Guide to the Hitchcock Family Papers 1834-1876
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Descriptive Summary

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Information on Use

Access                No restrictions

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Related Resources
The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

http://www.lib.uchicago.edu/e/spcl/select.html

**Subject Headings**

- Hitchcock, Dexter
- Hitchcock, Sheldon
- Hitchcock family
- United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865

**INVENTORY**

**Box 1**

**Folder 1**
Correspondence of Dexter Hitchcock, Mobile, Alabama, 1834-1835
- (1) A pencil copy of a letter to his sister informing her of his determination to go to Mobile
- (2) 15 letters to or from P. S. Gerald, G. C. Knight, C. M. Rogers, and his brother, Warren Hitchcock in Ireland, 1834-1835
- (3) Letter from H. W. Russell addressed to Hitchcock in Baltimore

**Box 1**

**Folder 2**
Business Papers of Dexter Hitchcock, 1834-1835
- (1) 9 items; shipping receipts, bills of lading, memos of sales
- (2) 9 items; Bills and records of personal expenses
- (3) Miscellaneous; Poetry, possibly of Dexter Hitchcock, but more probably that of P. S. Gerald

**Box 1**

**Folder 3**
Correspondence of Sheldon Hitchcock, Suffield, Connecticut and Aurora, Illinois, 1839-1861
- 16 letters, business and personal, two of them undated

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**Folder 4**
Business papers of Sheldon Hitchcock
- (1) 9 items: bills and public notices pursuant to affairs of the Suffield, Connecticut District School, 1842-1845
- (2) 15 items; bills and business memoranda of Sheldon Hitchcock, 1835-1860

**Box 1**

**Folder 5**
Correspondence of Union soldiers with friends in Aurora, Illinois
- 11 letters, 1861-1864, one undated

**Box 1**

**Folder 6**
Miscellaneous
- (1) 4 miscellaneous letters
• (2) 2 school compositions of Clara Hitchcock
• (3) Account book of Sheldon Hitchcock, Aurora, Illinois, with entries dated 1857, 1861
• (4) Account of Year’s Expenses, 1869; Alice C. Hitchcock
• (5) Expense Account of E. K. and Alice C. Isbell, 1873-1878
• (6) Pamphlet; Catalogue of Shults, Wiley, & Wickes, Fruit and Produce Commission Merchants, New York, 1860