



Early Enfield Collection – container list

The “Early Enfield” collection is three boxes of miscellaneous items, including early documents, written histories of the time period from the 19th and 20th centuries, and material concerning early Enfield families.

Box: One Accession 1700s Paper Items (Taubner)

This box labeled “The papers and books of Capt. Elam and James Pease.” Not all items are from the 1700s.

- Inspection return of Capt. Elam Pease’s company, Conn. militia, 1806-7
- 1793 copy (incomplete) of Pilgrim’s Progress belonging to Capt. Elam Pease
- Book, unknown, late 1700s?
- Bible, 1819, belonging to Carolina Pease of Enfield
- Letter (circular) to Maj. Elam Pease concerning the Connecticut School Fund, 1818
- Ledger: 1730s-1780s, unknown person.
- Land title, Peter Miller Jr. to Jacob Terry, 1755
- Receipt, 1736, Jacob Terry to Richard Comes
- Receipt, Jacob Terry
- Certificate of promotion to Lt. Jas. E. Pease, Oct. 3, 1896
- Letter to Capt. Elam Pease, Sept. 1808, referring to meeting house in Enfield
- Deed from Herman Pease to Asa Pease
- Deed? Gaius Pease to Jabez Tyler

Box: Early Enfield II - Histories

- Studies in the history of Enfield, CT. Henry F. Fletcher
- Some incidents in the history of Enfield and its First Church
- Copies of 12/21/1875 Springfield Daily News about new railroad line
- Page from Ephram Terry’s surveyor book, 1759-1768. Land in Enfield
- 1835 letter to John Hamilton about granddaughter’s death
- Early architecture and some early homes in Enfield (copies) by Martha Parsons
- 1798 letter, talk of war
- Enfield History up to the Civil War, 3pp., Loretta Pease 1959
- Trouble with Indians: Pequot and King Philip’s War. Mrs. M.J. Horton, 9/30/1922
- Early Connecticut schools, Mrs. A.S. Brainard 4/28/1923
- First Settlement in Connecticut, Mrs. F.E. Simonton, 10/28/1922
- Connecticut Charter – Hartford, the birthplace of American democracy, Mrs. Arthur Barney, 11/3/1923
- Rev. Nathaniel Collins, first minister of Enfield. Miss Mabel Davis, 11/3/1923

- Reminiscences of Seth Terry, 16pp.
- Confederation of Massachusetts – Plymouth – Connecticut and New Haven colonies, Mrs. Guy Bushnell, 10/28/1922
- Settlement of Enfield, Conn. Miss Lydia Abbe, 1/27/1923
- Development of Enfield colony, Mrs. John Frew, 1/27/1923
- Enfield cemeteries and epitaphs, Mary E. Parsons 11/3/1923
- Preservation week 2003, a brief history and self-guided tour of Enfield and its historic resources
- The first physicians of Enfield by Dr. John L. Bridge, 4/14/1925
- Historical sketch of the town of Enfield, 1876
- Talk on Enfield, CT, transcribed by Laura Ramsey Maynard (actual speaker/presenter unknown)
- Chapter from v.2 of the Memorial History of Hartford County concerning Enfield
- The Bay Path, John Garside, 9/30/1922
- Organization and development of town government in Enfield, Conn., Mrs. Root, 3/31/1923
- Copies of pages from The Boundary Disputes of Connecticut, Clarence Winthrop Bowen, 1882
- Letter from Holly Brainerd about buildings along Freshwater Brook, 10/26/1948
- Harry Allen Grant - no author or date
- Memories of my boyhood days, Levi Pease Abbe Jr.
- Handwritten essay on Enfield history, said to have been written by Loretta Pease for an eighth grade assignment. [1982.25.9]
- Scitico, Savilla Turgeon (8th grade) June 1947
- Untitled history of Enfield, typed, no author or date
- Typed history of Enfield from John Lyons estate, possibly multiple authors. Jessie Brainerd Abbe, 9/23/1941, one page
- Enfield illustrated article by C. Terry Knight, removed from Connecticut Quarterly, Oct-Nov-Dec, 1896
- "Our village, a poem" by John M. Richmond, 1878, Thompsonville
- Martha Parsons House brochure
- Mid to late 1800s photos, Thompsonville
- John Nobles house, photo
- Letter written by Mattie H. MacLachlan, 1920s, also newspaper articles concerning her
- Four personal notebooks containing the writings of Bertha A. Weising, a historian who studied Enfield history. [1983.3.160]
- Early Enfield by Dr. John Bridge
- Enfield histories taken from various printed works
- Memoirs by T.E. Bridge concerning Hazardville
- Historical sketch, town of Enfield, 1876
- D. Wm. Brainard, "A Country Story," 1894, and "A Visit to Thompsonville," 1900
- 1779 sermon preached in Enfield: "Mr. Backus's sermon at the funeral of Mrs. Prodden"
- Selections from the pen of Lieut. Samuel Hathaway
- Article by Dr. John Bridge about doctors who practiced in Enfield, 1925 [1993.3.50]

Box: Early Enfield III

- Photo, "Early Pearl St. view" [1993.3.54]
- 1773 deed, photocopy, Justus Colton of Springfield to Asa Pease
- Article about Abbey monument, 1920s?
- Typewritten list of names and addresses, no other info, 20th century
- "Lines on the death of Henry T. Mason of Enfield, Conn., who died at Columbus, O., Sept 30, 1897, by B.J. Cushing."
- Photo, Old Town Hall
- Envelope: Abbey memorial drum and memorial statue, contains articles, photos, etc.
- Photo, Albert Epstein, 1927
- Handwritten notes on Mr. & Mrs. Young, Longview Estate, Dr. Vail
- Deed, Eli Bush of Enfield to Ezekiel Williams of Wethersfield
- Land deed for 31 acres in Enfield, possibly from town records book [1983.39.1]
- Letter to Ebenezer Terry from Grace Hugh of Colebrook
- Ledger, 1700s, unknown
- Contract to build what would become the First Presbyterian Church, 1840 [1983.3.211]
- Photo, Thompsonville, High Street. 1930s
- Photo, Main St., Thompsonville. 1950s?
- Photo, Cottage Green
- Recommendations concerning the character of Jonathan Pease, Jr., 1820, 1850
- Envelope: papers concerning Richard Abbe, mostly photocopies [1983.3.1]
- Letter of James Pease, Jr., 1734, with transcription. [1988.3.6]
- Envelope: voter lists, voting misc.
 - Voter list, typewritten. Ballots.
- Proposed town council plan 1935
- Conchusetts Farm materials, includes deed, photos [2002.23]
- Folder, Abbey Inn sign
- News articles, D.A.R.
- Town taxes, receipts, various, 1815-1950
- Warantee Deed, David Brainerd to Edmund B. Aldree, 1876
- Photos of early grave markers, Enfield Street Cemetery