

Chauncey Lusk Papers, 1793-1858

1966.144



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Collection Overview

Repository: Old Sturbridge Village Research Library, Sturbridge, MA

Creator: Chauncey Lusk

Title: Lusk Papers

Dates: 1793 – 1858

Extent: One box, 0.25 linear feet

Abstract: Collection of promissory notes and receipts pertaining to Chauncey Lusk of Farmington, Connecticut.

Location: Vault

Language: English

Biographical Sketch

The following collection concerns the Lusk family, predominately Chauncey Lusk (1781 – 1843) whose name appears most frequently. Please see the genealogical sketch included below for more detailed information. Names in bold appear in this collection.

Captain James Lusk (1729 – 1809), father of Chauncey Lusk, served both in the French and Indian War and the Revolutionary War before his death in 1809. Captain James Lusk married Sarah (Paterson) (1724 – 1777) on December 30, 1754 and after her death in 1777, married a second time to Mehitable (Mather) (1741 – 1829). According to his last will and testament, he had five children, comprising four daughters and one son. It is not clear when his five children were born, as there is a dearth of genealogical information in this collection. It can be assumed that at least his first three children were produced from his first marriage, but it cannot be known for sure. Chauncey Lusk, the youngest of his children, inherited the bulk of his estate and property.

Chauncey Lusk (1781-1843) spent the majority of his life in Farmington, Connecticut. This collection includes promissory notes, receipts, and account pages pertaining to Chauncey Lusk's business and familial obligations. As executor of his father's estate, he distributed funds to his

siblings, records of which are included in this collection. He married Abigail Lusk (1789 –1857) and had at least one son, Lucius Lusk (1812 –1859). This collection reveals that Lusk worked as the treasurer, or at least a District Committee Member, of the Lovely Street School District in Farmington, Connecticut. He distributed teacher’s wages, collected school taxes, and conducted a variety of other business on behalf of the district. He died at the age of 62 on August 24, 1843.

Another figure in this collection is another James Lusk (–1861), who occasionally appears listed on receipts signed by Chauncey Lusk, or delivering goods for which Chauncey Lusk is responsible. It is not known how this James Lusk is related to the Lusk family listed below. It is assumed that he may be a cousin of Chauncey Lusk or his son Lucius Lusk, as he lived, worked, and communicated with the family. Interestingly, in his last will and testament of 1861, James Lusk bequeaths property and funds to the children of Lucius Lusk, even naming James Eveline Lusk as executor of his estate. Ultimately, no money or property was distributed as the estate was found insolvent. James Lusk was also buried in Greenwood Cemetery, in Avon, Connecticut, where the majority of the Lusk family are buried.

Captain James Lusk (1729 – December 17, 1809)

m. Sarah (Paterson) Lusk (1724-1777) on December 30, 1754

- Sarah (Lusk) Porter
- **Rachel (Lusk) Olmsted** (March 26, 1764 – July 20, 1841)
- **Rhoda (Lusk) Case**
- Laura (Lusk) North (December 7, 1779 – November 29, 1840)

m. Mehitable (Mather) Lusk (1741 – January 11, 1829)

- **Chauncey Lusk** (1781 – August 24, 1843)

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m. **Abigail Lusk** (1789 – March 5, 1857)

- Lucius Lusk (February 8, 1812 – January 1, 1859)

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m. Sarah Elizabeth (Hawley) Lusk (April 11, 1815 – 1916)

- James Eveline Lusk (June 10, 1840 – March 16, 1903)
- Fayette Lusk (1842 – February 4, 1874)
- George Victor Lusk (~October 1842 – 1912)
- Chauncey Dewey Lusk (September 1844 –)
- Faith Lusk (1847 –)
- Lucius Otto Lusk (August 1855 – 1938)

James Lusk (– June 30, 1861)

Scope and Content

Materials in this collection consist of promissory notes, receipts, and account pages pertaining to Chauncey Lusk.

This collection is organized into 1 series:

Business Papers

Restrictions

This collection is open for research. Use is limited to available Library hours and staff. Copies and scans are done at the discretion of the library staff and condition of materials.

Search Terms

Personal Names

Lusk, Capt. James (1729 – 1809)
Lusk, Chauncey (1781 – 1843)
Lusk, James (– 1861)

Genres

Account Book
Promissory Notes
Receipts

Geographical Names

Canton, (Conn.)
Farmington, (Conn.)
Hamden, (Conn.)
Newington, (Conn.)
Stonington, (Conn.)
Unionville, (Conn.)

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

Item, Collection Title, Collection number (accession number with extensions for box and folder numbers). Old Sturbridge Village Research Library, Sturbridge, Massachusetts. Date Accessed.

History of the Collection

The Lusk Papers were originally accessioned into two separate collections. Items labeled 1966.144 were loose, while items originally labeled 1966.144a were found within a leather wallet included in the donation. As all the papers concern business matters, this collection has combined both into one accession #, 1966.144. The original accession #'s are recorded next to the item in the finding aid. The original card catalog card can be found in the Manuscript Research Files.

Processing information

Finding Aid:

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Related Collections

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