

## Collection Summary

<b>Title</b>	Burnham-Newcomb Family Collection
<b>Date</b>	1912 – 2006, n.d.
<b>Creator</b>	Burnham Family, Newcomb Family
<b>Extent</b>	0.5 Linear Feet
<b>Abstract</b>	This collection contains records, correspondence, photographs, newspaper clippings, and genealogical research materials primarily related to the Burnham and Newcomb families of Leeds, Maine.
<b>Repository</b>	Leeds Historical Society

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## Historical Note

The Burnham and Newcomb families are well established within the history of Maine and New England. The Burnham family traces its lineage all the way back to Thomas Burnham of England who helped to establish a settlement in Ipswich, Massachusetts in 1646. The Newcomb family traces its history back to Andrew Newcomb (1642-1702), a landowner in Kittery, Maine. The two families possessed no direct link or commonality until Elizabeth Belle Burnham of Leeds, Maine married Richard Henry Newcomb also of Leeds, Maine in the middle of the nineteenth century. Following the union, the two families would be forever intertwined.

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## Scope and Content Note

This collection contains records, correspondence, photographs, newspaper clippings, and genealogical research materials primarily related to the Burnham and Newcomb families of Leeds, Maine. Among the materials are both financial and personal records mainly of the Newcomb family. The financial records date from 1917 to 1965, and include a discharge of mortgage form, handwritten personal receipts, a mortgage deed, and various tax collection forms. The personal records date from 1912 to 1923, and include a 1918 copy of Richard Maynard Newcomb's 1897 birth certificate, a photocopy of a "Copy of an Old Record of a Marriage" of Abner Burnham Jr. and Rhoda Hallowell, a photocopy of a "Copy of an Old Record of a Birth" of Jeremiah Frank Burnham, Richard Maynard Newcomb's school composition book from 1912, and a wedding certificate of John J. Pratt of Leeds, Maine and Elizabeth B. Newcomb also of Leeds, Maine. The collection contains a small number of both historical and modern photographs primarily of the Newcomb family including one historical photograph of Richard Maynard Newcomb and his mother, Elizabeth Belle Burnham, and one historical portrait photograph of Richard Maynard Newcomb. There is a small number of modern newspaper clippings (originals and their photocopies), and also various letters dating from 1922 to 1968. The majority of the collection, however, is composed of genealogical research material primarily on the Newcomb and Burnham families, although there is small amount of information on the Sturtevant family.

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## Organization and Arrangement

The files are arranged alphabetically by folder title.

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### Restrictions

#### Access Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

#### Use Restrictions

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### Inventory

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1	1	Burnham genealogical materials – miscellaneous family history, undated
1	2	Clippings, 1997-2006
1	3	Correspondence, 1922-1968
1	4	Financial records, 1917-1965
1	5	Newcomb genealogical materials – John and Catherine Newcomb, undated
1	6	Newcomb genealogical materials – miscellaneous family history, 1 of 3, undated
1	7	Newcomb genealogical materials – miscellaneous family history, 2 of 3, undated

- 1 8 Newcomb genealogical materials – miscellaneous family history, 3 of 3, undated
- 1 9 Newcomb genealogical materials – Oliver and Margaret Newcomb, and William and Catherine Newcomb, undated
- 1 10 Newcomb genealogical materials – Owen and Jane Newcomb, undated
- 1 11 Newcomb genealogical materials – Simon and Frances Newcomb, undated
- 1 12 Personal records (originals and photocopies), 1912-1923
- 1 13 Photographs, undated
- 1 14 Sturtevant, Burnham, Newcomb genealogical materials, undated