

**Woburn Public Library (1856-)  
Bound Pamphlet Collection, 1743-1900**

**Manuscript Collection, PEC-21**

4.25 linear feet (22 volumes)

**Administrative History:** The first public library in Woburn, Massachusetts was founded in 1856 when Charles Bowers Winn, the town's delegate to the State Constitutional Convention, donated his salary of \$300 to develop a free circulating library. The library was located at the old town hall, moving to a new location at the Wade Block in 1865. The present library building, designed by Henry Hobson Richardson, was opened in 1879. The first librarians at the current location were George M. Champney (1879-1882), William R. Cutter (1882-1909) and George H. Evans (1909-1917).

**Scope and Contents Note:** Collection consists of 592 pamphlets, dating from 1743 through 1900, bound into 22 volumes. Most volumes were compiled by William R. Cutter and other early Woburn librarians with the exception of several volumes (P499-P504) compiled by a donor, J.A. Bent. Collection includes Congressional speeches, other speeches and general pamphlets on the subjects of slavery and emancipation, Massachusetts politics and government, genealogy, Lexington, MA, Woburn, MA and the United States Department of the Interior. These volumes are part of the book collection begun by George M. Champney and are identified by their original catalog numbers.

**Processing Notes:** An itemized listing of pamphlets in each volume was created and is available on-site.

**Acquisition:** Collected by Woburn Public Library staff.

**Access:** Unrestricted. Contact Archivist to schedule an appointment to view collection.

**Copyright:** Contact Archivist about questions on the copyright status of this collection.

**Related Material:** See **Guide to Collections** under Military Records (MIL) for Civil War-related collections.

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**Processor:** Thomas R. Doyle

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<b>Volume</b>	<b>Dates (inclusive)</b>	<b>Pamphlets</b>	<b>Subjects</b>
P498	1853-1857	31	Slaves -- Emancipation -- Massachusetts (State) -- Massachusetts.
P499	1848-1861	46	Antislavery movements -- United States Scott, Dred, 1809-1858
P500	1832-1864	93	Slavery -- Law and legislation -- United States
P501	1857-1858	55	United States Congress Speeches Addresses Etc
P502	1859-1860	34	United States. Congress. Senate Harpers Ferry W Va History John Browns Raid 1859 Slavery United States
P503	1860-1861	33	Lincoln Douglas Debate Speeches Addresses Etc
P504	1862-1864	40	Yale College Speeches Addresses Etc Emancipation Slaves United States
P1032	1802-1851	14	Speeches Addresses Etc Yale College Sermons Crime
R3615	1880-1899	25	Department of the Interior Reports
R3616	1887-1899	9	United States Government Reports
R3617	1886-1897	22	Department of the Interior Reports

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R3618	1889-1900	30	Department of the Interior Reports
R3619	1831-1884	17	Massachusetts History Unitarians Patent Medicines Massachusetts Politics and Government
S555	1871-1882	18	Lexington Massachusetts Town Reports
S556	1743-1857	12	William R. Cutter Woburn Massachusetts Author
S561	1780-1884	21	Massachusetts Genealogy Sermons Woburn Massachusetts –History Lexington Massachusetts Concord Massachusetts
S745	1845-1895	22	Woburn Massachusetts – History William R. Cutter Massachusetts -- Politics and Government. Handbills Woburn Massachusetts – History Travel Guide
S768	1855-1887	3	Woburn Massachusetts – History Librarianship
S928	1831-1874	26	Speeches Addresses Etc New England – History Massachusetts – History Connecticut – History Rhode Island -- History
S975	1844-1896	17	Speeches Addresses Etc Massachusetts – History United States -- Politics and government.

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S976	1846-1898	11	Massachusetts – History New England – History Rumford, Benjamin, Graf von, 1753-1814.
S995	1835-1869	5	Leather industry and trade -- History. Journeyman Shoemakers Society of Woburn Travel –Guidebooks – Boston Massachusetts