

Physical description:

5 items.

Dates:

1791. 1801. 1930. Undated.

Provenance:

These papers were found inside a copy of a shape note hymnal, Worcester Collection of Sacred Harmony which is now filed in special collections scores. The volume is inscribed "Nathan Stone's Book. Bought in the Year of our Lord 1791".

Biographical sketch:

The information about the Stone and Bedill families available in these papers is sketchy. A typed three page 1930 inventory of family antiques "at the Locusts in Dana Mass" mentions family members Samuel Mandell, grandfather of Nathan Stone; his daughter Susannah who married [?] Stone; and what appear to be their children Paul, Timothy (b. 1843, m. Varilla), Jane (m. ? Chamberlain) and Sophia (m. Seth Johnson). Mentioned elsewhere are Elizabeth Stone (perhaps the sister of Paul, Timothy, Jane and Sophia) who was born in 1839 and married Daniel Eugene Bedill (1835-1861) and their daughters Genie (b. 1859) and Adele (b. 1861) who married Henry M. Brown.

Scope and content:

These papers include a copy of the inscription in the book from which these papers were removed; a note 6 April 1801 to Nathan Stone from his grandfather Samuel Mandell; the 1930 inventory of family antiques "at the Locusts in Dana Mass" mentioned above which lists as item 31 "Nathan Stone's hymn book and an enclosed letter"; an undated envelope of Mrs. Henry M. (Adele) Brown, New Rochelle N.Y., giving information on her father Daniel Eugene Bedill, mother and sister Genie; and a small undated slip inscribed "Think this was some of Grandma Bedill's work."

Location:

These papers are filed by accession number with other manuscript groups.

Related materials:

The shape-note tune book Worcester Collection of Sacred Harmony inscribed "Nathan Stone's Book, 1791", is filed with special collection scores.