

Wellesley Advertiser Newspaper Collection
Wellesley Historical Society

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Title

Wellesley Advertiser Newspaper Collection

Date

1873-1885

Extent

4 Folders

Name of Creator

Wellesley Advertiser, The Needham Chronicle and Wellesley Advertiser

Administrative History

The *Wellesley Advertiser* released its first issue on August 1, 1873, which was published by Mansfield and Bigelow Publishers. By 1875, it had become *The Needham Chronicle and Wellesley Advertiser*. Published and edited every Saturday by George W. Southworth, the paper declared itself to be “an eight-page, family newspaper, devoted to the home interests of Needham, Wellesley, Grantville, Highlandville, Charles River Village, Newton Lower Falls and Newton Upper Falls.” By 1877, the paper had expanded its geographic focus, “devoted to the local interests of Needham, Highlandville, Upper and Lower Falls, Wellesley, South Natick, Charles River Village, and Dover.”

In 1881, the paper had once again become *Wellesley Advertiser*, still published by George W. Southworth and Company. In 1882, the Advertiser Publishing Company took over publication, and W. H. Flagg became editor. It is unclear when the *Wellesley Advertiser* stopped publication. The Historical Society’s last issue is dated October 17, 1885, but the publication may have continued to print after this date.

Scope and Content

The collection contains a sampling of issues from 1873 until 1885. The collection does contain the first issue published, August 1, 1873.

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System of Arrangement

The issues are arranged in chronological order.

Conditions Governing Access

The papers are open for research purposes by appointment only. Please contact the Wellesley Historical Society for more information.

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Physical Access

Due to the fragility of some of the issues, access may be restricted at the discretion of the Curator.

Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use

Copyright restrictions may apply.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Walter W. Bordewick donated the following issues of the *Needham Chronicle and Wellesley Advertiser* in September 1989: July 1, 1876, and February 2, 1877; and the following issues of the *Wellesley Advertiser*: December 30, 1882 and January 6, 1883 (accession #1989.5). The Wellesley Free Library donated issues from October 1, 1873 until October 17, 1885, in February 1964 (accession #1964.16); although it should be noted that this is an incomplete run.

Existence and Location of Originals

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Related Materials

The Townsman

Our Town

Wellesley Courant

Wellesley Review

Wellesley News

Wellesley Times

Description

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Appendix: Box and Folder List

Box 1: Miscellaneous Wellesley Newspapers

Folder 5: August 1, 1873; October 1, 1873; February 2, 1874; May 1, 1874; October 15, 1874

Folder 6: January 30, 1875-April 24, 1875; July 1, 1876

Oversized Flat File

Flat File 2, Drawer 1:

Folder 1: 1881, 1882, 1883, 1884, 1885

Folder 2: February 3, 1877; March 22, 1879; April 5, 1879; May 3, 1879; May 10, 1879