

Thomas H. Canfield (1822-1897)
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Introduction

The Thomas H. Canfield Papers are the business and personal papers of Canfield, a Burlington, Vermont, businessman who played a prominent role in the development of transportation routes in Vermont, across the northern United States, and into Canada. The papers were donated to the Vermont Historical Society in 1946 by Canfield's children: Marion Canfield Hadlock, Mrs. N. Harold Camp, and Thomas H. Canfield Jr. The papers are housed in 13 boxes and occupies 13 linear feet of shelf space.

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Biographical Sketch

Thomas Hawley Canfield was born in 1822 in Arlington, Vermont, one of two children of Mary Ann Hawley and Samuel Canfield. His sister, Maria, was born in 1824. He received his education at the Burr Seminary, Manchester, Vermont; the Troy Episcopal Institute, Troy, New York; and Union College, Schenectady, New York. In 1844 he married Elizabeth A. Chittenden, daughter of Eli Chittenden. She died in 1848 and Canfield married Caroline (Carrie) A. Hopkins, daughter of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Hopkins, in 1860. They had five children: Emily, John, Marion, Flora, and Thomas Jr.

Canfield lived in Arlington until 1844 when he moved to Williston, Vermont, to enter the mercantile business with Ralph Landon and Eli Chittenden. In 1847 he moved to Burlington, Vermont, and became involved in business with John Bradley, Timothy Follett, and Nathaniel Tucker in a mercantile business originally known as Follett and Bradley but soon changed to John Bradley and Company. In 1848 Tucker resigned from the business and Canfield and Bradley joined forces with Joseph Bishop and John Smith. The business was split into a mercantile business known as Bishop, Smith, and Co., and a forwarding, storage, custom house and commission business known as Bradley and Canfield.

In addition to these businesses, Canfield worked with various partners and associates to establish telegraph lines, railroads and shipping routes throughout Vermont, New England, New York, Pennsylvania, and eventually in the western United States. His first undertaking was the building of a telegraph from Troy, New York, to Montreal by way of Burlington in 1848. He then helped organize and build the Rutland and Burlington Railroad to Bellows Falls, Vermont, and became involved with George W. Strong and Merritt Clark in building the Rutland and Washington Railroad from Rutland

to Eagle Bridge, New York. After that line was completed Canfield remained very active in the operation of the Rutland and Washington Railroad serving as superintendent and president, and eventually leasing the railroad for his own use and operation. In 1849 Canfield expanded his interests into New York State where he joined T. F. Strong and Joseph and Selah Chamberlin in building the Ogdensburg Railroad from Rouses Point, New York, to Ogdensburg, New York. Because he did not have any railroad connections north of Burlington it became necessary to acquire boats for transportation from Burlington to Rouses Point via Lake Champlain.

Canfield was keenly aware of Burlington's potentially vital link between markets in Boston, New York, Montreal and the west. He promoted a northern route connecting the Atlantic Ocean, the St. Lawrence River and the Great Lakes to provide access to western products and markets. In 1849 he contracted with E. C. Bancroft of Oswego, New York, and the company of Chamberlin and Crawford of Cleveland, Ohio, to provide boats to make regular runs between Detroit and Ogdensburg, carrying wheat and flour, for what became the Northern Transportation Line. In 1851 he chartered a "steam propeller" to run between Detroit and Montreal and purchased a large flour mill at Battle Creek, Michigan, with Eli Chittenden stationed in Detroit to tend to the business.

While a strong advocate of a northern water trade route, Canfield was also interested in a northern railroad route, and became involved with engineer Edwin Johnson in publicizing such a route. In 1852 he and several partners contracted to build the Chicago, St. Paul, and Fond du Lac Railroad, which was never completed because of the financial panic of 1857.

During the Civil War, Thomas Canfield worked as assistant manager under Thomas Scott, in charge of all railroads entering Washington, D. C. After the war he returned to Burlington to oversee the Champlain Transportation Company's steamboats.

During the war Josiah Perham of Maine had received a charter for a railroad from Maine to the Pacific Coast, to be called the People's Railroad. The plans for that railroad did not work out but he reapplied under the name of the Northern Pacific Railroad. Still unsuccessful, his charter was turned over to J. Gregory Smith of the Vermont Central Railroad. Smith became president of the company in 1865 and named Thomas H. Canfield a director and general agent. The charter for the railroad set a deadline for construction to begin and Canfield had to lobby Congress to provide aid for the project or extend its charter. As the government was already aiding the Union and Central Pacific Railroads there was not enough support to assist the Northern Pacific so Canfield had to devise a new scheme for raising money. He proposed that a syndicate of twelve prominent businessmen, who represented other transportation interests in the country, be created to lend credibility to the project and by 1867 he had an agreement signed known as the Original Interests Agreement. A key person to sign the agreement was William B. Ogden, president of the Chicago and North Western Railroad. In 1869 Congress permitted the Northern Pacific Railroad to issue bonds under the direction of Jay Cooke and Company, and finally in 1870 ground was broken for the railroad.

In 1870 the Lake Superior and Puget Sound Land Company was founded with Thomas H. Canfield as president. The land company was necessary because under their charter the Northern Pacific Railroad had no authority to buy land. Under Canfield's direction the Lake Superior and Puget Sound Land Company located and laid out some of the towns along the Northern Pacific rail route from Lake Superior to the Red River.

Canfield remained a director of the railroad and president of the land company until the Northern Pacific Railroad went bankrupt in 1873, at which time it reorganized and became principal owner of the land company, eliminating the need for Canfield's services.

After 1873 Canfield devoted most of his energy to farming. Because settlement along the railroad had been slower than expected, he acquired some land in Lake Park, Minnesota, and practiced diversified farming as an example of the profitability of farming. He grew wheat, and raised dairy cattle, beef cattle, and stallions.

Throughout his life Canfield was active in the Episcopal Church, primarily in Vermont but also in some of the towns he helped settle. He was a vestryman and warden of St. Paul's Church in Burlington, attended conventions of the Diocese of Vermont and represented the Diocese in general conventions. He was an original incorporator and trustee of the Vermont Episcopal Institute, and was active with Bishop Hopkins in acquiring land in Burlington at Rock Point, for an Episcopal residence and church school. He also helped build Bishop Hopkins Hall in Burlington.

Thomas H. Canfield died in 1897 and is buried at Rock Point, Burlington, Vermont.

Scope and Content

The Thomas H. Canfield Papers are made up of Canfield personal and business papers as well as some correspondence and documents concerning the Episcopal Church in Vermont.

The majority of the collection is papers representing Canfield's many business interests ranging from his early activity in the mercantile field to his involvement in the railroad industry, particularly the Washington and Rutland Railroad and the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, and finally to his farming and agricultural business in Lake Park, Minnesota.

The earliest papers from the 1840s document Canfield's introduction to the mercantile business in Williston, Vermont. He did business with Eli Chittenden and Ralph Landon and an 1844 deed transfers Chittenden's interest in Ralph Landon and Co. to Canfield. In 1845 there is a partnership agreement between Landon and Canfield, and later in the year a dissolution of that partnership.

After a few years in Williston, Canfield moved to Burlington to continue his career in the mercantile business and to expand his business. Primary among his concerns was the transportation and shipping business by land and water. Land shipping took him into railroads and there are many records of the Washington and Rutland Railroad including minutes; agreements with other railroads, especially the Troy and Rutland Railroad in the early 1850s; stockholders records; and contracts with Canfield. His railroad interests expanded westward as he became convinced of the value of a railroad line to the Pacific by a northern route. In 1852 there is a copy of a report by Samuel Wilkeson on the merits of a Pacific railroad and in 1854 a portion of a speech delivered to Congress on a Pacific railroad. In anticipation of the western railroad Canfield became involved in the buying and selling of land and in 1853 there are articles of association of the Chicago Land Company. He also invested in other railroad projects for small lines in the west including the Rock River Valley Union Railroad Co., whose annual report is filed in 1854; the Chicago, St. Paul and Fond du Lac Railroad, whose charter is dated 1855; and the Leavenworth Pawnee and Western Railroad Co., 1862. There is also information about surveying done as far west as the Washington Territory in 1856 and 1862. In the 1860's the railroad papers include a few more records of the Washington and Rutland Railroad but they start to be outnumbered by the records of the Northern Pacific Railroad beginning with the charter, amendment, and by-laws in 1864.

The records of the Northern Pacific include accounts 1865-1866 between Canfield and the Northern Pacific Railroad, legal papers such as transfer of power of attorney for stockholders, and minutes of meetings. In 1866 there is a statement by the previous directors of the company supporting the new directors. There are copies of government acts and resolutions concerning the building of the railroad. In June 1866 there is a memo with calculations concerning the building of the road and in October 1867 there is a report by the assistant engineer of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company surveys showing the decreasing costs of material and labor in the west between 1856 and 1866. There are proposals and surveying reports for routes of the road, and an 1870 report of the weather in the Idaho Territory. As the financial support for the railroad became more elusive in the late 1860s, there are pleas to the government for support, and in 1869 there is an agreement between Jay Cooke and Co. concerning the selling of bonds. After 1873 most of the papers of the Northern Pacific concern stock transfers, or are printed circulars and reports.

The railroad business carried with it the need to acquire land and subsequently the opportunity to sell and develop land along the route of the completed road. This collection contains an extensive collection of maps, primarily printed, but many of them annotated with proposed railroad lines and divided into lots. There are also records of several land companies that Canfield was involved with. The Chicago Land Company articles of association are filed in 1853, and subsequent years include records of the stockholders including minutes of annual meetings, and annual reports. There are also deeds, and correspondence about land transactions throughout the collection. The other land company Canfield was affiliated with was the Lake Superior and Puget Sound Company, and in 1872 there is a document giving Canfield, as president of the company, the authority to sell land. In 1873 there are copies of proceedings of the executive

committee in May and September. After he began farming in Lake Park, there are records of his land dealings in that area. His career in real estate was not without incident. He became involved in controversy over land known as the Fair Ground, in Minneapolis, ca. 1873, and legal papers of that case extend into the 1890s.

Beginning in the mid-1870s many of the papers document Canfield's Lake Park, Minnesota farm. There are cattle records, 1876-1890, accounts, land deeds, contracts, records of crops (particularly wheat), and receipts for transporting livestock on the Northern Pacific Railroad, as well as correspondence on farm matters. Beginning in 1884 there are scattered entry forms for cattle in the American Short Horn Herd Book, and in 1893 there is a certificate of pedigree from the American Percheron Horse Breeders Association. In addition to records of Canfield's farm, there are some records from the Fletcher Hawley farm in Cuba, Minnesota. (Fletcher Hawley was Canfield's sister's husband.) Canfield was also involved in the Lake Park Hotel, some of whose records are in this collection.

Outside of his business life, Canfield was very active in the affairs of the Episcopal Church in Vermont and there is correspondence throughout his life, beginning ca. 1861, from various bishops and rectors. His wife was the daughter of Bishop John Henry Hopkins (1792-1868) and this collection includes some of Hopkins papers, including an 1865 printed letter from Hopkins to the southern bishops urging them to rejoin the church at the triennial meeting, and an account in 1866 of Hopkin's golden wedding celebration, and a copy of a sermon preached several times between 1825-1849. There are also several letters to John Henry Hopkins Jr. (1820-1891). After the bishop's death in 1868, Canfield began a campaign to raise money for a monument to him. There is a pamphlet dated 1873, entitled, "Order of Services at Translation of the Remains of the Right Reverend John H. Hopkins." In 1887 Bishop Hopkins Hall was built at Burlington and Canfield's correspondence includes reference to that.

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Related Collections

For more primary sources related to Thomas H. Canfield, in the Vermont Historical Society Library, see the J. Gregory Smith Papers (Ms Box 84), and the Eli Hawley Family Papers (Doc 412). There are also some isolated letters to or from Canfield that can be found through the Brigham index. Collections of Canfield's papers can found at the University of Vermont and the New York State Library.

The Minnesota Historical Society has 10,600 cubic feet of records from the Northern Pacific Railway, 1861-1970 (<http://www.mnhs.org/>). The National Archives of Canada has the records of the Canadian National Railways that includes many Vermont railroads.

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- 5 1862, correspondence
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- 8 _____, minutes, reports, etc.
- 9 _____, _____, Chicago Land Co.
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- 11 1863 correspondence
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- Doc 7:13 _____, financial papers
- Ms Size D _____, David A. Smalley in account with Bradley and Canfield
- Doc 7:14 _____, minutes, reports, etc., Chicago Land Co.
- 15 _____, printed
- 16 1864, correspondence
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- 18 _____, financial papers
- 19 _____, minutes, reports, etc. Chicago Land Co.
- 20 _____, printed
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- 26 1866 correspondence
- 27 _____, legal papers
- 28 _____, financial papers
- 29 _____, minutes, reports, etc., Northern Pacific Railroad
- 30 _____, _____, _____.
- 31 _____, _____, National Steamship
- 32 _____, printed
- Ms Size D _____, printed copy of and Act to secure the speedy construction of the Northern Pacific Railroad and Telegraph Line (2 copies)
- _____ , Atlantic and Pacific Railroad Company stock certificate
- Ms Size C _____, list of Congress members for 40th Congress, 2nd Session with party affiliation and votes added
- Doc 7:33 1867, correspondence A-R
- 34 _____, _____, S-Z
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- 37 _____, minutes, reports, etc.
- 38 _____, printed
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15 _____, printed
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20 _____, printed
21 1875, correspondence

- Ms Size C _____, letter and diagram of township no. 142, n. range, no. 43, w5
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