

**Vermont Auditor of Accounts
Records, 1809-1870
Doc 64, Doc 435-436**

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Introduction

The Vermont Auditor of Accounts Collection includes documents related to the business and finances of the Vermont state government from the years 1809 to 1870. These papers were transferred to the Vermont Historical Society by the Public Records Commission in 1957. The collection was stored in one document storage box until 1997 when volunteers unwrapped and unfolded the packets of papers that were in the box. The collection is now stored in three document storage boxes occupying three linear feet of shelf space.

Scope and Content

The Vermont Auditor of Accounts Collection encompasses a wide range of receipts, reports, rosters, and other documents pertaining to the operation of state government. Although the earliest and latest dates are 1809 and 1870, the bulk of the collection documents the time period from the 1840's through the 1860's.

The largest portion of the collection is receipts from state and local institutions acknowledging receipt of state funds. Similarly, there are many orders for payment to various government institutions; many are contained in the third series, Auditor's Account (Doc 64:7-26)

The ninth series, Militia—11th Regiment, contains rosters of the Green Mountain Boys in the 1840s and 50s, listing number of days served, ranks, and requests for payment (Doc 435:18-34). The requests are signed by the commanding officers.

The miscellaneous documents reflect special claims made to the state or incidental bills. There is one document related to research after the destruction of the Vermont State House in 1857 (Doc 436:64) and a few bills incurred afterward (Doc 436:63). There are several documents related to special safety, agriculture, school, and town surplus funds.

The collection includes documents relating to several court cases in the 1850s and 1860s, including *The State v. Henry Stevens*, in which Stevens sought reimbursement for services and expenses incurred while collecting rare books and manuscripts which were destroyed in the State House fire of 1857.

Killed bear certificates are included in this collection (Doc 435:15-17) as well as one certificate documenting a killed lynx.

Auditor of Accounts during this period:

1846-50: Silas H. Hodges
1851-53: J. E. Woodbridge
1854-59: W. M. Pingry
1860-63: Teptha Bradley
1864-68: Dugald Stewart

Organization

The collection is organized in 16 series. These series are loosely based on labels wrapping bundles of papers. The series have been organized alphabetically to aid in research. Within series papers have been organized by year in an attempt to bring related materials together. There are many overlapping categories; the researcher should search the entire collection for information on particular topics

Related Collections

The Vermont Historical Society holds the Henry Stevens Family Correspondence (Doc 30 and Doc 346), the Henry Stevens Letters (MS 120), and many other miscellaneous materials related to Stevens. The VHS also holds items relating to the 1857 State House fire including photographs (F-TO-Montpelier-State House) and plans of the destroyed building and of the replacement structure (* elephant folio 974.30 V59sth)

Inventory

I. Agricultural Society Receipts

Doc 64:1	1855
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III. Auditor's Account

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V. Commissary General's Account

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VI. County Clerks

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9	Orange, 1854, 1857
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IX. Militia, 11th Regiment

- 18 Company receipts, 1840, Captain Atwood, St. Albans
- 19 _____, _____, Captain Barr, Highgate
- 20 _____, _____, Captain Beeman, Fairfax
- 21 _____, _____, Captain Caldwell, Georgia
- 22 _____, _____, Captain Dewey, Highgate
- 23 _____, _____, Captain Rounds, Swanton
- 24 Company rosters, 1847 & miscellaneous documents, 1836
- 25 Company rosters, 1857, Green Mountain Boys
- 26 Company receipts and rosters, 1858
- 27 _____, _____
- 28 _____, _____
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- 38 County Commissioners, 1855-1856
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- 43 _____, Calais, 1850
- 44 _____, Fayston, 1849-1850
- 45 _____, Marshfield, 1849-1850
- 46 _____, Orange, 1850-1851
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- 48 _____, Woodbury, 1849-1850
- 49 Supreme Court Judges, 1854-1856, 1859
- 50 Miscellaneous, 1854

XII. State vs.

- Doc 436:1 Allen, Cyrus, 1858-1859
- 2 Carpenter, Belknap, et al., 1860, 1862, 1864, 1867
- 3 Culver, J., 1850
- 4 Moon, James of Royalton, 1862
- 5 Stevens, Henry, 1857
- 6 Miscellaneous court documents, affidavits and requisitions for extradition, 1857, 1862, 1868

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8	_____, 1856
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19	1846
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21	_____
22	_____
23	_____
24	1847
25	1851-1852
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