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voyages and investments in California gold exploration.

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b. box

f. folder

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Biographical / Historical

Henchman S. Soule of New Haven, Connecticut held an extensive shipping business. Ships of which he was a part owner with his brothers, or of which he was agent, traded with many foreign countries, as well as with ports in the United States. Two of his brothers and a nephew were masters of many of the ships. He had many private investments, and was agent for two commercial concerns, the papers of which are with the collection. The California Gold Expedition was one of his ventures.

Henchman S. Soule died in 1859. His papers were given to Yale University Library by the Harvard School of Business Administration in May 1942.

Scope and Contents

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b. 2	Bark <i>Madonna</i>	1849-1852
b. 2	Ship Milwaukee	1853-1858
b. 2	[Brig Norman?] [possibly Brig Rush] English	1851-1852
b. 2	[Bark <i>Prague</i> ?] English	1851-1852
b. 3	Brig <i>Rush</i>	1849-1853
b. 3	Ship Sentinel	1855-1857
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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

Budgets, Personal Business Businessmen Shipping Ships -- Cargo Voyages around the world

Geographic Names

California -- Gold discoveries New Haven (Conn.) -- Commerce

Genres / Formats

Ships' papers

Names

Soule, Henchman Sylvester, 1799-