Lamson & Goodnow Papers

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Begun as a mill manufacturing scythe snaths by Silas Lamson in Cummington, Mass., in 1834, the company moved to Shelburne Falls in 1837. Lamson was joined by his sons, Ebenezer and Nathaniel, and by Ebenezer and Abel Goodnow. Incorporated in 1851 as the Shelburne Falls Manufacturing Co., the name was changed to Lamson & Goodnow in 1853 after most operations had moved to the Buckland, Mass., side of the Deerfield River. Lamson & Goodnow manufactured scythes and cutlery for more than 175 years.

The collection, which spans the period Aug. 1844 to Dec. 1847, consists of invoices, receipts, and some correspondence documenting the sale of their products.

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