

Guide to the Adams Family Papers

Collection Overview:

REPOSITORY: Westport Historical Society, 25 Avery Place, Westport, CT

CALL NUMBER: RG 9

TITLE: Adams Family Papers

DATES: 1699-1968, n.d.

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 25 linear feet (65 boxes)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: This collection documents the Adams family descended from Nathaniel Adams (1716-1784) from the late 18th century to the mid 20th century. The Adams family settled in Fairfield in the 1650s and later moved to the Greens Farms and Westport area. They were landowners and farmers in the early days with later generations were involved in education, commerce, and the church. Regular detailed letters between parents and children, siblings, aunts, uncles, and cousins show how this New England family stayed in close touch even as branches of the family moved to the Midwest or California. The Adamses were pillars of Westport area society and the collection shows their interconnectedness with other area families, including the Davies, Jennings, Wakeman, and Hyde families. From 1837 until his retirement due to ill health in 1867, Ebenezer Banks Adams Sr. was head of the Adams Academy, which had been built by his future father-in-law Thomas F. Davies, Pastor of the Greens Farms Congregational Church. Adams Academy was a successful college preparatory school that played a major role in Westport. Writings from various generations of the Adams family, legal and property documents, financial records, biographical documentation and collected memorabilia are a treasure trove of detailed information about civic and family life in the Westport area.

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION:

First generation represented in the collection:

Nathaniel Adams (1716-1784) was born in Fairfield on January 12, 1710 and died on March 29, 1784, the son of Nathan Adams (1694-1724) and Rebecca Clapham (1695-1759). He married Ann Silliman (1719-1748) in 1739 and their children were Ann, Rebecca, Mary, Nathaniel, and Abigail.

Second generation represented in the collection:

Nathaniel Adams (1746-1801) was born in Fairfield on March 2, 1746 and died in Westport on October 9, 1801, the son of Nathaniel Adams (1716-1784) and Ann Silliman Adams. He married **Salome Hyde (1757-1802)** in 1775 and their children were Rebekah, Joseph, Salome, Ann, Nathaniel, Abigail, Dorcas, and Miranda.

Third generation:

Captain Joseph Adams (1779-1872) was the son of Nathaniel Adams (1746-1801) and Salome Hyde Adams. He was commissioned as a Captain in 1806 and was a member of the 3rd troop of horse, 4th Regiment Connecticut Cavalry. He served in the Connecticut militia at Groton, CT in July 1813 during the War of 1812. Joseph Adams married **Sarah Banks (1782-1853)** in 1807, the daughter of Ebenezer Banks and Huldah Sherwood Banks. Their children were Nathaniel Adams (1808-1809), Ebenezer Banks Adams (1810-1877), and Harriet Louisa Adams (1814-1901).

Fourth generation:

Harriet Louisa Adams (Hyde) (1814-1901) was the daughter of Joseph and Sarah Banks Adams. She married John Hyde and had two daughters, Mary Louisa Hyde and Harriet Eleanor Hyde.

Ebenezer Banks Adams (1810-1877) was the son of Joseph and Sarah Banks Adams. He was born December 23, 1810 in Westport and died June 12, 1877 in Westport. He graduated from Yale College in 1835 and taught for two years (1835-1837) at the Deaf and Dumb Asylum in Hartford. In 1837 Adams purchased a school that had been established by his future father-in-law Thomas F. Davies, Greens Farms Academy, also known as Maple Grove Academy, and referred to colloquially as Adams Academy. Ebenezer married Mary Sanford Davies in 1839. The Adams Academy, a respected school for boys (high school level), was run by Adams from 1837 until his retirement in 1867 and had 637 students during that time period. In 1868, Adams sold his academy and its 1-acre property to the Greens Farms Association.

Mary Sanford Davies Adams (1818-1890), wife of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr., was the daughter of Rev. Thomas F. Davies (1799-1865) and Julia Sanford Davies (1797-1858). After the death of his first wife, Thomas F. Davies married Elizabeth Merriman. The siblings of Mary Sanford Davies Adams were Julia Sanford Davies (1821-1846), Lemuel Sanford Davies (1823-1897), and Thomas Frederick Davies, Jr. (1831-1905). Thomas F. Davies, Sr. was a clergyman and a magazine editor, based in New Haven and in the Westport area, including at the Greens Farms Congregational Church. Thomas F. Davies, Jr. was an Episcopal clergyman and served as Bishop of Michigan from 1889-1905. Substantial additional documentation related to the Davies family, which had been in the possession of Mary Sanford Davies Adams, has been separated into a separate record group, the Davies Family Papers, Record Group 10.

Fifth generation:

Ebenezer Banks Adams (1849-1889) was the only child of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. and Mary Sanford Davies Adams. He was born July 24, 1849 in Westport and died June 4, 1889 in Westport. He married Mary Anna Bulkley in 1873 and they had six children.

Mary Anna Bulkley Adams (1848-1933), wife of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr., was born in Stamford on November 3, 1848 and died May 29, 1933 in Westport. She was the daughter of Hezekiah Bulkley (1809-1859) and Dolly Bartlett Bulkley (1807-1855). Her siblings were Hezekiah Ripley Bulkley (1835-1863) and Alethea Bulkley (Knapp) (1836-1859), David Wakeman (1840-1841), and Thomas Hastings, 1843-1845).

Sixth generation - children of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. and Mary Anna Bulkley Adams

Joseph Adams (1876-1968) was born in Westport on August 1, 1876 and died there on August 21, 1968. He was married to **Bertha Wakeman (1876-1916)** in 1901 and they had four children: Joseph Carleton Adams, Lewis Wakeman Adams, Earle Chetwood Adams and (Esther) Ruth Adams (1913-2003). Ruth was a librarian in Westport and cared for her father and her aunt Dorothy Ripley Adams for many years. Joseph was a civic leader and Judge in Westport.

Edward Bradford Adams (1878-1972) was born in Westport on July 28, 1878 and died in Pasadena, CA on January 12, 1972. Edward graduated from Yale College in 1901 and Yale Divinity School in 1904. He was an ordained minister, authority on the history of hymns, and prominent chess player. He was married to Charlotte Jane Irving on June 29, 1907.

Dorothy Ripley Adams (1879-1967) was born on December 25, 1879 in Westport and died there on July 3, 1967. Dorothy graduated from the New Haven Normal School and was a teacher and principal in Westport for many years.

Thomas Davies Adams (1881-1939) was born on July 27, 1881 and died on February 1, 1939 in New York City. He married Minnie May Sherwood in 1906 and they had three children: Thomas Davies Adams, Jr., Mary Sherwood Adams, and (Dorothy) Elizabeth Adams.

Julia Sanford Adams (Davis) (1883-1981) was born in Westport on June 10, 1883. She married Thomas Carroll Davis in 1912 and they had four children: Thomas Carroll Davis, Jr, John Alden Davis, Edward Bradford Davis, and William Clayton Davis.

Mary Bulkley Adams (Disbrow) (1886-1949) was born on March 8, 1886 in Westport and died on March 12, 1949 in Los Angeles. She married Frank Herbert Disbrow in 1906 and they had four children: Frank Herbert Disbrow, Jr, Grace Adams Disbrow, Dorothy Elizabeth Disbrow, and Mary Priscilla Disbrow.

Seventh generation represented in the collection:

(Esther) Ruth Adams (1913-2003), daughter of Joseph and Bertha Adams

(Dorothy) Elizabeth Adams (Daniels) (1920-2014) daughter of Thomas Davies Adams

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The Correspondence of Series 1 is arranged by the following generational progression:

Nathaniel Adams (1746-1801)

Joseph and Sarah Banks Adams

Harriet Adams (Hyde)

Ebenezer Banks Adams Sr. and Mary Sanford Davies Adams

Ebenezer Banks Adams Jr and Mary Bulkley Adams

Children of Ebenezer Banks Adams Jr and Mary Bulkley Adams

The correspondence of each individual or couple is arranged chronologically with family and general correspondence separated.

Series 2, Writings / Diaries / Notes, contains valuable journals with daily entries that document local everyday life in the Westport area during the 19th century. These journals provide glimpses of the household responsibilities of women (Mary Anna Bulkley Adams and Bertha Wakeman Adams) and their activities for entertainment and social life, activities of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr., Principal of Adams Academy, and the agricultural activities of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. and his son Joseph Adams. Also of interest are a set of essays and debate arguments written by Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. while he was a student at Yale College 1832-1835 that touch on issues like the treatment of Native Americans and “colored people” in the United States. A large section of school papers of Dorothy Ripley Adams from 1890 to 1896 provide insight in the curriculum and content of secondary education in the Westport area during the late 19th century.

Series 3 documents the school known colloquially as Adams Academy of which Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. was Principal from 1837 to 1867. Various writings and newspaper articles provide historical information about the school and the Adams family. Lists of pupils and notebooks indicating studies pursued, tuition received, expenses of the school, etc. provide an overview of its work. Correspondence between Ebenezer B. Adams and various parents of students and students illustrates the administrative side of operating the school.

Series 4, Legal Documents and Deeds, contains documents relating to various generations of the Adams family as well as other documents of individuals not connected with the Adams family. It is likely that the Adams family’s active involvement in civic life and their strong interest in local and family history led to these historical documents becoming part of their collected papers. Among this collected material is the earliest dated original document in the collection, a repayment notice to Hanah Smith from Joseph Wakeman dating from May 1699.

Series 5, Financial Records, contains documents dating to the earliest generation of the Adams family represented in the collection, a receipt for 20 sheep transferred to the care of Richard Partrack by Nathaniel Adams (1716-1784) in 1748. This series also includes tax receipts, household accounts, agricultural accounts, and miscellaneous other financial records that provide interesting insight into daily life in the Westport area.

Series 6, Biographical Documentation / Personal Memorabilia, includes genealogical information, obituaries, and various scattered traces of the lives and activities of members of the Adams family. Newspaper clippings, collected poems and sayings, advertisements, flyers, certificates, photographs, and so forth provide glimpses of the various facets of the individuals documented. Of interest for the study of elementary school curricula during the early 20th century are files of material collected by Dorothy R. Adams for her teaching. The series concludes with documents and artifacts that were received with the Adams papers but cannot be attributed to a specific individual as well as a series of notes related to Adams family genealogy that were compiled by volunteers working on the collection.

Series 7 contains books with inscribed ownership by members of the Adams family, primarily Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. Some of the books date from Adams' days as a student at Yale College. Others are from the time when Adams was head of the Adams Academy. These books provide insight into the breadth of Adams' interests and are examples of 19th century core texts in the fields of history, religion, science, mathematics, geography, classics, etc. Books belonging to Adams' wife Mary Sanford Davies Adams and his daughter-in-law Mary Anna Bulkley Adams indicate the reading material of women of their status at this time.

The Adams Family Papers are complemented by the Davies Family Papers also held at the Westport Museum for History and Culture. Mary Sanford Davies Adams was the keeper of her family papers and the families were in close contact. Additional Adams family papers are available at the Fairfield Museum and History Center, Ms. 27.

ARRANGEMENT

Series 1: Correspondence

Series 2: Writings / Diaries / Notes

Series 3: Adams Academy

Series 4: Legal Documents and Deeds

Series 5: Financial Records

Series 6: Biographical Documentation / Personal Memorabilia

Series 7: Books Belonging to Adams Family

Series 1: Correspondence

Correspondence of Nathaniel Adams (1746-1801)

Box	Folder		Date
1	1	To Nathaniel Adams from Obed Wright	[1786?]

Correspondence of Joseph Adams (Captain) (1779-1872)

Box	Folder		Date
		See letters to/from son Ebenezer Banks Adams in Box 1, Folder 9	
1	2	To Captain Joseph Adams and Mrs. Sally Adams from uncle, John Noyes, bereavement letter following death of child	1809
1	2	To Captain Joseph Adams from brother Nathaniel	1816
1	3	To / from Captain Joseph Adams including re. military matters Including: Re. fines failure to appear for Josiah Sherman, R. Banks, Timothy Banks; To James Winton, Weston – order to assemble by law from Commanding Officer Joseph Adams, Capt. Troop 4 th Regiment Cavalry; Order for volunteers	1804-1808
1	4	To / from Captain Joseph Adams including re. financial matters and from brothers of Dr. Lewis Belden asking JA to be executor of will	1820-1842, n.d.

Correspondence of Sarah Banks Adams (1782-1853) and her extended family

Box	Folder		Date
1	5	To Sarah (Sally) Banks Adams from sister Eunice and brother-in-law Lewis Belden 14 letters, primarily written by Eunice Banks from New York where she is staying with their sister Rachel and Rachel's husband Lewis Belden, who was a doctor, to help care for their child. Letters contain family news, discussion of Rachel's illnesses, exchange of food items, etc.	1812-1820, n.d.
1	6	To Ebenezer Banks (father of Sarah Banks Adams) from Lewis Belden (his son-in-law) and other relatives	1818-1839
1	7	To Eunice Banks (sister) from sister Rachel and brother-in-law Lewis Belden Eunice is in Connecticut caring for the Beldens' child due to high rate of illness in New York City during summer. Dr. Belden suggests remedy for mosquito bites.	1820, n.d.

Correspondence of Harriet Adams (Hyde) (1814-1901)

Box	Folder		Date
1	8	To Harriet Adams (Hyde) from S. Purdy	1831

Correspondence of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. (1810-1877)

Box	Folder		Date
		Family correspondence	
1	9	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. to/from his parents Joseph and Sarah	1840
1	10-16	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. to/from Mary Sanford Davies Adams (his wife)	1840-1877, n.d.
1	17	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. to/from cousins Includes: letters from C. B. Adams discussing politics, including Bill before Congress to establish pension for heirs of Revolutionary War; opinions regarding Kansas Free State and President Buchanan	1839-1884, n.d.
		General correspondence	
1	18-20	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. - general correspondence Includes: letters from Lewis Weld re. Deaf and Dumb Asylum where EBA taught; from William J. Jennings re. Wisconsin property; re. Yale College Class of 1835 reunion; 1865 April letter from friend in Ohio infantry re. Civil War Other correspondents include: C. Stone, L.W. Nichols, Elbart White, Bradley Meeker, H. W. Ripley, R. K. Diossy, James G. Rumsey	1837-1867, n.d.

Correspondence of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. and Mary Sanford Davies Adams

Box	Folder		Date
2	1	Mary Sanford Davies (Adams) to her parents Thomas F. and Julia Davies before her marriage	1825, 1833
2	2-15	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. and Mary S. Davies Adams to her parents Thomas F. and Julia Davies Some letters contain sections from Mary's brother Thomas F. Davies, Jr. who was living with them for a period.	1839-1859, n.d.
2	16-17	Mary Sanford Davies (Adams) from her parents Thomas F. and Julia Davies	1828-1837
2	18-19	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. and Mary S. Davies Adams from her parents Thomas F. and Julia Davies Letters occasionally contain sections from other Davies children	1839-1840
3	1-15	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. and Mary S. Davies Adams from her parents Thomas F. and Julia Davies Letters occasionally contain sections from other Davies children	1841-1850

4	1-9	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. and Mary S. Davies Adams from her parents Thomas F. and Julia Davies	1851-1860, n.d.
4	10-14	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. and Mary S. Davies Adams from her stepmother Elizabeth M. Davies	1864-1879, n.d.

Correspondence of Mary Sanford Davies Adams

Box	Folder		Date
		Family correspondence	
5	1-2	Mary S. Davies Adams from her sister Julia Davies Some letters also addressed to Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr.	1831-1844, n.d.
5	3-8	Mary S. Davies Adams from her brother Lemuel Davies and his wife Stella	1842-1877
5	9-11	Mary S. Davies Adams from her brother Lemuel Davies and his wife Stella and children	1878-1890, n.d.
5	12-19	Mary S. Davies Adams from her brother Thomas F. Davies, Jr. Includes letters written by Thomas while he was at seminary in Middletown, CT	1847-1868
6	1-12	Mary S. Davies Adams from her brother Thomas F. Davies, Jr. Includes letters written by Thomas while traveling in Italy, France, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom (1883, 1886)	1869-1886
7	1-6	Mary S. Davies Adams from her brother Thomas F. Davies, Jr.	1887-1893, n.d.
7	7-8	Mary S. Davies Adams from cousin Thomas Sanford	1865-1871, n.d.
7	9	Mary S. Davies Adams from various Sanford cousins	1865-1889, n.d.
7	10-12	Mary S. Davies Adams from cousin Sarah Perry Ruggles Includes 1873 letter written from Barcelona, Spain during revolutionary times between Republicans and Carlists	1849-1890, n.d.
7	13	Mary S. Davies Adams from cousin Margaret Judd	1854-1865, n.d.
7	14	Mary S. Davies Adams from various cousins and extended family	1868-1890
		General correspondence	
8	1	Mary S. Davies (Adams) from H. D. Cole	1834-1836
8	2-3	Mary S. Davies Adams from Mary (Drew) Mygatt	1858-1890
8	4	Mary S. Davies Adams from Margaret Grey	1851-1854
8	5	Mary S. Davies Adams from various friends and acquaintances	1864-1889, n.d.

Correspondence of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. (1849-1889)

Box	Folder		Date
		Family correspondence	
8	6	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. to/from his grandparents, Thomas F. and Julia Davies	1856-1859, n.d.

		Including from grandfather while on business trip in Ohio; letters describe his travels by train and other observations	
8	7	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. from his step-grandmother, E. M. Davies Letter from 1875 mentions EBA, Jr.'s wife's confinement and loss of baby	1872-1875
8	8	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. from his father E.B. Adams, Sr. and from his father-in-law W. H. Bulkley	1858, 1887-1889
8	9	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. to Mary Anna Bulkley (Adams)	1873, n.d.
8	10-11	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. from cousins, uncle Includes letters from cousin Willie B. Davies re. 4 th of July events and Civil War soldier companies in Waterbury, CT; includes letter from E. B. Adams to cousin M. Louisa Hyde re. Hulls Farms property left to them in will	1859-1889, n.d.
		General correspondence	
8	12-13	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. – general correspondence	1869-1889, n.d.
8	14	Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jrs. – postcards	1877-1889

Correspondence of Mary Anna Bulkley Adams

Box	Folder		Date
		Family correspondence	
8	15	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams to grandmother	1866
8	16	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from step-grandmother-in-law, E.M. Davies	1875
8	17	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from brother Hezekiah Bulkley	1860
8	18	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams to/from son Joseph Adams and his wife Bertha	1900-1907, n.d.
8	19	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from son Edward Bradford Adams Includes letters from Edward when he was a student at Yale College and Yale Divinity School 1899-1904	1899-1916, n.d.
8	20	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams to/from daughter Dorothy Ripley Adams	1898-1916, n.d.
8	21	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from son Thomas Davies Adams	1905-1910, n.d.
8	22-23	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from daughter Julia Sanford Adams Includes letters from Julia when she was a student at Mt. Holyoke College 1903-1907	1900-1917, n.d.
8	24	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from daughter Mary Bulkley Adams	1916, n.d.
8	25	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams – postcards from her children	1897-1916
9	1	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from Davies relatives	1866-1916, n.d.
9	2	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from Bartlett relatives	1860-1902, n.d.
9	3	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams from Bulkley relatives	1889-1916

		Includes letters from W. H. Bulkley and Bessie Bulkley to others	
9	4	Family of Mary Anna Bulkley Adams Hezekiah Bulkley to others	1853-1858
9	5	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams to/from various cousins, relatives	1872-1903, n.d.
		General correspondence	
9	6-7	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams – general correspondence Includes letters of condolence after death of her husband (1889)	1864-1889
9	8	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams – general correspondence, including from Mary Atkinson, Mary Keeler 1896 letter from Mary Keeler includes enclosures of program from Home Missionary Field Day, Congregational Church, Oxford, NY and a letter to Mary Anna Bulkley Adams' daughter from Alice C. Keeler	1890-1896
9	9	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams – general correspondence – copy of letter re. missionary work in girls school in Greece	1891
9	10	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams – general correspondence	1893-1896, n.d.
9	11	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams – general correspondence – from Grace Choate re.. church committee work	1889, n.d.
9	12	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams – general correspondence	1901-1916
9	13	Mary Anna Bulkley Adams – undated, fragments, postcards	1880-1916, n.d.

Correspondence of the children of Ebenezer and Mary Anna Bulkley Adams:

Joseph Adams (Judge)

Box	Folder		Date
9	14	To his wife Bertha (Wakeman) Adams and children	1909
9	15	From sister, cousins, aunt	1889-1916
9	16	General correspondence and postcards, including to wife Bertha, from daughter Ruth, from son Carleton	1888-1968, n.d.
9	17	General correspondence, from Edward C. Birge re. Westport history – Great Marsh, Aaron Burr Tavern	1954

Edward Bradford Adams

Box	Folder		Date
9	18	Family correspondence	1888-1906

Dorothy Ripley Adams

Box	Folder		Date
9	19	From great uncle Thomas F. Davies	1890

9	20	Family correspondence, including from brother Edward	1939-1944, n.d.
9	21	General correspondence – from Agnes Elwood in Madura, South India (1914) and Maud Prentice in Shanghai (1925)	1914, 1925
9	22	General correspondence – related to her teaching, school	1933-1936, n.d.
9	23	From Helen Hahn re. Hyde family history	1937
9	24	General correspondence – miscellaneous	1890-1959
10	1	Postcards	1896-1950

Julia Sanford Adams (Davis)

Box	Folder		Date
10	2	General correspondence	[1904?], n.d.

Miscellaneous correspondence

Box	Folder		Date
10	3	Unidentified and fragmentary letters requiring further investigation for attribution to specific Adams family members	
10	4	Correspondence without identifiable connection to Adams family: Letter written from Paris, author and recipient unknown, describes French customs, compares to England and America	1837
10	5	Correspondence without identifiable connection to Adams family: To “dear cousin” – re. Dr. Jesup, surgeon in a colonial war	1896
10	6	Correspondence without identifiable connection to Adams family: Letters of W. Elwood, missionary in South India describing his work and the climate and customs in Kodaikanal, Diudigul, Coonoor	1909-1910
10	7	Correspondence without identifiable connection to Adams family Letter of Frank Bourque re. World War I experience as ambulance man, chief mechanic	1918
10	8	Miscellaneous envelopes not associated with letters	

Series 2: Writings / Diaries / Notes

Writings of Harriet Adams (Hyde)

Box	Folder		Date
10	9	Poem: "The Child's Experience"	1823

Writings of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr.

Box	Folder		Date
10	10	"Omnibus" journals (notebooks with daily entries): #1 March 1838; #2 November 1838; #3 March 1840; #4 October 1840 These journals mention the Adams Academy but deal mainly with Adams' daily activities, the weather, local politics, etc.	1838-1840
10	11	"Omnibus" journals: #1 July 1864; #2 August 1876; #3 January 1877; #4 August 1877	1876-1877
10	12	Essays written while at Yale College: "The Love of Approbation" "A Spirit of Candor"	1832
10	13	Address, essays, debate arguments written while at Yale College: "A Farewell Address to Debating Society" "Literature is the Only Sure Foundation of National Fame" "The Importance of Fixed Principles" "Have the United States a Right to Export Its Colored Population to Africa, Contrary to Their Will?" "Have the United States a Right to the Lands They Now Occupy?"	1833 Mar
10	14	Essays, debate arguments written while at Yale College: "Ought the Indians in the U.S. to be Removed Beyond the Mississippi?" "Genius" "The Ingratitude of Republics" "Which is the Best Field for Eloquence: the Bar or the Pulpit?"	1833 Jun-Oct
10	15	Essays, debate arguments written while at Yale College: "Dangers to America" "Is it Proper for a Student to Enter into Matrimonial Engagements Previous to the Completion of his Education?" "Is the Origin of Language Divine or Human?" "Is a Republican or Monarchical Form of Government Best Adapted for the Promotion of Learning?" "Ought the Law of Imprisonment for Debt to be Abolished?" "Is Christianity Favorable to the Spirit of Poetry?"	1834
10	16	Essays, debate arguments written while at Yale College: "Is Utility the Foundation of Right?"	1835
10	17	Notes on lectures at Yale	1834-1835

10	18	Notebook containing copies of lectures and poems	1834, 1838, 1865
11	1	Notebook: "Catalogue of Pamphlets in the Library of E. B. Adams"	n.d.
11	2	Notebook: "Arborical Record of Fruit Trees and Ornamentals"	1844
11	3	Notes and drawing labeled "An Occultation" – calculation of position of star Spica on December 12, 1808	n.d.

Writings of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr.

Box	Folder		Date
11	4-6	Three pocketsize diaries with short daily entries describing activities and weather	1866-1868

Writings of Mary Anna Bulkley Adams

Box	Folder		Date
11	7	Poem: "Oh What Consequences of Jack's Hill" – poem about Slave Jack, life and burial	1873
11	8-10	Journals (unsigned but likely MABA): Four notebooks with daily entries providing detailed accounts of activities, household responsibilities, entertainment, visits, etc.	1873 May 1874 Jan-May 1876

Writings of Judge Joseph Adams

Box	Folder		Date
11	11	"Ownership of Real Estate in Westport: 100 or more years ago and sidelights" -typescript	1951
11	12-13	Annotated draft ms. of "Ownership of Real Estate in Westport" – 2 copies	1951
12	1	Notebook: contains 11 pages of translation of Caesar followed by notes on agricultural activities (crops planted, etc.)	1891-1896
12	2	Essay: "Farming -1890" – describes historical agricultural activities in Westport (typescript)	n.d.
12	3	Essay: "Costs of Government" – in Westport (typescript)	n.d.
12	4	School essays, papers	n.d.

Writings of Bertha Wakeman Adams

Box	Folder		Date
12	5	Diary describing daily activities	1896 Aug-Oct

Writings of Dorothy Ripley Adams

Box	Folder		Date
12	6-11	School papers of DRA include essays on various topics, math, grammar, spelling, and German exercises	1890-1896, n.d.

Writings of Earle Chetwood Adams, E. Ruth Adams and Thomas Davies Adams, Jr.

(son/daughter of Joseph Adams and son of Thomas Davies Adams; niece/nephews of Dorothy Ripley Adams)

Box	Folder		Date
12	12	School papers of Earle and Thomas; writing by Ruth: "My Family Tree"	1918, n.d.

Miscellaneous writings, not identified as attributable to Adams family members

Box	Folder		Date
12	13	Poem: "July 8, 1793 Birthday Ode"	n.d.
12	14	Miscellaneous unidentified poetry	n.d.
12	15	Essays, including "Is it Desirable to Erect Public Monuments?"	1813-1865
12	16	Essays, including biographical writing about George Washington	n.d.
12	17	Essays, including report on trip, viewing of steamship	1838
12	18	Writings on religious themes, including notes for sermons	n.d.
12	19	Copy of sermon delivered by Lemuel Haynes in West Rutland, VT	1805
12	20	Miscellaneous notes, including regarding a boat voyage from Saugatuck to New London (1785), a laundry list, a list of men engaged in work on a highway, a list of men's names, and a note related to the church of Dr. Shipley (1820)	1785, 1820, n.d.

Series 3: Adams Academy

History

Box	Folder		Date
13	1	Survey of Academy Land; Deed for purchase of land and Academy	1834, 1837
13	2	Announcements re. Adams Academy / Greens Farms Academy	1841, n.d.
13	3	Biographical and historical information re. Ebenezer B. Adams and the Academy	1877, 1958, n.d.
13	4	"The Adams Academy – a History" by Joan L. Ross	1961
13	5	<i>Westport Advertiser</i> – announcement of school closure	1867 Nov 16
13	6	Article, drawing and photo of Academy, letterhead with photo, unidentified photo of man and car	1935, n.d.
13	7	Typescript article re. addition to Greens Farms School, incl. historical info re. Academy	1950
13	8	Adams Academy Restoration Committee – minutes, correspondence	1958
13	9	Adams Academy Restoration Committee – minutes, correspondence	1961-1963
13	10	Newspaper articles to promote restoration of Academy	1961
		See also material in RG 1 Westport Historical Society Records regarding restoration and use of Adams Academy building	
13	11	Newspaper articles re. Academy and Adams family	1961
13	12	Newspaper articles re. Academy	1948-1968
13	13	Article: "Lost – One Little Red Schoolhouse" and copies of documents re. Academy history	n.d.
13	14	Articles and letter to Ruth Adams re. use of Academy building	1983, 1984, 1987

Students

Box	Folder		Date
13	15	"A Record of Greens Farms Academy" - original notebooks containing lists of pupils, studies pursued, tuition received, etc.	1837-1838, 1838-1842, 1846-1847
13	16	"List of pupils of Maple Grove Academy, Greens Farms, E. Adams Principal, 1837-1867" Typed and handwritten lists of pupils by chronology and surname	n.d.
13	17	Compiled lists of Academy pupils, with some biographical information	n.d.
13	18	Compiled lists of prominent people who were students at the Academy	n.d.

Financial records

Box	Folder		Date
13	19	4 original notebooks listing expenses, tuition received, etc.	1838-1840, 1840, 1840-1841, 1841
13	20	Original notebook: "Daybook" listing accounts for 1864 Cover of notebook, notated "H. Bulkley Administration Acct."	1864, n.d.
13	21	Receipts for Academy expenses	1838, 1857-1861, 1866, n.d.

Correspondence of Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. regarding Adams Academy

Box	Folder		Date
14	1	Invitation to attend Common School Convention	1838
14	2	Letters from parents re. school payments and attendance Including from T. F. Davies re. son Lemuel, Alva Gray, Jesup Jennings	1839
14	3	Letter from Mr. Howe, tutor at Yale, re. EBA tutoring a suspended Yale student	1839 Nov 1
14	4	Letters from parents, students Including from B. R. Wood, D. Blakeman	1840
14	5	Letters from parents, students Includes petition from students asking for Christmas holiday, signed by 29 students	1850s
14	6	Letters from parents, students Includes letter from William J. Jennings	1860s
14	7	Letters from parents, students	n.d.

Adams Academy – miscellaneous

Box	Folder		Date
14	8	Letter to Dorothy Adams with list of books, textbooks that belonged to her grandfather, EBA; additional partial list of books	n.d.
14	9	Blank report card form	n.d.
14	10	Ledger containing student essays (from Academy?)	1871-1873

Series 4: Legal Documents and Deeds

Nathaniel and Salome Adams

Box	Folder		Date
15	1	Quit Claim for parcel of land in Greens Farms	1794
15	2	Survey of tract of land belonging to estate of NA	1802
15	3	Documents related to distribution of estate of NA	1802-1803
15	4	Inventory and distribution of estate of Salome Adams	1803

Captain Joseph Adams

Box	Folder		Date
15	5	2 documents related to legacies received from Adams ancestors Bond for payment to Yale College by Joseph Adams and Aaron Sherwood for student Nathaniel Adams	1806, 1810, n.d.
15	6	Agreement re. transfer of grain with Jonathan Ogden Court order re. estate of Coley Hyde, of which JA was executor	1817, 1818
15	7	Land agreement	1827
15	8	Deed for transfer of land to his son Ebenezer B. Adams Agreement re. debt held by Samuel S. Adams	1841, 1847

Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr.

Box	Folder		Date
15	9	Document re. guardianship for Abigail S. Adams	1834 or 1838
OV1		Map / survey of land from estate of Ebenezer Banks, grandfather of EBA, Sr.	1838
15	10	Last will and testament of EBA, Sr.	1865
15	40	Land distributed by Joseph Hide	n.d.

Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr.

Box	Folder		Date
15	11	EBA appointed attorney for E.B. Belden, re. land and buildings at Hulls Farms	1888
15	12	Warranty deed Harriet L. Hyde to EBA Quit Claim deed EBA to Lousia Hyde et al	1888

Judge Joseph Adams

Box	Folder		Date
15	13	Draft of will of Sereno Bradley Bulkley, JA executor	n.d.

Other than Adams family (documents in the possession of the Adams family)

Box	Folder		Date
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15	14	Copy of will and inventory of estate of Peter Colley	1690 Mar
15	15	Repayment note Hanah Smith from Joseph Wakeman; return note	1699 May
15	16	Court record: David Bradley sentenced to gaol for debt	1752
15	17	Survey of Long Lots property signed by J. G. Selleck Silliman	1759
15	18	Document re. division of land between Jeremiah and Samuel Sherwood	1768
15	19	Solomon Morehouse bond Deed to Joseph Goreham Deed for purchase of a slip of common lands, with reference to reign of King George III, signed by Justice of the Peace David Coley and Justice of the Peace Ebenezer Banks	1775
15	20	Documents re. estates of Jonathan and Abigail Ogden	1776, 1781, 1783
15	21	Summons re. mishandling of school funds John Hide vs. Nathan Godfrey	1782 Apr
15	22	Various deeds and notes related to Greens Farms Church including from Thomas Nash, Moses Sherwood, Daniel Burr	1783-1870
15	23	Summons to testify, Fairfield County Land deed: John and Daniel Duncan to Joseph Hide	1806
15	24	Document re. debt collection – Joseph Downs vs. Daniel Meeker and Jonathan Ogden	1807 Mar
15	25	Miscellaneous deeds Including Joseph Hide from Abel Bradley, Daniel Sherwood from Daniel Bradley, Daniel Sherwood from Samuel Coley, David Burr from Jane Sherwood, Zalmon Bulkley from Samuel Chapman, Daniel Sherwood from Samuel Chapman, Daniel Sherwood from Talcott Banks	1807-1828
15	26	Deeds related to Bulkley family Including to Timothy Bulkley from Benjamin Hull, Simon Sherwood, John Hull, Gershom Wakeman, Amelia Bulkley, Charles Perry, Sarah Hull, etc.	1816-1849
15	27	Wills of William Heron and his wife Mary	1818
15	28	Agreement between Ephraim Sanford and Jesse Gilbert re. apprenticeship of Jonathan Gilbert	1828 Apr
15	29	Military command to report to 3 rd company of 4 th Regiment of Connecticut Infantry Names on document include Moses Taylor, Wakeman Bulkley, and Commanding Officer Wallace Sherwood	1831 Apr
15	30	Abstract of title for land on Martin St.	1836-1842
15	31	Quit claim deed: Horace Banks to Joseph Hyde	1845
15	32	Land deed: Wm. Bulkley to Eleanor Bulkley	1848
15	33	Inventory of estate of H. Bulkley	ca. 1860
15	34	Map of land owned by Saugatuck Bank Summons to court for Thomas Disbrow re. debt	1863
15	35	Last will and testament of Frances E. Miles Heirs mentioned include Mary, Edward, Julia, and Dorothy Adams	1909

15	36	Copy of military act re. official exemptions	n.d.
15	37	Documents re. lated to estate of Gershom Bulkley	n.d.
15	38	List of compensation paid to individuals for damages made by the Assemblies Committee laying the road from Judge Sturgis to Byram River through the town of Fairfield	n.d.
15	39	Inventory of estate of Ebenezer Banks	n.d.
15	40	List of land distributed by Joseph Hide	n.d.

Series 5: Financial Records

Nathaniel Adams (1716-1784)

Box	Folder		Date
16	1	Receipt for 20 sheep sent by NA to Richard Partrack Sheep to be returned in 4 years / 20 lbs of wool to be paid yearly	1748
16	1	Two receipts for sums received from NA, by Parish Committee and by Joseph Wakeman	1753, 1755

Nathaniel Adams (1746-1801)

Box	Folder		Date
16	2	Fragment of tax bill receipt Receipt from John Morehouse Account book showing transactions for goods and services	1774 1785 1784-1796

Nathaniel Adams (son of Nathaniel Adams 1746-1801?)

Box	Folder		Date
16	3	Bill for educational services and tuition (?) Bill from B. A. Raymond	1805, n.d.

Captain Joseph Adams

Box	Folder		Date
16	4	Miscellaneous bills and receipts	1806-1822
16	5	Miscellaneous bills and receipts	1831-1838
16	6	Miscellaneous bills and receipts	1841-1862, n.d.
16	7	Tax receipts, Town of Westport	1812-1872
16	8	List of U.S Bonds held by JA	1861-1864

Sarah Banks Adams and family

Box	Folder		Date
16	9	Bill for repair of shoes	1830
16	10	Bill and receipts of Ebenezer Banks (father of Sarah)	1777-1838

Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr.

Box	Folder		Date
16	11	Two "Daybooks" containing accounts	1861-1871, 1877-1879
16	12	Miscellaneous bills and receipts Some may relate to Adams Academy	1845-1855
16	13	Miscellaneous bills and receipts	1856-1870s
16	14	Correspondence related to financial matters	1840-1871

Mary Sanford Davies Adams

Box	Folder		Date
16	15	Bills and receipts	1843-1890, n.d
16	16	Correspondence related to stocks held by MSDA	1869-1873, 1904

Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr.

Box	Folder		Date
16	17	Two "Daybooks" containing accounts See other account books in Series 3: Adams Academy	1875-1876, 1879-1881
16	18	Miscellaneous bills and receipts	1872-1889, n.d.

Mary Anna Bulkley Adams

Box	Folder		Date
16	19	Account book Household accounts	1900
16	20	Miscellaneous bills and receipts	1873-1903

Judge Joseph Adams

Box	Folder		Date
17	1	Account book Small notebook related to agricultural business	1891-1895
17	2	Two notebooks with accounts of farm products and sales	1922-1925, 1936-1929

Bertha Wakeman Adams

Box	Folder		Date
17	3	Account book Household accounts	1910

Other than Adams family

Box	Folder		Date
17	4	Miscellaneous bills and receipts	1782-1913, n.d.

Series 6: Biographical Documentation / Personal Memorabilia

Nathaniel Adams and others

Box	Folder		Date
18	1	Handwritten listing of deaths with tribute verses Noted are Nathaniel Adams (1784), Nathaniel Adams (1801), Salome Adams (1802), Joseph Hyde (1814), Huldah Banks (1833)	n.d.

Captain Joseph Adams and family of Sarah Banks Adams

Box	Folder		Date
18	2	Items found in box containing Joseph Adams material: Lottery ticket, Scripture quotations	n.d.
18	3	Catalogue of Picture Gallery of NY Crystal Palace	circa 1853
18	4	Handwritten obituary of Huldah Banks, mother-in-law of Joseph Adams	1833
18	5	Notice of Revolutionary War pension for Ebenezer Banks, father-in-law of Joseph Adams	1835

Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. and Mary Sanford Davies Adams

Box	Folder		Date
18	6	EBA, Sr.: notice of appointment to Sunday School Committee; note related to Committee of Supply for church	1838, 1839
18	7	EBA, Sr. and MSDA: invitation from Henrietta Baldwin; wedding invitation	1840, n.d.
18	8	Obituary and memorial of EBA, Sr.	1877
OV1		Bound volume of issues of <i>The Illustrated London News</i> labeled "Gems of Wood Engraving, Selections from the Illustrated London News" - owned by EBA, Sr.	1851

Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr. and Mary Anna Bulkley Adams

Box	Folder		Date
23	1	EBA, Jr: Scrapbook of newspaper clippings	
18	9	Advertisement for Bickford Knitting Machine, for which EBA, Jr. was an Agent	n.d.
18	10	Collected newspapers: <i>Westport Advertiser</i> (1867, 1868, 1869, 1873, 1877), <i>The Hour</i> (1873)	1867-1877
18	11	MABA: three monthly report cards from Greens Farm Academy	1862-1864
18	12	MABA: 3 issues of <i>Godey's Lady's Book and Magazine</i> , one annotated - magazine includes colored fashion plates, articles, craft ideas	1866
18	13	MABA: Teacher certificates, note regarding appointment to teach	1866, 1870, 1871
18	14	MABA: Catalogue of Binghamton Normal Music School where she attended summer of 1873	circa 1873

18	15	MABA: Miniature calling card of General Tom Thumb, with note regarding provenance	n.d.
18	16	MABA extended family: Material related to Sereno Bradley Bulkley, 1842-1942 (cousin) Includes obituary and memorial poem written by Edward B. Bulkley (son of MABA)	1942
18	17	MABA extended family: Memorabilia of Esther Bulkley	n.d.

Children of Ebenezer and Mary Bulkley Adams

Joseph Adams

Box	Folder		Date
18	18	Fragment of newspaper clipping relating to marriage to Bertha Wakeman; clipping re. Adams family reunion	1901, n.d.
18	19	Forms and envelopes related to JA's business as "Grower of Choice Vegetables"	1920s
18	20	Regarding JA's appointment and activities as Associate Judge (1923) and Judge (1929) for town court of Westport	1923-1929
18	21	World War II ration book	1942
18	22	Regarding JA's work as Westport town assessor Includes photograph	1946, 1958, n.d.
18	23	Certificate of appreciation from YMCA	1953
18	24	Newspaper clipping regarding JA's book on history of real estate in Westport; diagram of property of JA	n.d.

Edward Bradford Adams

Box	Folder		Date
18	25	Calling card	n.d.

Dorothy Ripley Adams

Box	Folder		Date
18	26	Souvenir of Bend School, District 3, Lisbon, CT presented by DRA as teacher there	1899
18	27	Two notebooks from art course taken by DRA with Prof. Marshall Fry	1907-1908
18	28	Notebook containing notes on education and child psychology	n.d.
18	29	Material related to reunions of class of 1898 at New Haven State Normal School (later New Haven State Teachers College) and alumni newsletters	1940-1949
18	30	Certificate from Elementary School Principals Association of CT	1948
18	31	Newspaper article about DRA, including regarding her teaching career	1952
18	32	List of contributors to Dorothy Adams Scholarship Fund	1955
18	33	Material related to Daughters of the American Revolution including button with ribbon for	1907, n.d.

		Dorothy Ripley Chapter and yearly program for Compo Hill Chapter	
18	34	Memorabilia related to Greens Farms Congregational Church	1932-1963
19	1	Material related to stamp collecting	1962, n.d.
19	2	Medical bills; note related to lost stock certificates	1966, n.d.
19	3	Poem related to teaching sent to DRA by W.F. Keene	1928
19	4	Photographs: DRA with two women, in long dresses; Mrs. Simpson; still life	circa 1900, n.d.
19	5	Scrapbook of newspaper clippings and pamphlets, likely compiled by DRA, including re. Westport town news obituaries	1919-1951
19	6	Scrapbook of newspaper clippings, likely compiled by DRA, including re. town news, obituaries, school news	1930-1935
19	7-9	Newspaper clippings collected by DRA	
19	10	Materials used in teaching related to religion, including clipping from magazines, poems, pamphlets	1922-1939, n.d.
19	11	Songbook to be used with students	
20	1	Materials used in teaching related to civics and history, including cards of American presidents, Connecticut state publications, cut out figures of pirates	1914-1940, n.d.
20	2-3	Materials used in teaching related to civics and history, including re. World War I, address of President Theodore Roosevelt	1903-1936, n.d.
20	4	Materials used in teaching related to history and geography, including regarding Canada, Connecticut schools, Congressional Record	1915-1935, n.d.
20	5	Materials used in teaching related to literature, including plays and stories	
20	6	Materials used in teaching, from National Geographic Society	
20	7	Illustrations and photographs used in teaching, including illustrations of "The Night Before Christmas," colored illustration of Chinese boy	
20	8-9	Miscellaneous clippings and articles from educational journals, curriculum ideas, including regarding Abraham Lincoln, applied art, visit to Washington, D.C.	1901-1943, n.d.
21	1	Miscellaneous clippings and articles from educational journals, curriculum ideas, teachers guides	1901-1918, n.d.
21	2	Classroom display items	
21	3	2 small American flags with 48 stars	n.d.
21	4	Bulletin of the Department of Elementary School Principals	1932

Thomas Davies Adams

Box	Folder		Date
21	5	Announcement of marriage to Minnie May Sherwood and handwritten list of names; obituary	1906, 1939

Julia Sanford Adams (Davis)

Box	Folder		Date
21	6	Calling card, Sunday School form, poem, note, newspaper clipping regarding marriage to Dr. T. Carroll Davis	n.d.

Mary Bulkley Adams (Disbrow)

Box	Folder		Date
21	7	Newspaper clipping regarding marriage to Frank Disbrow	1906

(Esther) Ruth Adams (daughter of Judge Joseph Adams)

Box	Folder		Date
21	8	Miscellaneous notes, cards, clippings	1968, n.d.

(Dorothy) Elizabeth Adams (Daniels) (daughter of Thomas Davies Adams)

Box			
OV 1		Genealogical material	.

Unattributed memorabilia / collected material

Box	Folder		Date
21	9	Miscellaneous greeting cards, facsimile of saying of Theodore Roosevelt, souvenir of train route Utah to California in shape of an orange	1906, n.d.
21	10	Related to schools – Wolfe Hall (Denver, CO), Oberlin Conservatory of Music, New York Central College, Applied Arts course catalogue	1906-1909, n.d.
21	11	Report of Superintendent of Connecticut schools	1865
22	1	Miscellaneous printed poems and religious theme publications, including Ode sung at meeting of alumni of Yale College 1848	1848, n.d.
22	2	Bulletin, flyers from American Geographical Society, Children's Aid Society	1866, 1874
22	3	Material related to agriculture, including seed packets, advertisement from fertilizer company, notes from meeting of Greens Farms Farmers Club	1892, n.d.
22	4	Subscription renewal for The Tribune with Horace Greeley signature	n.d.
22	5	Advertisements for food products, including ad for Armour's Beef Extract on soft paper with colored designs	n.d.
22	6	Business-related advertisements, flyers, calling cards	n.d.
22	7	Medical-related advertisements, flyers, Physician's Bedside Record with one entry, calling card of Dr. C.S. Robert, Westport	1895, n.d.

22	8	Materials related to home entertainment, including "Napoleon's Oraculum and Book of Fate" (re. palmistry)	n.d.
22	9	Materials related to transportation, including Erie Canal directory (1828), St. Mary's Falls Canal, Naugatuck Railroad Co.	1828-1896
22	10	Book: Mackenzie's 5000 Receipts (apparently owned by E. B. Adams)	1829
22	11	Booklet: "The Bible Recommended to Young People" – published by American Sunday School Union	1829
22	12	Leather bound notebook and notepad	
22	13	Leather wallet	
22	14	Two long hatpins	
22	15	"Personal Folio" – elaborately bound accordion filing system (empty)	
22	16	Notes related to Adams family genealogy and listing of Adams family papers available at the Fairfield Museum and History Center	

Series 7: Books Belonging to the Adams Family

Titles listed are not comprehensive but serve to indicate the range and types of books included in the collection. Additional books used at the Adams Academy that were not inscribed by members of the Adams family are held elsewhere at the Museum.

Books belonging to Ebenezer Banks Adams, Sr. (sample titles)

Architecture

Box		Date
24	The History and Rudiments of Architecture ed. by John Bullock	1853

Biographies, Memoirs

24	Memoirs of Mrs. E. B. Dwight	1840
25	Memoirs of Capt. Hedley Vicars	1857
25	Alexander the Great by Rev. J. Williams	1831
25	Galt's Life of Lord Byron	1830
25	Marshall's Life of George Washington	1850
25	Life of John Newton	1820
25	Memoirs of John Fremont by J. Bigelow	1856
26	The Life of Marcus Tullius Cicero by C. Middleton	1839
26	Life of Jehudi Ashmun, late colonial agent in Liberia by Ralph Gurley	1835
26	A Memoir of the Life of Peter the Great by John Barrow	1850
26	History of Charles XII by Voltaire	1836

Classics – Greek

27	The Clouds of Aristophanes with notes by C.C. Felton	1841
27	Lessons in Greek by Theodore Dwight, Jr.	1883
27	Elements of Greek Grammar by Chauncey A. Goodrich	1828
28	Groves Greek and English Dictionary	1831
28	The Iliad of Homer	1835
29	Pickering's Greek Lexicon	1829
29	Greek Lessons by Alpheus Crosby	1854
29	First Lessons in Greek by James Morris Whiton	1862
29	Herodotus	1839
30	The Greek Reader by Frederic Jacobs	1836
30	Homer's Odyssey translated by Alexander Pope	1849
30	A Manual of Greek Antiquities by Charles Anthon	1854

Classics – Latin

31	Ovid's Metamorphoses with prose version by Nathan Bailey	1815
31	Mair's introduction to Latin syntax	1820
31	Cicero's Tusculan Disputations	1815
32	Ainsworth's Dictionary English and Latin	1851
32	A Grammar of the Latin Language by E. A. Andrews	1857
33	A Grammar of the Latin Language by C. G. Zumpt	1851
33	Roman Antiquities by Alexander Adam	1826

Essays, Literature

34	Letters on Natural Magic by David Brewster	1832
34	The Elements of Interpretation by Johann Ernesti	1827
34	The Conquest of Canaan, A Poem by Timothy Dwight	1785
35	Affecting Scenes, Being Passages from the Diary of a Physician	1831
35	Waverley by Sir Walter Scott	1835
35	The Prairie, Pioneer, Last of the Mohicans by J. F. Cooper	1836
36	Stevens' Shakespeare	1824
36	Select Works of the British Poets, Dr. Aiken	1831

French

37	Boyer's French Dictionary	1833
37	A New and Complete Grammar of the French Tongue by Joseph Boeuf	1832

Geography

38	Morse's Geography	1822
38	The New Gazeteer of the U.S.A by Darby and Dwight	1850
38	Mitchell's School Geography	1852
38	Cummings' Introduction to Ancient and Modern Geography	1820

Government, Politics, Economy

39	Presidential Message to Congress	1856
39	Political Economy by Jean-Baptiste Say	1832
39	An American Manual by Joseph Burleigh	1850
39	The Elements of Political Economy by F. Wayland	1857

Grammar, Spelling, Rhetoric

40	English Synonyms by George Crabb	1836
40	Grammar by Joel Chapin	1851
40	Grammar by Lindley Murray	1826
40	Rhetorical Reader by Ebenezer Porter	1836
41	Elements of English Grammar by David B. Tower	1854
41	A System of Rhetoric by John Holmes	1770

History

42	History of Modern Europe by William Russell	1832
42	Ancient History by Charles Rollin	1829
43	The Russo-Turkish Campaign of 1828-1829 by Col. Chesney	1854
43	History of England by David Hume	1837
43	The U.S. Grinnell Expedition by Elisha Kent Kane	1857
44	Historical View of the Progress of Discovery by Patrick Tytler	1833
44	Essay on the Hieroglyphic System of M. Champollion by J. Greppo	1830
44	Historical Collection by John Barber	1841
45	Outlines of Ancient and Modern History by Rev. Royal Robbins	1836

46	Trumbull's Connecticut, A Complete History by Benjamin Trumbull	1818
46	The Practical Tourist by Zachariah Allen	1832
46	The Second Grinnell Expedition by Elisha Kent Kane	1858
47	Report of the Troubles in Kansas, 34 th Congress	1856
47	Macaulay's History of England	1856

Mathematics

48	Hutton's Course on Mathematics	1831
48	Greenleaf's Geometry	1859
48	Grund's Geometry	1832
48	Elements of Geometry by John Playfair	1824
49	Hackley's Algebra	1856
49	Thompson's Mathematical Works	1842
49	Ryan's Introduction to Algebra	1836

Religion, Philosophy

50	Young Man's Closet Library by Albert Barnes	1836
50	Dwight's Psalms and Hymns	1827
50	Historical Evidences of the truth of the Scripture records by George Rawlinson	1860
51	Collection of the Promises of Scripture by Samuel Clark	1803
51	The Sabbath Manual by Rev. Justin Edwards	1840
51	A Treatise on Covenanting with God by Benjamin Trumbull	1810
51	The Principles of Moral and Political Philosophy by William Paley	1830
52	Publications of the American Tract Society	1820
52	The Saints Everlasting Rest by Rev. Richard Baxter	1820
53	Works of Dugald Stewart	1829
54	Horne on the Holy Scripture	1831
54	The Doctrine of Absolute Predestination by Augustus Toplady	1811
55	Village Hymns for Social Worship by Asahel Nettleton	1820
55	A Token for Children : being an exact account of the conversion...by J. Janeway [volume originally belonging to Sarah Banks Adams]	1787
56	Documents of the American Temperance Society	1835
56	Fanaticism by Isaac Taylor	1830

Science

57	Combe's System of Phrenology	1835
57	Views of the Microscopic World by J. Brocklesby	1851
57	Cutter's Anatomy and Physiology	1848
57	American Weeds and Useful Plants by William Darlington	1859
57	Elements of Meteorology by John Brocklesby	1854
58	Treatise on Optics by David Brewster	1833
58	Entomology	1830
58	Manual of Botany for North America by Amos Eaton	1836
59	Physiology for Schools by Reynell Coates	1842
59	Fowler's Phrenology	1837
59	Principles of Zoology by Louis Agassiz	1858
59	Introduction to Geology by Robert Bakewell	1833

Periodicals

60	The Missionary Herald	1834
60	Porter's Journal of Health	1830
60	The Spectator	1824

Books belonging to other members of the Adams family

Sarah Banks Adams

61	The Communicant's Spiritual Companion	
61	Trumbull on Revelation	1805

Joseph Adams

61	American Accounting	1795
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Mary Sanford Davies Adams

62	Dickinson's Compendium of the Bible	1817
62	A Ladies Garland	1838
62	Holland's Memoirs of Rev. J. Summerfield	1852
62	Pictorial Narration, American Tract Society	1840
62	Life of Rev. Richard Baxter, American Tract Society	1830
62	Memoirs of Jane Taylor by Isaac Taylor	1829
62	Memoirs of Isabella Graham	1843
63	The Lady of the Manor by Mrs. Sherwood	1828
	The Power of Christian Benevolence Illustrated in the Life and Labors of Mary Lyon	1858
63	Murray's Sequel to the English Reader	1824
63	Hooker's Memoir of Sarah Huntington Smith	1845
63	Brown's Concordance to the Bible	1805
63	Recollections of a Policeman by Thomas Waters	1852

Ebenezer Banks Adams, Jr.

64	Goodrich's Pictorial History of the U.S.A.	1857
64	American Universal Geography by J. Morse	1796
64	Elements of Natural Philosophy by E. Loomis	1858
65	The Ocean Illustrated by P. H. Gosse	1859

Mary Anna Bulkley Adams

65	Nicholas Nickleby by Charles Dickens	1870
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