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Fred Josiah Proctor
Collection
1999.118

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Collection Information

Abstract : Fred Josiah Proctor was owner of Proctor Lumber Company from the 1930s until 1949, when it was sold to Baker Lumber Company of Worcester. The collection consists of items from Proctor's personal effects.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : Donated by Patricia MacFarland (daughter), Portsmouth, R.I., July 1999.

MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings (lcs, aat, tgm, gmgcp)

Marcellus Roper Company (Worcester, Mass.)
Proctor Lumber Company (Northborough, Mass.)
N.P. Scott & Son, Apothecaries (Worcester, Mass.)
Music trade – Packaging – Massachusetts – Worcester.
Advertising – Music trade – Massachusetts – Worcester.
Proctor, Fred Josiah.
Proctor, George Ellis.

Historical/Biographical Notes

Fred Josiah Proctor and his brother George Ellis Proctor bought an existing coal and lumber business in Northborough in the 1930s, and operated it as Proctor Lumber Company until 1949, when the company was sold to Baker Lumber Company of Worcester. The company before its dissolution did considerable business with Sawyer Lumber Company of Worcester.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of personal effects from Fred Josiah Proctor, and includes Worcester postcards, ca. 1920s; advertising wrapper for Marcellus Roper Company of Worcester, ca. 1900s; and a metal salve container from N.R. Scott & Sons, Apothecaries, of Worcester, ca. 1900.

Series Description

Series 1: Packaging. Includes advertising on wrapping paper in form of mailing label.

Series 2: Postcards. Worcester scenes, ca. 1920.

Series 3: Artifacts.

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Series 1, Wrappers

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Identification #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	1999.118.1.1	Advertising wrapper for Marcellus Roper Company, Worcester, Mass. (music trade), ca. 1900. Company name imprinted on wrapper as a mailing label. Accessioned as 1999.118.02

Series 2, Postcards

1	1	1999.118.2.1	Hahnemann Hospital, Worcester, Mass. Halftone print on postcard, ca. 1920. Accessioned as 1999.118.03.1
1	1	1999.118.2.2	Sawyer Lumber Company, Worcester, Mass., advertising vehicle (parade float?). Halftone print on postcard, ca. 1920. Accessioned as 1999.118.03.2

Series 3, Artifacts

Collections		1999.118.3.1	Metal can, 1 in. diameter, $\frac{1}{2}$ in. deep, for Scotts Carbolated Salve ... , prepared by N.R. Scott & Son, Apothecaries, Worcester, Mass., ca. 1900. Accessioned as 1999.118.01
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