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Sunderland (Mass.) Town Records

1620-1899

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Background on Sunderland (Mass.)

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Vital records: 1716-1858 and 1636-1835

1636-1858

Reel 1

Militia records

1841-1912

Reel 2

Financial records: 1805-1860 and 1762-1809; Town Meetings and miscellaneous: 1833-1851 and 1757-1816

1857-1860

Reel 3

Town meetings and miscellaneous: 1673-1758 and 1673-1855

1673-1855

Reel 4

Historical and genealogical register: 1620-1899

1620-1899

Reel 5

Administrative information

Access

The collection is open for research.

Provenance

Location of Originals

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