

Almanac Series

A Finding Aid

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I. Collection Summary

Title	Almanac Series
Extent	.20 linear feet of records; 18 items
Date Range	1817-1892 (bulk 1857-1878)
Abstract	This series comprises seventeen almanacs with subjects ranging from agriculture, mechanics, and medicine to general information. The almanacs are primarily from the northeastern United States, including New York, Massachusetts, and Pennsylvania, with several from Ohio. Two of special note focus on abolition and temperance.
Languages	English.
Access and Restrictions	<p>Use of the records in this collection is for serious research and by request and permission of the Livingston County Historian. Any use of the material in publications must be cited as follows, "Courtesy of Livingston County Historian's Office, New York." Additionally, all items should be handled with care.</p> <p>To arrange to conduct research with the documents in the collection, contact the Livingston County Historian by mail at: 5 Murray Hill Drive, Mount Morris, NY, by phone at (585) 243-7955, or by e-mail at Historian@livingstoncountyny.gov.</p>
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II. Background Information

Almanacs, a subset of periodicals often published annually, have served the purpose of collecting general information about agriculture, religion, science and technology, culture, lunar and solar patterns, tides and weather, and statistics pertaining to regions or nations. Almanacs are often centered on the calendar, making them a one-stop reference pertinent to many aspects of life.

The almanacs in this series mainly concern general information and medically or agriculturally focused publications, but one of special note was published with anti-slavery emphasis and another concentrates on the temperance movement.

The almanacs were collected over many years from individual donors and some may have been purchased by the Livingston County Historian's Office or the Livingston County Historical Society and Museum prior to about 2005. The almanacs are collected together and housed in acid- and lignin-free protective materials.

III. Contents List

Box 1	Farmers' and mechanics' almanacs, 1860-1870 (3 items)
Box 1	Medical almanacs, 1857-1878 (4 items)
Box 1	General information almanacs, 1817-1892 (8 items)
Box 1	Vinegar Bitters Almanac, temperance, 1874 (1 item)
Box 1	American Anti-Slavery Almanac, 1839 (1 item)
Parsons Family Box 4	American Almanac and Repository of Useful Knowledge, 1836 (1 item)