

Creator: Adelaide Haley

Repository: Dyer Library Archives & Special Collection

Inclusive Dates: 1795-1948

Bulk Dates: 1931-1945

Collection No.: MMS 19 (Saco Museum Archives)

Restrictions: None. This collection is open for research

Biographical Notes:

Adelaide Haley. Daughter of John Haley and Abbe A. Batchelder was born on October 16, 1875 in Saco, York County, Maine and died March 16, 1961. She attended Wellesley College before returning back to Saco. She was an avid historian and researcher and had written books on local history. She acquired a vast number of research notes and information to write a book on Saco History but that never came to fruition. Instead, she offered her research notes to Roy Fairfield, who did his own research on Saco History before publishing *Sands, Spindles and Steeples*. She had one brother, George E. Haley who died in 1964.

George Allen Haley, a distant cousin of Adelaide, was born in Saco, Maine on April 22, 1851. The son of William Haley Jr. and Olive Euphemia (Gatchell) Haley. He Married Annie M. Brackett at Biddeford, Maine on November 11, 1876. She was born in Biddeford, Maine on January 7, 1851. She was the daughter of Amos S. and Hannah Kley (Tibbettes) Brackett, and died January 9, 1926 in San Diego, California where both Annie and George Allen both lived. George Allen Haley and wife Annie M. had a son Herbert Brackett Haley, born 20 June 1889 at Carmi, Pratt County, Kansas. George Haley died May 25, 1945. John A. Haley and Adelaide communicated via correspondences on family history research.

Provenance. On June 12, 1990, the Adelaide Haley papers were moved from Saco Museum to the Dyer Library's Special Collections Department. There was no current inventory at the time nor an accession record that we know of. We can assume that since John Haley was Dyer Library's first librarian, and Adelaide used the Dyer Library quite heavily for her research, these naturally come to the Dyer Library Association. Audry Milne, head of the DLA collections committee wanted a rough inventory of each box brought over from the museum with correlations to objects in the museum collection to show some kind of inter-connectedness. Although an inventory was done by Roy Fairfield and Sallie Huot in 1994, not correlation between museum artifacts and this collection were ever made. This massive collection of research and genealogical notes has been processed and is considered part of the Museum Archives open for research by all patrons of Dyer Library and Saco Museum.

Scope and Content Notes: This collection is comprised of Adelaide Haley's and George Haley's research notes on family history and Saco History. The vast amount of papers collected and notes written were difficult to process and placed in some kind of order that would be helpful to researchers. This collection was separated into a number of series starting with personal correspondences, published and unpublished manuscripts, books, research notes for specific projects, and genealogical notes as well. Anyone interested in researching local Saco History will find this collection fascinating. Genealogical work on the Haley family is vast and thorough.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

Series 1. Correspondences. This series consists of personal correspondences between Adelaide and her mother, father and relatives including George A. Haley in California. There are also personal letters from other families. We also have a number of letters that Adelaide wrote to and received from others asking for information that supported her research in genealogy and local history.

Series 2. Monographs, Booklets, Pamphlets. This series is broken down into a number of subseries. Published and unpublished materials by Adelaide, published and unpublished materials from other authors, journals, pamphlets and general books.

Series 3. Research notes and documents. This series contains all of Adelaide's research notes. This collection is extensive and is broken down into specific subject areas that Adelaid focused on. Her research also included information about the Tercentenary Celebration of Saco (1631-1931) in which she was heavily involved in organizing the events. Adelaide also acquired a small number George Allen Haley's notes to assist in her research. We also have researched notes of George A. Haley, who corresponded with Adelaide. Lastly, included 19th century deeds, contracts and legal documents that were used in Adelaide's research.

Series 4. Genealogical notes. Adelaide Haley did a great deal of genealogical research for her family and Saco History. Included in this series are genealogical notes of George A. Haley.

Series 5. Newspaper Clippings. Clearly, Adelaide kept clippings from newspapers that supported her research or kept her informed about local residents and family members. A large portion of newspaper clippings were used in Adelaide's research in Saco History (Box 15A)

Series 6. Photographs. There are only a few photographs including a picture of George A. Haley and images from the 1935 San Diego Americas Exhibition. There are three daguerreotypes in this collection as well.

Series 7. Personal Miscellaneous materials. This series contains Adelaid's personal papers that are outside her research work. Included are personal account books of items purchased. Personal travel diaries. Information about her property.

Series 8. Ephemera. Like any collection with a fast amount of papers, we invariably find ephemeral materials such as calling cards, greeting cards, bookmarks and advertisements. Adelaide, too, kept some of these items in her collection.

Series 9. Artifacts. This series contains a few items I felt needed to be separate due to their uniqueness or rarity. Two examples are an original signature of Thomas Cutts and an illustrated Christmas Greeting with illuminated illustrations from Katharine Lee Bates to Adelaide.

ORGANIZATION OF SERIES

Collection Title: Adelaide Haley Papers

Series 1. Correspondences 1823-1945

1A. Personal Haley Family

1B Personal other families

1C Research

Series 2. Monographs, Booklets, Pamphlets 1795-1945

- 2A. Published works by Adelaide Haley*
- 2B. Unpublished works by Adelaid Haley*
- 2C. Published works by other authors*
- 2D. Unpublished works by other authors*
- 2E. Pamphlets*
- 2F. Magazines*
- 2G. General books*

Series 3. Research notes and documents 1842-n.d.

Series 4. Genealogical Notes. 1835-n.d.

Series 6. Newspapers clippings n.d., 1880-1948

Series 5. Photographs ca. 1850's, 1935, n.d.

Series 7. Personal miscellaneous papers 1892-1931

Series 8. Ephemera

Series 9. Artifacts

FINDING AIDS

Collection Title: Adelaide Haley Papers

Series 1. Correspondences 1823-1945

Box # Folder

- 1 Subseries 1A. Personal: Haley Family
- 1 • *Letters from Mrs. John Haley to daughter, Adelaide, 1921-1931*
- 2 • *Letters between Mr. John Haley to daughter, Adelaide, 1896-1918*
- 3 • *Letter from John Haley to wife, March 7, 1885. Reference to presidential inauguration in Washington. D.C.*
- 4 • *Letters of George Allen Haley to Adelaid & others, 1906, '33-37*
- 5 • *Letters between Adelaide and George Haley (brother) 1929-32*
- 6 • *Miscellaneous letters, Haley Family, 1890-1945*
- Subseries 1B. Personal: Other Families
- 7 • *Miscellaneous letters 1823-1854*
- *Walter Davis from Emma Curry 1928*
- *Walter Davis from Harold Durell, 1929*
- 1 Subseries 1C. Research
- 8 • *Letter regarding Adelaide's research on Deering genealogy 1931*
- *From Adelaide to George Haley, 1931 (3 copies)*
- *Letter regarding Bonython family research, [1931]*
- *Letters between Adelaid and Walter Davis, 1932-37*
- *Letter from Walter Davis to Adelaide, Dec. 28. 1933*
- *Letters to Adelaide supporting various research work, 1933-35*
- *Adelaide's letters, researching genealogy 1934-35*
- *Letter to Adelaid from Burke's Landed Gentry, 1940*

Series 2. Monographs/Booklets/Pamphlets

- 2 Subseries 2A. Published Works by Adelaide Haley
- *Thomas Haley of Winter Harbor and His Descendants, by Walter Goodwin Davis and Adelaide Haley, Thomas Haley Family Assoc., 1930. Includes additional handwritten notes by Adelaide about Joseph Haley & Wife, Sarah E. Wakfield*
- *Thomas Haley of Winter Harbor and His Descendants, by Walter Goodwin Davis and Adelaide Haley, Thomas Haley Family Assoc., 1930. (2 softbound copies)*
- *Thomas Haley of Winter Harbor and His Descendants temporary index, 4 copies*

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- 2 • “The Haley House and Farm,” Old Time New England: The Bulletin of the Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities, Vol. 35, no. 1, July 1944.

Subseries 2B. Unpublished Works by Adelaid Haley

- 2 9 • *Manuscript on Lewis and Bonython family, n.d.*
 10 • *Manuscript, “The Boynton Family,” n.d.*
 11 • *Manuscript, “History of Saco City Hall,” n.d.*
 12 • *Manuscript, “A Bay View of Saco Bay,” n.d.*
 • *A Study toward the Methods of Revision: Henry VI, Part 2 and 3, A Thesis presented to the Faculty of Wellesley College by Adelaide Haley, June 1911.*
 3 -- • *Old Inns and Taverns of Northern York County, Maine with notes on Stage Lines and Drivers by Adelaide Haley, Committee on National Old Trails, 1932. 2 copies. Original Manuscript, unpublished and a copy on acid free paper.*

Subseries 2C. Published Monographs and Books by other authors

- 4 • *Locke, John S., Shores of Saco Bay. Boston, J.S. Locke & Co., 1880*
 • *“Diary,” by Lt. Dudley Bradstreet of Groton, Mass. During Seige of Louisburg, April 1745-Jan, 1746. Cambridge : University Press, 1897*
 • *Chamberlain, General Joshua L., “Five Forks,” Portland, Me. : LeFavor-Tower Co., 1902*
Thompson, M. Gilbert and John Schulz, “The Engineer Battalion in the Civil War,” No. 44 Occasional Papers, Engineer School, U.S. Army, 1920
 • *Davis, Walter Goodwin, “The Ancestry of Charity Haley, 1755-1800. Stanhope Press : Boston, MA, 1916. (2 copies - HB & PB)*
 • *Davis, Walter Goodwin, “The Ancestry of Lt. Amos Towne, 1737-1893 of Arundel, Maine,” Southworth Press : Portland, ME, 1927*

Subseries 2D. Unpublished materials by other authors

- 4 13 • *An Exciting Bride, short story, author unknown, n.d.*
 14 • *Story of William [&] Henry on the Bay, short story, author unknown, n.d.*
 15 • *Incidents of the War by G. H. Batchelder, n.d.*

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- 4 16 • *Thomas Haley or Winter Harbor Saco-Maine, His descendants and affiliated families* by George A. Haley, unpublished with additional notes and clippings
- 17 • Manuscript, "Reminiscences of Mrs. Cutts School with Digressions," by E. M. Haley, 1907.

Subseries 2E. Pamphlets

- 5 18 • "Constitution and By-Laws of the Diaz Union," n.d. (women's organization dedicated to promote women's welfare)
- Farmer's Almanack, 1795 and 1799
- "Minutes of the Shaftsbury Baptist Association," held at Pownal, June 1 and 2, 1808. Lansingburg, Tracy and Bliss, 1808
- Farmer's Almanack, 1809 and 1823
- "Regulations and General Laws of the Independent Order of Rachabites in North America," Bos. B. Thurston : Portland, Me., 1846
- "Bunker Hill Guide, for the use of Strangers visiting the Monument," Goodnow : Charleston, MA, 1855
- "A compendium and question book of Parliamentary Law," by L. C. Bethel. Columbus, OH, 1892.
- 19 • Maine Music Festival, Bangor Oct. 2,3,4 — Portland Oct. 6,7,8 1902 (note: Adelaide attended on October 8)
- 20 • Goodspeed's Catalogue Genealogies and Town History, 1921
- City of Biddeford Annual Report 1930-41
- City of Saco Annual Report 1944-45
- 21 • Thornton Academy Tripods and other T.A. publications

Subseries 2F. Magazines

- 22 • Life Magazines—1933-36 (incomplete)

Subseries 2G. General Books

- 6 • Doddridge, Philip, *The Rise and Progress of Religion in the Soul*, American Tract Society : New York, n.d.
- *New Testament* (translated from original Greek. American Bible Society : New York, 1829
- Winchell, James, *Psalms, Hymns & Spiritual (Works) of Isaac Watts*. James Loring : Boston, 1832 (Hannah Dearing's copy embossed on cover)
- Whittier, John Greenleaf, *The Poetical Works*, James Osborne : Boston, 1873 [John Haley's copy]

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 - *Maine at Gettysburg* : Report of Maine Commissioners, Prepared by the Executive Committee. Lakeside Press : Portland, Me, 1898 (gift to Adelaide from John Haley)
 - Walker, *Critical Pronouncing Dictionary*, n.d.
- 7 23
 - *Heads of Families: First Census of U.S., 1790—State of Maine*, G.P.O. : Washington, D.C., 1908
 - *First Book of Records of the Town of Peperellborough*. Note inside book from Adelaide Haley: “Annotated by my father—extra precious . . .”

Series 3. Research Notes and Documents

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- 7 A-P • *Saco History*
- 8 • *Saco History*
- 9 • *Saco History*
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- 11 • *Saco History*
- 11A • *Saco History*
- 11B • *Saco History*
- 11C • *Saco History*
- 12 24 • *The Haley House and Farm” / “Old Haley House”*
- 25 • *Thomas Haley ... Winter Harbor”*
- 26 • *Lighthouse collection*
- 27 • *Bonython*
- 28 • *Samuel Brannon*
- 29 • *Tercentenary Celebration, Saco, 1631-1931*
- 30 • *Research notes, George Allen Haley of San Diego*
- 31 • *Land deeds, receipts, legal contracts 1842-91*
- 32 • *General research notes*

Series 4. Genealogical notes 1835-n.d.

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 - 33 • *George Allen Haley, genealogical information*
 - 34 • *Genealogical records for the following families*
Lancastrian and York Families
Haley Families
Capt. Christopher Levet and the Stage Island Monument
Coombs and Rev. Robert Jordan
Families: Patterson—Edgecomb—Coombs—Haley—Lewis
Drake—Leavitt—Gatchell—Wordsworth—Murch—Stone
Families Hussy—Tibbetts—Whitier
Families Dover—Hussy—Whitier—Duxbury—Batchelo—

Edgecomb

Families Coombs and Gatchell / Haley and Brackett

Families West—Edgecomb—Haley—Lewis—Cleaves

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| 14 | 35 | • <i>Compilation of genealogical records of Haley Family</i> |
| | 36 | • <i>Working genealogical papers of George Allen Haley</i> |
| | 37 | • <i>Coombs, Samuel (of Salem) / Gatchell—Haley</i> |
| | 38 | • <i>Ancestry of Olive E. Gatchell</i> |
| | 39 | • <i>Brackett Family Genealogy</i> |
| | 40 | • <i>Families Thomas Lewis—John Lee—Irene Bradeen—Samuel Haley—Augusta Adams—Abram Taylor—Elizabeth Woodsum—Lee Family, etc.</i> |
| | 41 | • <i>Miscellaneous Genealogical data</i> |
| | 42 | • <i>Birth records 1836-86</i> |
| | 43 | • <i>Birth record 1836-65, copies from Saco City Hall records</i> |
| | 43A | • <i>“Genealogical Memoranda, relating chiefly to the Haley, Piper, Neal and Ricker Families of Maine and New Hampshire,” by Rev. John W. Hayley, D.D., 1900</i> |

Series 5. Newspapers clippings n.d., 1880-1948

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| 15 | 44 | • <i>News clipping, general interest, n.d. 1880, 1918, '27, '33, '40</i>
• <i>Clippings of births, marriages, deaths, n.d., 1936</i>
• <i>Saco and Local History</i>
• <i>Estelle Tallerson's articles on old houses in Saco, 1916, 1927-28</i>
• <i>History of McArthur Library, Biddeford Daily Journal, Sept. 8, 1923</i>
• <i>Article regarding Storehouse Burning, Biddeford Daily Journal, 1931</i>
• <i>People's Forum, 1946</i> |
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Series 6. Photographs 1935-n.d.

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| 15 | 45 | • <i>Negative of unknown house.</i>
• <i>Haley burial ground on Pool Road, with grave inscriptions written on back of photograph</i>
• <i>Photograph from letter written to Adelaide from George A. Haley (Series 1. Correspondences / Subseries 1A. Personal / Box 1 / Folder 4) in San Diego “Palace of Photography by Night—America's Exposition—San Diego, 1935.</i>
• <i>Two photographs taken from George A. Haley's notebook (Series 3: Research notes and documents / Box 12 / Folder 30).</i>
#1. Rosco E. Haley, Waltham, MA, holding a cat & 2 parrots.
#2. America's Exposition 1935 Season Ticket with George A. Haley's photograph
• <i>MSS19. Daguerreotype #1: portrait of young man (unknown)</i> |
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- Daguerreotype: portrait of elderly man (unknown)
- Daguerreotype: portrait of woman (unknown)

15A • *Newspaper clippings used in Saco History Research*

Series 7. Personal miscellaneous materials

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| 16 | -- | • <i>York Institute Club 1304, Adelaide as secretary, 1892-93. 2nd half of book used as Adelaide's personal account book, 1897-1900</i> |
| | -- | • <i>Personal account books 1901-1941</i> |
| | -- | • <i>Receipt book and ledger, 1904-1910</i> |
| 15 | 46 | • <i>Re: Renting room on King Street home, 1909</i> |
| | 47 | • <i>Re: Sewer easement on Adelaide Haley's King Street Property, 1931</i> |
| | 48 | • <i>Travel diaries, Western Trip, 1939</i> |

Series 8. Ephemera

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| 15 | 49 | • <i>Advertisement--Blotter cards</i>
• <i>Memorabilia of places and events</i>
• <i>Tourist photo book of Washington, D.C.</i>
• <i>Various calling cards</i>
• <i>Adelaide's bookmarks</i>
• <i>Holiday greeting cards</i>
• <i>Miscellaneous illustrations from magazines</i> |
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Series 9. Artifacts

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| 15 | 50 | • <i>Illustrations and poetry by George Haley, son of John Haley 1936</i>
• <i>Beautifully illustrated book art card (illuminated art) by Katherine Lee Bates [to Adelaide Haley]</i>
• <i>Original signature of Thos. Cutts</i>
• <i>Two brass binder clips, taken from Adelaid Haley's Saco History research papers.</i> |
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