on petitions and hearings on military exemptions and the New York State Trust act.

Organization:

The records are divided in the following series:

- 1) Journals
- 2) Covenants, regulations
- 3) Vital statistics
- 4) Correspondence
- 5) Legal and financial records
 Business records

Real estate and investments
Law suits and petitions
6) Shaker history, biography and theology

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Series 1: Journals and Books of Record

Volume 80-81 oversized	<p>"Records Kept by Order of the Church" vols. III and IV, 1856-1905, 1916. (537 p. and 433 p.) Official journals containing a record of important daily events, appointments, membership changes and deaths, legal disputes, official journeys and visitors to the Mt. Lebanon Church Family, 1st and 2nd orders. Acc No 10342 Vol III 1856-1871 Isaac N. Youngs and Giles B. Avery 10343 Vol IV 1871-1905, 1916 Giles B. Avery, Joseph Holden, et al</p>
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(Volume I, 1780-1855, kept by Seth Y Wells and Isaac N. Youngs, is located in the New York Public Library, NN #7. Volume II was renumbered volume III and there is no other volume II.)

This series was kept by the Clerk of the Society as part of the records to be maintained by the Church Trustees. Writers include Seth Y. Wells, Isaac N. Young, 1852-1865, Giles B. Avery, 1865-1894, Joseph Holden, 1894-1902. Trustees were also responsible for maintaining a related series, the Book of Records, which contain copies of the covenants, land transactions, and lists of the Mt. Lebanon Ministry, Church Trustees, and Church 1st and 2nd Order Elders and Family Deacons, 1789-1929.

Series Summary

<p>Records Kept by the Order of the Church</p>	<p>Book of Records No 1 OclWHi 1:B-30*</p> <p>Book of Records No 2 NN6*</p> <p>Volume I, 1780-1855 NN 7</p> <p>Volume III, 1856-1871 NOC 10342</p> <p>Volume IV, 1871-1905, 1917 NOC 10343</p> <p>*These manuscripts from other libraries are available in the Shaker Museum Mount Lebanon's collection on microfilm.</p>
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Series 2: Covenants and regulations

Subseries 1: Covenants and membership agreements

Folder 82-1	<p>Certification of membership, for those who signed the covenant December 25, 1821. (1 p.) Certified by the deacons. (For the original signed covenant, see Mount Lebanon Church Family Elders, Series 2: "The Covenant of the Church at New Lebanon 1814[-1828].") Acc No 9565</p>
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Folder 82-2	<p>“Memo[ramum] of early Indentures,” typescript, n. d. (2 p.) Alphabetical list of indentures, 1838-1884. Acc No 10363</p> <p>Subseries 2: Trustee appointments and regulations</p>
Folder 82-3	<p>Orders and rules given to the office deacons, 1799. (2 p.) Acc No 9570</p>
Folder 82-4	<p>“A Sketch of my Faith in Relation to the order of the Church,” ca. 18th century (2 p.) Unsigned. Acc No 9572</p>
Folder 82-5	<p>Declaration of trust, empowering Stephen Munson, Trustee to manage the temporal affairs of the Church, 1830. (2 p.) Acc No 15287</p> <p>Certificate appointing Robert Valentine as a trustee to succeed Edward Fowler, 1878. (1 p.) Acc No 9540</p>
Folder 82-6	<p>Certificate appointing Leila S. Taylor as a trustee to succeed Anna W. Lane, 1918. (1 p.) Letterpress certificate titled “Duplicate.” Acc No Lib 89.2.1.226 (Upton Collection)</p> <p>Series 3: Vital statistics</p>
Volume 83	<p>"A Record of Deaths Collected..by Mary Hazard, 1875." (91 p.) Includes Mount Lebanon, Watervliet, NY, and Hancock, 1780-1898, and Mount Lebanon Church family, 1780-1943. Acc No 12813</p>
Folder 83-1	<p>Geneological notes, Ferdinand Ganabin and Amanda Tiffany, n. d. (2 items, 3 p.) Enclosures from “Record of Deaths” Acc No 12813b, c</p>
Folder 84-1	<p>Necrologies and vital statistics, ca.1871-1908. (5 items, 9 p.) N. B. The undated list of members and age at death (Acc No 13541) was compiled from the 1st and 2nd Orders of the Church and the Second Family from 1858-1871. Acc No 9548 13541 19222 12813b, c</p>

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Folder 84-2	Cemetery map, Church Family, ca. 1897. (1 p.) Chart of graves of Church Family members buried in North burial ground. Eliza Ann Taylor is the last burial. Acc No 15052 Oversize map drawer
Folder 84-3	“Lebanon, N.Y. Cemetery Plan,” ca. 1931.(2 p.) Drawing of cemetery showing outer fence and monument, but no listing of graves. Acc No 15054 Oversize map dr
Folder 84-4	Register of women visitors, 1859-1877 (35 p.)Acc No 8518
Volume 85	"A Book of Remembrance [sic]: . . . Commenced by INY [Issac N. Youngs]," 1846-1863. (99 p.) Chronicle of Shakers visiting New Lebanon along with their day and place of birth. Label on cover, “Visitors are invited to write their names [in this] book.” Has music in pencil along edge of back pastedown. Acc No 10464
Series 4: Correspondence	
Folder 86-1	Letters of introduction. Jason Kidder and Samuel Barker, Enfield, NH, to Jonathan Wood and Daniel J. Hawkins, December 11, 1844, for William Duncan, millwright, (2 p.); J[ohn] R[ufus] Bryand and Harvey Eades, Pleasant Hill, KY, to Col. J. Beck, November 27, 1869, for Benjamin Gates. (1 p.) Acc No 14605 14591
Folder 86-2	Correspondence. Edwin M. Stanton and Ellen Stanton to Benjamin Gates and Abigail Crosman, 1863-1869. (9 items, 12 p.) Stanton served as Secretary of War under President Lincoln, 1862-1869. He and his wife Ellen maintained a friendly correspondence with Gates and in 1867 visited the Mount Lebanon Shakers. In addition to letters pertaining to this visit, Stanton wrote Gates a letter of introduction to Congressman R. C. Schenck regarding tax question and forwarded a letter from a woman concerning placing her children with the Shakers. Acc No 6648 9211 9209 9212 9210 4820 4818 4819 9950
Folder 86-3	Correspondence. H. C. Van Schaak, Manilius, NY, to Benjamin Gates, 1866, regarding a letter from James Whittaker written to Van Schaak’s uncle Henry Van Schaak of Richmond, MA, dated November 13, 1784. The original letter from James Whittaker to Van Schaak is included. (2 items, 3 p.) Acc No 9531 9532
Folder 86-4	Letter. Harriet Shepard, North Union, OH, to Benjamin Gates, 1884. (3 p.) Acc No Lib 85.1.2

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Folder 86-5	Correspondence. John Whitely to the Ministry and Benjamin Gates regarding the financial problems at Shirley, 1886. (2 items, 8 p.) Acc No 9741 9742
Folder 86-6	Correspondence. Perspective members and parents of children placed with Shakers to Benjamin Gates, 1887-1889. (6 items, 17 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.186-187, Lib 89.2.1.191-193 Upton Collection
Folder 86-7	Correspondence. Business propositions from non-Shakers to Benjamin Gates, 1888-1889, (10 items, 16 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.179-185, Lib 89.2.1.189-190a-b Upton Collection
Folder 86-8	Correspondence. Henry B. Bear, Whitewater, OH; John Whitely, Elijah [Myrick], Annie Walker and Andrew [Barrett], Shirley, MA; Matthew B. Carter, Union Village, OH; Henry C. Blinn and James S. Kaime, Canterbury, NH; and Harvey L. Eades, South Union, KY, to Benjamin Gates, 1888-1889. (20 items, 36 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.194-202, Lib 89.2.1.204-214 Upton Collection
Folder 86-9	Correspondence. James Fennesey and Mary Nixon, Union Village, OH, to Emma J. Neale regarding Joseph Slingerland and indebtedness, 1902. (2 items, 8 p.) Acc No 9726 9727
Folder 86-10	Letter. To Sisters Emma & Sadie Neal from Ernest Pick, Prague, Czecho-Slovakia, Jany 28th 1933. (3 p.) Acc No 93.7.11
Folder 86-11	Correspondence. Fannie Estabrook, Hancock, MA; Arthur Bruce, Canterbury, NH; and Prudence Stickney, Sabbathday Lake, MA, to Emma J. Neale, 1937-1938. (7 items, 18 p.) Re: Loans made by Neale to Sabbathday Lake and Hancock. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.395-.401 Upton Collection
Folder 86-12	Correspondence. Emma J. Neale to John V. Whitbeck Jr., 1938. (4 p.) Acc No 16787A-B
Folder 86-13	Letter. Sadie A. Neale to Curator, Museum and Library, Ohio State University, 1944. (2 items) Attached to a certificate for a doll received by the Museum in 1904. Acc No 14398 14398A

Series 4: Financial and Legal Records

Locator No	Description
	Subseries 1: Members
Folder 87-1	Inventories, wills and receipts. Re: Members of the Church or their children, 1780-1816. (12 items, 28 p.) Acc No 9609 9610 10113 10135-10138 10475 9568 9571a-b 9640
Folder 87-2	Correspondence and agreements. Re: Heirs of Joseph Bennet, Sr. and Joseph Bennet, Jr., 1799-1800. (3 items, 9 p.) Acc No 9642 9641 9556
Folder 87-3	Will and genealogy. Rodman Hazard and Mary Hazard, 1845-1873. (2 items, 5p.) Acc No 9606 9607
Volume 88	“A Record of Money’s Brought into the Church by Individuals [all women], Within the Last Fifty five Years,” 1828-1888. (4 p.) Acc No 7218 See also: Account of donations by Mary Ann Mantle in 1873 and Sarah Ann Standish to the Church and Ministry, 1872-1875. List enclosed in Lower Canaan account book, Acc No 7207, Volume 279.
Volume 89	Ledger. Inventories of property given to departing members (pp.1-16); property given to the Church by members (pp. 73-75); and donations to the public and other Shaker families (pp. 99-103), 1833-1855. (33 p.) Acc No 10109
Folder 90-1	Ledger. Inventories of clothing and lists of individuals leaving the Church, 1829-1871. (57 p.) Pages 21-26 are a diary kept by [Semantha Fairbanks], November 1831-1834. Pages 31-38 are two copies of a broadside, “Shakers’ Garden Seeds, Raised at New Lebanon, Columbia, Co., N.Y.,” [n. p., n. d.], (Richmond 278). Inserted are fifteen additional lists of clothing given to individuals leaving the church. One is written on the reverse of a song with music in letteral notation. Acc No 10108
Folder 90-2	Inventories of clothing given to individuals leaving the Society, n.d., 1874-1888. (6 items) Acc No 10484.1-.4 9768 9767
Folder 90-3	“A Donation. . . to South Family in the account of the care taken of Hannah Ann T[readway],” ...1857.” (1 p.) Acc No 9535
Folder 90-4	Memorandum. “Ferdinands Interest,” 1919-1925. (2 p.) Record of payments

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	to [Ferdinand Ganebin ?]. Acc No 9753
Folder 90-5	Correspondence. Emma J. Neale. Re. Martha Sturdevant, 1927-1940. (12 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.369-.380 Upton Collection
Folder 90-6	Correspondence and receipts. Re. Wallace Cornell and Sarah Collins, 1927-1941. (9 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.381-.388 Upton Collection
Subseries 2: Donations	
Folder 90-7	Inventories of donations sent to New York City, 1803; "Wounded Soldiers," ca. 1861-62?; and Belgian relief, 1915. (3 items, 13 p.) Acc No 9594 9536 10568 Inventory of donation sent to Philadelphia, 1872. (1 p.) List written on back of a ca. 1860? New Lebanon garden seed broadside (Richmond 278). Acc No 10478
Folder 90-8	"These articles were packed for [Narcoossee,] Florida," [Anna Lane, 1895]. (1 item, 2 p.) Acc No 89.2.1.216 Upton Collection Inventory of "Goods Emma [Neale] sends to [Narcoossee,] Florida in March, 1898." (1 p.) Acc No 10466.3
Folder 90-9	Correspondence. Emma J. Neale. Re. Donations, 1918-1939. (7 items, 9 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.368 Lib 89.2.1.389-394 96.4.1a-b Upton Collection
Volume 89	Ledger. Inventories of property. . . , 1833-1835. Includes a section on donations to the public and other Shaker families, pp. 90-103. Acc No 10109
Subseries 3: Business records	
Subsubseries 1: Account books	
Volume 91 oversize	Account book, 1839-1858. After May, 1839, only weekly income and expenditure totals are recorded. (46 p.) Acc No 10350
Volume 92	Account book. Machine shop accounts of turning, sawing, planing, drilling, and matching wood and metal, 1836-1861 (pp. 1-31); temperature and

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	Acc No 10415
Volume 105	“A Journal of Expenses & Incomes kept by the Sisters,” 1872-1887, 1893-1896, 1911-January 1914. (274 p.) Enclosures. (5 p.) Acc No 10453
Volume 106	Petty Cash Book, 1887-1894, 1910-1916. (39 p.) Enclosures. (2 p.) Acc No 7222
Volume 107 oversize	Monthly income and expenses, 1908-1914. (144 p.) Enclosure. Acc No 8860
Volume 108	Post Office account book, 1900-1916. (69 p.) Enclosure. Acc No 10454
Volume 109 oversize	Account book, [kept by Emma J. Neale?], 1901-1902. (34 p.) Enclosure. Acc No 10413
Volume 110 oversize	Account book, 1875, 1900-1908, 1911-1918. (388 p. and 24 p. index) Double entry ledger. Acc No 7208
Volume 111	Cash book and real estate sales, Emma J. Neale, 1912-1914. (7 p.) Label on cover “Cash E. J. N.” Enclosures. Acc No 10566
Volume 112	“Cash Acct 1897-1907.” (259 p.) Entries on pages 265-269 written after volume was acquired by donor. Acc No Lib 88.1.4 Upton Collection
Volume 113	Account book, 1910-1917 (221 p.) Label on cover, “Cash No 1 1910 to 1917 inclusive.” Enclosure between pages 84-85. Acc No Lib 88.1.8 Upton Collection
Volume 114	Account book, 1911-1912. (143 p.) Acc No Lib 88.1.5 Upton Collection
Subseries 2: Receipt, correspondence and memoranda files	
Folder 115-1	“Memorandum Book.” Accounts and inventories, 1803-1805. (36 p.) Acc No 9658
Folder 115-2	Receipts, Jonathan Woods, Stephen Munson, and Richard Spier, 1812-1832. (7 items, 12 p.) Acc No 9582 9576 9583 9584 9585 9586 9575

Locator No	Description
Folder 115-3	Notice of non-acceptance of draft. To John Dean from Wm. H. Fox, Natchez , Miss., 1837. (2 p.) Acc No 93.7.8
Folder 115-4	Bills for printing <i>The Juvenile Guide</i> and other agreements of Jonathan Wood, 1841-1845. (4 items, 69.) Acc No 9574 9577-9579
Folder 115-5	Memorandum book. Kept by Jonathan Wood, containing subscriptions for printing the <i>Sacred Roll</i> and <i>A Summary View of the Millennial Church</i> , 2d ed, 1843-1848. (20 p.) The memorandum book was also used by Alonzo Hollister as a diary, 1899-1904, and includes a list of Shaker books sent to Drew Theological Seminary, 1909. Acc No 7213
Folder 115-6	Building expenses, 1841-1846. (3 items, 6 p) Tan house roof , 1846; Great Barn foundation, 1843; and work on iron aqueduct, 1841-1844. Acc No 9563 9562 9561
Folder 115-7	Receipt books. Garden seeds, 1869-1870. (2 items, 9 p.) Acc No 3309 3310
Folder 115-8	Certificate. Right of perpetual use of “Benson & Days Patented Improved Vacuum Pan” assigned to Edward Fowler, 1850. (2 p.) Acc No 9564
Folder 115-9&10	Business correspondence of Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates, including medical department, 1858-1864. (12 items, 19 p.) Acc No 19088 6644 10786 10787 19156-19161
Folder 115-11	Correspondence. Edward Fowler, 1872-1873. (4 items, 6 p.) Acc No 10226 10226 a-c
Folder 116-1	Business correspondence, orders, and receipts of Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates, including medical department, 1871-1876. (27 items, 43 p.) Acc No 10204 10205 10227A-E 10228b-o 10287 17017
Folder 116-2	Memorandum book. Orders for the medical department, 1866-1873 (48 p.) List of herbs, 1863, written from back cover reversed. Acc No 3287
Folder 116-3	Bank book. Edward Fowler’s account at the Pittsfield [MA] Bank, 1864-1878. (33 p.) Acc No 10228a

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Folder 116-4	Receipts. Edward Fowler, for freight, lumber, castings, 1869-1874. (6 items) Acc No 10289 C-H, L
Folder 116-5	Memorandum book and enclosed lists recording expenses and donations for the Mount Lebanon Church Dwelling House, 1875-1883; expenses and donations for the Sabbathday Lake Dwelling House, 1883-1884; and a donation by Ira Lawson, 1899. (10 items) The memorandum book also includes personal entries by Benjamin Gates, 1905-1906. Acc No 10482 10482.1-.9
Folder 116-6	Receipts. Benjamin Gates, for miscellaneous household expenses, 1876-1888. (67 items) Acc No 17680.1-.67
Folder 116-7	Correspondence and receipts, Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates, concerning investment in Dr. W. C. Norwood. Respondents include S. T. Atherton, Harvard, MA, John B. Vance, Alfred, ME, Otis Sawyer, Sabbathday Lake, ME, Isaac Auger and Wells Williams, Hancock, MA and Giles Avery, Mount Lebanon Central Ministry, 1871-1881. (56 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.3-.59 Upton Collection
Folder 117-1	Receipts. Benjamin Gates and Robert Valentine, for bottles, plant material, printing and shipping for medical business, 1878-1885. (28 items, 52 p.) Acc No 17681a-ab Lib 85.1.1-7
Folder 117-2	Orders. To Benjamin Gates and Robert Valentine for medicine and other goods, 1883-1884. (3 items, 8 p.) Acc No Lib 85.1.1 Lib 85.1.6 Lib 85.1.7A -B
Folder 117-3	Certificate of Analysis. Artesian well water at Mount Lebanon, 1884. This analysis was later printed [Richmond 336]. Acc No 9750
Folder 117-4	Patent Assignment. Bedsprings, to Benjamin Gates, 1886. Acc No 9702
Folder 117-5	Patent Assignment. Wire and Slat Fence, to Robert Valentine, 1887. (3 items, 9 p.) Includes assignment of Shellabarger, et al to George Stacy and Edward Kavanaugh; and Stacy to Valentine. Acc No 9769 14719 10257
Folder 117-6	Correspondence, orders and receipts, Benjamin Gates, for equipment and repairs, 1888-1889. (27 items, 31 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.141-166 Upton Collection

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Folder 117-7	Memorandum book, Norwoods Tincture Sales, 1881-1897. (37 p.) Acc No 4794
Folder 117-8	Business cards, n. d. Presumed to be companies doing business with Benjamin Gates. (38 items) Various notes kept on cards. Acc No 4562
Folder 117-9	Correspondence. Benjamin Gates, concerning the medicine business, 1888-1890. (42 items, 51 p.) Includes a letter from Alonzo G. Hollister to Benjamin Gates. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.60-101 Upton Collection
Folder 117-10	Correspondence. James V. Calver to Benjamin Gates, regarding "Shaker Tooth Ache Pellets," 1888-1889. (39 items, 91 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.102-140 Upton Collection
Folder 118-1	Correspondence. Copies of two letters from Benjamin Gates to J. L. Hopkins, 1903. (3 items) History of the Mount Lebanon Shakers' business connection with A. J. White. Preserved by Henry T. Clough in 1909. Acc No 10270.1a-c
Folder 118-2	Correspondence and legal documents relating to trademark infringement by Charles Smith , manufacturer of "Shaker Blood Syrup," 1884-1886. (9 items) Acc No 15883-6 10270.2-.5
Folder 118-3	Applications for "Shaker" trademark, 1901 and 1909. (4 items) Acc No 15887-90
Folder 118-4	Agreement between the United Society of Shakers and A. J. White for White's use of the word "Shaker" in all nations except the United States, 1909. (3 p.) Acc No 15891
Folder 118-5	Formula. "[A. J. White's] Shaker Extract of Roots," ca. 1910. (2 p.) Acc No 5798
Folder 118-6	Correspondence. Robert A. Brown of Lyman Brown to Timothy D. Rayson, Jan. 23, 1909, and reply by Henry T. Clough, Jan. 28th 1909. (3 items, 5 p.) Clough suggests that the Shakers terminate manufacturing "Seven Barks" medicine. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.228-230

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Folder 118-7	Statements, Henry T. Clough, medical department, 1909-1911. (21 items) Acc No 4795 4796 4797
Folder 118-8	Correspondence and bills regarding printing, Henry T. Clough, 1898-1909. (4 items) Acc no 4561 4563.1-4
Folder 118-9	Letterheads and return envelopes from publishers, printers and drug companies. Presumed to have been received and compiled by Henry T. Clough, 1910-1915. (37 items) This collection of letterheads and envelopes was not being filmed Acc No 4563.5-.41
Folder 118-10	Envelopes address to Henry T. Clough and/or the Shaker Medical Department, 1910-1912. (66 items) This collection of envelopes was not filmed. Acc No 4561.1-66
Folder 118-11	Order book for ingredients for “Seven Barks” ordered from J. L. Hopkins, 1918-1927. (11 p.) Acc No 3325 Oversize
Folder 118-12	Formula, “[Norwood’s] Veratrum Viride” and correspondence of Emma J. Neale concerning labeling under the Pure Food and Drug Act, 1934-1939. (7 items) Acc No 13344 8732A-C 15881 15881A 15882
Folder 118-13	Letter. Henry T. Clough to Elder Walter Shepard, ca. 1921. (1 p.) Copy in Emma J. Neale’s hand. Acc No 9551
Folder 118-14	Correspondence. Emma J. Neale from William B. Daley and George McClellan, Esqs., Chatham, NY, 1921. (2 items) Relating to legal affairs of Henry T. Clough. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.231-.232 Upton Collection
Folder 118-15	“Permit to Sell Non-Beverage Distilled Spirits,” Department of Internal Revenue, 1917: “Certificate[s] of Registration [to sell Norwood’s Tincture],” State of Louisiana, 1938-1940. (6 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.260-265 Upton Collection
Folder 118-16	Orders for “Norwood’s Tincture of Veratrum Viride,” correspondence and permits, 1930-1940. (27 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.233-.259

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Folder 119-1	Certificate. Trademark registration for “Long Cloaks” manufactured by Emma J. Neale & Co., 1901. (2 p.) The trademark registration is for a front and back view of a woman dressed in a cloak. See “The Shaker Cloak” advertisement, Acc No 4143, and cabinet photographs of Sadie Neale, Acc Nos 4235 and 4236. Acc No 11555
Folder 119-2	Account book. Cloaks made by the North Family for Emma J. Neale & Co., 1890-1904, and orders for cloaks on printed forms, 191_. (1 volume and 11 items, 49 p.) Acc No 8906 10567A-K
Folder 119-3	“Butter Book” memorandum books of dairy and fruit sales, 1896-1899, 1901, 1906-1908. (3 volumes, 120 p.) Acc No 10408 10409 10410
Folder 119-4	Bank book, Timothy Rayson account at the Agricultural National Bank, Pittsfield, MA, 1897-1907. (46 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.215 Upton Collection
Folder 119-5	Letter. Joseph Slingerland to D. W. H. Barnes, 1883. (2 p.) Concerns shipment of Shaker made wine. Acc No 13208
Folder 119-6	Receipt. Robert Valentine bought of Joseph Holden, West Pittsfield, MA, 1906. (1 p.) Acc No 17018
Folder 119-7	“Haying on Center Family Farm, 1904,” [kept by Hugh Gallagher]. (1 p.) Acc No 13210
Folder 119-8	Correspondence, bills, and receipts. Emma J. Neale, 1901-1910. (5 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.217-220 Upton Collection
Folder 119-9	Letter. A. Woodward to Sarah Neale, 1913. (1 p.) Price quotation for arbor and 45 knives. Acc No 16423
Folder 119-10	Note. Sarah Neale to Brother Henry, n.d. (1 p.) Acc No 4556
Folder 119-11	Ledger sheets and correspondence. Emma J. Neale, 1918-1923. (3 items, 17 p.) Cash account kept by Emma J. Neale, January-April, 1918; expenses, January - August, 1923. Letter concerning compensation for cow, 1923 Acc No Lib 89.2.1.221 Lib 89.2.1.223-225 Lib 89.2.1.222 Upton Collection

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Folder 119-12	Envelopes. Emma J. Neale, 1932. (2 items) Labeled in hand of Emma J. Neale, "Improvement & Repair" and "Legal Matters and Contracts." Records which were in these envelopes were removed at some time prior to acquisition. Note in red ink "Wm. Anderson . . ." was written by Charles Upton. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.499, Lib 89.2.1.266
Folder 119-13	Receipts, correspondence and certificate, Emma J. Neale, 1920-1941. (22 items) Re. Household supplies and maintenance. Includes a certification of compliance with requirements for electrical installation in the Church Family dwelling, 1938. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.267-.271, Lib 89.2.273-289
Folder 120-1	Correspondence. U. S. Treasury Department, Internal Revenue Service, Albany, NY, 1914. (2 p.) Concerning income tax delinquency. Acc No 10829
Folder 120-2	Application for automobile registration renewal and instructions, 1921, and "Certificate of Registration of Motor Truck," for Sarah A. Neale. 1922. (4 items) Acc No 12075 A-C
Folder 120-3	"A Short Course in Civil Service For Fourth Class Postmasters, . . ." and "Instructions to Applicants for the Fourth-Class Postmaster Examination," 1913. Acc No 12075 D
Folder 120-4	Letter. Borden's Milk Products, Inc. to Emma J. Neale, 1931. (1 p.) Regarding purchase of the Shakers' vacuum pan. Acc No 14673
Folder 120-5	Farm reports kept by Hugh Gallagher, 1940-1941. (21 items, 69 p.) Includes receipts for sale of hay and stock. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.290-.309
Folder 120-6	Receipt. Sarah A. Neale to John S. Williams, 1942. (1 p.) Acc No 4542

Subseries 5: Real estate and investment records

Note: These files are arranged chronologically with the exception that the records of Trustees Robert Valentine and Benjamin Gates for concurrent time periods have been grouped separately. Files for real estate transactions resulting in court cases after 1880 are complex and may overlap. Deeds under

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	the names of the Church trustees are also found in the North Family records. Deeds for property located in Massachusetts and owned by Mount Lebanon families may also be included in the Hancock, MA files. All deeds are indexed by grantor, grantee, and geographical location in a separate card file.
Folder 121-1	Deed. Asahel Webster to John Hamlin, land west of Stockbridge in Berkshire County, MA, 1773; and receipt for payment of a judgement against John Hamlin, 1772. (2 items) These papers were acquired from Sarah Neale, but no other deed has been located which connects this transaction to the Shakers. Acc No 14407 14408
Folder 121-2	Receipts for rent paid to Stephen Van Rensselaer by Stephen Munson for the farm leased to Sophar Roberts, 1812-1814,1816-1821,1823-1824, 1832. (13 items) Acc No 10119 10119a-c 10120 10120a-g 10121
Folder 121-3	“Transactions of Stephen Munson,” envelope; receipt for payment to Stephen Fitch by Stephen Munson for all his “Movable Property” in New Canaan, CT, 1810; correspondence to Stephen Munson and receipt of payment of taxes in Randolph County, VA, 1823, 1836. (5 items, 7 p.) Acc No 9581 9589a-b 10122 9587
Folder 121-4	Deeds. To Deacons and Trustees Richard Spire, Joseph Bennet, Stephen Munson, Israel Hammond and Jonathan Wood, 1788-1832. (5 items) Listed in Isaac N. Youngs’ “Catalog of deeds.” Grantors Stephen Smith, Aaron Bill, Daniel J. Hawkins and James X. Smith. Property in Canaan and New Lebanon, NY and Hancock, MA. Belonging to Church, Second Family, North Family and Lower Canaan Family. Acc No 11890 11814 11870 11863 11888
Folder 121-5	“A Catalogue of Deeds, Of land owned by the Society at New Lebanon” [compiled by Issac N. Youngs], 1785-1849. (12 p.) Made in conjunction with the New York State ruling that all real estate belonging to any of the families of the Society at New Lebanon must be held in trust by the Church Trustees. 168 deeds are entered including original deeds to the families. Enclosure. (2 p.) Acc No 11829
Folder 121-6	Draft of deed conveying to Stephen Munson and Jonathan Wood properties previously deeded to other individuals, 1830. (2 p.) Acc No 15288
	“Deed from Individuals to Trustees 1839, 1840” (Tin map case containing 2 deeds, 9 p.) See “Catalogue” above. Deeds have been removed from tin map case and flattened.

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	Acc No 9036
Folder 121-7	Bonds and deeds, 1843-1861. (3 items) Acc No 10177 10171 10178
Folder 121-8	Receipt and correspondence. To Benjamin Gates pertaining to school taxes (1881) and settlement of a bill for tanning bark (1884) for the Arietta, NY "Ox Bow" property. (2 items, 4 p.) Acc No 17681 ac Lib 85.1.5
Folder 121-9	Deed. Colesville, NY, 1885. (1 item) Acc No 10170
Folder 121-10	Deeds and title searches, Brooklyn, NY, 1887. (4 items) Acc No 10172-10175 (Oversize deeds 10172 10173)
Folder 121-11 to 13	Deeds and contracts. Re: plans by Robert Valentine to exchange Shaker Farm in Westfield, MA, for commercial property in Brooklyn, NY, and Jersey City, NJ, 1885-1892. (6 items) Acc No 11889 9689 10221 9699 11875 9671 10221 oversize
Folder 121-14	Mortgage and letter. Robert Valentine. Re. Peck Slip in New York City, 1887. (2 items) Acc No 9691-9692
Folder 121-15	"Abstract of Title," prepared for Robert Valentine. Re: property in Plainville, KS, 1889. (2 items) For information on Robert Valentine's land speculation in Kansas, see "The Hawkes Papers. A Case Study of a Kansas Mortgage Business, 1871-1880," <i>Business History Review</i> 32 (Summer 1958), 293-310. (Richmond 3455) Acc No 9693 9696
Folder 121-16	Receipt. Mark M. Pomeroy to Robert Valentine, 1891. (1 p.) Re: Certificates for 25,122 acres of Shaker land in Rowan, KY, held by Pomeroy. Acc No 9660
Folder 121-17	Stocks certificate. "The Electric Scenic Company," New York, NY, 1896. (2 p.) 100 shares to Robert Valentine. Acc No 9680
Folder 121-18	Memoranda. "South Shore Railway Company, Ltd.," New York, NY, Boston, MA, and Nova Scotia, Canada, n. d. (2 items, 4 p.) Acc No 9677-9678
Folder 122-1	Mortgage. Between Edith E. Schmitt and Benjamin Gates and Robert

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	Valentine, for property in New Lebanon, NY, 1895. (2 items) Acc No 9664 9687
Folder 122-2	Duncan v. Berntein, Shweitzer, Welles and Valentine, Supreme Court, County of New York, NY, 1895. (1 item, 6 p.) Acc No 9681
Folder 122-3	Riverside Bank v. Bradstreet, Valentine and Welles, Supreme Court, New York, N.Y., 1896. (2 items) Acc No 9684 9663 9681
Folder 122-4	The Graves Elevator Company v. Gates and Shaw as Trustees, Supreme Court, Columbia County, NY, 1896-1897. (4 items, 10 p.) Summoning all the business records of the Society from 1891 to 1897 and in particular communications with Dillon C. Willoughby, Thomas S. Smith, William S. Munn, Joseph Holden, Benjamin Gates, Levi Shaw, Robert Valentine or Emma Neale in "relation to the transactions of Robert Valentine in the City of New York from the 1st day of January, 1895, to the first day of May, 1897." Acc No 9688 10318 10318A 10316 10317
Folder 122-5	Ludemann v. Valentine, Supreme Court New York County, 1901. (62 p.) Includes transcript of testimony by Ludeman, Valentine, Robert L. Packard and Wiilliam S. Munn for a prepared case on appeal in regard to New York City commercial property. Acc No 9740
Folder 122-6&7	Correspondence and legal documents pertaining to investments by Robert Valentine that resulted in a suit Lundeman v. Valentine, 1895-1901. (21 items) Respondents include Dillon C. Willoughby, Thomas S. Smith, the Otis Realty Co., and George W. Dithridge. Fld 23 Acc No 9686 9682 9694 9695 9668 9659 9683 9665 9661 Fld 24 Acc No 9679 9800 9800a & b 9674 9662 9670 9666
Folder 122-8	Certificate of Authorization, Ministry, Mt. Lebanon, NY, 1905. (2 items, 5 p.) Authorizing Levi Shaw and Timothy Rayson to execute a quit claim deed to allow the sale of property at 236 W.16th Street, New York, NY, to Jennie Mitchell. Acc No 9697-9698
Folder 122-9	Correspondence, receipts and other records of Benjamin Gates, 1887-1902. (15 items) Re: Sale of the Hotel Endicott in New York, NY, and the repayment of a debt for the Narcoossee, Florida property. (See also Benjamin Gates personal papers.) Acc No 9776c 9778 9778a 9775 9776b 9776a 10270.6 9776 9777 9779 9780 9778b 9778c 9773 9774

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Folder 122-10	Correspondence. William Sickels to Edward Fowler regarding the sale of Shaker land in Gratiot County, MI., 1868; and sales contract, 1880. Acc No 10251-F 10258-G 10258-H 10258-E
Folder 122-11	Deed. Shelton Shepard to Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates for property in Niles, Berrien County, MI, 1873. (4 p.) Witnessed by Levi Shaw, North Family Trustee. Acc No 11856
Folder 122-12	Letter, William C. Richmond, Kankoken, IL, to George [?] Esq., Chicago, IL, 1873. (4 p.) Re: Land in Jasper County, IN. Acc No 10313.35 a & b
Folder 122-13	Deeds and receipts for property in Chicago, IL, known as the Awsley Subdivision, 1873. (3 items) Acc No 10313.38 10313.32
Folder 123-1	Correspondence. Francis M. Gray to Levi Shaw, North Family Trustee, 1873-1876 (27 items, 56 p.) Re: Shaker property in Niles, MI, and Chicago, IL. Acc No 10313.1-.27 (Oversize map 10313.34)
Folder 123-2	Receipts for taxes on the Shaker property in Chicago, IL, known as the Moody Subdivision, 1874-1881; and "Certificates for Redemption," 1880. (18 items) Acc No 10313.39-42 10313.45 10313.46 10313.43 10313.44 10336.34-38 10289J 10336.29-32
Folder 123-3	Deeds and Correspondence. William H. Swift (Swift & Campbell), Chicago, IL, to Benjamin Gates, 1883-1889. Re: Shaker's Chicago property known as the Moody Subdivision. (23 items) Acc No 10313.36 10313.37 10336.1 10336.2 10313.31 10336.40 10336.23 10336.24 10336.39 10336.12 10336.13 10336.14a&b 10336.15a-g 10336.16a-c 10336.17 10336.18 10336.19 10336.4a&b 10336.20 10336.21 10336.22 10336.5 10336.7 10336.8a&b 10336.9 10336.10a-c 10336.11 10336.27a&b
Folder 123-4	Correspondence. Lunley Inglenew, Chicago, IL, to Benjamin Gates, 1889. (7 items) Re: Correcting deeds and sale of Shaker property known as the Moody Subdivision. Acc No 10336.25a-c 10336.26 10314.1 10314.2 10314.5 10314.3 10314.4
Folder 123-5	Correspondence, Benjamin Gates, on real estate, investments, and railroads.

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	Ministry authorization of Trustee Robert Valentine to sell stocks and property, 1888-1889. (12 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.167-178
Folder 123-6	Agreement (unsigned copy) Emma J. Neale and Timothy Rayson with Melvin Sedgewick, Lebanon Springs, NY, 1901. (2 p.) Re: Cutting timber at "Brickyard" on shares. Acc No 10222
Folder 123-7	Letter and survey maps from William Anderson to Emma J. Neale, 1916. (3 items) Re: Sale of South Family property to Gertrude Adams, 1916. (3 items) Acc No 10058-10059 15048 oversize 15049 oversize
Folder 123-8&9	Correspondence and real estate records. Lindon W. Bates Lindell T. Bates, New York, NY, to Emma J. Neale, William Anderson and Ernest Pick, 1912-1920. (48 items and 4 oversized maps) Re: Land purchased by the Bates family from the Second and South Family Shakers. Fld 123-8 Acc No 10068 10060 10060-A 10061 10081 10074 10100 10070 10075010072 10069 10071 10086a&b 10089 10095 10077 10069-A 10069-B 10073 10069-C 10069-D 10076a&b 10069-E Fld 123-9 Acc No 10080a&b 10093 10078 10067 10065 10063 10099 10079a&b 10087a&b 10098 10066 10085 10082 10096a&b 10091 10094 10090 10065-A 10088 10064 10101 10102 10084 10062 10092 (Oversized 10083 10097 13287 15044)
Folder 123-10	Draft of deed. Emma J. Neale and Sarah Burger to [second party not designated], 1917. (2 p.) Re: Shaker property in [Narcoossee] in the County of Osceola, FL. Acc No 10218
Folder 123-11	Correspondence, inventories and descriptions of property, 1926-1928. (30 items) Re: Sale of Church Family property. Includes letters to Emma J. Neale from Frederick M. Seivard in behalf of Henry Ford. Acc No 9728-9734
Folder 123-12	Statement by Edward Crowe, 1936.(2 items) Releasing all claims to property deeded to Crowe in 1910; the property known as the "Murdock Place" and belonging to North Family. Acc No 11859
Folder 123-13	Surveys by A. J. Kohlhofer. "Lands of Shakers, for proposed sale to Mr. Lefferts in Mt. Lebanon, N.Y., May, 1939." (2 items, oversized) Acc No 11759 A-B Oversize

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Folder 123-14	Deed, Emma J. Neale to Walter Wilson, Chatham, NY, 1943. (3 p.) Re: Shaker land in Canaan, NY. Acc No 7470
Folder 123-15	Correspondence. Emma J. Neale, 1921-1934. (10 items) Re: Bank transactions and securities holdings. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.310-.311 Lib 89.2.1.313-.320 Upton Collection
Folder 123-16	Correspondence. Emma J. Neale, 1928-1931. (7 items) Re: Real estate sales. Acc No. Lib 89.2.1.321-.328 Upton Collection
Folder 123-17	Correspondence. John V. Whitbeck, Jr. to Emma J. Neale, 1933-1934. (10 items) Re: Publication of a legal notice protecting Shakers against unauthorized transactions by their members. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.329-.338 Upton Collection
Folder 123-18	Receipts. Emma J. Neale, 1902, 1931-1942. (35 items) Property taxes and related tax collector's notices and statements including a 1938 receipt for taxes paid on Shaker land in Osceola County, FL. Acc No Lib 89.1.2.339-.367

Series 6: Law suits and petitions

Folder 124-1	Statement describing an attempted break-in at the Church Family dwelling by John Turby [i.e., Thurbyr or Thurber], 1805. (1 p.) Acc No 10477
Folder 124-2	Statements. Hannah Ann Treadway and Sarah Ann Lewis, 1847. (2 items, 4 p.) Re: Description of William Pillow's attempted abduction of Ann Pillow and their children. Acc No 9737 9738
Folder 124-3 124-4	Drafts or copies of letters and statements, correspondence and lists related to the New York State Trust Act of 1839 and hearings before the New York State Senate to revoke the Shakers' trust status, 1838-1853 (59 items) Acc No 9743-9747 9758-9759 10383
Folder 124-5	Correspondence, 1846-1868. Re: Shaker application for military exemption. (8 items) Includes letter from William Leonard, Harvard, Ma, to Robert White, New York, NY, concerning military service of Br. Amos Butterick. Also includes letters and memorials from Benjamin Gates and Frederick Evans to President Abraham Lincoln and Secretary of State William G. Seward. A printed copy of the memorial is enclosed. (Richmond 1014)

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	<p>Acc No 9603 12180 12182, 12183, 12184 14593, 14594 9216 (12180 is oversized folio)</p> <p>Note: The 1838 action was defended by D. J. Hawkins, Second Family Trustee, and Jonathan Wood, Church Trustee. The 1850 proceedings were attended by Richard Bushnell, North Family Elder, and Jonathan Wood. For additional records see North Family Elders, Lawsuits and petitions, Folder 249-2. See also: Mount Lebanon North Family Elders, Law suits and petitions, Folder 249-1.</p>
Folder 124-6	<p>Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates v. Bennington and Rutland Railroad, 1869. (8 items) Acc No 10259.1-.8</p>
Folder 124-7	<p>Correspondence, 1869-1871. (9 items) Re: Disputes about railroad land leased from the Shakers. Acc No 10289-A&B 10303-A 10256-M 10256-B 10256-O 10256-N 10256-J 10256-L 10256-K</p>
Folder 124-8	<p>Miriam Watson and Augustus Watson [children] by Their Guardian Benjamin Gates v. Elizabeth M. M. White, 1862-1877. (22 items) Includes court records and correspondence. Acc No 9761 A-V</p>
Folder 124-9	<p>Sarah M. Lord v. Richard Fletcher, 1878-1879. (33 items) Court records and correspondence; respondents include James Goodwin, Groveland, NY, and Giles Avery and Benjamin Gates, Mount Lebanon, NY. Acc No 9801-9813</p>
Folder 124-10	<p>Correspondence and receipts regarding money owed to Marcia Hillsgrove by James Goodwin, 1888-1889. (5 items) Settlement, involving also Watervliet, NY and Joseph Slingerland, was managed by Benjamin Gates. Acc No 10287 A-F</p>
Folder 124-11	<p>Mary Charlotte Byrdsall vs. Benjamin Gates, Robert Valentine, Trustees, and Frederick W. Evans, Elder . . . of North Family, Supreme Court, County of New York, NY, 1883-1888. (34 items) Includes correspondence, court documents, financial statements, and summary by Evans of Charlotte Byrdsall's years with the Shakers. Acc No 10328 10210</p>
Series 6: History, biography and theology	
Folder 124-12	Typescript. "

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The Church Family Meeting House at Mount Lebanon, New York" and "The Church Family Plant," c.1930-1940. (5 items) "The Church Meeting House" is a summary by Alonzo G. Hollister of the cost of constructing the 1824 Meeting House.

Acc No 10593 4545 4545A&B 9756

Mount Lebanon, New York, Church Family Deacons' Records

Historical note

The position of Deacon was established in the New Lebanon Church, First Family in 1788 by the Ministry to oversee the temporal affairs of the family. In 1794, a separate position of Office Deacon or Trustee assumed supervision over external affairs, leaving the Family Deacons in charge of domestic operations of the family. Appointed by the Church Family Elders in union with the Ministry, the lot of family deacons (also commonly referred to simply as Deaconesses and Deacons) was composed of at least two women and two men, for the respective female and male lines. The last Deacon and Deaconess were appointed in 1917. A complete list of appointments is available. The Church Family, Second Order or Center family had a separate order of family deacons.

The exact size, organization and distribution of duties within the order of family deacons was determined by the needs of the family and varied from family to family and over time within the Church family. Occupations were strictly designated as male or female, and the Deacons and Deaconesses were responsible for training and supervision on their respective sides of the family. In addition to the daily operations of the family, the Deacons and Deaconesses also supervised the production of goods for sale. Outside purchases and sales, however, were supervised by the Trustees. The Deacons and Deaconesses kept or appointed other writers to keep regular journals of family activities and journals were also kept by the various trades.

Locator No**Description****Series 1: Family Journals****Subseries 1: Deacons' Journals**Volume 125
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"A Domestic Journal of Daily Occurances [sic] Kept by David Gill Beginning January 1st [1878-December 18, 1878]" and others, 1878-1890. (135 p.) Label on cover reads "David Gill's Journal." A record of daily events, membership changes, deaths, official appointments, travel and meetings with occasional yearly summaries and membership lists. No entries were made from May 1885-November 1889. The journal was probably kept by one or more of the Sisters during the early 1880's and frequently duplicates the text from the Deaconesses' journals (NOC 10458 and 10459).

Acc No 8859

Series summary

Domestic Journal of Daily Occurances

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*These manuscripts from other libraries are available in the Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon's collection on microfilm.

Subseries 2: Deaconesses' Journals

Volume 126-132

"A Domestic Journal Kept by Order of the Deaconesses . . .," 1873-1906. (7 volumes) A record of daily events, arrivals and departures, meetings, work activities primarily of the sisters, year end summaries of provisions and sales work and occasional membership lists.

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Volume 126	10462	1873-1878	Anna Dodgson	(252 p.)
Volume 127	10458	1879-1882	Anna Dodgson	(144 p.)
Volume 128	10459	1883-1885	Anna Dodgson	(95 p.)
Volume 129	8853	1886-1892	Anna Dodgson, Anna Lane, Elizabeth Cantrell, Cornelia French	(176 p.)
Volume 130	8856	1893-1897	Cornelia French	(230 p.)
Volume 131	8824	1898-1901	Cornelia French	(236 p.)
Volume 132	8823	1902-1906	Cornelia French	(247 p.)

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	<p>Series summary</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>A Domestic Journal Kept by Order of Deaconesses</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">1848-1874 <i>Betsy Crosman,</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Anna</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Dodgson OclWHi V B:143*</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">1873-1878 <i>Anna Dodgson</i> NOC 10462</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1879-1882 <i>Anna Dodgson</i> NOC 10458</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1883-1885 <i>Anna Dodgson</i> NOC 10459</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1886-1892 <i>Anna Dodgson, Anna Lane,</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Elizabeth Cantrell, Cornelia French</i> <i>NOC</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">8853</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1893-1897 <i>Cornelia French</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>NOC 8856</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">1898-1901 <i>Cornelia French</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>NOC 8824</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">1902-1906 <i>Cornelia French</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>NOC 8823</i></p> <p>*These manuscripts from other libraries are available in the Shaker Museum Mount Lebanon's collection on microfilm.</p>

Series 2: Regulations

Folder 133-1 Circular to Deacons and Elders concerning buildings and inventions, 1802. (1 p.) Another copy of this circular is located with the Enfield, Connecticut Church Family, Trustees' records, Acc No 12181.
Acc No 10476

Series 3: Correspondence

Folder 133-2 Letter to Richard [Spier] and Nicholas [Bennet] from Peter [Boyd], Union Village, OH, 1816. (2 p.) Re: Hannah Ketchel, drawing wire, and raising silk worms.
Acc No 9566

Series 4: Work records

Folder 133-3 Journal, George DeWitt and others, 1813-1827. (57 p.) Re: Carpentry, farming, and shoemakers' outside work.
Acc No 9538

Folder 133-4 Tailors' journal, Isaac N. Youngs and Benjamin Gates, 1838-1845. (102 p.)
See also: Benjamin Gates' Diary for entries on Tailor's work, 1839-1840, in

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	Mount Lebanon Church Family Members Personal Papers-Benjamin Gates. Acc No 9657
Volume 92	Machine shop accounts of turning, sawing, planing, drilling, and matching wood and metal, 1836-1861. Includes "An account of a Plaining [sic] Machine made for the Canterbury Society, 1844." (This journal is located under the Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees' Records, Account books, Acc no 3265.)
Volume 134	"Hatters By John Allen [and Benjamin Gates and others,]" 1842-1866. (71 p.) Includes autobiographical information by Allen. Acc No 10455
Volume 145	Brothers' work record, 1843-1845. Yearly summaries of work done by individuals. (Most of this volume was used by Elisha D. Blakeman for a collection of essays, and is located under his personal papers.) Acc No 8848
Folder 135-1	Dyers' journal, 1849-1866. (13 p.) Acc No 8515
Folder 135-2	Dyers' journal, 1867-1892. (16 p.) Includes: "Remedies for a Sick Dye." Acc No 8517
Volume 136	Dairy journal kept by Louisa Youngs, Anna Dodgson and Augusta Stone, 1869-1872. (39 p.) Journal has been cut and pasted over with clippings (c. 1886) but some sections are readable. Acc No 7206
Volume 137	Dairy journal kept by Augusta Stone, Emma Neale and others, 1873-1907. (79 p.) Labelled on cover as "Diary, Adaline Cantrell, 1873-1897" Acc No 8855
Volume 138	Journal, Andrew Fortier, 1860-1878. (156 p.) Re: Caring for the kitchen garden, driving the ministry, coopering, and preparing handles and ash splints for baskets. Acc No 19213
Volume 139	Journal, Andrew Fortier, 1886-1889. (65 p.) Re: Garden, orchard, and teamster work. Acc No 8852

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Folder 140	“A Book Containing the Measures of different Individuals & Designed Solely for Shoemakers. Kept By W.C. Langbridge,” 1877-1882. (56 p.) Re: shoe sizes and shoes made. Acc No 19212
Volume 141	Journal, James S. Glass, 1891-1894. (144. p) Re: Stock and farm work. Acc No 7205
Volume 79	Journal, James S. Glass, 1900-1904. (98 p.) Re: Weather, stock and farm work. (Entries fill all blank pages in “A Daily Journal, or Diary of work & c. performed by the Boys and their Caretaker; in the First Order, New Lebanon...” by Elisha D. Blakeman. The journal is located under Mount Lebanon Church Family Caretakers’ Records) Acc No 7212
Folder 142-1	Summary of dairy production “Taken from Betsy’s Crosmans Journal,” 1848-1872. (4 p.) Acc No 9588
Folder 142-2	“Deaconess Church Family Account, 1915.” (1 p.) Acc No 9012
Folder 142-3	“Description of Work Upon the Water Wheel at Washhouse,” George Duncan, 1900. (3 p.) Acc No 9015
Folder 142-4	Instructions for knitting a doll’s sacque (i.e., coat) and crocheting a doll’s hood, n. d. (2 p.) Acc No 9580
Folder 142-5	Blueprints. Church office porch, n.d. (2 items, 5. p) Acc No 15045 15046 Oversize

See also personal diaries of:

Daniel Crosman, 1880 F150-3	Oval boxes and orchard work
Benjamin Gates, 1839-1854	Tailoring, hatting and other trades V154
Anna Maria Greaves, 1902	Textiles V156
Anna Maria Greaves, 1904- 1905	Textiles V158
John Dean, 1865-1873	Coopering notes made in East Family Journal V219

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Mount Lebanon, New York, Church Family Members' Papers	
Corrine Bishop (1843-1929)	
Volume 143	Diary, 1890-1919. (27 p.) Records changes in leadership, departures and deaths for Mt. Lebanon Church and Center Families. Acc No 10369
Elisha D. Blakeman (1819-1900)	
Folder 144	"A Mormon interview. Copied from Brother Ashbel Kitchell's Pocket Journal.- (By E.D.B.)" [Elisha D. Blakeman], 1856. (20 p.) Labeled on cover, "Mormon Interview." Acc No 10517
Volume 145	"Elisha D Blakeman's Book. Being a transcribed copy of Letters, Visions, visits to noted places or institutions &c-together with extracts from different authors. Poetry and prose. Also some original items by the owner, whose name is above subscribed " 1851-1869. (638 p.) Volume was originally used as record of work done by brethren, 1843-1845. It includes a copy of James Whittaker's correspondence and the work of Loren Wicks, Polly Reed, Anna Dodgson and others. Acc No 8848
Emma Jane Blanchard (1812-1884)	
Folder 146-1	Visions sent to Jane Blanchard, 1842-1850. "A small Book of Thanks . . .to Jane Blanchard, from Holy Mother Wisdom. Jan. 1st 1842." (16 p.) Acc No 12100 "A short word of love & comfort from Eldress Ruth to Jane B. June 8th 1850." (10 p.) Acc No 12132 "Copy of an interesting Narative [sic]of some Visionary scenes Witnessed by Eunice Wythe and sent by her to Jane Blanchard, September 22nd 1850." (14 p.) Acc No 12101
Folder 146-2	Visions sent to Jane Blanchard, 1839-1867. (11 sheets, 19 p.) Acc No 12081 12088 12095 12104 12113 12114 12126 12129 12130 12133

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	14400
Folder 146-3	Poems dedicated to Jane Blanchard by Thankful Goodrich, 1857, and Florinda Sears, 1869. (2 sheets, 2 p.) Acc No 4467 12103
	Amelia J. Calver (1843-1909)
Folder 146-4	“Burdens By Emma Tuttle” n. d. (2 p.) Poem sent to unnamed sister by Amelia [Calver]. Acc No 93.7.15
Folder 146-5	Engrossed Bible verse, 1870. (2 p.) Acc No 12111
	Poem. “To Eldress Amelia on her Birthday. . . Your Sister Ada [Grace Ada Brown?],” n. d. (1 p.) Acc No 9014
	Sheet of mica into which “Amelia Calver” has been incised, and an envelope signed, “Amelia Calver. Mount Lebanon. N.Y.[?]” n. d. (2 items) The letter “A” is decorated with a drawing of a bird. Acc No 4541
Folder 146-6	Invitation to graduation. Columbia University, Washington, D.C., 1881. (1 p. and envelope) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.432-.433
	Poem. “Tribute, To the Memory of Elder Daniel Crosman . . . by Amelia J. Calver.” Page 116 from <i>The Manifesto</i> vol 15 (May, 1885). Acc No Lib 89.2.1.434
	Henry Calver (1845-left 1866)
Volume 147	Hymnal. “Gospel Blessings.” (f.t.), 1815-1875. (231 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. Inscribed, “Henry Calver May 24th 1862” (Patterson, L-199) Acc No 14382
	Susan Calver (-left 1852)
Volume 148	Hymnal. “A Collection of Hymns and Spiritual Songs Adapted to The Sacred Worship of Believers Copied by Susan Calver . . . Commenced in 1850.” (31 p.) No musical notation. (Not in Patterson.)

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	Acc No 8900
	George Henry Cantrell (1840-1892)
Volume 149	Hymnal. "Our Mother's gentle spirit's near." (f.l.), 1859-1862. (176 p.) Inscribed in pencil on flyleaf "G. H. Cantrell, 1863." Music written in small letteral notation. (Pages 1-64 were written by the Shakers at Canterbury, NH.) (Patterson L-273) Acc No 8795
Folder 150-1	Member's ticket, Berkshire Agricultural Society Fair, 1888. (1 item) Acc No 7225
	Charles T. Chatfield (1886-left 1903) Chatfield was brought to the Mt. Lebanon Church Family in 1887.
Folder 150-2	"A Cosy Corner (verso) Mt Lebanon, N.Y. Church Family Shaker Brothers Living Room Drawn by C.J. Chatfield 1900 (recto)" (2 p.) Pencil, blue and black ink on white paper, 10 inches x 16 inches. Acc No 15674 Map drawer 14
	Betsy Crosman (1804-1892)
Volume 172	"An Account of Some Items, recorded to assist the memory, BC [Betsy Crosman], 1875-1878. Biographical entries made by Crosman on pages 12- 15 in "A Memorandum, or Journal of certain avents [sic] &c 1836 Kept by Samuel Turner." (Located under Mount Lebanon Church Family Members' Papers -Samuel Turner) Acc No 6647
	Daniel Crosman (1810-1885)
Folder 150-3	Diary kept by Daniel Crosman, 1880. (199 p.) Pocket diary includes daily entries of orchard and garden work, work with the boys, and meetings of deacons and elders. It also includes a cash account for fruit. Diary inscribed "Andrew Fortier Mt Lebanon NY." Acc No 19211
	Julia M. Dalton Julia M. Dalton was raised at the Mt. Lebanon Church Family until withdrawing in 1890 to marry Shaker brother Henry T. Clough. They returned, with their children, in 1909, and signed a probationary covenant. Henry T. Clough managed the bottled medicine business from 1909-ca.1923.

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	They lived in the Ann Lee Cottage.
Volume 151 Oversize	Scrapbook, ca. 1885. (49 p.) Contains lithographed cards, rewards of merit for Alice Cary Wade and Mintie [Julia M.] Dalton signed by Amelia Calver, and miniature portraits of Henry T. Clough and Maritta S. Strever. Acc No 14613 See also: Annotated photograph albums, photographs and postcards, donated by Julia Clough and located in the historic photograph collection.)
	John Dean (1797-1873)
Volume 219	Diary, 1865-1873. (157 p.) Label on cover, "Memo East Family 1865-1870." Dean was an elder at the East Family from February, 1863 to January, 1864. He continued to use the East Family journal to record his work as a cooper at the Church Family, 1865-1870 (pp. 25-45); and odd jobs at the Church and East Families, 1860-1873 (pp. 50-107, and 255-291). Located under Mount Lebanon East Family Elders' Records) Acc No 8862.
	Anna Dodgson (1818-1897)
Folder 152	"The gospel day began to rise . . ." poem "Written 1833 by John D. as a birth day address for his only Daughter Anna Dodgson." (4 p. and envelope) Inscribed on envelope "John Dodgson's Poem when he & his companion gave up Anna their daughter to live in the Church Family." Acc No 10187 "Lines Composed by John Dodgson June 8th 1833." (2 p. and envelope) Poem written for his daughter as a birthday address. See above. Acc No 93.7.17a&b
	Andrew Fortier (1823-1890)
Volume 153	Hymnal. "O sweet purity." (f.l.), 1861-1867. (228 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. Inscribed "Andrew Fortier's Book." The dance is indicated for each piece; an index at the front gives a different list of dances. (Patterson, L-269) Acc No 12815 See also: Journals by Andrew Fortier under Mount Lebanon Church Family Deacons, Work records. Volumes 138 and 139.
	Benjamin Gates (1817-1909)

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Volume 154	<p>Diary kept by Benjamin Gates, 1839-1840, 1846-1854. (126 p.) Label on cover "Taylor Journal 1839-1854" In April, 1840 Gates adds a note "After the above my work will be found in the Taylors [sic]. Public journal." This diary resumes in September, 1846 with work in hat shop, other trades and activities as Family deacon and elder. Label on front paste-down leaf, "Bound by Henry De Witt, New-Lebanon." Acc No 10450</p> <p>Correspondence, Benjamin Gates to Isaac N. Youngs, 1826-1864. (See Mount Lebanon Church Family Members - Isaac N. Youngs. Acc No 9547, 9557-9560, and 10117. Folder 173-5.)</p>
Volume 155	<p>"A Collection of songs of various kinds mostly received by Inspiration Written by. Benjamin Gates. Begining [sic] November 2nd, 1839. Finished November 20th 1840." (226 p.) Music written in small letteral notation, followed by a description of the vision in which the song and dances were received. Labels on inside front cover "Bound by Henry De Witt, New-Lebanon." "This book was given to Sarah Burger by Brother Benjamin Gates 1904." On front cover, red bordered label "32." (Patterson, L-64) Acc No 12322</p>
Volume 156	<p>Hymnal. "A Parent Indeed." (f.t.), Benjamin Gates, 1854-1859. (284 p.) Thirty three pages of songs with small letteral notation. Benjamin Gates gave the hymnal to Anna M. Greaves who used it as a diary for 1902 (pp. 34-285). Acc No 7224</p>
Folder 157-1	<p>Visions dedicated to Benjamin Gates, 1842-1867.</p> <p>"A Small Book of Mother Ann's own Word, to her well beloved & good child, Benjamin Gates. . . .January 1st, 1842." (28 p.) Acc No 10141</p> <p>"For Benjamin Gates. January 1st 1842. A New Years Gift, picked up in Heaven, by Father William." (2 p.) Acc No 9541</p> <p>"A Card of love and notice from blessed Mother Ann, to Benjamin Gates. . . .January 25th. 1843." verso "A Card of love and notice from the Holy Saviour to Benjamin Gates, January 25th. 1843." (2 p.) Acc No 9545</p> <p>"A brief statement of a vision seen by Father James while in England,</p>

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	relative to the present & treasure received by Benjamin Gates March 1st, 1847.” (4 p.) Acc No 9552
	“Notice from Elder Rufus to Benjamin Gates Feby 24th 1867.” (2 p.) Acc No 9754
Folder 157-2	Poem. “Lines Written in behalf of the Sisters at the First Order of the Church by Eleanor P[otter]. Much Respected and Well Beloved Br. Benjamin Gates,” 1878. (2 p.) Acc No 9748
Folder 157-3	“A Journal kept by Benjamin Gate of Garments Made while occupied in Tayloring [sic].” n. d. (1 p.) Acc No 9549
Folder 157-4	Correspondence, Lyman Brown and Herman Tappan to Benjamin Gates, 1893-1904. (12 items, 17 p.) Written after Gates had been removed as Trustee. Acc No 10272A-E 10270.6-11
	Note by Benjamin Gates on financial status, 1906. (1 sheet) Acc No 10142
Folder 157-5	“Names of all Busines[s] Men. Important book.” (33 p., enclosure) Addresses of men to whom Gates wrote to raise money, c. 1902 to 1906. Written in a prescription book, it contains a few prescriptions, the first of which is signed by Pennebaker, [Pleasant Hill, KY] Acc No 10412
Folder 116-5	Diary kept by Benjamin Gates, 1905-1906. (74 p.) Diary entries from May 4 1905 to Nov 1 1906 are written into a pocket memorandum book of accounts kept by Gates for 1875-1890. (Memorandum book located under Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees, correspondence and memoranda files) Acc No 10482
	James Goodwin (1826-1888)
Folder 157-6	Poems and visions dedicated to James Goodwin, 1841-1867.
	“A Roll written by Mother Ann Decm. 22d 1841. and copied again by Father James Jany 7th 1842. . . Little Book for James Goodwin.” (20 p.) Acc No 4440

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	<p>“New Lebanon . . .Decm. 22nd 1841. A Short Communication of love & counsil [sic], from Father Joseph to James Goodwin.” (2 p.) Acc No 4463</p>
	<p>Poem. “To love and bless this little one” (first line) By Thankful [Goodrich] for James Goodwin, 1857. (1 p.) Acc No 4462</p>
	<p>“Notice from Eldr Rufus to James Goodwin Feby 24th 1867.” (2 p.) Acc No 14397</p> <p>“A pretty present of Encouragement, . . . to little James Goodwin,” n. d. (1 p.) Acc No 93.7.16</p>
	<p>“A few Lines from Sister Semantha [Fairbanks] April 7th 1867.” (1 p.) Acc No 93.7.12</p>
	<p>Anna Maria Greaves (1833-1914) (Ann Mariah, Anne Maria Graves)</p>
Volume 156	<p>Diary kept by Anna Maria Greaves, 1902. (251 p.) Diary includes textile activities, events in the family, lectures given at meetings, quotations and book reviews. The diary is written in pencil (pp. 34-285) in a hymnal given to Greaves by Benjamin Gates. (Hymnal/diary is located under Mount Lebanon Church Family Members’ Papers, Benjamin Gates.) Acc No 7224</p>
Volume 158	<p>Diary kept by Anna Marie Greaves, 1904-1905. (190 p.) Label on cover “A Calver Journals.” For identification of Greaves as the writer see page 183 with her name, “Anna Maria,” and age, “72”. Acc No 7204</p>
Folder 159	<p>Note by Anna Maria Greaves on gloves knitted by Benjamin Gates’ mother and given to her by Mary Hazard, 1886. (1 p.) Acc No 10466.2</p>
	<p>Mary Hazard (1811-1899)</p>
Volume 160	<p>Hymnal. “A Collection of Exercize [sic] Songs Written by Mary Hazard 1867-1871”. (100 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. (Patterson L-68) Acc No 8793</p>
Folder 161-1	<p>Visions directed to Mary Hazard, 1842-1878.</p>

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	<p>“Words on a Card. Sent from Holy Mother Wisdom, to Mary Hazard. July 10th 1842.” (2 p.) Acc No 8119</p>
	<p>“A Precious Present. From Holy Mother Wisdom. . . December 31st 1842. . . . Mary Hazard.” (1 sheet, matted) Acc No 8116</p>
	<p>“A Card of love and notice from blessed Mother Ann, to Mary Hazard. January 25th 1843.” On reverse side, “A card of love and notice from the Holy Saviour to Mary Hazard. January 25th 1843.” (2 p.) Acc No 8118</p>
	<p>“A Beautiful Present From my ever blessed & loving Mother Ann, . . . Jan. 1st, 1843 . . . Mary Hazard.” (1 sheet, matted) Acc No 11547</p>
	<p>“Notice from the Holy Angel of Wisdom on the 28th of January, 1843 . . . [to] Hannah Ann T. and Mary Hazard. . .” (1 sheet, matted) Acc No 11549</p>
	<p>“A Cup of Blessing & a Little White Dove, Given to Mary Hazard from Eldress Ruth’s Treasure by Eldress Betsy Hastings. . . June 2nd 1-8-5-0. Words written by Father James. . . March 1st 1851.” (1 sheet, matted) Acc No 8115</p>
	<p>“A Precious Little Sheet of Spiritual Presants [sic].” [received by] “Mary Hazard.” 1850-1851. (4 p.) Acc No 8117</p>
	<p>“A Short Word from Elder Ebenezar [Bishop] to Mary Hazard, A Child of his Sweetest Love. Brought Febry 2nd, 1851.” (1 p.) Acc No 12082</p>
	<p>“A Presant [sic] Sister Hortinsa gave me a beautiful Green Leaf, from my ever blessed Mother Ann’s garden, . . . May 9th, 1852. Mary Hazard.” (1 sheet, matted) Acc No 11545</p>
	<p>“Lines written on a Silver Chain by Eldress Ruth L[andon] & bro’t by S. F. [i.e., Semantha Fairbanks] to M. H. [i.e., Mary Hazard] May 1861.” (2 p.) Acc No 12131</p>

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	<p>“A Leaf for Sister Mary Hazard, from Eldress Ruth’s Tree, with a picture of the Savior when an infant setting on his Mother’s lap. Received March 1st 1863.” (1 p.) Acc No 12123</p>
	<p>“Lo, a Band of holy Angels now are marching throughout Zion Bring joy unto the faithful. Received March 1st 1865. Given Sister Semantha Fairbanks for M. H.” (1 sheet, matted) Hymn with letteral notation. Acc No 8124</p>
	<p>“From Mother Lucy to Mary Hazard April 21st 1867.” (2 p.) Acc No 12092</p>
	<p>“A communication of love and Blessing from Eldres [sic] Betsy [Bates] to her Well tryed [sic] Siter [sic] Mary Hazzard [sic] April 3rd 1869.” (2 p.) Acc No 12102</p>
	<p>“Mt. Lebanon Feb 24th 1878 My true & faithful Sister Mary Hazzard [sic]. Listen to a few words from your friend Sarah Ann Lewis.” (4 p.) Acc No 12091</p>
	<p>See also: “Mary Hazard’s name” n.d. A card with writing in an unknown script on the reverse side. (Mount Lebanon Church Family Elders, Visions, Acc No 8122. Folder 64-8.)</p>
Folder 161-2	<p>Poems and acrostics directed to Mary Hazard, n.d., 1868-1888. (7 items) Writers are Thankful Goodrich, Xemina Gates, “a c” [Abigail Crosman], “E.R.A.,” and Florinda Sears. Acc No 12090 12136 12135 12105 12140</p>
Folder 161-3	<p>Letter, Freegift Wells and David [Buckingham?], Watervliet, NY, to Mary Hazard, July 3, 1867. (4 p.) Acc No 12140</p>
	<p>Barnabas Hinkley (1808-1861)</p>
Folder 161-4	<p>“This worthy Friend in Wisdoms ways, . . . Composed by Thankful for B H.” n. d. (1 p.) Acc No 93.7.10</p>
	<p>Alonzo G. Hollister (1830-1911) Hollister acted as a self-appointed chronicler of Shaker history. To that end he frequently sought out early Shaker records from which he compiled statistics and excerpts of facts and events. Some of this work was done for publication</p>

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	and some in response to inquiries from non-Shakers.
Folder 161-5	<p>Historical notes, statistics and biographical information by Alonzo G. Hollister, c. 1900-1910.</p> <p>Note about a neck brace made by Hiram Rude (ca. 1838) for the elderly and palsey-stricken Adonijah Jacobs, n. d. (1 p.) Acc No 4792</p> <p>“Shakers” c. 1900. (12 p.) Re: History of the Shakers from 1736 to ca. 1852. Written on the back of pages from a typescript (see below). Acc No 13956</p> <p><i>The Life and Sufferings of Jesus . . . Written by Inspiration [by] William Leonard, in the Church at Harvard, Mass., October, 1841. Prepared for Publication . . . by A. G. Hollister. . . 1904. (12 p.)</i> Typescript pages 54-65 are published as page 51 paragraph 3 through page 65 paragraph 2. (Richmond 862). Acc No 13956</p>
Folder 161-6	<p>Notes on membership statistics, taxes and donations, publications, early leaders and events, ca. 1900-1903. (13 p.) Notes include additional biographical information concerning Joseph Meacham and an account of the disinterment of Ann Lee’s remains May 11, 1835. Acc No 9762-9766 9739 9739A-D</p>
Folder 115-5	<p>Notes by Alonzo Hollister, 1899-1909. Six pages of notes by Hollister written in Jonathan Wood’s memorandum book. Includes a complete list of imprints sent to Drew Theological Seminary Library, 1909. (Located under Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees, Financial Records, Receipt and memoranda files) Acc No 7213</p> <p>See also: Personal papers of Hollister under the Mount Lebanon Center Family, Volumes 200 and 201.</p> <p>Samuel Johnson, Jr. (1773-1856)</p>
Folder 161-7	<p>Diary kept by Samuel Johnson, Jr., 1790-1813, 1818-1819. (5 p.) Intermittent personal entries and work done with horses, 1801. Acc No 10114</p>

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	Anna Lane (1858-1918)
Volume 162	Commonplace book kept by [Anna Lane ?], n.d. (64 p.) Book reviews, poetry and aphorisms by non-Shakers. Inscribed on flyleaf "Mrs. Lane City." Handwriting resembles that of Anna Lane. Several pages have been covered by newspaper clippings that can be folded out. Sheets of manuscripts in older script are also pasted in. Two enclosures. Acc No 7214.
Folder 163	"Business Cards. Mount Lebanon." n.d. (2 p.) Poem copied from a New Lebanon Springs, NY, weekly newspaper, <i>The Advertizer</i> , 26 April 1875. The back of the copy is inscribed "Personal letters & Cards of Anna Lane's" and may have been used as a wrapper for the papers which are now missing. Acc No 9752 Birth dates of Lane family, n.d. (1 p.) Acc No 9772
	Sarah Ann Lewis (1813-1877)
Volume 164	"A Small Memorandum Kept while on a Journey to the East. Visiting. Seven different Societies of Believers. viz Enfield, Con., Harvard, Shireley [sic], Alfred, Gloucester, Canterbury, Enfield, New Hampshire. Our Company Daniel Crossman, John Dean, Sarah Bates, Angelic Hannah Ann [Treadway] & the Writer." "Writer S. A. Lewis", 1849, 1866-67. (113 p.) Journal from Aug. 16 to Sept. 29, 1849, followed by poems, Dec., 1866, to Feb., 1867 Acc No 10483
Volume 165	"A Collection of Songs, of Various Kinds. Selected from the different Societies of Believers Agust 16th 1849. Sarah Ann Lewis." 1849-1866. (96 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. (Patterson L-90) Acc No 4444
	Mary Ann Mantle, 1800-1877
Folder 166-1	Historical notes dictated by Mary Ann Mantle to Anna M. Graves, 1886. (3 p.) Acc No 14590
	Emma Jane Neale (1847-1943)
Folder 167-1	Cards, n.d. (2 items, 3 p.) Printed calling card, "Emma J. Neal." Greeting card, "Emma J. Neal. From her sister Marinda" with a manuscript poem, "My Wish," on the back.

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	<p>Acc No 4437 4438</p> <p>Calling cards, n. d. (2 items) Printed card "Emma J. Neal." Acc no 93.7.51 93.7.52</p> <p>"In Memory of Our Sister" n.d. (2 p.) Printed poem by Emma J. Neale (Richmond No. 1069) with attached manuscript corrections to stanza four. Acc No 4248</p> <p>"Full well I remember my dear loving girl" n. d. (1 p.) Poem in hand of Emma J. Neale written on the back of a Medical Department Henry Clough letterhead. Acc No 93.7.19</p> <p>Oval cut out, "N H M [Norma H. Mallory] From E J N 5/22/42." (1 item) Acc No 93.7.23</p>
Folder 167-2	<p>"How dear to my heart are the scenes of my childhood" (first line), [1939] (5 p.) Manuscript draft and edited typescript of poem inscribed "Emma Poem.." Acc No 93.7.3a&b 93.7.4</p> <p>"How dear to my heart are the scenes of my childhood" (first line) (7 p.) Two typescripts with attribution, "Poem composed by Sister Emma NealSeptember, 1939." Five typescript copies with attribution, "Poem composed by Sister Emma J. Neale . . .September 1939." Acc No 13356</p>
Folder 167-3	<p>"My tribute to Eldress Augusta [Stone]," c. 1908 (4 p.) (Unsigned, attributed to Emma J. Neale.or Anna Maria Greaves) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.1.142a-d Upton Collection</p>
Folder 167-4	<p>"Phrenological Character of Emma J. Neale given at Fowler & Wells, Phrenological Cabinet, Sept. 10th 1880." (15 p.) Found in a box (Acc No 9513) containing a plaster phrenological head (Acc No 9512) from Fowler & Wells, New York, NY. Acc No 9518</p> <p>"A Delineation of the Character, Physiological Development, and Present Condition of Emma J. Neale as given by Nelson Sizer, September 10th 1880." (6 p.) Pages 143-148 filled out in <i>How To Read Character: A New Illustrated Hand-Book of Phrenology and Physiognomy for Students and Examiners; With A Descriptive Chart</i>. New York: S. R. Wells & Co., 1880. Interpretation of the completed chart requires using pages 149-191 of this book. Acc No 9514</p>

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	Accompanied also with a pamphlet, "Reading Character at Sight" by Katherine H. H. Blackford. New York: Independent Corporation, 1918. Acc No 9515
Volume 168	Diary, 1874-1877. (34 p.) Sporadic entries and lists kept in <i>The Physicians Diary for 1874</i> . Entries are related to the school, sales work, the kitchen and travel. More than one writer, possibly Matilda Reed and Emma J. Neale. Enclosure with an address. Acc No 9104
	Sarah (Sadie, Sally) A. Neale (1849-1948)
Volume 169	"Sally Neal from Amelia Calver August 14th 1865." (3 p.) Three pages of a poem in small volume, the rest of which is blank. Acc No 9008
Folder 170-1	Sketch books, n.d. (2 volumes, 21 p.) Inscribed on covers, "Sally Neal." Acc No 10139 10140
Folder 170-2	"The Completed Mission." n.d. (3 p.) Memorial poem dedicated to unnamed sister. Written on the back of letterhead stationery, "G. A. Lomas, Shakers, N. Y., Agent for all Shaker Produce." Poem was attributed to Clarissa Jacobs by Phelps Clawson. It is in the hand of Sarah Neale and is perhaps in memory of Jacobs who died in 1905. Acc No 16029A-C
Folder 170-3	Christmas card from "Sisters Emma and Sadie Neale." n.d. Acc No 4825
	Crayon and pencil drawing of "The Meeting House, built 1824." with the greeting "Merry Xmas." n.d. (1 p.) Shaker handmade Christmas card, acquired by Nora Mallory from the Mount Lebanon Shakers. Most of her other acquisitions came from the Mount Lebanon Trustees Emma and Sadie Neale. Acc No 4465
	Song. "Should all the Shakers be forgot," by Frederick T. Persons, Congregational Library, Boston, MA, n.d. (2 p.) Words without music, dedicated to Emma and Sadie Neal. Acc No 4242
	Letter from Caroline [Tate], Enfield, CT, to Sadie A. Neale, Sept. 24th 1911 with enclosed "A Brief Review. and Memorial Tribute to Sister Sarah Emily

Locator No	Description
	<p>Copley Deceased September 9th 1911 . . .[by] Lucy S. Bowers” (5 sheets, 1 envelope) Acc No 12076</p> <p>Hezekiah Phelps (1755-1810) Phelps joined the Shakers in 1787, and worked as a shoemaker (1787-1807), a trade at which he had worked before becoming a Shaker. Most of this material is related to his life prior to 1787.</p>
Folder 170-4&5	<p>Day books and receipts of Hezekiah Phelps, 1775-1790. (20 items) Accounts of Phelps’ work. Papers were removed from a wallet (Acc No 10484) and others from a wrapper inscribed, “Hezekiah Phelps Papers.” Acc No 10134A-D 10484</p> <p>Amy Reed (1819-1908)</p>
Folder 170-6	<p>Visions directed to Amy Reed, 1840-1867. (13 items)</p> <p>“May 16th 1840. A communication from Mother Ann to Amy [Reed].” (1 p.) Acc No 12120</p> <p>“A short communication from Mother Ann to Amy Reed.” n. d. On verso, “Jerusalem City, Locteen Feb 27th 1841 . . .From Mother Lucy, To Amy Reed.” (2 p.) Acc No 12106</p> <p>“A ball of love, and Silver plate, given to Amy Reed by Elder Sister Olive [Spencer], March 1841” (1 p.) Acc No 12116</p> <p>“Words on a Card Sent from Holy Mother Wisdon to Amy Reed. July 10th 1842. Copied August 15th 1842.” (2 p.) Blue ink on pink paper, 4 7/8 inches by 7 7/8 inches. Acc No 14410</p> <p>“A Card of love and notice from blessed Mother Ann to Amy Reed. . . January 25th 1843.” On verso, “A Card of love and notice from the Holy Saviour, to Amy Reed. January 25th 1843.” (2 p.) Blue ink on blue paper, 5 inches by 8 inches. Acc No 14411</p> <p>“Amy Reed, January 1st 1845. . . . This is the cross.” (1 p., matted)</p>

Locator No	Description
	<p>Drawing of cross, attributed to Polly Reed. Blue ink on white paper, 5 2/16 inches by 4 9/16 inches. (Patterson, p. 83) Acc No 11546</p>
	<p>“Amy Reed’s Roll Song, . . . From the Saviour to Amy Reed with his richest love and blessing. March 9th 1845.” (1 p.) Words and music with small letteral notation. Acc No 12138</p>
	<p>“March 1st 1847.” “To Amy was given a Roll of peace” (1 p.) Acc No 12122</p>
	<p>“From Mother Ann to Amy Reed . . . January 7th 1848.” (1 sheet, matted) Attributed to Sarah Bates. Gift drawing in blue ink with green, red, and yellow watercolor on blue paper, 9 3/4 inches x 15 3/4 inches. (Patterson, plate II and checklist p. 65) Filmed from photograph. Color transparency available. Acc No 11520</p>
	<p>“Words written by Father James on a Silver Chain that was given to A. R. by Eldress Ruth [Landon] from her own treasure Box. June 2nd 1850.” (2 p.) Acc No 12084</p>
	<p>“Words Engraven on a Pearl Cup, bro’t by Mother Ann while on the Holy Feast Ground, August 23rd 1854, for Amy Reed, Whose name was engraven on the Cup. Copied August 28th 1854.” (1 p., matted) Blue ink on blue paper, 5 1/8 inches x 5 7/8 inches. Acc No 11548</p>
	<p>“A Few Words from Mother Ann, Eldress Ruth [Landon] and Sr. Semantha [Fairbanks] to Amy Reed. Written on a Silver Can, with a Gold Diamond, by Sister Semantha, September, 1854.” (3 p.) Folio sheet, blue and black ink on blue paper. Acc No 12083</p>
	<p>“A Parting Address from Eldress Betsey [i.e., Betsy Bates] to Amy Reed. March 18th 1859.” (1 p.) Acc No 12110</p>
	<p>“Words written by Elder Rufus B[ishop]. on a most beautiful Star, given to A. R. by Eldress Ruth L[andon]. . . May 20th 1860.” (1 sheet) Acc No 12125</p>

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	<p>Word written on a Gold Staff by B. H. [Barnabas Hinkley] and brought by him to Amy Reed. Also a few lines of Comfort & love from sr. Betsy Darrow. Copied May 26th 1861." (3 p.) Acc No 12086</p> <p>"From Mother Lucy to Amy Reed, May 3rd 1867." (2 p.) Acc No 12096</p>
Folder 170-7	<p>Diary kept by Amy Reed, 1832-1856. (19 p.) Brief entries on her caretakers, duties, room changes and union meetings, 1832-1856, and a record of "Presents . . . received from the good spirits," 1838-1845. Acc No 10465</p>
Folder 170-8	<p>Notes on visions received by [Amy Reed?], 1838-1855. (5 items, 9 p.) Several entries in pencil. Acc No 12118 12119 12124 12087 12127</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">See also: Mount Lebanon Church Family Elders for visions directed to physician sisters Amy Reed and Emma Jane Blanchard. Folder 64-6.</p>
Folder 170-9	<p>Poem. "The work thats Here I cannot tell, . . . Composed by Thankful [Goodrich] for Amy [Reed] & Harriet" n. d. (1 p.) Acc No 93.7.9</p>
Eliza Ann Taylor (1811-1897)	
Folder 171-1	<p>[Fan cut out] "January 30th 1847. From Mother Ann Lee, to her little Daughter, Eliza Ann Taylor." (2 p., matted) Gift drawing in the shape of a fan, attributed to Eleanor Potter. Black ink with red and black watercolor on white paper, 6 15/16 inches x 5 5/16 inches. (Patterson, p. 76; Andrews, p. 117) Acc No 8120</p> <p>"March 1st 1851. O Eliza Ann dearly beloved child of Mother, . . . Eldress Ruth [Landon]." (2 p.) Vision in the form of a letter. Acc No 12117</p>
Hannah Ann Treadway (1809-1858)	
	<p>"Notice from the Holy Angel of Wisdom on the 28th of January, 1843 . . . [to] Hannah Ann T. and Mary Hazard. . ." Acc No 11549 (See under Mary Hazard. Folder 161-1.)</p>
Samuel Turner (1775-1842)	

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Volume 172	<p>“A Memorandum, or Journal of certain avents [sic] &c 1836 Kept by Samuel Turner,” 1836-1842. (16 p.) Pages 1-11 contain a description of Turner’s return trip to Mount Lebanon, NY, and a list of deaths at Pleasant Hill, KY, during the period 1836-1842. Pages 12-15 are notes made by Betsy Crosman, 1875-1878. On pages 61-62 is “A Receipt how to make an Excellent Syrrup [sic] for a weak Stomach, or consumption.” Acc No 6647</p>
	<p>Robert Valentine (1822-1910)</p>
Folder 173-1	<p>Letter. Henry T. Clough to Robert Valentine, November 15, 1901. (6 p.) Re: Clough’s offer of assistance in arranging a bond to release Valentine from jail. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.227a-b</p>
	<p>Dorothy Wright (1843-1905)</p>
Folder 173-2	<p>Autograph book, Dorothy Wright, 1885-1891, 1905. (13 p.) Acc No 3286</p>
	<p>Isaac N. Youngs (1793-1865)</p>
Folder 173-3	<p>“Miscellaneous sketches, 1836 [-1838 by Isaac N. Youngs.]” (32 p.) Record of and commentary on apostasy in the Church. Acc No 9544</p>
Folder 173-4	<p>Diary kept by Isaac N. Youngs, 1837-1859. (135 p.) Re: Apostasy and visions related to members leaving the Church. Acc No 10509</p>
Folder 173-5	<p>Correspondence from Benjamin Gates to Isaac N. Youngs, 1826-1864. (6 folio sheets, 19 p., 1 envelope) Includes the “First letter ever written by Benjamin Gates.” Acc No 9547 9557-9560 10117</p>

Series 6: Non-members’ Personal Papers

Belle Bush (-1914) (Arabella C. Bush)

Bush was a resident in the Ann Lee Cottage, 1907-1914. She came to Mount Lebanon from Harvard, MA, where she had been a resident of the Square House. Prior to that she established the Spiritualist Belvidere Seminary in New Jersey. For more information on Bush and her published poetry, see Richmond-129.

Locator No	Description
Volume 174	Poetry book, 1848-1914. (258 p.) Acc No 7220
Folder 174-1	Poetry and lists, n.d. (11 items) Enclosed in volume of poetry (Acc No 7220). Acc No 16255
	Arthur E. Ewell (-1920) Ewell was a resident at Ann Lee Cottage (1907-1920) with his wife, Harriet, a sister of Bell Bush. He taught mathematics at Mount Lebanon. For more biographical information see "Dr. Arthur Franklin Ewell," <i>The Peg Board</i> 4 (1936): 77-80.
Volume 175	Religious journal, 1910. (190 p.) Includes mathematical-spiritual calculations interspersed with a few commentaries and entries on events. Acc No 7221
Volume 176	Account book, 1876-1884. (192 p.) Records of tutoring and teaching at the Belvidere Academy, not related to Shakers. Acc No 7226
	Hugh Gallagher Gallagher worked for the Shakers. He married former Mt. Lebanon Church Family member Alice Cary Wade in 1907.
Folder 177-1	Diary, 1906. Primarily entries on farm work. See also: Reports of Hugh Gallagher under Mount Lebanon Church Trustees' Records. (Notes on Gallagher and the index to the diary were written by Robert F. W. Meader.) Acc No 13201
	Envelope addressed to Mrs. Hugh Gallagher, n. d. (1 item) Acc No 13209

Records of School District No. 12, Mount Lebanon, N.Y.

The Town of New Lebanon established School District No. 12 in 1820, incorporating the school already being operated at the First Order of the Church Family. The district boundaries encompassed the Church, Second, South and North Families. After 1835 the individual families periodically conducted their own schools. The District was operated under the direction of Shaker officials selected by the ministry and Church Family elders. For most of its history, the school provided instruction for girls during the summer and boys during the winter. The first non-Shaker teacher was hired in 1905 and the school closed in _____.

Locator No	Description
	Series 1: School District official records
Volume 178-179	"School District No 12. Town of New Lebanon N.Y. Clerks Record," 1850-1908 (2 volumes, 369 p.) Title taken from volume dated 1889-1908. Acc No 10463 10461 (See also: Volume 1, 1819-1850, OCIWHi I:B-32)
Folder 180-1	Bill to "Abraham Cornell, Superintendent of Com'n Schools for the Town of New Lebanon . . ." for library money due to District No. 12, 1844. (1 p.) Acc No 13764 School district library catalog, n. d. (70 p.) Acc No 7216
	Series 2: Records of teachers
Folder 180-2	"Duties of Children and Youth ... 1842." (Typescript copy by Vincent Newton, n. d. (15 p.) Acc No 9701
Volume 181	"A Memorandum of the Proceedings and Expenses of the School..." kept by Isaac N. Youngs, et al, 1817-1835. (99 p.) Acc No 10469
Volume 182	"A Memorandum for Myself To be Remembered by Myself. Concerning No One! But Myself," by Anna Dodgson, 1858-1864. (24 p.) Re: Lesson plans and list of students. Acc No 3322
Folder 183-1	Teacher's certificate, Amelia J. Calver, 1866, 1867, 1869, 1878, 1881. (5 items) Acc No 4470 Lib 89.2.1.427-.430 Upton Collection
Volume 184	Scrapbook kept by Emma J. Neale, n. d. (Articles dated 1869, 1874). (1 volume, n. p.) Newspaper clippings pasted into the first 20 pages of a bound volume of <i>Common School Assistant</i> , 1838-1839. (1 volume) Printed label on inside front cover "No. I.II This Book Belongs to the School Library..." Inscribed on flyleaf, "Emma Neal." Acc No 2698
Volume 219	Answers to Questions in Algebra given in the N. Y. State Teacher's Examination commencing Dec. 16, 1875, and continuing up to date." 1875-1876. (Written on pages 108-122 of East Family Journal and Church Family Diary kept by John Dean. Located under Mount Lebanon East Family Elders) Acc No. 8862
Volume 194	Collection of essays by Calvin G. Reed et al, c.1850-1885. (113 p.) Religious and moral essays copied into a Mt. Lebanon Church, 2nd Order account book. Those copied from 1850-1860 are in the hand of Calvin G. Reed (?) and are followed by essays in various hands, relating to education and schools, the last dated 1885. (Located inder Mount Lebanon Center Family Elders) Acc No 10473
	Series 3: Student work, instructional texts and rewards of

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Volume 185	"Specimens of Composition, Letters &c. Written by the Girls in School. New Lebanon 1856." (119 p.) Selections made by Anna Dodgson, teacher. Acc No 12064
Folder 186-1	Copybooks and individual sheets written by Seth Y. Wells, Elizabette Susannah Lamonby, Helen Augusta Stone, Flora Flint, and others, n. d., 1852, 1857. (6 items, 80 p.) Acc No 8123 3282 14396 10429 10479 3262A
Folder 186-2&3	Rewards of merit, 1852- ca.1910. (29 items) Includes four manuscript rewards executed by Polly J. Reed and printed rewards signed by Amelia J. Calver, Emma J. Neale, and Annie R[osetta] Stephens. Acc No 14403 14405 14352 4461 14401 14402 93.7.53 93.7.54 3544.1-.20 4469 6165 6166

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Mount Lebanon, New York, Center Family Records

Historical note

The Center Family was originally established as the New Lebanon Church, Third Family in 1788. After a reorganization of the Church in 1811, it became the Church, Second Order and after 1874 was commonly referred to as the Center Family. The Center Family was closed in 1896 and its remaining members moved to the Church Family. The Center Family was a subordinate branch of the Mount Lebanon Church, First Order, and though it had its own lots of elders and family deacons, it was under the temporal care of the Church Family trustees.

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Mount Lebanon, New York, Center Family Elders' Records

Series 1: Journals

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| Volume 187 | Center Family Journal kept by Timothy Rayson, 1891-1893. (144 p.) Daily record of events emphasizing farm work and the medicine business. Label on front cover "Farm Diary 1891/93" Includes membership lists for 1893 and 1894 and, from the back cover forward, notes on spring planting for 1892 and 1893. |
| Volume 42 | Journal kept by Timothy Rayson, 1894-1896. (This volume, dated from 1894 to 1899, is located with the Mount Lebanon Church Family Elders where Rayson became an Elder after the Center Family closed in 1896.)
Acc No 8857 |
| Volume 188 | "Journal of Meetings held in Church Order Mt Lebanon N.Y. Beginning 1846 [-1855]." (396 p.) Record of visions and of meetings at the Church, 1st and 2nd Orders and on the Holy Mount, kept by Calvin G. Reed, Giles B. Avery and Alonzo Hollister. Labeled on front cover "14."
Acc No 12339

(See also: Journal of Meetings...by Jos W. Babe, 1840-1841. OCIWHi VIII B:139.) |

Series 2: Covenants and regulations

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| Volume 189 | Probationary Covenant Book, Center Family, 1876-1896 (42 leaves)
Acc No 15060 |
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Note:

The signatures of fully covenanted members of the Center Family (2nd Order of the Church) are included on the Church covenants. See Mount Lebanon Church Family Elders, Covenants, for a complete list.

Series 3: Correspondence

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| Folder 190 | "First draft or Copy of a letter, to, Elder brother Lorenzo D. Grosvenor [from Giles B. Avery], Nov. 1851." (14 p.)
Acc No 4050 |
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Series 4: Financial and business records

See Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees

Series 5: Shaker History, Biography, and Theological Writings

Locator No	Description
Volume 191	"Sketch of the Life and Experience of Issacher Bates," n.d. (194 p.) Inscribed on fly leaf, "Church, Second Order, Mt Lebanon New York State." Pasted on inside front cover is a note "Please return this book to A. G. Hollister July 29th 1900." Pages 1-122 begin Bates' life narrative; pages 123-151 continue the narrative with poems and songs inserted in the narrative; and pages 152-194 are poems and songs written by Bates. Acc No 12050
Folder 192-1	Commonplace book of Eldress Hannah Blake, 1836-1849. (144 p.) Copy of a dream and poem by Lorenzo D. Grosvenor, Harvard, MA, and non-Shaker essays. Inscribed on front paste down leaf, "Property of H. B. Do return it." On cover, "No 1st." Acc No 3272
Folder 192-2	"Maxims Found in the Strong Box of the Duke of Burgundy . . . Copied September 9th 1853, for Elder Sister Hannak [sic] Blake" by p. r. [Polly Reed]. (1 p.) Blue ink on blue paper, 9 ½ inches by 7 7/8 inches. Acc No 93.1.1 Upton Collection
Volume 193	"The following is a Collection of the Sayings of our Loving Mother Lucy, [1815-1821]," copied from the journals of Isaac N. Youngs And Freegift Wells, Watervliet, NY (pp. 1-55) and a "Circular Epistle, Ministry of New Lebanon, June 23, 1876" (pp. 57-84). Entries copied into a commonplace book by Adaline Sears [?] (84 p.) Acc No 8858

Locator No	Description
Volume 194	Collection of essays by Calvin G. Reed et al, c.1850-1885. (113 p.) Religious and moral essays copied into a Mount Lebanon Church, 2nd Order account book. Those copied from 1850-1860 are in the hand of Calvin G. Reed (?) and are followed by essays in various hands, relating to education and schools, the last dated 1885. Pages 1-3 contain an account of the horseradish business (1835-1837) operated by Philemon Stewart. Accounts are in Stewarts' handwriting. Acc No 10473

See also:

"Reflections and Observations by Elder Giles B. Avery, 1858." Acc No 17289. Located under Canterbury, New Hampshire Ministry, Greenwood Library of Shaker Manuscripts, No. 42

Series 6: Visions

"An Anthological Compendium: or Aphoristic Register: Collected and Compiled by G B A [Giles B, Avery], 1852" Acc No 12790. Located under Canterbury, New Hampshire Ministry, Greenwood Library of Shaker Manuscripts, No. 45.

Volume 195-196	"A Record Containing the Closing Word & Farewell Addresses of Holy Mother Wisdom and All our Heavenly Parents . . . " Vols I and II, 1841-1842. (2 volumes, 217 and 196 p.) Inscribed on title page of volume I, "Copied for the Elders, 2nd Order." Labels on front covers "1" and "2" Acc No 12302 12303
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Folder 197	"Mother Ann's Call; & the Heavenly Father's word to Zion." (2 p.) Enclosed in "Closing addresses," Acc No 12302. Acc No 12302.1
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Series 7: Music

For hymnals see: Center Family Members' Personal Papers--Philemon Stewart and Catherine Van Houten. Other hymnals may be included in the Church Family Elders Records, Series 7.

Mt. Lebanon, New York, Center Family Deacons' Records

Series 1: Family journals

Subseries 1: Deacons' journals

Volume 198	"Center Family Journal," 1848-1857. (412 p.) Record of daily events, deaths,
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Locator No	Description
Oversize	yearly inventories and summaries of work performed by sisters and brethren, membership list and copies of correspondence, articles and memorials pertaining to Shakers. Writers include Horace Haskins and Robert Valentine. Acc No 8831 See: "A Journal of Domestic Events..." 1840-1847 OCIWHi V B:107 "Center Family Journal" 1868-1891 DeWint
	Subseries 2: Deaconesses' journals
	See: "A Journal of Domestic Events. . ." 1843-1864 MPH 1086a "Domestic Journal" 1865-1891 MeSl 10-DJ-1891
	Series 2: Work records
Folder 199-1	Journal kept by Benjamin Lyon, 1820-1824. (54 p.) Entries on cartmaking, fieldwork and carpentry including the construction of the second Mount Lebanon meetinghouse. A partially obliterated inscription on the title page, "A Journal kept by [?] Wm Trip," has erroneously led to the identification of this journal as the "William Trip Journal." William Trip was a boy in Lyon's care who may have kept the journal for Lyon after April, 1821. Acc No 13316
Volume 194	An account of the horseradish business kept by Philemon Stewart, 1835-1837. (Account book later used for a collection of essays by Calvin G. Reed and others. Located under Mount Lebanon Center Family Elders, Shaker history, biography and theology.) Acc No 10473
Folder 199-2	"Work done for sale, by the sisters in the Second Order, from January 1841, untill [sic] January 1843." (2 p.) Acc No 9537 "For the Deaconesses at the 2nd Order, & East family. Recipes [used by Susan Love for dyes] from Groveland, 1861" (4 p.) Sent to Giles B. Avery by Lydia [Dole ?], Groveland, NY. Acc No 9539
Folder 199-3	Journal of medicinal extract production kept by Alonzo Hollister, June 1862-November 1863. (92 p.) Acc No 4456
Folder 199-4	Ledger of shipments made for medicinal extract business, 1876-1882. Shipments received, 1891. (120 p.) Enclosure Acc No 3323

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Folder 199-5	“Formula” book, 1859-ca. 1888. (58 p.) Alphabetical collection of formulas, lists, shrinkage weights, equipment and other information related to the medicinal extract business, written by James Long and Alonzo Hollister.

Acc No 13340

Enclosed, an unidentified photograph. 1910.

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Mt. Lebanon Center Family Members' Personal papers

Alonzo Hollister (1830-1911)

Hollister acted as a self-appointed chronicler of Shaker history. Other compilations of his notes and work done for publication are located in his personal papers under the Church Family, Folders 161-5 and 6.

Volume 200 "Prophetic Revelations Vol 2," 1841. (158 p.) Visions received by Calvin Green in 1841 and copied by Hollister in 1875.

Acc No 3271

Volume 201 "Common Place Book Jan. 1880." Begun by Hannah Blake, ca. 1850s, and continued by Alonzo Hollister, 1880-1900. (274 p.) Inscribed on fly leaf, "Hannah Blake." Stamped, "A.G. Hollister . . ." and notation "Received from Sister Hannah, who was a Mother to me." Included are testimonies taken by Hollister of the early visionary experiences of Elvira Hulett, Austin Buckingham and others. Labeled on front, "31"

Acc No 12321

Inez Platt (1872- , left 1893)

Platt was raised by the Shakers and taught in the school before she left.

Folder 202-1 "Autographs" Album belonging to Inez Platt, 1889-1903. (22 p.) Enclosed: Two loose pages, one with autographs of her students.

Acc No 13583

Adeline Sears (1831-1886)

Folder 202-2 Commonplace book and diary kept by Adeline Sears, 1853-1855. (43 p.) "A Dream" by Lorenzo D. Grosvenor was copied from Eldress Hannah Blake's commonplace book (Acc No 3272), followed by poems, personal entries of Sears, and a hymn written in letteral notation.

Acc No 3269

Philemon Stewart (1804-1875)

Folder 202-3 Hymnal. "Saviours Invitation." (f.t.) 1859-1866. (125 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. Inscribed on inside back cover, "Given by Andrew Barrett 1878 [?] Cornelius Crawford." "This book was written by Philemon Stewart & abused by foolish boys, who know not its value." (Patterson L-115)

Acc No 93.7.5

Folder 202-4 Poland Hill, ME, account book, 1860-1863, and Mount Lebanon diary, 1874-1875, kept by Philemon Stewart. (49 p.) Philemon Stewart was sent to Poland Hill, Maine, from June 18, 1860 to May, 1863. He then returned to the Mount Lebanon where he used the Poland Hill account books as diaries. They include very detailed accounts of events in the 2nd Order of the Church and the 1875 Church Family fire. The preceding volume of this diary is in the collection of the Winterthur Library, item #850.

Acc No 10805

Locator No	Description
	A summary of accounts at Poland Hill prepared by Philemon Stewart for Daniel Boler, 1862-1863. (1 sheet, 2 p.) Enclosure in account book. Acc No 10805.1
	Robert Valentine (1822-1910)
Folder 202-5	Letter to Robert Valentine from Mother, New York, June 23rd 1841. (2 p.) Acc No 10515
	Catherine Van Houten (1817-1896)
Volume 203	Hymnal. "How peaceful and quiet." (f.1.) 1867-1870. (234 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. Initials pasted on verso of front free endpaper, "CVH." (Patterson L-217) Acc No 8794
Folder 204-1	Autograph album page. To Edith [Ebbits] from Great Aunt Catherine Van Houten, Jan. 8th, 1888. (1 p.) Acc No 11772
	Phebe Van Houten (1817-1895)
Folder 204-2	Autograph album page, To Edith Ebbits from great aunt Phoebe Van Houten, Jan. 8th, 1888. (1 p.) Acc No 11771

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Mount Lebanon, New York, Second Family Records

Historical note

The Mt. Lebanon Second Family was first organized in 1788 as the Order of Families, a group of eight small families whose members retained some ties to the world. It was consolidated in 1811 as the Second Family, members signing a fully consecrated covenant in 1815. The East Family was separated from the Second Family in 1827 and the South Family in 1854. These three families were the junior order of the society at Mount Lebanon, having their own elders, trustees, and family deacons, but subordinate to the Church Family in terms of spiritual leadership and influence. When the East Family closed in 1872, its members returned to the Second Family.

The South and Second Families retained close ties, cooperating in business activities such as the chair industry. Ernest Pick and Clarissa Jacobs were elder and trustee respectively at the turn of the century. Lillian Barlow and William Perkins operated the chair industry after 1928 with Sarah Collins of the South Family. The Second Family closed in 1940.

Mount Lebanon, New York, Second Family Elders' Records

Series 1: Journals

Series 2: Covenants and regulations

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| Volume 205 | “The Covenant of the Second Family of the New-Lebanon United Society,” 1827-1829. (30 p.) Preceded by “A Concise Statement.” Inscribed on cover “1827 Last, but one”
Acc No 13367 |
| Volume 206 | “Covenant of Novitiate Members of the Second Family of the United Society called Shakers of New Lebanon Columbia Co. New York.”, 1874-1909. (56 p.)
Acc No 13366 |
| Folder 207-1 | Draft of letters to Otto and Rosalie [Thummel], Mar 22, 1909. (2 items)
Requesting they withdraw from the Society.
Acc No 9760 9760A |

Summary list of covenants

<i>Book of records</i>	1791-1854	MPH 371
<i>Covenant</i>	1815.	DeWint No. 719
<i>Covenant</i>	1827	NOC 13367
		DeWint No. 720 copy
<i>Covenant</i>	1830-1897	DeWint No. 723
<i>Novitiate Covenant</i>	1874-1897	NOC 13366

Series 3: Correspondence

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| Folder 207-2 | Letter. To the Shakers from Isabell Gibbons, Hoosick Falls, N.Y., 1908. (1 p.) |
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Locator No	Description
	and envelope) Inquiry about placing children, referred to Ernest Pick by Timothy Rayson. Acc No 19305A-B
Folder 207-3	Letter. Margaret Egelson to Mrs. Geo. G. Prentice, New Haven, CT, 1914. (3 p. and envelope) Acc No Lib90.1.3
	Series 4: Financial and business records
	Series 5: History and literature
	Subseries 1: Shaker history, biography and theology
	Subseries 2: Miscellaneous collections, essays and poetry
Folder 207-4	“A Christmas Story, Machine Poetry The visit of Santa Claus,” 1898. (1 sheet, 20 feet) Verses pasted together to form a roll of paper (1 3/8 inches by c. 20 feet) and mounted in a box (probably a Shaker made “cash register,” Acc No 769) Turning the crank would advance the poem one verse and ring the register bell. Used as part of a Christmas celebration. Acc No 12819 Roll is stored in herb label drawers
	Target Microfilmed from a photostatic copy. Verses are pasted together to form a roll of paper, 1 3/8 inches by c. 20 feet.
Folder 207-5	“A Shaker Festival entitled Mother Ann’s Day Told in Dialogue and Song August 6th 1916.” (28 p. and 10 tipped in sheets). Title handwritten on front cover with additional notation, “Bro. William” This copygraph script includes 10 songs in four part harmony and 2 typescript songs by William H. Perkins, 1918.
	Series 6: Visions
	Series 7: Music
Folder 207-6	Programs of music, after 1908. (2 p.) Programs were enclosed in <i>Shaker Hymnal</i> , (East Canterbury, NH: The Canterbury Shakers, 1908. Acc No 16,037; Richmond No 1284), which is inscribed “To beloved Elder Ernest with personal regards from Elder Arthur.” Acc No 16037.1 16037.2

Mount Lebanon Second Family Trustees’ Records

Series 1: Journals

Locator No	Description
	<p>Series 2: Covenants and regulations For signed covenants and membership agreements, see Second Family Elders' Records, Series 2.</p> <p>Series 3: Vital statistics</p>
Volume 208	<p>"Record. of, Deaths Written, by, Wm. Y Whiting," 1780-1882. (65 p.) Deaths in various communities, chiefly at New Lebanon, including the cause of death. Written by Whiting while at the East Family and continued at the Second Family after 1872. Acc No 12812</p>
Folder 209-1	<p>Death lists and statistics, Second and South Families, 1866-1903. (3 items) Acc No 11559 11560 12188</p>
Folder 209-2	<p>Cemetery plans, Second and South Family Graveyard, 1856- 1925. (2 items) Acc No 11557 Graves 1856-1892 Oversize 11556 Graves 1856-1925 Oversize</p>
	<p>Series 4: Correspondence files</p>
Folder 209-3	<p>Clarissa Jacobs correspondence, 1890-2. (2 items, 3 p. plus envelopes) Thank you notes for a cloak and a basket. Acc No 19305A 19305C</p>
Folder 209-4	<p>Lillian Barlow correspondence, 1935-1942. (4 items, 12 p.) Includes personal notes and references to chairs. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.645a-d, Lib 89.2.1.646-648 Upton Collection</p>
	<p>Series 5: Financial and legal records</p> <p>Subseries 1: Members</p>
Folder 209-5	<p>Inventory of personal property brought into the Moses Bacon Family by Oliver Smith, 1792. (1 folio sheet, 3 p.) Acc No 4464</p>
Folder 209-6	<p>"Sister Ann Goodwin's Money Accounts, 2nd Family March 21st 1872." (1 p.) Acc No 10384</p>
	<p>Subseries 2: Business records</p> <p>Subsubseries 1: Account books</p>

Locator No	Description
Volume 210 oversize	Account book, Sisters' accounts, 1863-1885. (88 p.) Includes "Goods [textiles] for the South Family, at the Division [1863]." Acc No 10352
Volume 211	"Cash Book John Porter," n.d. (An unused account book) Not filmed. Acc No 6402
Subseries 2: Receipt, order and memoranda files	
Folder 212-1	Memoranda book of receipts and expenses, 1901-1902. (38 p.) Possibly kept by Clarissa Jacobs. Pages 1-5 are cooking recipes. Includes a record of payments received for cloaks. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.501 Upton Collection
Folder 212-2	Orders and correspondence, R. M. Wagan & Co., 1935-1940. (20 items, 28 p.) Chair tape samples were originally attached to these orders and have been removed. When the South Family chair factory burned down in 1923, the chair business was reopened at the old chair factory in the Second Family under Lillian Barlow and William Perkins. Sarah Collins continued to seat chairs until the South Family was closed in 1934 and she was moved to the Second Family. Any orders addressed to Sarah Collins or dated prior to 1934 are located in the South Family Trustees Records. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.507-.508, Lib 89.2.1.537-.547, Lib 89.2.1.549-554 Upton Collection
Folder 212-3	Orders, R. M. Wagan & Co., n. d., 1935-1939. (89 items, 91 p.) Primarily new chairs, occasional request for repair, seating or refinishing. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.555-.607, Lib 89.2.1.610-.644 Upton Collection
Folder 212-4	Factory Expenses, R. M Wagan & Co., year ending 1934: and Receipt for oval box sale, 1936. (2 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.608-.609 Upton Collection
Folder 212-5	Mount Lebanon Wood Working Company envelopes, n.d. (5 items) With notes by William Perkins. Acc No 10306 16522F
Folder 212-6	Envelope. "Lillian Barlow Agent." "Cyrus R. Temple. Tax Collector," n. d. (1 item) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.502 Upton Collection

Mount Lebanon, New York, Second Family Deacons' Records

Series 1: Family journals

Locator No	Description
	See: Deaconesses' Journal 1853-1864 MeSl 10-DJ-030
	Series 4: Work records
Folder 212-7	"A Journal; Kept by Gideon Kibbee. New Lebanon, December 15th 1820"-1829. (56 p.) Sporadic and unrelated entries, including broom making and remedies. Acc No 12055
Mount Lebanon Second Family Members' Papers	
	Lillian Barlow (1876-1942)
Folder 212-8	Audubon certificate, 1887. (1 item) Acc No 6167
	William H. Perkins (1861-1934)
Folder 212-9	"A Welcome to Corillian, January 21, 1915. W. P. [William Perkins]" (3 p.) Hectographed copy of hymn with music in standard notation. Acc No 12077A-B
Folder 212-10	Prayers, 1915. (24 p.) Notebook of prayers written in pencil, possibly in the hand of William Perkins(?). Acc No Lib 89.2.1.651 Upton Collection
Folder 212-11	Postcard. From "W.H.P." "Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dale, l... Columbus, Ohio." Postmark, Pittsfield, MA, May 3?, 1930. Message about a carved stool is written on the back of "The American Shakers. A Celibate, Religious Community ..." Richmond 37 (brown ink). Calendar No 023126
Volume 213	Betsey Stone (1813-1870) . "Spiritual Songs Given To the Ransom'd of the Lord in the. New Jerusalem. Commenced Sep, 1858. By Betsey Stone. . . " 1852-1862. (298 p.) Music written in small letteral notation. (Patterson L-116) Acc No 13464

Mount Lebanon, New York, South Family Records

Historic Note

The South Family originated in 1787 as the John Bishop family and became part of the Order of Families. In 1811 the family was placed under the care of the Second Family during which time it was known as the South House. In 1854, the South Family was set off under its own elders and in 1857 independent trustees were also appointed.

Elder and Trustee Robert Wagan established a production chair business at the South Family in 1863. This business was taken over after his death by William Anderson who was moved from the Church Family to become South Family Elder and Trustee in 1884. Although Anderson was often in conflict with the sisters of the family, he remained at the South Family until his death in 1930. Chair production, however, was transferred to the Second Family under Lillian Barlow and William H. Perkins sometime after 1915.

Eldress Sarah Collins continued seating chairs at the South Family. The Sisters also maintained a store which Sarah Collins managed until the 1930's. As the last remaining South Family member, she was moved to the Second Family in 1934, from there to the North Family and finally to Hancock, Massachusetts, where she died in 1947.

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Mount Lebanon, New York, South Family Elders' Records

Series 1: Journals

Series 2: Covenants and regulations

Series 3: Correspondence

Folder 214-1 Correspondence, from Sarah Collins to Grace Reynolds, 1932-1934. (6 items)

Acc No 17019 17020 17023-17025 19048

Series 4: Music

Folder 214-2 "What comfort from the New Song flows . . . S. F. 1887". (1 p.) Music written in letteral notation.

Acc No 19522

Mount Lebanon, New York, South Family Trustees' Records

Series 1: Covenant and regulations

Folder 214-3 Indentures and releases, 1826-1901. (5 items, 14 p.)

Acc No Lib 89.2.1.435-.439 Upton Collection

Series 2: Financial and legal records

Subseries 1: Members

Folder 214-4 Financial records and correspondence, William Anderson, 1907-1908. (9 items, 15 p.) Re. Deceased members, John Stover and Catharina Koch.

Acc No Lib 89.2.1.440-.448 Upton Collection

Subseries 2: Business records

Subsubseries 1: Account books

Volume 215 "Sisters['] Cash Book, South Family, Mt. Lebanon, N.Y.," 1898-1915. (169 p.)

Acc No 7211

Subsubseries 2: Receipt, correspondence and memoranda files

Folder 216-1 Memoranda book of receipts and expenses, 1861, n.d. (7 p.) Attributed to South Family because of enclosed note on chairs.

Acc No Lib 89.2.1.652 Upton Collection

Locator No	Description
Folder 216-2	William Lawton to Robert M. Wagan, bond of indemnity, 1879. (3 p.) Re. Lost check. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.449 Upton Collection
Folder 216-3	Receipts and correspondence, R. M. Wagan & Co., 1908-1924. (4 items, 5 p.) Acc No 7837 7838 12835 19050
Folder 216-4	Orders and correspondence, R. M. Wagan & Co., 1890-1934. (38 items, 57 p.) Tape samples were pinned to most of these orders. They have been removed and are located in a separate file. Papers were found in a file folder labeled "No-3 Slat arm Web-Back." Acc No Lib 89.2.1.503-.505, Lib 89.2.1.509-.536, Lib 89.2.1.548 When the R. M. Wagan & Co. chair factory at the South Family burned down in 1923, the business was reopened at the old chair factory in the Second Family under Lillian Barlow and William Perkins. Sarah Collins continued to seat chairs until she was moved to the Second Family in 1934. Orders addressed to Lillian Barlow or dated after 1934 are located in the Second Family Trustees Records.
Folder 216-5	Correspondence and notes of William Anderson on a dispute with the South Family sisters over control of finances, 1906-1926. (17 items, 35 p.) Includes letters from Mount Lebanon Ministry Elders Joseph Holden and Walter Shepherd to William Anderson. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.450-.467 Upton Collection
Folder 216-6	Investment records and correspondence of William Anderson, 1901-1919. (13 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.468-.476 Upton Collection
Folder 216-7	Letters. William Anderson to Laura Langford, Canaan, NY, regarding dispute over a bull sold by Anderson, 1909-1911. (5 items, 7 p.)
Folder 216-8	Receipts and memoranda of Sarah Collins, 1906-1915. (34 items, 36 p) Household and sisters' store supplies. Includes list of William Anderson's bank accounts. Acc No 13329.1-.34
Folder 216-9	Letter. William Gilbert, Clerk, to Sarah Collins agreeing to purchase 20 shares of Bowles Lunch stock from her, 1930. (2 items) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.478a-b Upton Collection

Locator No	Description
Mount Lebanon South Family Members' Papers	
William Anderson (1841-1930)	
Volume 217	“Wm. Andersons’ Book. December 1876.” 1876-1878. (67 p.) Music written in standard notation in four parts. Enclosed index inside front book cover.(Patterson L-5) Acc No 7202
Folder 218-1	Astrological charts and graphological delineation, 1913-1918. (20 items, 43 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.486-.498
	Photograph. “Robert S. Anderson 6 yr. 8 mo. 1917.” (Photograph in folder) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.500
Ann Eliza Charles (1826-1908)	
Folder 218-2	<i>Synopsis of Phrenology and Chart, Describing the Phrenological Developments for the Use of Practical Phrenologists.</i> New York: Fowler & Wells Co, 1888. (36 p.) “Chart of the Phrenological Developments of Ann E Charles. Feb 19th 1889 as given by Dr Carl Semelroth.” Advertisements at end of pamphlet have not been filmed. Acc No 9517
Sarah Collins (1855-1947)	
Folder 218-3	“Memories,” n. d. (1 p.) Printed poem with manuscript signature of Sarah Collins. (Richmond 472) Acc No 11622
	“Love Leaflet No. 5, ‘The Blessed Life.’ by Belle Bush.” n.d. (1 p.) Printed poem with manuscript note from “SC” [i.e., Sarah Collins] to an unknown recipient. (NIR) Acc No 17025A NOT MICROFILMED
Josephine Adelaide Wilson (1872-1933)	
Folder 218-4	Correspondence. Lester and Lillian Clum to [Josephine] Adelaide Wilson, 1924-1932. (8 items) Concerning inheritance. Lillian Clum was Wilson’s natural sister. Acc No Lib 89.2.1.479-.485 Upton Collection

Mount Lebanon, New York, East Family Records

Historical Note

The East Family originated in 1787 as a group of small family farms located up the hill east of the Church Family in New Lebanon. These families were gathered in as part of the Order of Families in 1788 and then placed under the care of the Second Family in 1811. Known also as the Hill or the Brickyard Family, the East Family was set off from the Second Family in 1824.

When the East Family was closed in 1872, the remaining members were transferred to the Second Family. The buildings were sold to the North Family and the fields to the Church Family. The Church Family continued to farm them.

For many years prior to the East Family's eventual failure, the Mount Lebanon Ministry and Giles Avery in particular, attempted to bolster its economic base. John Dean was sent twice from the Church Family to supervise its affairs, the second time after the sudden 1872 departure of Edward Chase, the last East Family trustee.

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Mount Lebanon, New York, East Family Elders Records

Series 1: Journals

Volume 219 “Memo East Family 1865-1870.” 1865-1873 (157 p.) East Family records include membership lists (on pp. 1-6) and accounts and table mat production (on pp. 245-254). John Dean, who was an elder at the East Family from February, 1863 to January, 1864, continued to use the East Family journal to record his work as a cooper at the Church Family, 1865-1870 (pp. 25-45) and odd jobs at the Church and East Families, 1860-1873 (pp. 50-107, and 255-291).
Acc No 8862

Mount Lebanon, New York, East Family Trustees Records

Series 2: Covenant and regulation

Folder 220-1 Indenture. Sarah Neal [i.e. Neale] to Alonzo Browne, 1857. (1 p.)
Acc No 4460

Series 3: Vital statistics

Volume 208 "Record. of, Deaths Written, by, Wm. Y Whiting," 1780-1882. (65 p.) Deaths in various communities, chiefly at New Lebanon, including the cause of death. Written by Whiting while at the East Family and continued at the Second Family after 1872.
Acc No 12812

Series 4: Legal and financial records

Subseries 1: Business records

Folder 220-2 “Article of Agreement between Edward Chase . . . and Joseph P. Burke . . .,” to make brooms, 1871. (4 p.)
Acc No 10234

Volume 101 Day book, 1863-1865, ledger of account for hired hands, 1868-1874. (The East Family, “Brickyard Family,” was closed in 1872 and its fields and businesses taken over by the Church Family. This account book is located under the Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees.)
Acc No 7217

See also

Recipe for Imperial Rose Balm written by Giles B. Avery for manufacture at the East Family. Located under the Mount Lebanon Ministry Records, Financial and business records, Acc No 9611. Folder 3-8.

Subseries 2: Real estate records

Folder 220-3 Deed, William Tyron to Joseph Allen, 1825. (3 p.)
Acc No 9608 Oversize

Locator No	Description
Folder 220-4	Deeds, Samuel Root to Eli Porter and Samuel Bacon, 1829; John Adams to Joseph Allen and William Thrasher, 1846. (2 items, 6 p.) Acc No 10041 11824

Mount Lebanon, New York, East Family Deacons' Records

Series 1: Family journal

Volume 221	Journal of daily events, September, 1851-May 1869. (427 p.) There are no entries for January, 1853-May, 1854; and June, 1859-December, 1861. Includes a record of the palm leaf mat industry from 1854-68. Acc No 10451
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Series 2: Work records

Folder 222	"The Worke [sic] done in the fameily [sic] on the hill," 1823. (1 p.) Weaving, sewing and knitting record. Acc No 4458
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Mount Lebanon, New York, North Family Records (Young Believers, Gathering Order)

Historical note

The North Family was established in 1799 as a gathering order for new members. As such, it was responsible for recruiting new converts, receiving and interviewing visitors and inquirers at New Lebanon, conducting public worship and preparing converts for a complete commitment to the Society and membership in one of the other New Lebanon families. The family operated under the direction of an elders lot (two women and two men), one of the men being designated as a public speaker. The elders and eldersses also had oversight over two subsidiary gathering families, the Upper and Lower Canaan families.

The early elders or designated missionaries, traveled to areas of revivalist activity to recruit new members. Benjamin S. Youngs was one such missionary under Ebenezer Cooley, the first North Family Elder. Even after the 1850's when other families began receiving new members directly from the world, the North Family remained the most public of the Mount Lebanon families. Under the leadership of Richard Bushnell, Frederick W. Evans and Marie Antoinette Doolittle, they became interested in spiritual phenomenon manifested in the outside world and participated in seances led by non-Shaker spiritualist mediums. Evans and Doolittle disseminated their ideas through publications and maintained wide contacts with likeminded individuals and spiritualist groups.

As the designated public speakers or spokesmen for the Shaker Society, the North Family elders, Calvin Green, Richard Bushnell and Frederick W. Evans in particular, had always taken an active role in formulating Shaker doctrinal theology and ethics. Evans, a prolific writer, became the leading proponent of a more radical redefinition of the Shakers' social philosophy during the later part of the 19th century, and was the center of controversy with more conservative Shaker leaders such as Harvey L. Eades of South Union, Kentucky.

By the turn of the century under the guidance of Anna White, the North Family public activities were focused on supporting progressive movements and perpetuating the Shaker legacy through distribution of Shaker imprints to public institutions. In 1905 they sponsored a peace conference in the Mount Lebanon Meetinghouse. After Anna White's death, the North Family became primarily a home for Shakers transferred from other closing communities. The North Family, the last remaining family at Mt. Lebanon, was closed in 1947.

Under the terms of the North Family covenant, responsibility for temporal affairs was placed in the hands of the trustees. Nevertheless, Elders Richard Bushnell and Frederick W. Evans, in sharp contrast to the Church elders, were very active in financial affairs and held notes and other investments in their own names. In addition to supervising the financial interests of the family, the elders often joined the Church Family trustees in representing Shaker interests in legal affairs. For example, Richard Bushnell took an active role in trying to keep three young boys from being removed from the Shakers in the case of William Pillow. Frederick W. Evans presented the petition in support of military exemption before President Abraham Lincoln.

Deacons or trustees were first appointed at the North Family in 1814, and under the terms of the covenant were charged with recording and holding in trust the uncommitted property of members as well as keeping covenant records and conducting business for the family. The covenant does not specify the makeup of the office of deacon or trustee. No females were appointed as trustees until 1901 though they were appointed as deaconesses. The leading trustees were Richard Bushnell (1821-1827), Charles Bushnell (1827-1851), and Levi Shaw (1854-1907). After Eldress and Trustee

Sarah Burger died in 1915, the family was placed under the Church Family trustees.

Both the North Family elders and trustees participated in the financial transactions of the family throughout its history. Under New York State law, title to real property for all New Lebanon families, including the North Family, was to be held by the Church trustees. Therefore, the activities of these three administrative units, the North Family elders, the North Family trustees, and the Church trustees, were interrelated and complex.

The North Family also participated in joint ventures with other families such as the purchase of land in Michigan with the Church Family in 1853. In 1875, with the help of the Hancock, Massachusetts, Church Family, they traded the property of the former community at Tyringham, Massachusetts, to Joseph Jones for a tract of timber known as Promised Land in Pennsylvania. This was finally sold in 1905 under Eldress Anna White's direction at considerable loss to both families. In addition to his involvement with the elders in these investments, Trustee Levi Shaw also established under his independent management a sawmill and a carpet beater business in Windsor, New York, and traded his share of timberland in Michigan for house lots in Niles, Michigan, and Chicago, Illinois.

There is no indication that a separate lot of family deacons was established in the North Family as it was in the Church Family. As a gathering order with only a small core of permanent members, it is possible the order of deacon and trustee also encompassed the direction of domestic family affairs such as gardening, seed production, and building maintenance.

Locator No Description

Mount Lebanon North Family Elders' Records

Series 1: Journals

Subseries 1: Elders' journals

Volume 223 "A Brief Journal Kept by R[ichard] Bushnell," 1829-1857. (58 p.) Re: Daily events, membership, legal and business affairs. Contains a membership list (1830), details on the Lebanon Rail Road (1851) and a report on revenue and expenses (1851-1853).
Acc No 10346

Summary of North Family elders' journals		
*Calvin Green	1811-1822	OCIWHi V:B79-81
Sizer & Evans	1838-1847	NOC XXXX
Frederick Evans	1848-1879	10-DJ-10 MeSL
Frederick Evans		DeWint "Cares&Burdens"

*Manuscripts from other libraries available on microfilm in the Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon.

Subseries 2: Eldresses' Journals

Volume 224-226 "A Journal [of daily events] Commenced January 1st, 1848 - Written by Sally Bushnell [and others]." 1848-1858. (3 volumes, 567 p.)
Acc No 10347 10347a 10347b

Volume 227 "A Journal of Daily Events . . .," 1910-1924. (269 p.) Kept by Leila Taylor and Rosetta Stephens or Sarah Burger (?).
Acc No 8851

Summary of North Family Eldresses' journals		
	Sally Bushnell, et al. 1848-1858	NOC 10347, 10347a, 10347b
	Harriet Bullard	1858-1863 NOC xxxx
*Martha Anderson	1863-1867	NN Item No 19
	Rosetta Stephens	1910-1924 NOC 8851

*Manuscripts from other libraries available on microfilm in the Shaker Museum | Mount Lebanon.

Subseries 3: Missionary journals

See Benjamin S. Youngs' diary and travel journals, 1800-1803. Youngs, brother in care of the Young Believers Order at Watervliet, traveled as a missionary in the northeast with Isaacher Bates under the direction of Elder Ebenezer Cooley

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	of the Young Believers Order at New Lebanon. The 12 volumes are filed under the Watervliet, New York South Family Elders' Record.

Series 2: Covenants and regulations

Volume 228	“Covenant of the North Family, or Central Institution Of the Order of Young Believers In the United Society at New Lebanon,” 1829-1906. (42 p.) Includes annotations on deaths and removals. Acc No 13358
Volume 229	Probationary Covenant Book, 1893-1925. (113 leaves) Acc No 15061
Folder 230-1	Covenant (1820), unsigned copy, ca. 1860. (4 leaves) Acc No 10330
Folder 230-2	Covenant (1829), typescript with additional "notes from the record," ca. 1900. (7 leaves) Acc No 13303

Summary of North Family covenants

<i>*Book of Records</i>	<i>1814-1910</i>
<i>NN Item No. 20</i>	
<i>Covenant</i>	<i>1820</i>
<i>NhCa No 721</i>	
<i>Covenant</i>	<i>1829-1906</i>
<i>NOC 13358</i>	
<i>Probationary covenant</i>	<i>1886-1892</i>
<i>MeSl 10-CL-80</i>	
<i>Probationary covenant</i>	<i>1893-1924</i>
<i>NOC 15061</i>	
<i>*Covenant</i>	<i>1911</i>
<i>NN Item No. 52</i>	
*Manuscripts from other libraries available on microfilm in the Shaker Museum Mount Lebanon.	

Folder 230-3	"Novitiate Covenant of the Novitiate Members of the North Family or Junior Order . . .," 1861. Copied by Giles B. Avery.(4 p.) Enclosed in the “Covenant of the North Family . . .,” 1829-1906, Acc No 13358. Unsigned. Acc No 16234
Folder 230-4	Membership and visitor agreements, 1921-1930. Re: George Duncan’s final privilege; Etta Jilson and Margaretha Chubb’s guest membership; and Karl Mayer’s membership disclaimer. (4 items, 4 p.) Acc No 11852 11853 11854 16237

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Folder 230-5	Withdrawal agreements, 1921-1926. Re: Belle Whitney, Florence Kemp, Margaret Caldwell, and Laura Beal. Acc No 11849 11850 11851 11848
Series 3: Correspondence	
Folder 230-6	Letter. Gent. DeNordin, Charge' d'affaires of H. M. The King of Sweden and Norway to Richard Bushnell and Frederick W. Evans, 1844. Re: Acknowledgement of the receipt of the gift of <i>A Holy, Sacred and Divine Roll and Book</i> . . .[Richmond1340]. (3 p.) Acc No 12175
Folder 230-7	Letter. N. p., n. d. Written in Japanese without an English translation. (13 p. With envelope) Acc No 10286
Folder 230-8	Letter. Abraham Lincoln to Shakers, 1864. (1 p.) Acc No 10197
Folder 230-9	Letter. Frederick W. Evans and Benjamin Gates to Secretary of War, Edwin M. Stanton and Secretary of State, William Henry Seward, 1865. Re: Enclosed letter from Evans and Gates to President Abraham Lincoln, inviting Lincoln to come to Mount Lebanon for a rest. (2 items) Acc No 10196 10195
Folder 230-10	Letter. Secretary of War, Edwin M. Stanton to Richard Bushnell, 1868. (1 p.) Acc No 12187
Folder 230-11	Letter. Horace Greeley to Frederick W. Evans, 1852. (4 p.) Acc No 10203
Folder 230-12	Correspondence. Frederick W. Evans and Theodore Parker, 1853. (5.) Acc No 9553A 9553 9553B
Folder 230-13	Letters. F. W. Byrdsall to Timothy Rayson and Frederick W. Evans, 1869. (5 items, 14 p.) Re. Shakers' acquisition of several pairs of English sparrows. Acc No 10319 10198 10320 10199 10200 10321 10322 10323
Folder 230-14	Letters. Margaret Cleveland to Frederick W. Evans, 1883. (2 items) Acc No 10327J 10327I
Folder 230-15	"The Fox Sisters. Elder Evan's Opinion of the Latest Exposure of Spiritualism. . .To the Editor of the Albany Journal." 1888. (4 p.) Acc No 10338

Locator No	Description
Folder 230-16	Letter. Frederick W. Evans to Robert H. (i.e., G.) Ingersoll, 1890. (1 p.) Acc No 12173
Folder 230-17	Letter. A. C. Swinton, Treasurer, Land Naturalisation Society, London, to Frederick W. Evans, 1886. Re: Land reform laws. (2 p.) Removed from Sisters' Library shelf list, Acc No 6164. Acc No 6164b
Folder 230-18	Letters (fragments). Thomas Ausman, England, to Frederick W. Evans (?), ca. 1880's; and G. M. Timlow to Frederick W. Evans (?), n.d. (2 items 4 p.) Removed from Sisters' Library shelf list, Acc No 6164. Acc No 6164a 6164c
Folder 230-19	Correspondence. H. N. Maguire, Editor of <i>The Worlds' Advance Thought</i> , to Giles B. Avery, 1887. Copied by Anna White. (4 p.) Acc No 9751
Folder 230-20	Correspondence. Samuel A. Thacher, Narcissa, PA, to Levi Shaw, 1900. Re: Thacher's attack on Cyrus R. Teed and the Koreshans. (3 items, 5 p.) An incomplete draft of Shaw's response is written on the back of Thacher's first letter. Acc No 10325B 10325 10325A
Folder 230-21	Correspondence. Anna White, 1892, 1903. Re: Equal rights, Sunday closings at the Worlds Fair, and Christian Science.(4 items, 7 p.) Acc No 10303A 10303B 10303G 10303H
Folder 230-22	Correspondence. Anna White and Daniel Offord, 1880-1905. Re: Gifts of Shaker publications to various libraries and individuals, including H. H. Ballard, Berkshire Athenaeum, and the Association de la Paix par le Droit, Nimes, France. (11 items, 31 p.) Acc No 10331A, 10331G, 10331H 10331I, 10331C, 10303I, 10303 J, 10331E, 10331B, 10331F, 10331D 12172
Folder 230-23	Correspondence. Anna White, Daniel Offord, and Leila Taylor to Laura Langford, Brooklyn and Canaan, NY, 1901-1911. (15 items, 34 p.) Includes a letter from Emma J. Neale, Church Family. Acc No 13960 13961 13962 13964 13966 13968

Series 4: History and Literature

Subseries 1: Shaker history, biography and theology

Folder 231-1 Letter. Proctor Sampson to his son, Joseph Sampson, 1819. Re: The treatment of

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	animals and children. (4 p.) Acc No 10283
Folder 231-2	Letter. Eld. Richard [Bushnell] to Elder Daniel [Boler ?] upon buying, selling, speculating & c., n. d. (17 p.) Includes a discussion of fancy goods. These two drafts are both incomplete, but the two together may comprise a complete copy of the letter. Acc No 10285
Folder 231-3	"Good and Evil Eternal," Frederick W. Evans, n.d. (17 p.) Acc No 10216
Folder 231-4	"Hygienic Rules, n.d., n.p. (12 p.) Acc No 10278
Folder 231-5	Unleavened bread (incomplete essay), n.d., n.p. (19 p.) Includes pages 5 to 24. Acc No 10282
Folder 231-6	"Diety!! Dual Order of Illustrated . . .," n.p., 1854. (115 p.) Acc No 10215
Folder 231-7	Letter. William Leonard [Harvard, MA] to Frederick W. Evans, 1856. Including Leonard's essay, "God Manifested in the flesh." (32 p.) Acc No 10280
Folder 231-8	Letter. Frederick W. Evans to William Leonard, 1858. Re: Diet. (13 p.) Acc No 10281
Folder 231-9	Letter (corrected draft). Frederick W. Evans to the Canterbury Ministry, 1859. (82 p.) Acc No 10279
Folder 231-10	"Copy of a letter from Elder William Leonard [Harvard, MA, to Elder Frederick W. Evans], Dec 9 1867." (60 p.) Acc No 10277
Folder 231-11	Essays by Oliver Prentiss, n.d. Re: Social and political issues.(12 items, 26 p.) Acc No 10224A-C, 10224E-J 10284 10288 10288A
Folder 231-12	"Evil-- its Origin," n.d. Author unknown. (2 p.) Acc No 10224D
Folder 231-13	"An Account of the Meeting which took place Novbr 25, 1869" copied by Catherine Allen. (12 p.) Acc No Lib89.2.1.649

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Volume 232	"Miscellaneous D.O. & _____?" by multiple writers, c. 1850-1860. (114 p.) Copies of articles, visions by several writers including Daniel Offord, Richard Bushnell [?] and Frederick W. Evans [?] Acc No 10360
Volume 233	Collection of essays, hymns and descriptions of religious events, 1860-1870. (120 p.) Includes Social Gathering of the North and Canaan Families (1860) and funeral of Betsy Bates (1868). Acc No 12811
	See also: Accounts of the social gatherings of the North Family (1860 and 1863), prepared by Anna White for the Mt. Lebanon Ministry, Acc No 13551 13552. Located in the Mount Lebanon Central Ministry Records, Shaker history, biography, and theology. Folders 7-5 and 6.
Volume 233.5 Imprints Richmond 547	Extensive marginal commentary by Frederick W. Evans in Harvey L. Eades, <i>Shaker Sermons: Scripto Rational</i> , Third ed., South Union, Kentucky: 1884. Acc No 6140 Not filmed
	Subseries 2: Miscellaneous collections of articles, essays and poems
Volume 234-236	Commonplace books, n.d., ca. 1890-1929. (3 items, 425 p.) Collections of poems, visions, articles, and essays, by non-Shakers and several unidentified sisters. (These volumes may be the work of self-improvement groups. One was formed at the North Family in 1891 by Catherine Allen and another at the Church Office and North Family in 1898 by Grace Ada Brown.) Acc No 8872 8798 Rosetta Stephens [?] 8869 Grace Ada Brown [?]
Folder 237-1	Poem. "O good painter, tell me true," by Cecelia deVere [?], n.d. (6 p.) Acc No 9241
Folder 237-2	Scrapbook., ca. 1880. (28 p.) Contains clipping, "Shaker Life," and replies by Antoinette Doolittle and Emma J. Neale, n.d. pasted into pages 33-37 of a Shaker Seed catalogue, 1874. (See: Richmond 269.) Acc No 3577
	Subseries 2: Library records
Volume 238	Shelf list, Sisters' Library, ca. 1917. (41 p.) Acc No 6164

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Volume 239	Author/title catalogue and shelf list of Shaker imprints and manuscripts, after 1914. (152 p.) Compiled by Leila Taylor (?). Enclosure: Sheet of unused spine labels, "317" to "421," typed on the back of a half sheet of letterhead, "Levi Shaw, Manufacturer of Wire and Rattan Goods. . ." Acc No 10357 Series 5: Visions Records of visions and other spiritual phenomena.
Volume 240-241	Spiritual journals, 1839-1850. (2 volumes, 482 p.) Journal entries on meetings, visions, hymns at North Family and Upper and Lower Canaan. Acc No 12314 Red Label "24" 12319 Red Label "29"
Folder 242-1	Visions received at the North Family and on the Holy Mount, 1841, and "Word of warning from the Heavenly Father and From the Holy Saviour," 1844. (2 items, 30 p.) Acc No 10214 10213 See also: Other North Family records of visions are located under the Mount Lebanon Central Ministry Records, Visions.
Folder 242-2	"A Visit to Stratford [CT] among the Spirits Septbr 1850, " written by Antoinette Doolittle. Re: Spirit rappings. (11 p.) Acc No 13840 Letter. Elder Rufus Bishop to North Family Elders, 1850. Re: Antoinette Doolittle's account of spirit rappings. (1 p.) Acc No 12160
Folder 242-3	"My Visit to the Home of the Eddy Brothers [William and Horatio in Chittenden, VT], April 21st, 1875," by Daniel Sizer. Re: Description of seances. (29 p.) Acc No 10337 See also: "Rappings," a journal of seances at New Lebanon, 1851, Acc no 12143. Located under Canterbury, New Hampshire, Ministry, Greenwood Library of Shaker Manuscripts, No. 98.
	Series 6: Music
Volume 243	"Mother Ann's Words." (f.t.) ca. 1857-1872. (360 p.) Words without music and with music written in small letteral notation. Includes contents at beginning.

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	Inscribed "This belongs to No 12." (Patterson L-248) Acc No 12732
Volume 244	"The Lord hath His way in the swirling and storm." (f.l.) 1863-1869. (355 p.) Music written in small letteral notation on blue paper. (Patterson L-248) Enclosure. Hymn clipped from <i>Shaker Music</i> . (Canterbury, N.H., 1906) p. 264. [Richmond 1292] Acc No 12731 12731A
Volume 245	"Good night to all," (f.l) 1877. Manuscript hymms in small letteral notation and standard notation in four parts, written on pages 69-81 of <i>Shaker Music. Inspirational Hymns and Melodies</i> (Albany, N.Y.: Weed, Parsons and Company, 1875.) [Richmond 1293] Inscribed on inside front cover, "CLF No 2". Index drawn on pp. 149-152. (Not in Patterson) Acc No 12830
Volume 246	"Millenial [sic] Morn." (f.t.) n. d. (9 p.) Volume titled "Hymns." (recto) and "Songs." (verso). Hymns with music written in standard notation. Inscribed on flyleaf "M B" [Maria Blow or Martha Burger?] Acc No 8902
Volume 247	"Heavenly Call," (f.t.) 1893-1894. (5 p.) Volume entitled "Hymns." (recto) and "Songs." (Verso). Hymns written in standard notation. Acc No 8903
Series 7: Financial and legal records	
Subseries 1: Business records real estate records	
(Although the covenant of the North Family assigned responsibility for the keeping of financial and legal records to the Trustees, North Family Elders in practice held notes and mortgages and participated in a variety of business concerns. Records of North Family financial affairs, therefore, can be found under both the Elders and the Trustees.)	
	"A Brief Journal Kept by R[ichard] Bushnell," 1829-1857. (58 p.) Re: Daily events, membership, legal and business affairs. Contains a membership list (1830), details on the Lebanon Rail Road (1851) and a report on revenue and expenses (1851-1853). Located under Mount Lebanon North Family Elders, Journals, Volume 223. Acc No 10346
Folder 248-1	Notes, bond and mortgage held by Richard Bushnell and Charles Bushnell, 1835-1858. (4 items, 11 p.)

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	Acc No 10299 10341.1 10298 10290
Folder 248-2	Statement of securities and property belonging to the North Family held by Elder Richard Bushnell, 1858. (2 p. And envelope) Acc No 9596 See also: Report to the New Lebanon Ministry from Elder Richard Bushnell concerning North Family assets, 1860, with an appended note by M. Catherine Allen, c. 1910. Acc No 12174
Folder 248-3	Bond. Vincent Seeley to Jonathan Woods and Edward Fowler for land in Macomb, Michigan sold to Seeley, 1848. (2 p.) Held by Richard Bushnell Acc No 10188
Folder 248-4	Survey and description of property. Joint Church and North Family Pine Timber Lot, Gratiot County, MI, 1853. (3 items, 5 p.) Acc No 10188 10189 10189A 10190
Folder 248-5	“Abstract of Title to [Berrien Springs] Michigan Farm,” 1859; and agreement between Levi Shaw and John P. Vedder, Schenectady, NY, to move on to the Berrian Springs farm and improve it, 1866. (2 items, 6p.) Acc No 10258-B 10258-D
Folder 248-6	Deeds and mortgage. “McKnaught Place,” New Lebanon, NY, 1865. (6 items, 15 p.) Envelope addressed to “F. W. Evans.” Acc No 10183A 11821 10182 10182A 10183 11823
Folder 248-7	Survey. “Hancock Lot,” Stephentown, NY, 1874. (4 items, 8 p.) Envelope addressed to “El. Frederick W Evans.” Acc No 10235B 10235C
Folder 248-8	Correspondence. Frederick W. Evans, regarding property of Elizabeth Bert [in Ohio?], 1878-1879. (6 items, 10 p.) Acc No 10217- F 10327-F 10327-E 10240-A 10327-G 10327-D 10327-H
Folder 248-9	Warranty Deed and Abstracts. Parcels of land in Berrien County, MI, sold by G F. Penwell to F. W. Evans, 1874; and Auditor General [State of Michigan] to F. W. Evans, 1877. (6 items, 11 p.) According to abstracts, one parcel was purchased by Trustee John B. Vance, Alfred, ME, in 1872 and another by Edward Fowler in 1872. Acc No 10258-C 10258-A oversize 11846 oversize 11855 oversize 11862 11857
Folder 248-10	Abstract of title. Daniel L. Case, Ingham County, MI, to Frederick W. Evans, 1878. (21 p.)

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	Acc No 10235
Folder 248-11	Note summarizing Michigan land transactions of Mount Lebanon Church and North Families, 1853-1885. (2 items, 3 p.) Acc No 9735 9736
Folder 248-12	Certificate of protest for unpaid note, H. N. Keys, Ovid, MI to F. W. Evans, 1884. (4 p.) Draft written by Potter Beattie and Co. to Frederick W. Evans. Acc No 10327A
Folder 248-13	Note. Oliver Prentiss to National Savings Bank, Albany, NY, authorizing payment from savings account to Frederick W. Evans, n.d. (1 p.) Acc No 10327C
Folder 248-14	Correspondence. Benjamin Gates to Daniel Offord, 1893. Includes statement transferring North Family assets from Frederick W. Evans to Benjamin Gates and Robert Valentine, 1893. (2 items, 5 p.) Acc No 10239 10240
Folder 248-15	Statements and correspondence. On receipts and investments by Daniel Offord and Levi Shaw, 1892-1897 (20 items, 23 p.) The list written by Offord in 1898 includes references to Colorado mining stock and shares in Grand Encampment Co. Acc No 10217D 10237.2 10237.1 10237.4 10217AA-PP

See also:

Other business records concerning Daniel Offord, Levi Shaw and Sarah Burger are included in the North Family Trustees' records.

Subseries 2: Lawsuits and petitions

Folder 249-1	Correspondence. Robert White, Jr. to Proctor Sampson and Reubin Hawkins, 1846. (4 items, 20 p.) Includes memorials to the New York State Legislature (1816) [Richmond 1018] and (1826) [Richmond 1021] regarding military conscription and pensions. Acc No 10146 10145 10206 10144
Folder 249-2	Correspondence. Robert White, Jr. to Richard Bushnell, 1849-1850, with attached petitions and remonstrances to the New York State Legislature pertaining to the Trust Act (1839) and the Divorce bill (1830-1850). (12 items, 37 pp.) Folder also includes "An act passed by the New York State Legislature supplemental to the laws of incorporation of religious societies," 1876. Acc No 10302G 10302H 10302A 10302J 10302I 10302L 10302K 10302F 10302E 10302E 10302D 10302C

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	<p>See also: Additional records concerning the New York State Trust Act and exemption from military service are located under Mount Lebanon Church Trustees, Lawsuits and petitions, Folders 124-3 to 5.</p>
Folder 249-3	<p>Correspondence, court documents and accounts, 1860-1867. Re: James Boardman v. Frederick W. Evans. (34 items, 54 p.) Acc No 9785 9792 9782 9793 9790 9789A 9794 9798 9781A 9799 9781 9782B 9788 9782 9786 9784 9796 9791 9783 9787 9795B 9795 9796A 9788A</p>
Folder 249-4	<p>Correspondence, legal documents, and accounts. John H. Low and Julia M. Blake v. Frederick W. Evans, 1878. (30 items, 50 p.) Acc No 10333R 10333Z 10333S 10333Y 10333AA 10333BB 10333DD 10333U 10333CC 10333B-Q 10333A 10333T 10327B 10333V 10333X 10333W</p>
Folder 249-5 Swedish Binder	<p>Correspondence. Emil Bretzner, Sweden, with Frederick W. Evans, Antoinette Doolittle, and Giles Avery, 1876-1887; copies of his "Last Will and Testament" and certification of a gift of \$2, 500 to the North Family; and a claim for return of property, 1886-1887. (25 items, 55 p.) Acc No 10315 a-y</p>
Folder 249-6	<p>Letter. Calver & Anthony, Esqs. to Frederick W. Evans, 1891. Re: Indentured child, Eddie Slater. (2 p.) Acc No 10327A</p>
	<p>See also: Records on the Ann Pillow case, Acc No 9737 and 9738, and the Mary Charlotte Byrdsall case, Acc No 10328 and 10210. Located under the Mount Lebanon Church Trustees, Law suits and petitions. Folders 124-2 and 124-11.</p>

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Mount Lebanon, New York, North Family Trustees

Series 1: Covenants and indentures

For signed covenants see Mount Lebanon North Family Elders, Covenants.

Folder 250-1 Indenture. Eugene Williard to Levi Shaw, 1895. (1 p.)
Acc No 10225

Series 2: Vital statistics

Folder 250-2 "Members of the North Family, Mt. Lebanon, N.Y., 1928." Includes
genealogies and annotations through 1951. (2 items, 3p.)
Acc No 12191 12192

Volume 251 "A Record of Deaths," 1788-1933. (60 p.) Deaths in the Ministry, Church and
other families, primarily at Mount Lebanon, with a list of prominent Brothers
and Sisters and a tribute by Anna White to Marcia Bullard (pp. 94-97). (Two
deaths at Hancock in 1960 on page 4 were added in error by Robert F. W.
Meador.)
Acc No 13595

Folders 252-1 to Cemetery plans, 1857-1948. (3 items) One on seed box cover, one on wood
252-3 panel.
Acc No 15056 (1857-1930) Oversize
11736 Oversize Written on seed box cover. Transcription filmed.
15055 (1857-1948)Oversize Target: Written on wood panel. Transcription
filmed.

Folder 252-4 Guest register, 1832-1839. (32 p.)
Acc No 10354

Folder 252-5 Guest register, 1839-1854. (44 p.)
Acc No 10355

Folder 252-6 Guest register, 1891-1901, 1903-1906. (118 p.) The two sections of this
register are not part of the same chronological sequence. The second section
refers to an earlier "Volume I." (Volume I is in the collection of Hancock Shaker
Village.)
Acc No 8829

Volume 253 Visitor's Book, 1856-1863. (86 p.) Record of Shakers visiting New Lebanon.
(This volume is a copy of "A Book of Remembrance. . ." by Isaac N. Youngs.
See Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees' Records, Vital statistics, Acc No
10464.)
Acc No 8873

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Folder 253	Enclosures from Visitor's Book: Clippings and a ledger page used by Anna White as a wrapper for the manuscripts of her father, Robert White, Jr. and others. (6 p.) Acc No 8873a-e
	Series 3: Financial and legal records
	Subseries 1: Members
Folder 254-1	"Mariah Buck's statement of garments and other articles. . .," circa 1840. (1 p.) Acc No Lib 89.2.1.650
	Subseries 2: Business records
Folder 254-2	Grain and stock inventory book, 1820-1823. (14 p.) Pages from ledgers were top stitched together out of sequence. Acc No 10202
Folder 254-3	Inventory reports. North Family, 1860-1891. (27 items) Reports missing for 1865, 1875, 1876, 1888, and 1891. Acc No 10334.2-.28 Oversize
Folder 254-4	Inventory reports. Upper Family, Canaan, NY, 1859, 1872, 1878-1889. (8 items) Acc No 10335.1 10334.1 10335.2-.4 10335.11-.13 Oversize
Folder 254-5	Inventory reports. Lower Family, Canaan, NY, 1869, 1872, 1878, Jan. 1879, April, 1879, April, 1880. (6 items) Acc No 10335.5-.10 Oversize
Folder 254-6	Bills, 1851-1870. Re: Foundry type and printing. (7 items, 10 p.) Acc No 5184
Folder 254-7	Receipts, n. d. and 1874. Re: Cord wood and tan bark. (2 items, 3 p.) Acc No 10289K 10289I
Folder 254-8	Letters patent. "Shakers' Carpet Beaters." Improvements to carpet beater, assigned by Charles M. Comstock, Windsor, NY, to Levi Shaw for 17 years, 1898.(4 p.) Letterhead, "Shakers' Carpet Beaters," 1912. (1 p.) Acc No 12186 4557
	See also: Real Estate and Investment Records for Windsor, New York, folders 260-1 to 260-9 for additional transactions concerning Charles M. Comstock.

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Volume 255 oversize	Ledger kept by Levi Shaw, 1891-1900. (372 p.) Includes Windsor, New York, sawmill accounts and records of hired men. Acc No 10344
Volume 256	Account book, 1895-1902. (145 p.) Day book, sisters' accounts. Acc No Lib 88.1.6
Volume 257	"Cash Account, Aug. 1915- Dec. 1927" [i.e., 1926] (505 p.) Day book, family expenses. Acc No Lib 88.1.1
Folder 257	Enclosures from account book above: Account with Joseph Lowery (1884-1885); "Live Stock & c Inventory," (1922); and Tuberculosis Indemnity Claim," for a bull (1923). (3 items, 8 p.) See related correspondence to Emma J. Neale. Folder 119-11, Mount Lebanon, Church Trustees' Business Records. Acc No Lib 88.1.1a-c
Subseries 3: Property and investment records	
(Note: The relationship between the North Family Elders, the North Family Trustees and the Church Family Trustees regarding business and legal affairs was complex. Reference should always be made to these other files for related documents.)	
Folder 258-1	Will, Philip Matthewson, 1796; and deed, Angel Matthewson, 1816. (3 items) Includes a map which may not be related to these documents. Acc No 10243 Oversize 10242 Oversize 10241 Oversize
Folder 258-2	Deeds and surveys. Caleb Jessup property, 1790-1821. (8 items, 18 p.) Includes deed from George Darrow to Caleb Jessup. Acc No 10296 10166 10297 10185 11815A&B 10293 10292 10291
Folder 258-3	Deed. Amos Johnson to Thomas Law, 1797. (1 item) A true copy made in 1831. Acc No 10169
Folder 258-4	Deed. Russel Dewey to William Gildersleve, property in Hancock, Massachusetts, 1836. (1 item) Acc No 10260
Folder 258-5	Mortgage and bond. Joseph Wilber to Frederick Crosman, property in Canaan, 1834-1843. (2 items, 5 p.) Acc No 10180 10300

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Folder 258-6	Deeds and leases. Property in Hancock, MA, and New Lebanon, NY including the Royce (Rice) and Murdock farms, 1789-1845. (13 items) Acc No 10235A 10161 10162 10163 Oversize 10164 10165 9821 Oversize 10179 10294 10295
Folder 258-7	Deeds. Elisha Gilbert to Nathan C. Gray to Luther King, 1822-1837 (2 items)Acc No 10167 Oversize 10168
Folder 258-8	Deeds and land use agreements, Campbell Farm. 1839-1840. (3 items) Acc No 10181 11817 Oversize 10186
Folder 258-9	Sheriff's deed to Jesse Lewis, Canaan, 1845. (1 item) Acc No 11892 Oversize
Folder 258-10	Deed. Charles Spencer to Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates, witnessed by Richard Bushnell, 1851. (1 item) Acc No 11822
Folder 258-11	Deed. Robert White, Jr. to Jonathan Wood and Edward Fowler, Canaan property, 1852. (1 item) Acc No 11818
Folder 258-12	Agreement on right of way. Benjamin Peabody to Levi Shaw, 1857. (1 item) Acc No 11819
Folder 258-13	Deeds and abstract. Milo and Rachel Bull to Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates, 1863. (3 items) Acc No 11820 11871 10184
Folders 259-1 to 259-9	Real estate transactions relating to Joseph Jones and property in Pikes County, PA. Deeds, correspondence, timber agreements and financial accounts pertaining to land in Pennsylvania, called "Promised Land," 1871-1905. This sizable tract of land was purchased jointly by Levi Shaw and Frederick W. Evans, Mt. Lebanon North Family and Trustee Ira Lawson, Hancock, MA, from Joseph Jones of Honesdale, PA. As part of the transaction, Jones acquired part of the recently closed Tyringham, Ma. community land and buildings. The Pennsylvania land was purchased for its lumber, railroad ties and tan bark. The land was finally sold at considerable loss in 1904. For a summary of these transactions see the Book of Records, Hancock, MA, Church Family Trustees.
Folder 259-1	Deed and correspondence pertaining to the Jerseyfield Patent, Stratford, Fulton County, NY, 1865-1871. Re.1250 acres of land bought by Edward Fowler and Benjamin Gates (1865-1866) and sold to Joseph Jones (1871). (4 items)

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	Acc No 10308 10309 10310 10236F
Folder 259-2	Correspondence, inventories and accounts of Jones and Co., Honesdale, Pa., 1872-1875. (16 items, 22 p.) Includes records of the lumber and tan bark business partnership between Joseph Jones and Levi Shaw in Honesdale, PA, and Windsor, NY; letters from Jones proposing that the Shakers purchase his property in Pikes County, PA; and tax assessments for the property. Acc No 10236ll 10236kk 10236d 10236hh 10236h 10236j 10219e 10236k-n 10236e 10236nn 10236m 10219d
Folder 259-3	“Plan of Damascus Lot [Damascus, PA], 1877. Survey map. (2 items 3 p.) Acc No 10235A
Folder 259-4	Deed. Joseph and Mary Jones to Frederick W. Evans and Levi Shaw, Lots 24 and 26 of the Nichols Tract, Windsor, NY, 1878. (2 items, 4p.) Acc No 10211F 10212
Folder 259-5	Deed, correspondence, and “Statement of Property. . . ,” 1871-1887. Re: Land purchased by Levi Shaw from George M. Allerton in Palmyra, PA. (4 items) Acc No 10236bb 10236g 10236b 10236oo
Folder 259-6	Correspondence and agreements. Frederick W. Evans and Levi Shaw to M. J. Taylor and Wm. Collingwood. Re: Timber harvesting on and sale of Egypt, Big Pond, and Promised Land tracts in Pikes County, PA, 1881-1899. (8 items, 14 p.) Acc No 10236z 10217B 10236y 10236gg 10236ff 10236s 10236w
Folder 259-7	Articles of agreement and financial accounts between Frederick W. Evans, Levi Shaw, Ira Lawson and Joseph Atkinson of Honesdale, PA, 1882-1899. Re: Harvesting timber for lumber and railroad ties. (8 items, 14 p.) Acc No 10236v 10236u 10236t 10236pp 10236o 10236p 10236r 10236q
Folder 259-8	Letter. Frederick W. Evans to Levi Shaw, 1889. Re: The separate land investments made by Evans and Shaw in Pennsylvania, Michigan and Illinois; and Levi Shaw’s business in Windsor, N.Y. (8 p. and envelope) Acc No 10327L 10327K
Folder 259-9	Correspondence, contracts, and bills pertaining to the sale of property in Pikes County, PA, 1901-1905. (24 items, 34 p.) Respondents include Ira Lawson, Hancock, MA, Anna White and Levi Shaw, North Family, Mount Lebanon, and Nettie Arthur Brown-Weitz, Esq., New York, NY. Acc No 10236ii 10236jj 10219m 10236ee 10236cc 10236c (Oversize) 10212E 10236dd 10236aa 10236a 10219j 10219k 10219f 10219h 10219l 10219g 10219i 10219a 10219b 10219c
Folders 260-1	Records relating to property in Sanford and Windsor, Broome County, NY.

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Folder 260-1	Deeds and survey Map, 1853-1890. Re: Property in Sanford, Broome County, NY, that may have been purchased by the Shakers. (4 items, 11p.) Acc No 10211 10211C 10211D 10211H
Folder 260-2	Land and timber agreements between Levi Shaw and George Dusenburg, Windsor, Broome County, NY, 1874-1887. (7 items, 17 p.) Acc 10212E 10211H 10212I 10212D 10211G 10211A 10212L 10211B
Folder 260-3	Deed to property in Windsor, Broome County, NY, Robert B. Richards to Benjamin Gates and Robert Valentine, 1891. Acc No 10211E Deed to property in Colesville, Broome County, NY. Levi Shaw to Libbie Diamond, 1892. Acc No 10212m
Folder 260-4	Bauers v. Ash, Gates and Valentine, Supreme Court, Broome County, NY, 1894-1897. (5 items, 33 p.) Summons and complaints regarding property in the town of Windsor against which Levi Shaw held a lien. Acc No 10176 10192 10192A 9690 9669
Folder 260-5	Receipt for collections on notes. H.S. Williams, Windsor, NY to Levi Shaw, 1896-1898 (1 p.) Acc No 9770
Folder 260-6	Deed. Levi Shaw and Timothy Rayson to Franklin Goodenough, 1899. (5 p.) For land in Windsor, NY purchased from Joseph Jones. See Folder 259-4. Acc No 10212N
Folder 260-7	Articles of Agreement. T. V. Furman, Windsor, NY to Levi Shaw for sale of a lumber mill to Shaw, 1899-1900. (2 items, 4 p.) Acc No 10212A 10212B
Folder 260-8	Correspondence, and bank notices, 1896. Re: Loan to Charles M. Comstock by Levi Shaw, secured by a life insurance policy. (6 items, 11p.) Acc No 10212-C 10212-K 10212-G 10212-H 10212-I 10212-J
Folder 260-9	Correspondence and agreement, Charles M. Comstock with Levi Shaw and Timothy Rayson, 1898-1901. Re: Hiring Comstock to prospect for gold in the Klondike for one year. (8 items, 28 p.) Acc No 10310a 11860 10301b-g
Folder 261-1	Statement. "North Family returns for 5 years," by Levi Shaw, 1897-1901. (1 p.) Acc No 10217E

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Folder 261-2	Collateral note. Loan by Pittsfield National Bank to Levi Shaw and Ira R. Lawson, October 5, 1897. (2 p.) Secured by United States Whip Co. Bonds. Acc No 10341.2
Folder 261-3	Note and correspondence. Owed by John S. Harmon to Levi Shaw, 1901-1905 (3 items, 5 p.) Acc No 10303F 10303D 10303E
Folder 261-4	Correspondence and receipts. Levi Shaw and Timothy Rayson, exchanging bonds of Atlantic-Pacific Railway Co. for shares in Denver-Salt Lake Railway, 1902. (4 items) Acc No 10237.3 10237.5-7
Folder 261-5	Correspondence and deeds. Concerning rights of the New York, Boston, Albany and Schenectady Railroad Co in land sold to Laban R. Bradshaw, 1881-1898. (5 items, 13 p.) Acc No 10256Q 10256P 10256F 10256A 11861
Folder 261-6	Articles of agreement. Between Benjamin Gates and Robert Valentine and the New York, Rutland and Montreal Railway Co., 1886. (2 items, 7 p.) Acc No 10256I 10256C
Folder 261-7	“Concessions asked by the Shakers for Right of Way for Electric Railroad [i.e., Troy, Rensselaer & Pittsfield Railroad Company], 1908 and 1911.” (11 items, 20 p.) Acc No 10264.12b 10264.16c 10264.16b 10264.16a 10264.10 10264.9 10264.12a 10264.15 10264.14 10264.13 10256R
Folder 261-8	Agreements, correspondence, deeds and surveys. Levi Shaw, Benjamin Gates, Sarah Burger and others, 1908-1916. Re: Sale of Royce farm, New Lebanon, NY, to Edward Crowe and complications concerning railroad right of way. (32 items, 42 p.) Acc No 110256G-H 10264.11 10264.17 10264.19-.31 10232 (correct order on folder) See also: Later agreements with Edward Crowe about railroad right of way on the Royce Farm are located under the Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees, Real Estate Records. Folder 123-12
Folder 261-9	Survey map, n. p. n. d. (1 p.) Unidentified location, may be related to railroad right of way. Acc No 10341.3
Folder 261-10	Correspondence. Levi Shaw concerning Hancock taxes and sale of Canaan Farm,

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	1899-1900. (4 items, 4 p.) Acc No 10217A 10217C
Folder 261-11	Correspondence and court papers. Levi Shaw and Timothy D. Rayson, Trustees, against Nathaniel F. Griffith, 1903. Re: Foreclosure sale on Canaan Shaker farm. (2 p.) Acc No 10220 10220A 92.4.1 92.4.2
Folder 261-12	Road warrant. Daniel Offord, 1902. (2 items) Acc No 10256E 10256 D
Folder 261-13	"Agreement with State Road Contractor about Stone walls," 1907-1909. Acc No 10223A-G 10264.8 10264.18
Folder 261-14	State of New York Specification for the Improvement of the Highway leading from New Lebanon to Pittsfield, 1898. (3 items, one is rolled) Includes two survey maps which have not been filmed. Acc No 10264.7 12810 Map "Profile of Hancock," Aug 8, 1895 (16 1/4" x 12' 5 1/2") Not filmed 15047 Map "Canaan Road to State Line," Aug. 1898 Not filmed
Folder 261-15	"Application for exemption of Assessment, " to the Town of New Lebanon (unsigned copy). 1906. (4 p.) Acc No 10233
Folder 261-16	Tax list. North Family homestead and farms, 1909 (1 p.) Acc No 9623
Folder 261-17	Certificates. Credit Foncier Company, 1891-1892. (5 items) Issued by the Kansas Sinaloa [Mexico] Investment Company. For more information on the colony established in Sinaloa by Albert Kimsey Owen see "Register of Topolobampo Collection, 1872-1910 MSS0106" Mandeville Special Collections Library, Geisel Library, University of California, San Diego - BX9799 Bibliographies. Acc No10264.1-.6
Folder 261-18	Correspondence and statements. Rollin H. Cooke to Levi Shaw regarding Kansas mortgage notes, 1900-1905. (7 items) Includes three photographs of unidentified building. Acc No 10341.4 10341.5 10264.6 10341.6-.8
Folder 261-19	Prospectus and correspondence. To Daniel Offord and Sarah Burger, 1898-1920. Re: Two lots owned by the Shakers in Grand Encampment, WY.(8 items, 14 p.) See Folder 248-15. Acc No 10326A-H

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Series 1: Work Records

- Volume 262 Garden journal, 1842-1847. (242 p.) Writers include Frederick W. Evans. Pertains primarily to the garden seed business.
Acc No 10358
- Volume 262.5 Garden journal, 1849-1851. (109 p.) Continues volume 262. Acquired from the Shaker Historical Society through David Newell.
Calendar No 020905 **NOT MICROFILMED**
- Volume 263
oversize Garden journal, 1879-1888. (256 p.) Includes also records of meetings and other family events. Journal kept by Timothy Rayson (May, 1879-October 12, 1882), Emil Bretzner (October 13, 1882- Sept., 1883), and Daniel Offord.
Acc No 10349
- Folder 264 Price list for vegetables, n.d. (2 p.)
Acc No 14622A-B **Oversized**
- Folder 265-1 Letter. Robert White, Jr. to Moses Clement about grapevines, 1855. (2 p.) This note was found in Moses Clement's Bible, Acc No 7892.
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- Folder 265-2 "Items regarding North Family Water Supply and Pipe lines," 1864-1868. (5 p. plus enclosure 2 p.) Enclosure: description and map of land deeded by Van Schaack, 1864.
Acc No 8863
- Folder 265-3 Work on reservoir, 1881. (16 p.) Including record hired men.
- Folder 265-4 Circular: "From Ministry about Dress," 1866. (4 p. plus wrapper) Instructions to tailoresses from Polly Reed on the use of the Graduated Scale of Waist Measures. The circular is wrapped in a letter addressed to Anna White.
Acc No 9534A-B

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Mt. Lebanon North Family Members Personal Papers

M. Catherine Allen (1865-1922) (Mary Catherine, Minnie C.)

- Volume 266 "Compositions, by Catharine Allen, Mt. Lebanon, N.F.," 1888-1902. (287 p.) Includes poetry, drawings and essays written for the Social Improvement Society. Pages 33-36 and 163-170 have been removed.
Acc No 13343

Grace Bowers (1863-1905)

- Volume 267 Hymnal. "Symphonies of Praise Copied by Grace Bowers Commencing 1883." (1883-1890) (154 p.) Music written in standard notation; includes index and piano settings. (Patterson L-42)
Acc No 8801
- Volume 268 Hymnal. "Freedom's Reign," (f.l.) 1888-1894. (147 p.) Written in the hand of Grace Bowers. Music in standard notation; includes index and attributions. (Patterson L- 192)
Acc No 8807
- Volume 269 Hymnal. "I look to Thee," (f.l.) 1890-1892. (45 p.) Volume entitled "Hymns." (recto) and "Songs." (verso). Written in hand of Grace Bowers. Music in standard notation with attributions to North Family sisters. (Not in Patterson)
Acc No 8904

Lucy F. Bowers (1860-1935)

- Volume 270 "Selections From the year 1880 By Lucy S. Bowers," 1880-1887. (262 p.) Clippings have been pasted over the title page and entries of an [1875 ?] hymnal (pp.33-80); followed by commonplace entries from non-Shakers (pp. 81-173); and then by " A Selection For each day in the year. 1887" (pp. 174- 290). 7 enclosures.
Acc No 10456

John M. Brown (1824-1875)

- Volume 271 Hymnal. "Commemoration of the Birth of Christ." (f.t.). 1846-?. (248 p.) Primarily songs without words followed by several pages of songs music only in small letteral notation. Inscribed "No. 2 John M. Brown New Lebanon N.F. August 30th 1846" and "Presented to Charles E. Greaves By J. M. B." (Patterson L-44) Labelled on cover "44." This label is numbered in the hand of Sister Aida Elam of who assisted Elder Irving Greenwood in assembling and cataloging the Shaker manuscript library at Canterbury, NH. A set of transcribed messages from Mount Lebanon are numbered in this way.

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Acc No 13480	<p>Sarah Burger (1855-1933)</p> <p>“A Collection of songs of various kinds mostly received by Inspiration Written by Benjamin Gates. Begining [sic] November 2nd, 1839. Finished November 20th 1840.” (226 p.)“This book was given to Sarah Burger by Brother Benjamin Gates 1904.” (Patterson, L-64) See under Mount Lebanon Church Family Members’ Personal Papers, Benjamin Gates, Volume 155.</p>
Folder 272-1	<p>Index to <i>Shaker Music, Original Hymns and Songs</i> vol 1, after 1884. (4 p.) Manuscript list of composers found in hymnal NOC 6132 which has inscription on the flyleaf, “S. B. North Family.”</p> <p>Acc No 6132.1</p> <p>Richard Bushnell (1791-1873)</p>
Folder 272-2	<p>“Richard Bushnell’s Hymn Book. Written in the years succeeding eighteen hundred and twenty four,” 1824. (44 p.) Words without music. Labelled “45.” This label is numbered in the hand of Sister Aida Elam of who assisted Elder Irving Greenwood in assembling and cataloging the Shaker manuscript library at Canterbury, NH. A set of transcribed messages from Mount Lebanon are numbered in this way. (Not in Patterson)</p> <p>Acc No 13497</p>
Volume 271.5	<p>[Hymnal]. “Richard Bushnell Written by Henry Stone.” (151 p. plus 4 unnumbered pages of index) Words without music. Label on front cover “149.” Some of the hymns collected here are from <i>Millennial Praises</i>, some are not. Shaker Historical Society Number 216 written inside front cover. Hymnal purchased from the Shaker Historical Society through David Newell. (Not in Patterson)</p> <p>Calendar No 021491 NOT MICROFILMED</p> <p>Henry Cantrell, Sr. (1805-1892)</p>
Folder 272-3	<p>Deeds and mortgage. Henry Cantrell, for property in Deerfield and Buckland, Massachusetts, 1831-1839. (4 items, 8 p.) Property owned by Cantrell prior to joining the Shakers in 1844.</p> <p>Acc No 10275 10276 10274 10273</p> <p>Jane Cutler (1831-1915)</p>
Folder 272-4	<p>“Jane Cutler’s Selection [of clippings] North Family. Given to me, 1909.” (7 items) Clippings of poems and articles by Shakers. The handwriting on the note may be Alonzo Hollister.</p> <p>Acc No 4483</p>

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	<p>Charles E. Greaves (1828-1916)</p> <p>Hymnal. "Commemoration of the Birth of Christ." (f.t.). 1846-?. (248 p.) Written by John M. Brown and presented to Charles E. Greaves. Music added by Greaves [?] and others. See under John M. Brown, Volume 271, Acc No 13480. Acc No 13480</p>
	<p>Jane Knight (1804-1880)</p>
Volume 273	<p>Diary. "Jane D. Knight New Lebanon, 1833[-1838]." (173 p.) Records of visitors and daily events, personal entries and reflections. Labeled on cover "1833-1838." Has been rebound by conservator in original cover. Acc No 10362</p>
	<p>Sadie Maynard (1878-1953)</p>
Folder 274-1	<p>"Sadie Maynard. Allright. Best of love. Dont you thinge is all right this is for you." n.d. . (1 sheet) Note found in school house. Acc No 15679</p>
	<p>Peter Neago, [] Neago was a resident of the North Family who designed the cover for <i>Products of Intelligence and Dilligence</i>. Filed in Oversized Richmond 1062</p>
Folder 274-2	<p>Sketch of Alonzo Hollister made by Peter Neago, c.1908. (2 p.) On reverse side of Canterbury broadside, "That Beautiful City." Acc No 15950 Oversize</p>
	<p>Martha Wetherell (1855-1914)</p>
Volume 275	<p>Hymnal. "Shun the Thorn," (f.t.), 1882-1883. (84 p.) Manuscript hymns in letteral notation written on pp. 69-72 and 90-152 in <i>Shaker Music. Inspirational Hymns and Melodies</i> (Albany, N.Y.: Weed, Parsons and Company, 1875.) Inscribed on inside cover, "Martha Johnson" On fly leaf a small ink drawing of a dove with the inscription "Zion's Songster M W" and in pencil Martha Johnson. The hymns are from Enfield, Connecticut; this hymnal is attributed to Wetherell, who lived at Enfield, CT, Hancock, MA, Canterbury, NH, Enfield, NH, and died at the North Family, Mount Lebanon. Acc No 8830</p>
	<p>Robert White, Jr. (1795-1856)</p>
Folder 276	<p>Correspondence and expense accounts of Robert White, Jr., 1840-1854. (4</p>

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	items, 8 p.) Letters from Benjamin S. Youngs, Watervliet, NY, and Daniel Sizer, Canaan, NY, the latter including a discussion of “spirit knockings.” Acc No 9747 9533 10201 9554

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Mount Lebanon, New York, Upper Canaan Family Records

Historical Note

The Upper Canaan Family was a subsidiary branch of the Gathering Order which was originally gathered in 1813 and moved to Canaan as the Jeremiah Talcott Family in 1821. Elders were appointed in----- and the family was placed under its own Trustee in the 1840's. However, the family remained nominally under the care of the North Family Elders who appointed its leaders. Upper Canaan was closed in 1897 and its members moved to Enfield, Connecticut.

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| Volume 277 | Hymnal. "Come home my soul." (f.l.) 1845-1867. (256 p.) Poetry and songs without music, pp. i, 1-242. Dances with music in small letteral notation, pp. 243-244, 253-254, index 255-256. (Patterson L-173)
Acc No 13933 |
| Folder 278 | Cemetery map, 1823-1890. (1 item)
Acc No 10365 Oversize |

Mount Lebanon, New York, Lower Canaan Family Records

Historical note:

The Lower Canaan Family was gathered under James Farnham in 1816 and moved to Canaan in 1824. As a branch of the Gathering Order, it was under the care of leaders appointed by the North Family elders. The family was always small and its economic status precarious. Periodically its financial affairs were placed under the supervision of the Upper Canaan Family. The Lower Family was closed in 1884.

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| Volume 279
Oversize | Account Book, 1864-1885. (175 p.) Enclosure gives and account of donations by Mary Ann Mantle in 1873 and Sarah Ann Standish to the Church and Ministry, 1872-1875.
Acc No 7207 |
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See also:

Upper and Lower Canaan Family inventories, 1859-1891, under North Family Trustees records, Folders 254-4 and 254-5. For deeds see Mount Lebanon Church Family Trustees and North Family Trustees.