



Beverly Historical Society & Museum

Robert Rantoul, 1778-1858

Robert Rantoul Papers, 1796-1854

Abstract:

Papers of Robert Rantoul, Sr. Justice of the Peace. Collection contains bills and receipts paid for by Robert Rantoul, as well as those paid by his wife Joanna Rantoul. In addition, the collection includes paperwork associated with Rantoul's career as Justice of the Peace for Beverly (1808-1854), and paperwork relating to his career as Beverly's apothecary (1796-1824). The collection also includes papers related to his career as a legislator and many of the reform efforts he supported.

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Biographical Sketch:

Robert Rantoul was born in Salem, Massachusetts, on November 23, 1778. He began attending school at the age of four. He attended several schools throughout his early childhood. In 1792 Rantoul left school to become an apprentice at an apothecary owned by Dr. Williams Stearns. Rantoul left Dr. Stearns' store after one year to work for Samuel G. Mackey of Beverly, Massachusetts. Rantoul then operated Dr. Joseph Osgood's apothecary while Dr. Osgood's son was away. Dr. Osgood's son returned to Beverly in 1796. Thus on June 18, 1796, Rantoul opened his own apothecary in Beverly. By 1798, he was established enough to have an interest in a similar shop in Salem, which his younger brother, Samuel, managed. In 1801 Rantoul expanded his business by purchasing the land near his Beverly shop. Storekeeping documentation is scarce from 1808-1812, when Rantoul found himself involved in many other activities. On August

12, 1824, Rantoul turned over the shop to William Endicott. William Endicott married Rantoul's first daughter, Joanna Lovett Rantoul on September 26, 1824.

Robert Rantoul was actively involved in various organizations in Beverly, MA. As a young man, Rantoul served in the town's militia; eventually becoming a Captain in the light infantry. Rantoul was actively involved in his church. He was the clerk of Frist Parish church for fifty years. Rantoul was also a deacon of the church for forty-six years. In 1818, Rantoul was selected as a member of the school committee. He held this position until 1854.

Rantoul was involved or interested in many of the social movements of his time. In the spring of 1804, Rantoul was selected as overseer of the poor. A work-house for the poor was constructed in Beverly in April 1804. In 1807 Rantoul became the chairman of the board of overseers. He served in that position until 1854, when he declined to be a candidate. He was an original and life-long member of the Massachusetts Temperance Society (from its inception in 1812). According to Rantoul, his last glass of wine was in 1833. He was also an original trustee of the Institution for the Education of the Blind (1830-1851).

Robert Rantoul was actively involved in local and state government. He was appointed Justice of the Peace and acting trial justice for Beverly from 1808 to 1858. Rantoul was appointed to the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in 1809. He was reelected to this position annually until 1820. He was chosen as state Senator for Essex County for the years 1820, 1821, and 1822. He then served as Representative in the General Court from 1823 to 1826 and again from 1828 to 1833. Rantoul was a member of the state conventions to amend the Constitution in 1820 and 1853. He also delivered the address to General Lafayette during the general's tour through Beverly in 1844.

Robert Rantoul married Joanna Lovett on June 4, 1801. Joanna was the daughter of John and Elizabeth (Herrick) Lovett of Beverly. Robert and Joanna had seven children: Joanna Lovett Rantoul (January 13, 1803 – June 26, 1863); Robert Rantoul (August 13, 1805 – August 7, 1852); Mary Elizabeth (August 14, 1809 – August 14, 1821); Samuel (March 23, 1813 – December 9, 1831); Charlotte (1816 – December 2, 1839); Elizabeth Augusta Lovett (April 2, 1819 – May 23, 1837); Hannah Lovett (born June 17, 1821). Robert's wife Joanna passed away on September 23, 1848. Of note is that Robert Rantoul, Jr. was elected to serve as a member of the United States House of Representatives in March 1851. However, Robert, Jr. passed away in August 1852 in Washington, DC. Robert Rantoul died October 24, 1858.

Scope and Content Note:

The Robert Rantoul Papers contain receipts and bills for his business accounts, including those paid by his wife Joanna Rantoul. The collection also contains court documents covering the vast majority of Rantoul's career as Justice of the Peace. The collection includes some orders received at his Beverly and Salem drugstore. The collection also includes records relating to Rantoul's time as a State Senator and State

Representative, his reform efforts, and his duties as a notary public. The materials were divided into twelve series, separating business, court, legislative and personal papers. The bills and receipts within Series I contain accounts settled and paid to local businesses. Series II are notes paid by Robert Rantoul, Series III include his bills of exchange. Series IV is comprised of all his court documents -- this series is further broken down into subseries. Series V is the collection of orders Rantoul received at his shops and Series VI is classified as miscellaneous items: composed of an account book, correspondence, a contract for labor etc.

Series VII contains legislative papers, including General Court papers filed prior to 1834, papers of the Health Committee, and papers concerning capital punishment. There are also a number of papers relating to the contempt case against Representative David L. Childs in 1832. Series VIII contains Rantoul's bills and receipts for 1816. These records were not incorporated with previous series because they were found separately bundled and marked. Series IX contains two notebooks on the bills incurred during Rantoul's duties as Justice of the Peace. Series X contains billing records related to Rantoul's financial investment in John Dike, Jr.'s schooner, the Abigail. Series XI contains records about various reforms that Rantoul supported or followed. This series includes records on the reform school in Westborough, Work House, and newspaper clippings about abolitionism. Finally, Series XII contains records related to Rantoul's position as a notary public.

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A) Paid by Robert Rantoul

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| 1 | 1 | "A - B" General | 1796-1805 |
| | 2 | Bartlett, Thomas; Bartlett, W.P. | 1797-1805; 1797 |
| | 3 | "C" General | 1796-1805 |
| | 4 | Cushing, Thomas C. | 1796-1804 |
| | 5 | "D" General | 1796-1805 |
| | 6 | Dana, Dexter | 1796-1804 |
| | 7 | Dodge, Bethia; Dodge, Caleb; Dodge, Israel; | 1803; 1796-1797; 1798-1805; |

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| | | Dodge, John; | 1805; |
| | | Dodge, Pickering | 1799-1805; |
| 1 | 8 | Dix, Elijah | 1796-1798; |
| | | Dix & Brinley | 1804; |
| | | Dix & Haskin | 1796 |
| | 9 | "E-F" General | 1798-1805 |
| | 10 | "G-H" General | 1796-1805 |
| | 11 | Hancock, John | 1797-1799 |
| | 12 | Hall, H. & J.P. | 1796-1799 |
| Box | Folder | Content | Date |
| | 13 | "I-L" General | 1796-1805 |
| | 14 | Lecomb, Ebenezer | 1804-1805 |
| | 15 | Lovett, Benjamin Jr; | 1797-1799; |
| | | Lovett, Ebenezer; | 1805; |
| | | Lovett, Jeremiah; | 1799; |
| | | Lovett, Josiah | 1805 |
| | 16 | "M-O" General | 1796-1804 |
| 2 | 17 | Osgood, Joseph Jr | 1796-1797 |
| | 18 | "P" General | 1797-1805 |
| | 19 | Perry, William | 1797-1800 |
| | 20 | Putnam, Nathaniel [Danvers & Beverly Iron Works]; Putnam & Whitridge | 1804-1805; 1805 |
| | 21 | "R-S" General Includes: Russel, Benjamin Dr. (Columbian Centinel) | 1796-1805 |
| | 22 | Richardson, Eunice; | 1796; |
| | | Richardson, J.; | 1803-1805; |
| | | Richardson, L.; | 1803; |
| | | Richardson, William | 1796 |
| | 23 | Rose, Brackley | 1796-1799 |
| | 24 | Smith, Ebenezer; | 1798-1805; |
| | | Smith, Elias; | 1799; |
| | | Smith, Joshua; | 1804; |
| | | Smith, Nathaniel; | 1803-1804; |
| | | Smith, Thomas; | 1797-1799; |
| | | Smith, William; | 1797; |
| | | Smith & Bartletts | 1796-1798 |
| | 25 | Stearns, William | 1797-1801 |
| | 26 | "T-W" General | 1796-1805 |
| | 27 | Thorndike, Henry; | 1799; |
| | | Thorndike, Israel | 1797-1799 |
| | 28 | Whitwell, JP | 1798-1804 |
| | 29 | Woodberry, Isaac; | 1805; |
| | | Woodberry, John; | 1805; |
| | | Woodberry, Josiah; | 1804; |
| | | Woodberry, Peter; | 1798; |

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| 2 | 30 | Woodberry, Thomas; Woodberry, Treeborn Chemist & Druggist Includes: Jenks, John; Crawley, William; Crawley & Elgie | 1799; 1799 1797-1804 |
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B) Paid by Joanna Rantoul

| <u>Box</u> | <u>Folder</u> | <u>Content</u> | <u>Date</u> |
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| 2 | 31 | Various Societies: Beverly Female Readings Society; Beverly J.C.R Society; Beverly Charitable Society; Beverly C.F.R Society; | 1813-1844; n.d. |
| | 32 | Tuition Payments | 1806-1827; n.d. |
| | 33 | Household Expenses | 1796-1827 |
| 3 | 34 | Household Expenses | 1831-1832; n.d. |

Series II: Notes Paid

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| 3 | 35 | Various Notes Paid | 1797-1799 |
| | 36 | Various Notes Paid | 1800 |
| | 37 | Various Notes Paid | 1801 |
| | 38 | Various Notes Paid | 1802 |
| | 39 | Various Notes Paid | 1803 |
| | 40 | Various Notes Paid | 1804 |
| | 41 | Various Notes Paid | 1805 |
| | 42 | Various Notes Paid | 1806-1808 |
| | 43 | Various Notes Paid | 1809-1810 |
| | 44 | Various Notes Paid | 1811-1812 |
| | 45 | Various Notes Paid | 1816-1818 |
| | 46 | Various Notes Paid | 1822-1823 |
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| | 48 | Various Notes Paid | 1831-1833; 1835-1836 |

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Series IV: Court Documents

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| 4 | 50 | Minutes | n.d. |

B) Complaints

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| 4 | 51 | Complaints | 1803-1804 |

C) List of Prisoners

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| 4 | 52 | List with location | 1804 |

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| 4 | 53 | Writs | 1808 | |
| | 54 | Writs | 1809 | |
| | 55 | Writs | 1809 | |
| | 56 | Writs | 1809 | |
| | 57 | Writs | 1809 | |
| | 58 | Writs | 1810 | |
| | 59 | Writs | 1810 | |
| | 60 | Writs | 1810 | |
| | 61 | Writs | 1811 | |
| | 62 | Writs | 1811 | |
| | 63 | Writs | 1811 | |
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| | 65 | Writs | 1812 | |
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| | | 68 | Writs | 1814 |
| | | 69 | Writs | 1815 |
| 70 | | Writs | 1816 | |
| 71 | | Writs | 1817 | |
| 72 | | Writs | 1818 - 1819 | |
| 73 | | Writs | 1820 - 1821 | |
| 74 | | Writs | 1822 - 1825 | |
| 75 | | Writs | 1826 - 1827 | |
| 76 | | Before Justice Isaac Woodberry Jr. | 1815 | |
| | | Before Justice Robert Rantoul | 1815 | |
| 77 | | Before Justice Josiah Batchelder | 1803-1809 | |
| 78 | Before Justice Jonathan Smith | 1810-1814 | | |

E) Warrants

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| 5 | 79 | Various Warrants | 1808 |
| | 80 | Various Warrants | 1809 |
| | 81 | Various Warrants | 1810 |
| | 82 | Various Warrants | 1811 |
| | 83 | Various Warrants | 1812 |
| | 84 | Various Warrants | 1813 |
| 6 | 85 | Various Warrants | 1814 |
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| | 96 | Various Warrants | 1826 |
| | 97 | Various Warrants | 1827 |
| | 98 | Various Warrants | 1827 |
| | 99 | Various Warrants | 1828 |
| | 100 | Various Warrants | 1828 |
| 7 | 101 | Various Warrants | 1829 |
| | 102 | Various Warrants | 1829 |
| | 103 | Various Warrants | 1830 |
| | 104 | Various Warrants | 1831 |
| | 105 | Various Warrants | 1832 |
| | 106 | Various Warrants | 1832 |
| | 107 | Various Warrants | 1833 |
| | 108 | Various Warrants | 1833 |
| | 109 | Various Warrants | 1834 |
| | 110 | Various Warrants | 1834 |
| | 111 | Various Warrants | 1834 |
| | 112 | Various Warrants | 1834 |

F) Miscellaneous

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| 7 | 113 | Various court related documents | n.d. |

Series V: **Orders Received**

A) Beverly Shop

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| 7 | 114 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1796-1798 |

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| | 115 | Orders at Beverly Shop | Before 1799 (1798; n.d.) |
| | 116 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1800 |
| | 117 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1800 |
| 8 | 118 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1801 |
| | 119 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1802 |
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| | 120 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1803 |
| | 121 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1804 |
| | 122 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1805 |
| | 123 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1806 |
| | 124 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1807 |
| | 125 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1808 |
| | 126 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1809 |
| | 127 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1810 |
| | 128 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1811 |
| | 129 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1812 |
| | 130 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1813 |
| | 131 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1815 |
| 9 | 132 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1815-1818 |
| | 133 | Orders at Beverly Shop | 1819-1823 |

B) Salem Shop

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| 9 | 134 | Orders at Salem Shop | 1800-1802 |

Series VI: **Miscellaneous Papers/Ephemera**

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| | 139 | Personal Papers | n.d. |
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| | 143 | Material Wrappings | n.d. |
| | 144 | Material Wrappings | n.d. |
| | 145 | Material Wrappings | n.d. |
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Series VII: **Legislative Documents**

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| | 149 | General Court Papers Filed | 1825-1826 |
| | 150 | General Court Papers Filed | 1829 |
| <u>Box</u> | <u>Folder</u> | <u>Content</u> | <u>Date</u> |
| | 151 | General Court Papers Filed | 1830 |
| | 152 | General Court Papers Filed | 1830-1831 |
| | 153 | General Court Papers Filed | 1831-1832 |
| | 154 | General Court Papers Filed | 1832 |
| | 155 | General Court Papers Filed | 1832-1833 |
| | 156 | General Court Papers Filed | 1833-1834 |
| | 157 | General Court Papers Filed | n.d. |

B) Papers of the Health Committee

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| | 159 | Health Committee | 1832 |

C) Papers on Capital Punishment

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| 10 | 160 | Capital Punishment | 1831-1835 |
| | 161 | Capital Punishment | 1836-1859 |

D) Minutes of Evidence Taken on Legislative Committees on Turnpikes and Bridges from June 1823 to February 1825

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| 10 | 162 | Turnpikes and Bridges | 1823-1825 |

E) David L. Childs Case for Contempt of the House of Representatives, February 4, 1832

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| | 164 | David L. Childs Case | 1832 |
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| | 166 | David L. Childs Case | 1832 |

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| | 168 | Bills and Receipts | 1816 |
| | 169 | Bills and Receipts | 1816 |
| | 170 | Bills and Receipts | 1816 |

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| | 171 | Bills and Receipts | 1816 |
| | 172 | Bills and Receipts | 1816 |
| | 173 | Bills and Receipts | 1816 |
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| | 175 | Bills and Receipts | 1816 |
| | 176 | Bills and Receipts | 1816 |
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| | 179 | Bills of Cost in Criminal Prosecutions | 1828-1832 |

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| 11 | 180 | Bills – John Dike, Jr. | 1812 |
| | 181 | Bills – John Dike, Jr. | 1812 |
| | 182 | Bills – John Dike, Jr. | 1812 |
| | 183 | Bills – John Dike, Jr. | 1813-1814 |
| | 184 | Bills – John Dike, Jr. | 1815 |
| | 185 | Bills – John Dike, Jr. | 1815, n.d. |

Series XI: **Reform Activities**

A) Papers Relating to the State Reform School at Westborough (1846-1849)

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| | 187 | Westborough School | 1846 |
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| | 190 | Westborough School | 1847 |
| | 191 | Westborough School | 1848 |
| | 192 | Westborough School | 1848 |
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B) Papers Relating to the Work House

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| 12 | 194 | Work House | 1804, 1817-1818, 1821, n.d. |
| | 195 | Work House | 1835, 1838-1839, n.d. |
| | 196 | Work House | 1845-1846 |

C) Newspaper Clippings on Abolitionism

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| | 199 | Notarial Papers | 1809-1810 |
| | 200 | Notarial Papers | 1811-1816 |
| | 201 | Notarial Papers | 1817-1826, n.d. |

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* Note: See attached inventory for related collections.

Scope and Content Note:

This portion of Robert Rantoul Papers contains personal papers and compositions, financial records of the Boston wholesale shoe and leather business Bigelow & Livermore, and court documents from Robert Rantoul Jr.'s time as the US District Attorney. The materials are divided into three series, separating personal papers, Bigelow & Livermore records, and court documents. Series I contains personal items, including a journal, and compositions on a variety of topics. Series II is made up of records from Bigelow & Livermore, primarily focusing on the finances of the business such as ledgers, receipts, and invoices. Series III contains transcripts of court cases under the jurisdiction of Rantoul Jr. as well as various statistics.

Series List:

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Series I: Personal Papers

A) Ephemera

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| 13 | 202 | “Index To Commonplace Book” (encapsulated) | 1822 |
| | | England & Wales Statistics On Capital Punishment (3 copies: 2 folded, 1 encapsulated in “Documents, Oversize, Box 1”) | 1835 |
| | | Letter | n.d. |
| | | Translated phrase | n.d. |
| | | Dated sheet | n.d. |

B) Compositions

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| 13 | 203 | Rafael del Riego during the Spanish Civil War of 1820-1823 (reorganized by page number, numbering restarts after 7, last page encapsulated) | n.d. |
| | 204 | Geology | n.d. |
| | 205 | “The Education Of A Free People” (reorganized by page number, missing pages 16, 33-44) | n.d. |
| | 206 | Importance of reading | 1820 |
| | | Notes on European/English History | n.d. |
| | | Government (encapsulated) | n.d. |

Series II: **Bigelow & Livermore Records**

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| 13 | 207 | William D. Coolidge (chron., "Sales by W. D. Coolidge of Adventure No. 3" encapsulated) | 1834-1835 |
| | 208 | "Consignment Papers Of Bigelow & Livermore" (chron.) | 1834-1835 |
| | 209 | Payments, receipts, invoices (chron.) | 1834-1836 |
| | 210 | "Copy Of Sales To Griggs & Weld Oct 9, 1835" (chron.) | 1835 |
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| | 219 | Court Case: Anderson vs. Dean | c1847 |
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* Note: See attached inventory for related collections.

Scope and Content Note

The collection contains courtroom records, depositions, releases and agreements mainly relating to the case of Ebenezer Stedman versus Oliver G. Lane beginning March 15, 1833. Robert Rantoul, Jr. argued the case for the defendant, in writing, with attorney Saltonstall. Included are depositions of carpenters, shipmasters and merchants from Gloucester and Newburyport, Massachusetts and also Groton and New London, Connecticut. There are also contract agreements documenting the contract for the sale of the merchant ship, Temora and records of materials used for repairing the ships hull in a timely manner.

The remainder of the collection contains business related matter, bills and receipts of payment, personal and business related correspondence, newspaper clippings, a dissertation and school notes from Rantoul's years at Phillips Andover Academy and Harvard University. There are also a few items relating to his time serving as a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Captain Robert Rantoul (1753-1783) was born in Middleton, Kinross, Fife, Scotland and
immigrated to America in 1769. He married Mary (Preston) Rantoul (1755-1816) in
1774 and the couple had four children: Robert Rantoul (1778-1858), Samuel Rantoul
(1781-1802), William Rantoul (d. 1816, 22 years old) and Mary "Polly" Rantoul Peabody
(1783-1836). Captain Rantoul was lost at sea in 1783, while commanding the ship *Iris*.

Robert Rantoul (1778-1858) was born in Salem, Massachusetts, the eldest child of
Captain Robert and Mary Preston Rantoul. Only partially educated, he was apprenticed
to a druggist and opened his own apothecary in Beverly in 1796. In addition to owning
the apothecary, Rantoul was highly visible in Beverly politics. He served as the overseer
of the poor of Beverly from 1804 to 1854 and was a parish clerk of the First Parish
Church of Beverly from 1808 to 1858. Rantoul was a Justice of the Peace and an acting

trial justice from 1808 to 1858. He was elected Senator for Essex County in 1820, 1821 and 1882 and served a total term of 25 years. Rantoul was an original member of the Massachusetts Temperance Society and a trustee of the Institution for the Education of the Blind. He married Joanna (Lovett) Rantoul (1780-1848), with whom he had seven children: Joanna Lovett Rantoul Endicott (1803-1863), Robert Rantoul, Jr. (1805-1852), Mary Elizabeth Rantoul (1809-1821), Samuel Rantoul (1813-1831), Charlotte Rantoul (1816-1840), Elizabeth Augusta Rantoul (1819-1837), and Hannah Lovett Rantoul (1821-1898).

Robert Rantoul, Jr. (1805-1852) was born in Beverly, Massachusetts, the eldest son of Robert Rantoul and Joanna (Lovett) Rantoul. He was educated at Philips Academy in Andover and entered Harvard in 1822, where he studied political science and the languages and literature of continental Europe. He studied law with John Pickering and Levrett Saltonstall, both of Salem, Massachusetts, and was admitted to the bar in 1829. Rantoul, Jr. practiced law in Salem, South Reading, Gloucester and Boston. In 1843 he became the Collector of the Customs for the Port of Boston and Charlestown and from 1845 to 1849 he was a United States District Attorney for Massachusetts. Rantoul, Jr. was opposed to capital punishment and interested in banking reform; his political involvement evolved over the course of his life. In 1851, Rantoul, Jr. was asked to fill the seat of United States Senator Daniel Webster. Rantoul, Jr. died of a skin infection (erysipelas) caused by a streptococcus bacteria at Washington, DC, during the first session of the Thirty-Second Congress in 1852. He married Jane Elizabeth (Woodbury) Rantoul (1807-1870) in 1831, with whom he had two children: Robert Samuel Rantoul (1832-1922) and Charles William Rantoul (1839-1918).

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Rantoul Family Papers contains mainly correspondence and receipts for four generations of the Rantoul family. The collection includes school compositions, notebooks, hand drawn maps, news paper clippings, pamphlets and speeches. The materials have been divided into series based on family member, beginning with Captain Robert Rantoul and ending with extended family correspondents. Each series is arranged chronologically, with undated material at the end.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The Robert Rantoul Papers contains mainly correspondence and receipts generated over the lifetime of Robert Rantoul. The collection includes drawings, legal publications and court documents. The material is arranged chronologically, with undated material at the end.

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