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CALL NUMBER: MS 1055

CREATOR: Newton, H. A. (Hubert Anson), 1830-1896

TITLE: Hubert Anson Newton papers

DATES: 1850-1898

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2.75 linear feet (1 box, 1 folio, 1 volume)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Correspondence, notebooks, diplomas, and membership certificates largely relating to Newton's position as professor of mathematics at Yale University (1855-1896) and related Yale activities. In the correspondence is a letter from Noah Porter describing Thorstein B. Veblen and pleading for his admission as a candidate for the Ph.D. degree despite his "limited means." Also included in the papers is a notebook of mortality statistics of Yale graduates compiled in connection with Newton's publication: Length of life of the Yale graduates in the years [1707]-1762.

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

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Mrs. John A. Porter and May A. Atchison, 1949, and Katharine H. Edwards, 1970.

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Preferred Citation

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Scope and Contents

A small amount of correspondence of Hubert Newton, two letters to his daughter about his death, two notebooks and some loose notes, and a variety of certificates and diplomas make up the Hubert Anson Newton Papers. All of the materials relate to Newton's career as a mathematician and professor at Yale University. Perhaps the most interesting item in the collection is a letter from Noah Porter to Newton describing Thorstein B. Veblen and pleading for his admission as a Ph.D. candidate despite his "limited means" (folder 2). Also of interest is a notebook compiled connection with Newton's "Length of Life of the Yale Graduates in the Years [1701]-1762," published in the first and second series of F. B. Dexter's *Biographical Sketches of the Graduates of Yale College*.

These papers were donated to Yale University by Mrs. John A. Porter and May A. Atchison in 1949 and by Katharine H. Edwards in 1970.

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| b. 1, f. 1 | Letter written by Hubert A. Newton to his cousin [Bathsheba Way?] | 1850 March 23 |
| b. 1, f. 2 | Letters to Hubert A. Newton | 1864-1892 |
| b. 1, f. 3 | Letters to Miss Clifford Newton | 1896, 1898 |
| b. 1, f. 4 | Notebook of mortality statistics for Yale graduates | 1885 |
| b. 1, f. 5 | Mathematical and general notebook | undated |
| b. 1, f. 6 | "Notes for new editions of Professor Loomis' text-books" English | undated |
| b. 2 | Oversize volume | |
| | Diplomas and membership certificates for Hubert A. Newton from the following institutions: | |
| b. 3 | American Academy of Arts and Sciences | |
| b. 3 | American Bible Society | |
| b. 3 | American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions | |
| b. 3 | American Home Missionary Society | |
| b. 3 | American Philosophical Society | |
| b. 3 | Dublin University | |
| b. 3 | Historical Society of Iowa | |
| b. 3 | University of Michigan | |
| b. 3 | National Academy of Sciences of the U.S.A. | |
| b. 3 | New Haven Colony Historical Society | |
| b. 3 | Royal Society of Edinburgh | |
| b. 3 | Royal Society of London | |
| b. 3 | The World's Columbian Commission | |
| | Certificates for Clifford Newton from: | |
| b. 3 | American Bible Society | |
| b. 3 | American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions | |
| | Certificate for Mrs. Herbert [Hubert] A. Newton from: | |
| b. 3 | American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions | |

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

Educators
Science

Occupations

Mathematicians

Names

Newton, H. A. (Hubert Anson), 1830-1896
Phillips, Andrew W. (Andrew Wheeler),
1844-1915
Porter, Noah, 1811-1892
Veblen, Thorstein, 1857-1929

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