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Moulton (Oliver) Papers, 1857-1887

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Summary Information

Repository: Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department
Creator: Moulton, Oliver
Title: Oliver Moulton Papers
ID: SpC MS 0354
Date [inclusive]: 1857-1887
Date [bulk]: 1857-1863 (bulk)
Physical Description: 1 linear foot (1 box)
Physical Location:
Language of the Material: English
Abstract: Financial records of Oliver Moulton's sawmills in the area of Pittston, Maine.

Preferred Citation

Oliver Moulton Papers, SpC MS 0354, [Folder No.], Raymond H. Fogler Library Special Collections Department, University of Maine, Orono, Maine

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Biographical Note

The collection consists of four ledgers belonging to Oliver Moulton, a resident of Pittston, Maine, and owner of several sawmills in the area. Sometime after 1853 he bought a sawmill and its privilege in Chelsea, Maine, and also owned a sawmill in Sidney, Maine. In 1864 he built a sawmill on Togus Stream in Randolph, Maine, which was destroyed by fire ten years later. He then built another mill near the original site; this mill was leased and operated by his sons, Henry and Warren Moulton. Notes in one of the ledgers in the collection indicate that he had men working for him in the woods around Augusta and along the Kennebec River. A letterhead found in the collection shows that in 1886 his business in Randolph was a "manufacturer of all kinds of rough and dressed pine and spruce dimension, frames, timber, deck plank, boards, staves, clapboards, laths, shingles, pickets and hard wood of all kinds."
Scope and Contents

The collection contains financial records of Oliver Moulton's sawmills. The volumes do not specify which sawmill is included in each individual volume. Volumes give information about lumber sold, surveys done for Moulton, lists of men who worked for him and their wages, items purchased for use in logging camps, and agreements between Moulton and others to cut, haul, and deliver logs from property owned by Moulton.

Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Restrictions on Access

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