

NEW HAVEN COLONY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Manuscripts

No. 66

Date processed: November, 1977

- I. Title Daggett Papers, 1780-1949
- II. The papers of David, Leonard A., Oliver Ellsworth, Susan Elizabeth  
deposited in the Library on \_\_\_\_\_, by \_\_\_\_\_ Daggett, etc.  
In \_\_\_\_\_ converted the deposit to a gift.
- III. Linear feet of shelf space occupied: 2\*  
Approximate number of items: 1392 items including 17 notebooks, 5 bound  
volumes and 4 photographs
- IV. Restrictions: none
- V. Literary rights of the unpublished writings of  
in these papers, and in other collections of papers in the custody of  
the New Haven Colony Historical Society Library, have been dedicated  
to the New Haven Colony Historical Society.
- VI. Press release was issued on \_\_\_\_\_
- VII. Biographical note:

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## Biographical Note

David Daggett (1764-1851), son of Thomas and Sibulah (Stanley) Daggett. His father was first cousin of President Naphtali Daggett of Yale. David Daggett graduated from Yale in 1783. Studied law with Charles Chauncey, and taught in a private school and also at Hopkins Grammar School. Admitted to the Connecticut Bar in 1786. Elected to lower house of General Assembly, 1791-97, 1805-09, and was Speaker, 1794-97. Member of the Connecticut Council, 1797-1803 and 1809-13; was U.S. Senator from Connecticut, 1813-19. Served as associate justice of the Connecticut Superior Court, 1826-28, and was Kent law professor at Yale, 1826-48. Was mayor of New Haven, 1828-30, and Chief Justice of Connecticut Superior Court of Errors, 1832-34. Received honorary degree, Doctor of Law, from Yale in 1826. He published various orations, political tracts and arguments. Married Wealthy Ann Munson (1767-1839) in 1786. Married for a second time in 1840, Mary Lines (1788-1854).

Of his fourteen children four are represented in the collection  
Leonard A. Daggett. See below.

Oliver Ellsworth Daggett. See below.

Susan Edwards Daggett (1788-1839); married Sereno Edwards Dwight (1786-1850) in 1811.

Wealthy Ann Daggett (1786-1860), married Joseph Jenkins ( - ) in 1822.

Leonard A. Daggett (1790-1867), eldest son of David and Wealthy Ann (Munson) Daggett. Graduated from Yale in 1807 and studied law with his father. Worked in New York and later in New Haven in the mercantile business. Taught in New Haven, 1819-1823. For the next 10 years he engaged in foreign commerce in New Haven. Later he resumed teaching and continued until 1867. Married Jennette Atwater (1799-1825) in 1819, and in 1853 he married her sister, Julia Atwater Raymond (1795-1883).

Two of his four children are represented in the collection

Susan Dwight Daggett (1822-1857); married Amos

Trowbridge Dwight (1807-1881) in 1851.

Mary Jennette Daggett (1823-1904).

Oliver Ellsworth Daggett (1810-1880), born in New Haven, the thirteenth child of David and Wealthy Ann (Munson) Daggett. Graduated from Yale in 1823. During his career in the ministry he was pastor of the Second Congregational Church, Hartford (1837-43); the First Congregational Church, Canandaigua, N.Y. (1843-63); and the Second Congregational Church, New London (1870-77). He was professor of divinity at Yale from 1867 to 1870. Rev. Dr. Daggett retired in 1877, resided in Hartford. Married Elizabeth Watson (1812-1891) in 1840.

His three children are represented in the collection

Susan Elizabeth Daggett (1841- )

Ellsworth Daggett (1845-1923)

Mary Daggett (1852-1894)

Other Daggetts included in the collection

Henry Daggett (1758-1843); son of Naphtali Daggett.  
 Alfred Daggett (1799-1872); son of Ezra Daggett. Married Laura  
 Gilbert (1812-1894) in 1829; daughter Laura Daggett  
 (1839-1872); married Fran Elihu Spencer in 1869.  
 Leonard Mayhew Daggett (1863-1949); son of David Lewis Daggett  
 (1820-1896); grandson of Leonard A. Daggett.

Arabella Farrand Willson (Mrs George Willson) (1807-1884); friend  
 of Dr. and Mrs. Oliver Ellsworth Daggett.

George Willson ( -1859)

### Analysis

The collection consists of four and one half boxes of items representing the personal papers and some business papers of various members of the Daggett family. The items consist of correspondence, clippings, account notebooks, poetry albums, bound volumes of letters, sermons, law lectures notes, and memorabilia. It is organized alphabetically by individuals--David, Leonard A., Oliver Ellsworth, Susan Elizabeth, etc. Then it is arranged by subject (church career, religious writings, etc.) or by type of document (clippings, correspondence, etc.), and then alphabetically or chronologically within each subject. The miscellaneous material is organized by type of document.

This collection was partially organized by a previous processor who made pencil notations on some of the documents. Notes made by the previous processor are located in Box V:D.

### Finding Aid

The folders are marked with the box and folder notation in the center (I:A -- Box I;Folder A). The manuscript number and the subject heading appear in the upper left hand corner and the date in the upper right hand corner.

**ADDITION:** 13 documents added in July, 1980 chiefly letters from David Daggett to Gov. Chauncey Goodrich and from Naphtali Daggett to his son Henry. They are interfiled with similar items in Boxes L & IV. See Table of Contents, p. 11, for details.

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## Folder A. Correspondence

1. Outgoing to: William Bristol, 1818
2. Samuel Dana, 1818
3. Timothy Green, 1794
4. William Leffingwell, 1814
5. Harriet Watson, 1814
6. Incoming from: Thomas Day, 1822
7. Susan Edwards Daggett (1788-1839) 1814
8. Stephen T. Hasmer, Chief Justice of Connecticut, 1809
9. Request for Daggett's opinion from R. Smith, 1833
10. Bill from Mrs. Northrup for schooling of Charles, 1806(?)
11. Insurance policy, 1814
- 12-16. Papers relating to settlement of estate (Henry White, executor), 1850-1851  
See also III: D, 1-6 [6]
17. Promissory note - Ebenezer Daggett to D. Elijah Baldwin, 1780(?) [2]
- B. Newspaper clipping pertaining to Dr. Naphthali Daggett, 1803 [7]
- C. Notebook of Judge David Daggett's law lectures taken by R.D. Smith, December, 1829 - January, 1830 [circa 28 pages]
- D. Notebook of Judge David Daggett's law lectures taken by R.D. Smith, January - February, 1830 [circa 63 pages]
- E. Notebook of Judge David Daggett's law lectures taken by R.D. Smith, March, 1830 [circa 19 pages]
- F. Bound volume, Daggett's Lectures on Law, taken by R.D. Smith, 1829-1830 [circa 333 pages]

## Leonard A. Daggett

- G. Correspondence - incoming - family
  1. Julia Atwater Raymond (1795-1883) with notes from his daughters, Susan and Mary Jennette, and niece Sarah, N.D.
  - 2-5. David Daggett, 1826-1831
  - 6-11. Mary Jennette Daggett (1823-1904), 1852-1853 plus N.D. [12]
  - 12-13. Susan Daggett Dwight (1822-1857), 1839, N.D.
- H. Correspondence - incoming - family
  - 1-2. Joseph Jenkins, 1826, 1834
  - 3-12. Wealthy Ann Daggett Jenkins (1796-1860), 1825-1851 (Document 9 contains a note from David Daggett to his father) [12]
- I. Correspondence - incoming
  1. Printed letter from the American Education Society, 1830
  - 2-10. A-D 1826-1853 [13]
  11. Cards sent by Lizzie P. Donnelly, Henry G. Harrower and Mrs. Spence, N.D. [5]
  - 12-19. W.T. Dwight, 1851-1853 [10]

BOX I David Daggett and Leonard A. Daggett (cont.)

- J. Correspondence - incoming, E-M, 1825-1855 [24]  
(Documents 14 and 15 - Invitation to 100th Anniversary of the Linonian Society of Yale College, 1853)
- K. Correspondence - incoming, P-S, 1825-1855 [19]
- L. Correspondence plus miscellaneous [14]
  - 1-10. Correspondence - incoming, T-Y, 1834-1854  
(Document 9 from Levi Woodbury, Secretary of the Treasury, 1834)
  - 11. Appointment as agent of the Protection Insurance Company of Hartford, 1838
  - 12. Appointment as Notary Public, 1862
  - 13. " " " " - Stephen Ball, 1861
  - 14. Blank notary appointment form, N.D.

BOX II Oliver Ellsworth Daggett (1810-1880)

- A. Church career and related correspondence
  - 1. Notes outlining his career, 1871
  - 2. License from Association of the Western District of New Haven County, 1833
  - 3. Paper read at examination for ordination, 1837, and installation at Yale College, 1867
  - 4. Honorary degree, Doctor of Divinity, Hamilton College, N.Y., 1853
  - 5-7. United Society and Church, New Haven, March-April, 1834 [4]
  - 8-9. First Church, Cambridge, Mass., August 1834 [3]
  - 10-13. First Congregational Church and Society, Fairfield, March, 1835
  - 14-15. Congregational Church and Society, Meriden, August-September, 1835
  - 16-19. Second Congregational Church and Society, Greenfield, Mass., May, 1836.
- B. Church career - correspondence
  - 1-8. Second Congregational Church, Hartford, 1837-1843 [11]
  - 9. French Protestant Church, Charleston, S.C., June, 1844
  - 10-19. First Congregational Church, Canandaigua, N.Y. [2]  
October - December, 1844 [11]
- C. Church career - correspondence
  - 1-8. First Church and Parish, Northampton, Mass. [10]  
September - December, 1856
  - 9. Reverend James Eells, 1859
  - 10-25. Papers relating to departure from Canandaigua to Yale College, July - October, 1867 [21]
  - 26-27. Clippings related to removal from Canandaigua, 1867
- D. Church career - correspondence
  - 1-5. Removal from Yale College, July - September, 1870 [6]
  - 6-14. Second Congregational Church and Society, New London, 1870-71, 1877 [11]
- E. Church career - clippings, 1842-1880 [8]
- F. Notebook - record of visits paid and miscellaneous notes, includes one loose note, 1870, 1873 [circa 92 pages]

- G. Religious writings by O.E. Daggett  
Notebook of miscellaneous writings, 1832.  
(Some pages have been removed). [circa 14 pages]
- H. Religious writings by O.E. Daggett 1841(?) - 1848  
1. Sermon - The Prevention of War. Manuscript with pencil notations and shorthand notes [1841?, 1845?] [circa 24 pages]  
2. Letter of admonition to Julia M. Jackson, 1848 [2]
- I. Sermon - The Intermediate State by O.E. Daggett, 1859.  
Manuscript with pencil notations and shorthand notes. [2]  
(Contains 2 loose sheets with additions to text) [circa 36 pages]
- J. Sermon - Paradise, or the Immediate Blessedness of the Saved.  
Undated manuscript with pencil and shorthand notes. [circa 32 pages]
- K. Address honoring Chief Justice Thomas Scott Williams  
by O.E. Daggett [1887?] [circa 21 pages]
- L. Writings by O.E. Daggett  
1-12. Poetry attributed to O.E. Daggett in his hand, 1831-1880 plus n.d. [13]  
13. Notebook containing poetry text, attributed to O.E. Daggett and in his hand. Undated. [circa 12 pages]  
14. Notebook - second copy of contents in Document 13 with additions made. [circa 12 pages]  
15. Poem by O.E. Daggett copied by Ellsworth Daggett, (1845-1923) Undated.
- M. Newspaper clippings - poetry.  
1-9. Clipped poetry attributed to O.E. Daggett, 1829-1880.  
10-14. Clippings referring to Poems, a posthumous volume of his work [1880?]
- N. Poetry album containing poetry copied by O.E. Daggett.  
Album dated 1832. Poetry dated 1828-1834. Includes index of titles. [circa 140 pages]
- O. Poetry album containing poems copied for O.E. Daggett by friends, 1825-1827. Last page torn.  
Loose sheet removed to III: A [circa 77 pages]

## BOX III Oliver Ellsworth Daggett

- A. Poetry collected by O.E. Daggett. 1897-1910  
1. Poem copied for O.E. Daggett by F.A. Staples, n.d., removed from III: O  
2-25. Miscellaneous poetry [26]

- B. Clippings - poetry and prose  
1-2. Clipped poems, 1876, n.d.  
3-5. Clipped prose, 1877, 1885, n.d. [4]
- C. Account Notebooks  
1. Personal expenses, 1859-1861 [circa 24 pages]  
2. " " 1861 [circa 13 pages]  
(Some pages have been removed)  
3. Personal expenses, including one poem, 1865 [circa 60 pages]
- D. Miscellaneous business papers  
1-6. Papers relating to settlement of David Daggett's estate (Henry White, executor), 1851-1852, plus n.d.  
7-11. Papers relating to Polly Beach (1773-1859), David Daggett's housekeeper, 1851-1854.  
12-17. Statements of expenses, income and sale of Glebe Building, 1861-1868.  
18. Face of an envelope addressed to Alfred Buckingham, writing on back attributed to O.E. Daggett.
- E. Correspondence - incoming  
1. Leonard A. Daggett, 1856  
2. A.T. Dwight (1807-1881), 1857  
3. Rev. Sereno E. Dwight (1786-1850), 1840  
4. Susan Daggett Dwight (1822-1857), 1852  
5-7. George Willson ( -1859) 1854-1858 plus n.d. [13]  
(Documents 8, 10-11 contain notes from Arabella Farrand Willson (Mrs. George Willson))
- F. Correspondence - incoming from Arabella Farrand Willson (Mrs. George Willson) (1807-1884), 1845-1859 [47]
- G. Correspondence - incoming from Arabella Farrand Willson, 1860-1869 [41]
- H. Correspondence - incoming from Arabella Farrand Willson, 1870-1875 [32]
- I. Correspondence - incoming from Arabella Farrand Willson, 1877-1879 [34]
- J. Correspondence - incoming from Arabella Farrand Willson, 1880-1885 [28]
- K. Correspondence - incoming from Arabella Farrand Willson, n.d. (Document 1 is a post card signed "Mrs. Brown," Arabella Farrand Willson) [66]
- L. Poetry & miscellaneous - Arabella Farrand Willson  
1-13. Poetry by Arabella Willson sent to O.E. Daggett, 1851-1873, plus n.d.  
14-16. Poetry by Arabella Willson sent to Ellsworth Daggett, 1850, plus n.d. [5]

BOX III Oliver Ellsworth Daggett (cont.)

- L. Poetry & misc. - Arabella Farrand Willson (cont.)
  - 17-18. Poetry copied by Arabella Willson [3]
  - 19-29. Undated, unsigned poetry believed sent by Arabella Willson [15]
  - 30-33. Miscellaneous notes sent to O.E. Daggett [8]
  - 34. Letter - Mary A. Willson to George Willson, 1868
  
- M. Obituaries - Oliver Ellsworth Daggett
  - 1-10. Newspaper clippings - obituaries, 1880 [11]
  - 11-18. Newspaper clippings - memorials, 1880 [9]
  - 19. Page from vital statistics of Congregational Yearbook, 1881
  
- N. In memoriam, bound volume of sympathy letters to Mrs. Elizabeth Daggett (1812-1891) pertaining to death of O.E. Daggett, 1880 (Loose letters removed to Folder O) [circa 64 pages]
  
- O. Unmounted letters
  - 1-4. Loose condolence letters removed from Folder N, 1880-1881 [5]
  - 5-6. Loose thank you letters removed from Box IV:A, n.d.
  
- P. In memoriam, bound volume of sympathy letters to Susan Elizabeth Daggett (1841- ) pertaining to death of O.E. Daggett. Also includes several letters of thanks for complimentary memorial volume Poems by O.E. Daggett, 1880-1881 [circa 109 pages]

BOX IV Oliver Ellsworth Daggett, Susan Elizabeth Daggett & Misc. Daggett Family Members

- A. In memoriam, bound volumes of letters thanking Mrs. Elizabeth Daggett for complimentary volumes Memorial Tribute and Poems, 1880-1881. (Loose letters removed to III: O) [circa 49 pages]
  
- Susan Elizabeth Daggett.
  
- B. Susan Elizabeth Daggett - Personal Papers
  - 1. Photograph, 1878
  - 2. Correspondence - incoming from: H.W. Chaplain, 1892 [3]
  - 3. "E.E.D." 1902
  - 4. Ellsworth Daggett, 1874 [5]
  - 5. Moti Ghema, plus two photographs, n.d. [3]
  - 6. R.A. Hume, 1927, plus n.d. [7]
  - 7. Miss Kyle, 1894
  - 8. K.H. Miller, 1918 [2]
  - 9-10. Undated, unsigned
  - 11. Undated poem, signed H.H.?
  - 12-13. Correspondence - outgoing to Mrs. Elizabeth Daggett, 1843, 1860 [4]
  - 14. Fragment of a letter describing a shipping incident concerning the brig Orion, 1828
  - 15. Letter - Louise Chandler Moulton to Mrs. Walker, 1871
  - 16. List of those sending flowers and gifts to Elizabeth Daggett's funeral, 1891



- C. Poetry collected by Susan Elizabeth Daggett  
1-96. Copied poetry, probably in her handwriting,  
1874-1916, plus n.d. [97]
- D. Poetry collected by Susan Elizabeth Daggett  
1-30. Copied poetry not in her handwriting,  
1877-1893, plus n.d. [32]
- E. Clippings  
1-11. Poems by Susan Coolidge, 1886, plus n.d.  
12-17. Poems by Helen Hunt Jackson, 1876, 1884, plus n.d.  
18-102. Miscellaneous clipped poetry, 1879-1918, plus n.d.  
103-104. Typed poetry, n.d.
- F. Clippings - prose on religious and moral themes (poor  
condition) 1887-1926, plus n.d. [48]
- G. Clippings - prose plus articles on Grove Street Cemetery,  
1926, 1927, plus n.d. [25]
- H. Clippings - obituaries  
1-19. Collected by Susan Elizabeth Daggett, 1859-1916,  
arranged alphabetically, including clippings  
pertaining to David Lewis Daggett (1820-1896) and  
William Gibbons Daggett (1860-1910) Very poor  
condition. [40]  
20-22. Envelopes
- I. Printed obituaries collected by Susan Elizabeth Daggett  
1. In memoriam - Emmeline Doulton, including envelope  
and card from Mrs. Louis Noble Stott, n.d. [circa 18 pages] [4]  
2. Dr. Cornelia Greene [4]  
3. Lois MacLane, 1916, including letter and photograph  
from William McLane dated 1927 [5]  
4. Mrs. Henry Prudden, including newspaper clipping,  
1924, plus n.d. [6]  
5. Harriet W. Terry - Typed memorial, 1911 [3]  
6. Julia Watson, 1927 [2]
- J. Miscellaneous material collected by Susan Elizabeth Daggett  
1. "Memoir of the Arm-chair." Notes concerning chair  
owned by David Daggett, 1844 [6]  
2. Telegram - Vincent Bradford to C.A. Daggett, 1850 [2]  
3. Photograph of fish caught by Ellsworth Daggett, 1908  
4. Clipping relating to discovery of sermons of Presidents  
Naphthali Daggett and Thomas Clapp, 1908  
5. Clipping relating to Daggett County, Utah, from  
Salt Lake Telegram, n.d.  
6. Clipped picture of the Sunday School Class of the  
First Congregational Church, 1855. Marked to  
show Harriet Buckingham.  
7. Picture of Great Elm, Wethersfield, as it appeared  
in 1758, n.d.  
8-9. William Watson. Material describing him by Grace H. (Mrs.Z.S.)  
Freeman (1925) and Elizabeth E. Dana, n.d. [3]  
10-11. Memorabilia, n.d.

- K. Misc. Daggett Family Members, B-D
1. Susan Dwight Bliss - card, n.d.
  2. Alfred Daggett (1799-1872) - girl's sketch, n.d.
  3. " " - clipped illustration, n.d.
  4. " " - writing sampler, n.d.
  5. Henry Daggett (1758-1843) - correspondence -  
outgoing to Jehosophat Starr, 1780
  6. Henry Daggett - promissory note - S(?) Hall, 1784.
  7. " " - invitation from George Hoadly Mayor,  
New Haven, n.d.
  8. Agreement to pay Henry Daggett as compensation for  
loss of goods, 1800.
  9. Record of payments to Thomas Green & Son by Mutual Insurance  
Company. Amount approved by Henry Daggett, President (?)  
1806-1807.
  - 10-17. Leonard Mayhew Daggett (1863-1949) - correspondence relating  
to preparation of his obituary, 1949.
  18. Leonard Mayhew Daggett - genealogical sketch showing his  
descent, n.d.
  - 19-25. Leonard Mayhew Daggett - obituaries - typed copies of, n.d. [20]
- L. Alfred Daggett (1799-1872) - Album dated 1827 including sketches and  
poetry, 1827-1864 plus n.d. Also includes poem written by Laura  
Gilbert prior to her marriage to Alfred Daggett, and poetry written  
or copied by Laura Daggett Spencer (Mrs. Frank Elihu Spencer),  
plus butterfly wings. Poor condition. (Loose material removed  
to Folder K). [circa 66 pages]  
See also Women's Collection MSS #58 for related material to  
Laura Gilbert Daggett.
- M. Mary Daggett (1852-1894) - Misc. papers including award for Best  
Child's Dress from the Ontario Co. Agricultural Society,  
1863 plus n.d.
- N. Mary Daggett - Clippings of articles written by Mary Daggett. Some  
signed with pseudonyms "A. Gasper," "Pilgrim" and "Penelope  
Pickering." Some duplicates. Poor condition, 1892-1893. [45]
- O. Misc. Daggett Family Members, D-J, plus misc.
1. Correspondence - Amos T. Dwight (1807-1881) to Caroline D.  
Platt.
  2. Correspondence - Susan E. Daggett Dwight (1788-1839) to Wealthy  
Ann Daggett Jenkins, 1839.
  3. Wealthy Ann Daggett Jenkins (1796-1860) - memoranda of  
part of a mourning bill, n.d.
  - 4-6. Wealthy Ann Daggett Jenkins - printed copies of conclusion  
of sermon delivered by Dr. S.W.S. Dutton at her funeral, 1860.
  7. Daggett Genealogy. Written in pencil on graph paper.  
Undated, unsigned, partial.
  8. Notes - extract from record pertaining to survey of  
Daggett-Hull properties in Westfield, n.d.

- A. Miscellaneous printed material consisting of cards, tracts and printed prayers.
  - 1-4. Arranged alphabetically by signature, 1913 plus n.d.
  - 5-23. Arranged alphabetically by author [24]
  - 24-49. Miscellaneous material [34]
- B. Diary, unsigned from 1862-1872. Frequent references made to the Daggett family. See Folder D for partial list of names [circa 101 pages]
- C. Account book, 1836-1841, with name "Hartford Bank" on cover. First two pages titled "Dr. Hartford Bank in account with Wm. Watson." Then from back to front a listing of family expenses. Unclear as to whose record it actually is. [circa 42 pages]
- D. Descriptive material prepared by previous processor, 1958, 1963 plus n.d. [94]

ADDITIONS:

Box I Folder A-1 (p. 4) David Daggett (1764-1851) [5]  
 ALS to Chauncey Goodrich, Sept. 30, 1805  
 Goodrich & DeForest, Feb. 18, 1817  
 Gov. Chauncey Goodrich, Jan. 11, 1815  
 Gov. Goodrich, Feb. 11, 1815 re British defeat at New Orleans  
 Receipt, 1825 signed by Daggett as attorney for Joseph Smith to Charles H. Pond

Box IV Folder K-1 (p. 10) Henry Daggett (1758-1843) [8]  
 ALS - Naphtali Daggett (1727-1780) to Henry  
 Oct. 1, 1778; Oct. 16, 1778; Oct. 4, 1779;  
 Feb. 25, 1780 re Continental Army and land in Vt.  
 N. Daggett to Col. Heman Swift, Sept. 14, 1780  
 Lancelot Jacques to Henry Daggett, March 15 and June 2, 1779 re war in Va. and Maryland  
 Account - W. Talmage Hall to Henry Daggett, 1786

Box IV a

Folder A  
 ALS Daggett M. Lee to Stanley Daggett, 1950 re Sarah (Sally) Daggett Meers. [daughter of Naphtali Daggett] [3]  
 Portrait of Sally Daggett

Folder B  
 ALS Naphtali Daggett to Sally Daggett, Aug. 29, 1773 [1]  
 [framed with glass]

Folder K-1

Promissory Note (1808) to Henry Daggett from E. Daggett