## First Universalist Society (1827-1844) Collection, 1790-1846, (bulk 1827-1846)

### **Manuscript Collection, CH-3**

.42 linear feet (5 folders)

**Administrative History:** The First Universalist Society of Woburn, Massachusetts formed in 1827. A meeting house was erected and dedicated on December 23, 1829. The first minister was Rev. Otis A Skinner. He was followed by Rev. Daniel D. Smith, A. L. Balch, John Gregory and J.C. Waldo. The society discontinued meeting after 1841 and the meeting house was sold to the Town of Woburn in 1845 for a town hall.

Scope and Contents Note: Thematic collection of First Universalist Society records including General Record Book, Book of Taxes, List of Names Assessed Taxes in the First Universalist Society, sermons, letters, receipts and correspondence. General Record Book records meetings of the Society (folder 1). The List of Names (folder 2) was made for extinguishing the debt of the Society before its closure and lists the amount of tax assessed each member. The Record Books of Taxes (folder 3) are bound with two printed sermons from 1829 and 1830. The 1790 receipt (folder 5) is unrelated to the First Universalist Society and is for services rendered by Bartholomew Richardson to the First Parish (Congregational) Church.

**Acquisition**: General record book, gift of William C. Parker. Record book of taxes, gift of John Johnson Jr.; one sermon gift of Nathan Wyman. Tax list (List of Names) gift of Edward F. Johnson.

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**Related Material:** See PEC-39, CH-9.

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# **Box** Folder

- 1 1 Record Book, 1827-41.
  - 2 List of Names Assessed Taxes in the First Universalist Society, 1841.
  - 3 Record Books of Taxes, 1836, 1842-43, 1844.
  - 4 Correspondence, 1840-46.
  - 5 Receipts, 1790, 1842-1844.