



Piscataqua Pioneers

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Curator's Report

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A report from NANCY MASON, UNH, DIMOND LIBRARY

All of the published books that were in our collection have been relocated out onto the public floor and are integrated into the Genealogy reference collection. We did retain a few books in the New Hampshire Collection based on size, age and condition. Each catalogued book in the collection includes a note that states it is part of the Piscataqua Pioneers collection. **A list of the books can be found in the library's catalog records, using "Piscataqua Pioneers" as the key word search.** It is my job to reshelv the Genealogy books and **I am seeing that a lot of the Lamson Books ARE BEING USED.**

I have spent over 3 months reprocessing the membership section of the collection. I combined the 2 sections (membership application and papers of proof) into 1 folder and arranged them in alphabetical order. I still have more work to do but the biggest part is done. The On-line Finding Aid has not been changed yet but will be soon.

Here is the new listing:

Series I – Membership Applications, Filed Alphabetically

Series II – Society Information and Secretary Minutes

Series III – Member Assembled Family Histories

Series IV – Member Assembled Booklets and Pamphlets

There are several boxes of Member assembled groupings that still have to be processed and added to the collection.

This Spring there was a **(Of) request(s) to use (the member-only society) materials by a non-member** which started a discussion -- who should give or deny permission for usage? Several emails were exchanged and it was decided that I should provide a link to your web site and have the patron make the quest to the Registrar. The decision will be passed on to me and I can contact the patron with info on how to go about viewing the papers. Other than this request and Barbara Alex, **no one else has asked to use that part of the collection.**

For general information about our collection, PLEASE, NO SPECIFIC REQUESTS RELATING TO INDIVIDUALS OR FAMILY RESEARCH, contact NANCY MASON, as she is in charge our collection. Her phone number is (603) 862-2908 and email nancy.mason@unh.edu,

Respectfully submitted, William G. Drew, Curator

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