

# Guide to the Samuel Waldron Lambert Papers

MS 939



compiled by Janet Elaine Gertz

June 1983

Yale University Library  
P.O. Box 208240  
New Haven, CT 06520-8240  
(203) 432-1735  
(203) 432-7441  
beinecke.library@yale.edu  
<http://www.library.yale.edu/mssa/>

---

## Table of Contents

Collection Overview .....	3
Requesting Instructions .....	3
Administrative Information .....	4
Immediate Source of Acquisition .....	4
Conditions Governing Access .....	4
Conditions Governing Use .....	4
Preferred Citation .....	4
Scope and Contents .....	4
Collection Contents .....	5
Selected Search Terms .....	7

---

## Collection Overview

**REPOSITORY:** Manuscripts and Archives  
Yale University Library  
P.O. Box 208240  
New Haven, CT 06520-8240  
(203) 432-1735  
(203) 432-7441  
beinecke.library@yale.edu  
<http://www.library.yale.edu/mssa/>

**CALL NUMBER:** MS 939

**CREATOR:** Lambert, Samuel W. (Samuel Waldron), 1859-1942

**TITLE:** Samuel Waldron Lambert papers

**DATES:** 1821-1939

**BULK DATES:** 1923-1939

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.75 linear feet (2 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Chiefly correspondence relating to Lambert's activities concerning the Volstead Act and the Prohibition Amendment. Among his correspondents are Senator Hiram Bingham, Benjamin N. Cardozo, and Dr. Robert Lewis. Speeches, writings, newspaper clippings, and printed matter are also included in the papers. Other papers relate to research on scarlet fever and other medical subjects. Reflecting Lambert's book-collecting hobby are letters from the Bibliophile Society, the Grolier Club, and a letter dated 1821 to Mme. Eliza Bowen Jumel presented to Lambert as a gift. Also in the papers is the autograph album of Samuel W. Lambert, Jr. (Yale University, Class of 1919).

**ONLINE FINDING AID:** To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/mssa.ms.0939>

---

## Requesting Instructions

To request items from this collection for use in the Manuscripts and Archives reading room, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/mssa.ms.0939>.

To order reproductions from this collection, please go to [http://www.library.yale.edu/mssa/ifr\\_copy\\_order.html](http://www.library.yale.edu/mssa/ifr_copy_order.html). The information you will need to submit an order includes: the collection call number, collection title, series or accession number, box number, and folder number or name.

Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b.      box  
f.      folder

---

## Administrative Information

---

### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of the estate of Samuel W. Lambert, 1943.

---

### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

---

### Conditions Governing Use

Unpublished materials authored or otherwise produced by the creator(s) of this collection are in the public domain. There are no restrictions on use. Copyright status for other collection materials is unknown. Transmission or reproduction of materials protected by U.S. Copyright Law (Title 17, U.S.C.) beyond that allowed by fair use requires the written permission of the copyright owners. Works not in the public domain cannot be commercially exploited without permission of the copyright owners. Responsibility for any use rests exclusively with the user.

---

### Preferred Citation

Samuel Waldron Lambert Papers (MS 939). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

---

## Scope and Contents

This collection consists of letters and papers, 1821-1939, relating mainly to Dr. Samuel Waldron Lambert, Sr. The earliest item is a letter in French to Mme. Eliza (Bowen) Jumel signed Adele and endorsed De cubieres, written probably in 1821, presented to Lambert by W. L. Hardin. The next item is a letter of 1862 from Horace Greeley introducing J. H. Lambert. With the exception of a few items pertaining to Samuel W. Lambert, Jr., such as his autograph album, the remainder of the collection relates to Samuel W. Lambert, Sr.

Making up the bulk of the correspondence are letters and telegrams, 1932 and undated, to Lambert from Senator Hiram Bingham relating to attempts to modify the Volstead Act, and letters from others, 1923-1932, concerning prohibition and the medical use of alcohol. Correspondents include the Association Against the Prohibition Amendment, Benjamin N. Cardozo and Dr. Robert Lewis; there are also papers on the Hastings medical liquor bill in the New York State Senate, accompanied by a letter from Dr. Harold Rypins to Dr. Linsly W. Williams, April 13, 1931. Other materials of Lambert's on prohibition and liquor (two small notebooks, loose notes, speeches and other writings, newspaper clippings and printed matter) are also included in this collection.

Other items in the correspondence include a letter from Lambert to Dr. Samuel C. G. Watkins on recent research on scarlet fever, enclosing a leaflet about the Lilly Company's new Scarlet Fever Streptococcus Antitoxin (1925); a report by Dr. E. M. Bluestone to the Public Health Relations committee of the New York Academy on the establishment of a hospital for chronic patients on Welfare Island (1934); a reprint of Dr. Smith Ely Jelliffe's *Aesculapius and Lzaak Walton*, with notes by Lambert on Walton and Charles Cotton (1993); Henry Osborn Taylor's memorial to his wife, "Julia Isham Taylor," with accompanying letters (1934); Lambert's annotated copy of the *Milbank Fund Quarterly* (1934); letters from the Bibliophile Society (1901-1915) and the Grolier Club, including one each from Bliss Perry (1926) and Henry T. Peters (1928); and a letter from Edward S. Dana (1879).

Also in the collection are several miscellaneous items such as bills, receipts, and assorted printed matter.

Yale University acquired these papers by a gift from the estate of Samuel W. Lambert in 1943.

## Collection Contents

### Correspondence

b. 1, f. 1	1821, 1862-1895	
b. 1, f. 2	1901-1915	
b. 1, f. 3	1925-1929	
b. 1, f. 4	1930 Feb-Jun	
b. 1, f. 5	1930 Aug-1931 Mar	
b. 1, f. 6	1931 Apr 13	
b. 1, f. 7	1931 Sep 24	
b. 1, f. 8	1931 Oct-Dec	
b. 1, f. 9 - 11	1932 Jan-Jun	
b. 1, f. 12	1932 Nov 24	
b. 1, f. 13	1934 Mar 20	
b. 1, f. 14	1936-1939	
b. 1, f. 15	n.d.	

### Personal papers

b. 1, f. 16	Wedding anniversary pamphlet	1870
b. 1, f. 16	Bills and receipts	1879-1983
b. 1, f. 16	Autograph book	1909

### Writings

b. 2, f. 17	"Alcohol and Old Age" English	1928
b. 2, f. 18	"Myths and Memories of Three Score and Ten" English	[1929?]
b. 2, f. 19	"Medical Alcohol" English	1930 February 15
b. 2, f. 20	Miscellaneous notes	undated
b. 2, f. 20	Annotated article, "The Present and Future Organization of Medicine"	1932
b. 2, f. 21	"The Eighteenth Amendment" English	undated
b. 2, f. 22	"Solution of the Prohibition Question" English	undated

b. 2, f. 23	"What the 18th Amendment has done for the country" and other papers English	undated
Printed matter		
b. 2, f. 24	Association Against the Prohibition Amendment: pamphlets and bibliography	1929-1932
b. 2, f. 25	Other prohibition related pamphlets and clippings	1923,1928-1932, undated
b. 2, f. 26	<i>The Cigarette News</i>	1930
b. 2, f. 27	Miscellaneous newspaper clippings and pamphlets	1924-1934, undated

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Book collectors  
Medicine  
Physicians  
Prohibition  
Scarlatina

### **Genres / Formats**

Autographs (manuscripts)

### **Names**

Bingham, Hiram, 1875-1956  
Cardozo, Benjamin N. (Benjamin Nathan),  
1870-1938  
Jumel, Eliza Bowen, 1775?-1865  
Lambert, Samuel W. (Samuel Waldron),  
1859-1942  
Lambert, Samuel Waldron, 1897-1977  
Lewis, Robert, 1862-1939

### **Corporate Bodies**

Yale College (1887- ). Class of 1919  
Yale University -- Students