Yale Family Papers

The Yale Family Papers contain papers of Linus Yale, Sr. (1797-1857), Linus Yale, Jr. (1821-1868), and Catherine Brooks Yale (1818-1900). Linus Yale Sr. was an inventor, farmer, and sawmill owner. His papers consist of 4 patents issued to him in the 1830s and 1840s for improvements to sawmills. He later began working on locks. He would pass his skills and interests to his son, Linus Jr. Linus Yale Jr. is represented in the collection by 3 patents issued to him for a door lock, a vault lock, and a bank lock, all from the 1850s. His wife, Catherine Brooks Yale, is represented in the collection by her essay on woman's suffrage, her ticket and program from the World's Columbian Exposition of 1892 in Chicago, her obituary, an anti-suffrage pamphlet, and a Christmas message for a friend.

Folder 1

Patents of Linus Yale Sr. and Linus Yale Jr.; 2 articles about the Yales; and one letter detailing the patents of Linus Yale Jr.

Folder 2

Catherine B. Yale's papers including her suffrage essay and pamphlet, her Columbian Exposition items, and her obituary.