



New England Yearly Meeting of Friends Records

1633-2018

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Collection overview

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Background on New England Yearly Meeting of Friends

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With roots in northern England, the Society of Friends was one of the most successful of the radical sects that arose during the religious ferment of the English Civil War. Spreading rapidly under the visionary leaders George Fox, Margaret Fell, and James Nayler, among others, Friends were widely regarded as a threat to the established social order for their insistence on the possibility of a direct experience of the divine without the intermediary of an ordained clergy, and for their radical egalitarianism rooted in the concept of an Inward Light, a divine spark within all humanity.

Intensely evangelical during the first decades of their existence, Friends spread their teachings throughout Britain and overseas, first arriving in New England in 1656. Greeted with considerable hostility by the Puritan authorities in Massachusetts Bay and Plymouth Colonies. Their anticlericalism and egalitarianism were no less controversial in the New England theocracies than they had been in England, and the authorities responded with systematic repression, including banishment, corporal punishment, and in four cases, capital punishment: between 1659 and 1661, William Robinson, Marmaduke Stephenson, Mary Dyer, and William Leddra were all executed in Boston.

Despite the response, Friends found root in the more tolerant environs of Rhode Island, forming at least seven local meetings within a decade and organizing the first General Meeting of Friends in America in Newport, R.I., in 1661. The process of establishing governing structures for Quakerism in the colonies took on a new energy following the evangelical visit of George Fox in 1672, after which the General Meeting was formally constituted as the New England Yearly Meeting for Business, with Monthly Meetings constituted at the same time. New York Yearly Meeting was set off from New England in 1695. Three quarterly meetings were established between 1699 and 1705, which served as the official bodies for authorizing representatives to the Yearly Meeting.

The NEYM continued to formalize and strengthen church structures during the eighteenth century, emphasizing the distinctiveness of Quaker identity through insistence on adherence to basic tenets such as the peace testimony, opposition to slavery, and the enforcement of endogamy, though not without struggle. In 1784, the Yearly Meeting made its first attempt to establish a Friends school in Portsmouth, R.I., and although that school lasted only four years, it is regarded as a direct recursor to the Friends Boarding School in Providence, established in 1819 and known today as the Moses Brown School. The Oak Grove School in Vassalboro, Maine was established in 1849.

From early in their history, New England Quakers have been diverse in spiritual practice, leading to a legacy of sometimes profound doctrinal conflict. Although the Hicksite-Orthodox schism that shook Philadelphia and other Yearly Meetings had little impact in New England, outside of Nantucket, the NEYM suffered its own deep divisions. Beginning in 1817, several monthly meetings in New England underwent a brief, but intense period of conflict between "New Light" Friends, who questioned the divinity of Christ and emphasized the power of direct revelation, and their more conservative peers. Deeper splits, however, ensued in the 1840s between factions known as Gurneyites and Wilburites, named after their most vocal spokespersons, and each claiming to pursue the spirit of original Quakerism. Following the writings and preaching of the English Quaker, Joseph John Gurney, the more numerous Gurneyites were swept up in the evangelical tendencies shaping American Protestantism more generally, pursuing a Bible-centered, pastoral form of worship.

Responding to the Gurneyite surge, the Wilburites, named after John Wilbur of Hopkinton, R.I., grew concerned that evangelically-minded Quakers were tending to rely too much on the outward forms of Christianity and too little on the immediate guidance of the Holy Spirit. Wilburites (also known as Conservative Friends) retained simpler, unprogrammed meetings for worship. Throughout New England, but especially in Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts, monthly meetings divided between Gurneyites and Wilburites, organizing themselves into separate yearly meetings, the Gurneyite Yearly Meeting of Friends for New England and the Wilburite New England Yearly Meeting of Friends.

In the latter years of the nineteenth century and into the early twentieth, the Gurneyites pursued evangelical priorities including domestic and foreign missions that led to the formation of larger administrative structures to coordinate more effectively between Yearly Meetings, culminating in the establishment of the Five Years Meeting of Friends in 1902. The Wilburites did not prosper, and by the mid-twentieth century, only three monthly meetings remained. In 1945, the Gurneyites and Wilburites agreed to merge, bringing in independent meetings in the Connecticut Valley, Cambridge and Providence to form the modern New England Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Meetings for Worship (established prior to formal meetings for business)

1661-1672

Boston

1657-1672

Oyster Bay (also Long Island or Flushing)

1659-1672

Piscataqua

1657-1672

Rhode Island

1657-1672

Salem

1657-1672

Sandwich

ca.1660-1672

Scituate

Monthly Meetings (before the establishment of Quarterly Meetings)

1701-1706

Dover

1700-1706

Greenwich

1701-1706

Hampton

1699-1706

Narragansett (became Greenwich Monthly)

1672-1706

Oyster Bay

1672-1706

Piscataqua

1672-1706

Rhode Island

1672-1706

Salem

1672-1706

Sandwich

1672-1706

Scituate

Quarterly Meetings

1944-presentConnecticut Valley

1815-presentDover

1841-1952Fairfield

1945-1951Narragansett

1959-presentNorthwest

1888-1938Parsonfield

1699-1971Rhode Island

1971-presentRhode Island-Smithfield

1705-presentSalem

1705-presentSandwich

1801-presentSmithfield

1813-presentVassalboro

The following meetings are listed as "occasional meetings for worship" or "other meetings for worship" in the Yearly Meeting minutes from 1947 onward. They are presumably under the loose jurisdiction of the Yearly Meeting, without specific monthly or quarterly meeting ties. None of these meetings have records at the NEYM Archives; it is uncertain whether many of them ever created any records at all. Some, as indicated, were later joined to other formal meetings.

Scope of collection

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Please note that this finding aid is considered preliminary only and subject to change. Several boxes of materials have arrived in recent years that have not yet been inventoried nor integrated into the finding aid, and SCUA is in the process of formalizing the organization of the collection to reflect We have attempted to normalize the terminology used to refer to record groupings, however the complexity of record keeping practices will lead to adjustments

Series descriptions

**Record Group 1. New England Yearly Meeting
Records**

1672-2011

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Series 1. Central Records

1672-2011

The central records of the NEYM consist of official and semi-official records maintained by the meeting clerk and other offices. They include a diverse array of correspondence and administrative files, reports and correspondence, epistles sent and received from other Yearly Meetings, and reports from committees and subordinate meetings, interspersed with other materials, unpublished and published.

The majority of the materials in Series 1 consist of materials that were received and maintained annually, with each accrual consisting of a formal epistles sent to, or received from, other Yearly Meetings, committee reports and correspondence, and communications with subordinate (usually Quarterly) meetings. We have these materials out into the groupings, rather than maintain them as annual bundles. Epistles sent by the Yearly Meeting to its subordinate meetings are maintained as communications with the Quarterly Meetings, not with the Epistles sent and received. Other materials were separated into thematic groupings, either by the meeting Clerk or previous archivists, including significant content relating to the Asa Rand controversy, the Gurneyite-Wilburite separation, and important topical issues such as slavery.

Note that the records of Quarterlies and NEYM Committees are contained in other series.

Series 2. Administration and Governance

1672-2011

Oversight of the Yearly Meeting is currently placed under the care of the Permanent Board between annual sessions, and supported by the Board of Managers (responsible for managing and investing Yearly Meeting funds), and the clerk (responsible for recording the discernment which a meeting has reached and for sending and receiving correspondence on behalf of the meeting).

The Meeting for Sufferings (now called the Representative Meeting) was appointed by the Yearly Meeting and was initially charged with attending the Friends who were persecuted due to their beliefs, and over the years, they have been instrumental in raising concerns over moral and religious issues such as slavery, war, and inequality. The Meeting for Sufferings acted for the Yearly Meeting between sessions and later developed into the Representative Meeting. The Archives Committee is also part of the administration of the Yearly Meeting and is responsible for the care of records, correspondence, and other manuscript material entrusted to it by the yearly, quarterly, monthly and preparative meetings, Yearly Meeting committees, New England Friends Institutions, and individual members of the Yearly Meeting.

Series 3. Committees and Programs

1672-2011

Committee work is an important part of the life and ministry of the Yearly Meeting and committees address a range of social and spiritual concerns. The nature, scope, and especially the names of committees vary widely through the years, but there has been a relatively constant attention to social justice, education, and the spiritual life of the community.

The series contains particularly rich documentation for Friends' educational concerns, particularly the Moses Brown School (founded ca.1780 as the Friends Boarding School), the Oak Grove School in Maine, and the Maryville Freedman's Normal Institute. Ministry and counsel (also called Ministers and Elders)

Series 4. Financial

1672-2011

The Finance Committee stewards the financial resources at all levels of the NEYM, proposes annual budgets, nominates a Treasurer, and oversees the Meeting's accounts and investments.

Series 4. Audiovisual Materials

1865-1980

Series 4 contains a small body of miscellaneous photographs associated with the Yearly Meeting along with a set of the microfilm of NEYM Records prepared by the Rhode Island Historical Society.

Record Group 2. Monthly and Quarterly Meeting Records

1672-2018

The records of Monthly and Quarterly meeting vary considerably in depth and detail, but often include data on membership (births, deaths, marriages, removals), discipline, and committees, in addition to minutes of business meetings. In line with the he records of men's and women's meetings were typically recorded separately until about the turn of the twentieth century when .

Please note that not all monthly meetings are represented in the NEYM Records held by SCUA and not all monthlies are fully documented. Other significant repositories for monthly meeting records include the Maine Historical Society (which houses records of many of the monthly meetings in Maine), the Nantucket Historical Association (housing materials relating to Nantucket), the Old Dartmouth Historical Society, and the Newport Historical Society (Rhode Island Monthly Meeting). Richard Statler's **guide to NEYM Records** contains a relatively comprehensive record of holdings at other repositories.

Record Group 4. Miscellaneous Materials

1695-2007

Series 4 includes miscellaneous materials produced retained by the Yearly Meeting, primarily on the history of the meeting and its membership. Most notable are materials collected on the history of meetinghouses in New England and biographies and testimonials on deceased Friends.

Record Group 5. Printed Materials

1633-2009

The NEYM collection includes hundreds of books, pamphlets, and periodicals on the Society of Friends and Quakerism with an emphasis on New England. Among these are significant works on Quaker doctrine, culture, and practice; personal testimonies, biographies, and histories; and works on Quaker responses to slavery, Native Americans, and the status of women; and there are some secondary works on Quakerism and Quaker history.

The printed materials were assembled from the personal libraries of Moses and Obadiah Brown and those held by individual monthly meetings. Nearly all of the books and pamphlets, but not the periodicals, have been cataloged in the UMass Libraries' online catalog.

Inventory

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1672-2011

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Series 1. Central Records

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Minutes: Men's Meeting (rough)	1766-1769		Box 1: 2
Minutes: Men's Meeting (rough)	1770-1775		Box 1: 3
Minutes: Men's Meeting (rough)	1783-1784		Box 1: 4
Minutes: Men's Meeting (rough)	1785		Box 1: 5
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Minutes: Men's Meeting (rough), with printed minutes and extracts	1835-1836		Box 1: 30
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Charters of the Yearly Meeting of Friends on New England. Providence : Sidney S. Rider	1886	Box 2: 25
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Declaration of the views of the Society of Friends in relation to church government. Providence : Knowles and Vose	1840	Box 4: 26
Deeds: Boston meetinghouse	1815-1828	OS 2
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Directory of Friends meetings: information sheets	ca.1946	Box 4: 27
Discipline: Christian and Brotherly advices. . . by the Yearly Meeting in London	1756	Vol.
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Epistle of Caution Against Pride, from the Yearly Meeting in London [broadside, reprinted by Andrew Bradford, Philadelphia]	1718	OS 1

Contents: Epistles are a formal advisory or admonitory letter sent by Quaker meetings to other meetings. The epistles included here were exchanged between Yearly Meetings, usually annually, and may be either printed or in manuscript form. They were among the primary means of communication between Yearly Meetings, treating with issues of significant concern in the Quaker world.

The collection includes a strong representation of epistles from the yearly meetings in London, Ireland, Philadelphia, New York, and Baltimore and in later years, Ohio and Indiana. In the twentieth century, the collection includes an increasing number of epistles from meetings outside of North America. Epistles were also issued separately by the Women's Meeting.

Epistles from the NEYM to its subordinate meetings are filed under "Quarterly meetings: reports and communication."

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Traveling ministers certificates: Hoag, Lindley Murray; Howland, Susan; Jenkins, Anna A.; Jones, Eli; Jones, James; Meader, Elizabeth; Meader, John; Osborne, John; Scott, Job (from Providence Monthly Meeting and Smithfield Quarterly); Tabor, William C.	1792-1856	OS 2
Views of the Society of Friends in relation to civil government. Providence : Knowles and Vose	1840	Box 22: 25
Vital records: Buffum family tree	1958	OS 2
Vital records: Directory of members	1960-1961	Box 22: 26
Vital records: Marriage certificates	1751-1970	OS 2
Marriage certificate: John Bowen to Phoebe Congdon	1751	OS 2
Marriage certificate: David Coffin to Abigail Folger (Nantucket)	1757	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Daniel Case to Lydia Sweat (Smithfield)	1781	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Levi Hunt to Rizpah Smith	1793	OS 2
Marriage certificate: John Wing to Rebecca Davis (New Bedford)	1803	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Seth Allen to Thankful Gifford (Barnstable)	1804	OS 2
Marriage certificate: John Mithcell to Katherine Gould (Middletown, R.I.)	1806	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Joshua Braley to Mary Landers (Falmouth)	1808	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Benjamin Percival to Phebe Swift (Sandwich)	1809	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Lodowick Holley to Abigail Howe (Sandwich)	1811	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Samuel Shove to Lydia Buffum	1812	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Charles Akins to Berthshebe Kelley (Barnstable)	1813	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Allen Kelley to Mary Freeman (Sandwich)	1814	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Thomas Bowerman to Abigail Davis	1815	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Nathan Bowerman to Hannah Fraly (Barnstable)	1819	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Abner Austin to Elizabeth S. Weeks (Falmouth)	1820	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Isaac Frye to Anna Bowerman (Sandwich)	1822	OS 2
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Marriage certificate: Paul Aldrich to Willa Cook (Mendon, Mass.)	1823	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Uriah Jillson to Hadasah Mowry (Smithfield)	1823	OS 2
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Marriage certificate: Jonathan Hazard to Mary Congdon	1826	OS 2
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Marriage certificate: Philip Walden to Mary Smith (Smithfield)	1836	OS 2
Marriage certificate: William R. Slocumb to Lovinia S. Thayer (Mendon, Mass.)	1837	OS 2
Marriage certificate: William C. P. Clemens to Ruth Daniels (Mendon, Mass.)	1840	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Allen Kelly to Deborah Inman (Smithfield)	1841	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Clement O. Reed to Lydia Buffum (Cumberland, R.I.)	1845	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Stephen Taber to Mary E. Pope (Vassalboro)	1854	OS 2
Marriage certificate: Thomas Gregory Ward to Jennette Tracy Agard (Bennington)	1970	OS 2
Vital records: Membership data		Box 22: 27

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Vital records: Membership lists	1984	Box 23: 1
Vital records: Membership lists	1985	Box 23: 2
Vital records: Membership updates	1984-1985	Box 23: 3
Vital records: Statistical report	1988	Box 23: 4
Vital records: Statistics of the Yearly Meeting	1836	Box 24: 1
Vital records: Thayer, Rachel: Will	1768	OS 2
War: An Unnecessary Evil -- Forbidden By Scripture. Providence : Rhode Island Printing Co.	1886	Box 24: 2
World War I: Activities of Friends during the war and reconstruction (information sheets): Maine	ca.1919	Box 24: 3
World War I: Activities of Friends during the war and reconstruction (information sheets): Massachusetts	ca.1919	Box 24: 4
World War I: Activities of Friends during the war and reconstruction (information sheets): New Hampshire	ca.1919	Box 24: 5
World War I: Activities of Friends during the war and reconstruction (information sheets): Rhode Island	ca.1919	Box 24: 6
World War I: Battle Cry of the Mothers, by Angela Morgan [flier]	ca.1917	Box 24: 7
🔍 World War I: To men and women of goodwill in the British Empire. London : Headly Brothers	1914	Box 24: 8
Yearly Meeting notes (from White Family Papers)	1834	Box 24: 9
Yearly Meeting notes (from C. Mumford)	1910	Box 24: 10
Yearly Meeting: programs and handouts	1911-1929	Box 24: 11
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Yearly Meeting: programs and handouts: includes transcripts of Bible Half Hour by David Blamires	1968	Box 24: 16
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Permanent Board	1902-1912	
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Board of Managers, Investments and Permanent Funds: Treasurers Report (1955, 1959-1966), Christiansen and Co Audits (1962-1966)	1955-1966
Board of Managers, Investments and Permanent Funds: Trial balance book	1938-1966
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Board of Managers, Investments and Permanent Funds	1959 Jan.-1972 Dec.
Board of Managers, Investments and Permanent Funds	1965-1967
Board of Managers, Investments and Permanent Funds	1967-1974
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Personnel: Personnel (Closed until 2031)	1986-1991
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Archives Committee: "Personal file" (material about the archive)	
Archives Committee: Administrative files for archives	
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Archives Committee: Archive log	1987-1990
Archives Committee: Archive log	1991-2001
Archives Committee: Box 104 miscellaneous	1990s
Archives Committee: Brightman inventory	1977
Archives Committee: Correspondence with Monthlies and Quarterlies	1996-2006
Archives Committee: Guide to archives	
Archives Committee: Inventory of the Church Archives of Rhode Island, Society of Friends (WPA Guide): 3 copies	1939
Archives Committee: Obsolete inventories for Moses and Obadiah Brown books	1986
Archives Committee: Obsolete inventories for Moses Brown School books	1986
Archives Committee: Obsolete inventories for Moses Brown School books	1986
Archives Committee: RIHS agreement	1993-2004
Archives Committee: True miscellany	1915-1973
Archives Committee	1963
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Archives Committee	2001
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Clerk: Bodine, Thomas	1962-1968
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Clerk: Browne, Gordon	1970-1975
Clerk: Cazden, Betsy	1991-1994
Clerk: Hoffman, Jan	1983-1986
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Clerk: Kriebel, William B.	1987-1989
Clerk: Osborne, Ruth	1967
Clerk: Osborne, Ruth	1967-1969

Clerk: Perry, Sylvia	1978-1983
Clerk: Smith, Caleb	1974-1979
Meeting for Sufferings	1761-1841
Meeting for Sufferings	1766-1789
Meeting for Sufferings	1810-1857
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Meeting for Sufferings: Minutes	1775-1793
Meeting for Sufferings: Minutes	1793-1842
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China Camp	1953-2007
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Coordinating and Advisory Committee	2010
Earthcare Ministry	1982-1995
Equalization Committee	1950-2006
Faith and Practice Revision Committee: Discipline revision	1962-1965
Faith and Practice Revision Committee: Discipline revision papers	1948-1949
Faith and Practice Revision Committee: Faith and Practice	1979-1986
Faith and Practice Revision Committee: Faith and Practice revision	1966
Faith and Practice Revision Committee: Faith and Practice revision	1979-1986
Faith and Practice Revision Committee: Miscellaneous, including Faith and Practice rewrite	1979-1986
Friends Community Development Corporation	1973-1988
Friends Community Development Corporation	1974-1981
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Ministry: Ministers and Elders	1707-1797
Ministry: Ministers and Elders	1781-1921
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Ministry: Ministry and Counsel	1961-1963
Ministry: Ministry and Counsel	1971-1978
Ministry: Ministry and Counsel	1976-1982
Ministry: Ministry and Counsel	1977-1995
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Ministry: Select meeting	1710-1799
Ministry: Evangelistic Committee: Accounts	1906-1933
Ministry: Missionary Committee	1890-1971
Ministry: Christian Education Committee	1955-1986
Ministry: Christian Education Committee	1984-2010
Ministry: Church Extension Board	1894-1902
Mosher Book and Tract Fund	1948-1998
New England Friends Home	1828-1967
New England Friends Home	1958-2007
Schools: Betsy Collins Purinton Diary transcript	1819
Schools: Miscellaneous	1771-1972
Schools: School Committee: Subcommittee having the more immediate care of the school	1833 Mar. 5- 1841 Oct. 12
Schools: School Committee: Subcommittee having the more immediate care of the school	1841-1850
Schools: School Committee: Subcommittee having the more immediate care of the school	1904-1907
Schools: School Committee	1958
Schools: School Committee	1780 June 12- 1782 July 12
Schools: School Committee	1818-1833
Schools: School Committee	1833-1847
Schools: School Committee	1847-1852
Schools: School Committee	1852-1863
Schools: School Committee	1863-1880

Schools: School Committee	1864-1907
Schools: School Committee	1881-1894
Schools: School Committee	1905-1924
Schools: School Committee	1928 May 28- 1935 Oct. 8
Schools: Maryville Freedmans Normal Institute	1873-1958
Schools: Maryville Freedmans Normal Institute	1879-1895
Schools: Moses Brown School: Accounts	1853-1887
Schools: Moses Brown School: Alumni Association	1859-1865
Schools: Moses Brown School: Alumni: Convention of former pupils	1859-1864
Schools: Moses Brown School: Funds	1925-1933
Schools: Moses Brown School: Headmasters Reports	1925-1930
Schools: Moses Brown School: Headmasters Reports	1930-1935
Schools: Moses Brown School: Headmasters Reports	1935-1940
Schools: Moses Brown School: Headmasters Reports	1940-1945
Schools: Moses Brown School: Headmasters Reports	1945-1950
Schools: Moses Brown School: Headmasters Reports	1950-1955
Schools: Moses Brown School: Headmasters Reports	1955-1959
Schools: Moses Brown School: Headmasters Reports	1959-1962
Schools: Moses Brown School: Literary societies, etc.	1847-1903
Schools: Moses Brown School: Also the Lincoln School	1924-1989
Schools: Moses Brown School: Nurturing Friends Education at Moses Brown School	2010
Schools: Moses Brown School: Photographs	1860s-1960s?
Schools: Moses Brown School: Schools after 1904; commencement programs, Moses Brown at Grindle Point	1780-1938
Schools: Moses Brown School: Scrapbook	1919-1957
Schools: Moses Brown School: Social Lyceum	1833-1838
Schools: Moses Brown School: Subcommittee on Real Estate	1875-1922
Schools: Moses Brown School	1780-1953
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Schools: Moses Brown School	1815-1880
Schools: Moses Brown School	1816-1893
Schools: Moses Brown School	1819-1965
Schools: Moses Brown School	1819-2002
Schools: Moses Brown School	1892-1976
Schools: Moses Brown School	1919-1971
Schools: Non-NEYM	ca.1800-1960?
Schools: Oak Grove	1823-1923
Schools: Oak Grove	1873-1954
Schools: Minority Concerns in Friends Schools Committee: Also Minute 74 Committee	1979-1990
Schools: Minority Concerns in Friends Schools Committee	1964-1978
Program Committee: Predecessor to Sessions	1983-1993
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Sessions Committee	1954-1973
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Student loans	1967-2000
Social justice: Peace	1940-1969
Social justice: Peace and Social Concerns: "The Friends meeting and alcohol"	ca.1954
Social justice: Peace and Social Concerns	1970-2011
Social justice: Prejudice and Poverty	1973-1988
Social justice: Prejudice and Poverty:	
Social justice: Restorative Justice Subcommittee	1970-2011
Social justice: Right Sharing of World Resources	1971-1980
Social justice: War Tax Concerns Committee	1979-1992
United Society of Friends Women: Financial	1950-2003
United Society of Friends Women	1996
United Society of Friends Women	1985-1993
United Society of Friends Women	1986-1999
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Womens Foreign Missionary Corporation: Executive Committee	1897-1951
Womens Foreign Missionary Corporation: Treasurer	1894-1906
Womens Foreign Missionary Corporation: Treasurer	1900-1906

Womens Foreign Missionary Corporation: Treasurer	1905-1911
Womens Foreign Missionary Corporation	1884 June 11- 1897 Feb. 2
Womens Foreign Missionary Corporation	1892-1903
Womens Foreign Missionary Corporation	1904-1934
Womens Foreign Missionary Corporation	1907-1956
Youth: Junior Yearly Meeting: History	1930-1980
Youth: Junior Yearly Meeting: History	1930-1980
Youth: Junior Yearly Meeting: Minutes and Scrapbook	1930-1940
Youth: Junior Yearly Meeting	1889-1970
Youth: Young Friends: Board	1939-1954
Youth: Young Friends	1949-1987
Youth: Youth Programs Committee	1988-2001
Committees: Miscellaneous to be filed	1990-2002
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Committees	1989-1992
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Committees (to be filed)	1964-2005
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Committees A-O (Denny's files)	1964-1985

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Financial: A. Shearman Jr Charitable Fund	1905
Financial: Abner Peace Fund	1864-1961
Financial: Finance Committee	1947-2006
Financial: H.H. Mosher Fund	1875-1912
Financial: H.H. Mosher Fund	1876-1952
Financial: H.H. Mosher Fund	199-1947
Financial: Othniel Tripp Fund	1950-1966
Financial: Rachel Thayer Fund (copies, extracts)	1767
Financial: Sarah N. Dixon Fund, Hingham Home, Huntington Home	1886-1975
Financial	1779-1861
Financial	1862-1870
Financial	1890-1908
Financial	1893-1913
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Financial	1909-1945
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Financial	1948-1953
Financial	1953-1958
Financial	1958-1959
Financial	1959 June-1960 July
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Financial	1994-1995

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Audiovisual: Photographs: Also miscellaneous	?
Audiovisual: Photographs: Includes photo album of Work Camp at Weare, 1940	1895-1980?

Audiovisual: Photographs: Lantern slides	undated
Audiovisual: Photographs: Miscellaneous	
Audiovisual: Photographs: Miscellaneous slides	1967-1978
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Contents: The records of each Monthly and Quarterly Meetings are listed in separate findings.

Record Group 4. Miscellaneous Materials 1695-2007

Attendance of Friends from abroad. . . , 1760-1839	ca.1839
List of Publick Friends... to New England, 1656-1780	ca.1780
Register of public Friends. . .	
Register of the names of Publick Friends. . . , by Paul Wing	1787
Biographical and historical: Audiocassettes	1977-1987
Biographical and historical: Centennials	1854-1982
Biographical and historical: Clippings	
Biographical and historical: Eminent Friends (about)	1849-1963
Biographical and historical: Facsimiles and copies	
Biographical and historical: Guest book	1958-1969
Biographical and historical: Guides to archives	
Biographical and historical: Leach, Robert J., Why Nantucket Quakers? (typescript of oral histories)	1976-1979
Biographical and historical: Maps, Burrill plots	
Biographical and historical: Meetinghouse maps; New Bedford Monthly Barclay Society	
Biographical and historical: Meetinghouse workshop: Lost meetinghouses, how to find	2003
Biographical and historical: Memorials and biographers	1959-1989
Biographical and historical: New England Friends join the Quaker Peace Witness (Scrapbook)	1960 Nov.
Biographical and historical: Scrapbooks	1880-1961
Biographical and historical: Stories for children	1884-1906
Biographical and historical: Testimonies	1761-1841
Biographical and historical: Testimonies (Memorials of deceased Friends)	1843-1868
Biographical and historical: Testimonies (Memorials of deceased Friends)	1871-1874
Brown, Moses: mostly stuff on Moses Brown:	1984-1989
Card catalog:	
Card catalog:	
Deeds and wills (including from Moses and Obadiah Brown):	1695-1964
Ephemera on NEYM from Guilford :	1951-1968
Ephemera, photographs, etc.:	
Gould, Stephen Wanton: diaries (transcripts), box 1/2:	1803-1838
Gould, Stephen Wanton: diaries (transcripts), box 2/2:	1803-1838
Greetings from Swarthmore:	2000
Guilford College: Quaker collection	1969
Historical: Miscellaneous: guides to meetings	1763-1965
Histories: Essays on Quakerism in Lynn, Pelham, etc.	
Histories: Genealogy of the Warner Family	1904
Histories: Miscellaneous mss histories of Quakers and Quakerism, including dissertations, etc.	
Histories: Missionaries to China from Vassalboro, Me., by Wilbur and Julia Estes	2004
Histories: Notes on history of Quaker meetings in New England	
Histories: Notes on meetinghouse, letter to Thomas Batty from Horace T. Fogg	ca.1920
Histories: Play: The business of our lives (opening session NEYM)	1961

Histories: Portrait of a Maine Quaker: letters written to Samuel Taylor, Jr. (1797-1875), minister, missionary and entrepreneur, by Elizabeth Sheehan	2007
Histories: Records of the Society of Friends at Harlem (China), Maine (copy)	1916
Histories: Records of the Society of Friends at Vassalborough, Maine	ca.1914
Histories: The Quakers Meeting, print by J. Bowles after E. Kepshrick [print]	
Histories: The Society of Friends in Barnstable County (copy), by John H. Dillingham	1891
Histories: Vassalboro Friends Meeting Quaker Burial Ground, East Vassalboro, Maine, by Phyllis Jones	2005
Index to library books:	
Index to Moses Brown books:	
Index to vital statistics:	
Letter from WAK to Rufus L. Griffith: (WAK=William A Knight)	1870 June 1
Meetinghouses: Meeting houses no longer extant	1812-1976
Meetinghouses: Meetinghouses in Massachusetts	1896-1964
Meetinghouses: Meetinghouses in Rhode Island	1785-1960
Meetinghouses: Quaker costumes, meeting house, photos by Edward Denham, New Bedford	ca.1891
Meetinghouses: Silas B. Weeks Meetinghouse project: Includes materials on New York Yearly; on meetinghouses, photos by Weeks, etc.	
Meetinghouses: Silas B. Weeks Meetinghouse project: New England Meeting Houses, by Silas B. Weeks	ca.1980
Meetinghouses: Silas B. Weeks Meetinghouse project: New England Quaker Burial Grounds, by Silas B. Weeks	ca.1980
Meetinghouses: Silas B. Weeks Meetinghouse project:	1981-1990
Meetinghouses: Silas B. Weeks Meetinghouse project:	1985-2000
Meetinghouses: Silas B. Weeks Papers:	
Melish, Map of the United States (1820); Sarah Swift friendship albums; Friends School scrapbook; issues of magazines:	1820-1887
Miscellaneous:	1709-1965
Miscellaneous:	1776-1999
Miscellaneous:	1963-1991
Miscellaneous:	1980-2006
Miscellaneous: Textiles: bags in which record books were carried:	
Oral histories, narratives:	1926-1983
Peace scrapbook:	1937-1941
Peace and World Education Booth:	1924
Peace and World Education Booth:	1924
Peace and World Education Booth:	1924
Posters and oversized:	
Quaker calendars:	
Scrapbook, disbound:	1974
Sermon: Luke 22.19: Do this in remembrance of me:	1774
Suitcase:	

Record Group 5. Printed Materials

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Contents: NEYM books are listed individually in the UMass Amherst online catalog. The periodicals and pamphlets are still in the process of being cataloged.

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The collection is open for research.

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Bibliography

A more detailed history of Friends in New England can be found in *Faith and Practice of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends* (1985).

An earlier, and still valuable version of this finding aid was produced by Richard D. Statler, **Guide to the Records of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) in New England** (1997).

Separated Material

The following collections of personal papers arrived with the NEYM collection and have been described separately:

- **Samuel Austin Collection**, 1718-1920. (MS 937)
- **Moses Brown Papers**, 1713-1840. (MS 930)
- **Howland Family Papers**, 1727-1886. (MS 923)
- **NEYM Quaker History Collection**, 1783-1950. (MS 926)
- Obadiah Brown's Benevolent Fund Records, 1814-2015. (MS 956)
- **Peck-Sisson-White Family Papers**, 1783-1950. (MS 933)
- **Henry H. Perry Papers**, 1940-1942. (MS 1019)
- **Providence Society for Abolishing the Slave Trade Minute Book**, 1789-1827. (MS 935)
- **Slade Family Papers**, 1776-1892. (MS 934)
- **Sarah J. Swift Papers**, 1783-1950. (MS 932)
- **Willis H. White Papers**, 1874-1966. (MS 929)

Other formats available

Much, but not all of the records of the NEYM are available on microfilm. Sets of the film are available at the **Rhode Island Historical Society**, the **Friends College at Earlham College**.

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