

# NEW HAVEN COLONY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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- I. Title Ford, Stephen Baldwin (1788-1867) Papers, 1767-1869.
- II. The papers of Stephen Baldwin Ford deposited in the Library on \_\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ In \_\_\_\_\_ converted the deposit to a gift.
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- VII. Biographical note:  
Stephen Baldwin Ford was born Aug.13, 1788 and died Mar.7, 1867. His first marriage was to Harriet E. Smith, daughter of David Smith (Revolutionary soldier) on Dec.3, 1812. His second marriage was to Harriet E. Williams on Apr.7, 1841.
- VIII. Analysis: see page two

VIII. Analysis: The papers of Stephen B. Ford of Milford reflected his participation in many activities of the town. Included is a genealogy chart of the family of Stephen B. Ford. Most of the records are of a financial nature including the Milford School Society Accounts from 1809-1861; School Society Accounts, 1809-1861; his correspondence with the 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1825-1842; school reports on the number of pupils in the district, 1836-1854; and school enumeration, 1832-1842. Included also are records of Warranty Deeds, 1795-1824; records of his work as a Constable, 1823-1848, and writs, 1832-1850; business letters for insurance, and his Cider Mill Account Book.

The letters from John and Maria Crabb (sister); Amos Ford (brother); Dennis S. Ford (brother); T. S. Ford (son); his wife and other members of the family and his personal accounts are all on file. Estate Records of David Camp, Grace Camp, Isaac Camp and Amos Ford are included. The records of Stephen B. Ford as Tax Collector includes abatement of Taxes, Assessments and State Tax, Account Book of Milford for 1826, 1848; Tax Assessment Book of 1849; a listing of the Grand List of Taxes and Correspondence for Collection of Debts and Promise of Debts. His Highway Surveyors Note Book from 1824-1855 is on file. Military Records from 1812-1818 are listed. Included in this collection are unlabelled papers and a few miscellaneous items.

The collection consists of loose items and one bound ledger and comprise six boxes. The material is organized by subject and within that chronologically; the bulk of the material is dated 1801-1860. The boxes are numbered in Roman numerals; within each container the folders are lettered consecutively [II: B = Box II: folder B].

While perusing the material one is cognizant of the activities taking place in the town of Milford which had an effect on the daily lives of the inhabitants and their interaction within the Community.

Box I Milford School Society Accounts

Folder

A.	Milford School Society Accounts	-	1809-1810
B.	"	"	1811
C.	"	"	1819-1822, 1824
D.	"	"	1825-1830
E.	"	"	1831-1832, 1834-1835
F.	"	"	1836-1837
G.	"	"	1838-1839
H.	"	"	1840-1841
I.	"	"	1842
J.	"	"	1843
K.	"	"	1844
L.	"	"	1845-1846
M.	"	"	1847
N.	"	"	1848-1849
O.	"	"	1850-1854
P.	"	"	1855
Q.	"	"	1856
R.	"	"	1857
S.	"	"	1858
T.	"	"	1859-1861
U.	"	"	Undated
V.	Correspondence of 1st Ecclesiastical Society		
W.	Accounts of 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1801-1819.		

Box II

Folder

A.	Bills and Accounts of 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1820-1821		
B.	Accounts of 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1822-1823		
C.	Accounts of 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1824		
D.	Accounts of 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1825		
E.	Accounts of 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1826		
F.	Accounts of 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1827		
G.	"	"	1828
H.	"	"	1829
I.	"	"	1830, 1831
J.	"	"	1832
K.	"	"	1833
L.	"	"	1834, 1835
M.	"	"	1836
N.	"	"	1837
O.	"	"	1838-1839

Box III

Folder

A-1	Accounts of First Ecclesiastical Society, 1840-1860		
A-2	Accounts of First Ecclesiastical Society, undated		
B.	Pew Lists of 1st Ecclesiastical Society, 1825-1832.		
C.	"	"	1833-1835
D.	"	"	1836-1842

- E. Constitution of Auxillary Tract Society - List of Directors and Officers-  
Milford Bible Society - Benevolent Society and Church Conference, 1825-  
1861.
- F. Reports of Sabbath School of 1st Society, 1829-1833 and undated
- G. Milford School District Number 1, 1820-1860
- H. " " " 2, 1820-1860
- I. " " " 3, 1820-1860
- J. " " " 4, 1820-1860
- K. " " " 5, 1820-1860
- L. " " " 6-7, 1820-1861
- M. " " " 8, 1821-1860
- N. " " " 9-10, 1829-1860
- O. " " " 11-12, 1829-1860

Box IV

Folder

- A. Milford High Schools ,1840-1860
- B. Milford Schools - Reports on Number of Pupils in District, 1836-1837
- C. " " " " , 1850-1851
- D. " " " " , 1853-1854
- E. Milford School District - Miscellaneous
- F. Milford Scholars Enumeration District 1 - 10, 1832; Dist. 1-11, 1838
- G. " " " 1 - 11, 1840; Dist. 1-11, 1841
- H. " " " 3-12, 1842
- I. School enumeration, List, Miscellaneous - Treasurer Accounting, 1826-  
1833-1842. Typescript of accounts (circa 11)
- J. Stephen B. Ford - Warranty Deeds ,1795-1824
- K. Stephen B. Ford - Warranty Deeds, 1825-1868
- L. " " " - Constable, 1815-1830
- M. " " " - " " , 1831-1844
- N. " " " - " " , 1845-1857
- O. " " " - Writs , 1820-1827
- P. " " " - " , 1828

Box V

Folder

- A. Stephen B. Ford - Writs, 1830's
- B. " " " - " , 1840-1853
- C. " " " - Bonds, 1827-1838
- D. " " " - Business Letters
- E. " " " - Fire Insurance, 1842-1869
- F. " " " - Cider Mill Account Books
- G. " " " - Bills - Personal Accounts, 1809-1835
- H. " " " - Bills - Personal Accounts, 1836-1869
- I. " " " - " 1815-1869
- J. John Ford - Will, 1815-1869
- K. S. B. Ford Letters - John M. and Maria Crabb, 1845-1853, & Amos Ford
- L. " " " - Dennis S. Ford, 1847-1851; T. S. Ford (son), 1855-1858
- M. " " " - To Mrs. S. B. Ford (Harriet) 1843, 1858, 1864 &  
Family Correspondence, 1835-1850

Box VI

Folder

- A. Genealogy Charts - Stephen B. Ford
- B. Maps
- C. Stephen B. Ford - School Fund Receipts, 1847-1858; Rules of School
- D. " " - Estate of David Camp, Grace Camp and Garret Camp
- E. " " - Estate of Isaac Camp - Court of Probate, 1820-1821; 1827; 1835; 1840-41
- F. " " - Estate of Amos Ford
- G. " " - Tax Collector, 1811-1869
- H. " " - Abatement Taxes
- I. " " - Assessment and State Tax
- J. " " - Account Book of Milford, 1826-1848
- K. " " - Tax Assessment Book, 1849
- L. " " - Grand List for Taxes, 1841-1848; 1855-1860
- M. " " - Correspondence - Collection of Debts
- N. " " - Highway Surveyors - Notebooks, 1824-1828; 1832-1855
- O. " " - David Nettleton
- P. " " - Military Records, 1812-1818
- Q. " " - Undated, unlabeled papers
- R. " " - Accounts, n.d.
- S. " " - Blank receipts--Commutation Fee, as exemption from Military duty, 1850's

Box VII Ledger - Milford Connecticut School Society, 1767-1841 (circa 126)

Item VIII Unbound ledgers--Accounts, 1842

"Account of Mail received at the Post-Office," 1841,  
1843-45

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