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Nordstrom Grocer Family Collection

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Collection Information

Abstract : This collection contains three ledger books, one check book, and a purchase account log belonging to a Worcester Grocer by the name of Matt Nordstrom. There was also a file of vendor receipts spanning a four month period in the summer of 1911. Twenty-eight family photos were also donated with the ledgers, most are unidentifiable, but are known to be of the Nordstrom family.

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

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : Donated by one Starlene Goodrich, no relation, but resident of the same address found in the records for Matt Nordstrom.

MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings

Historical/Biographical Notes

Matt Nordstrom is listed in the Worcester clippings as a grocer from the year 1902-1912. It also correlates the donor to the address he is listed to live at during this time, 149 Belmont St. A 1920 census report shows that he was born around 1862, making him fifty-eight at the time of the census report. It also shows his parents were both born in Finland, and that he immigrated to America in 1885. His wife Ellsia, forty-nine at the time of the census, is listed under household members, as well as their five children. Irene, the oldest at twenty-four, Esther was twenty-one, Thura was nineteen, Arvid was sixteen, and Arthur was fourteen. No record could be found for Matt after the early 1930's, so his age and location at death is unknown. Along with the paper manuscripts donated, a glass bottle with a porcelain stopper was donated.

Scope and Content

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Series Descriptions

Series 1: Vendor Receipts from summer 1911

Sub-Series 1: C.A. King Company (18 receipts)

Sub-Series 2: The Daniels, Cornell Co. (12 receipts)

Sub-Series 3: The Swedish importing Co. (6 receipts)

Sub-Series 4: The Morris & Company (10 receipts)

Sub-Series 5: The Swift & Company (7 receipts)

Sub-Series 6: W.H. Blodger Co. (22 receipts)

Sub-Series 7: Worcester Butter and Egg Co. (2 receipts)

Sub-Series 8: Hammond Company (6 receipts)

Sub-Series 9: Perkins & Butter (8 receipts)

Sub Series 10: Wilson & Holden (2 receipts)

Sub-Series 11: W.N. Gleason Company (8 receipts)

Sub-Series 12: National Biscuit Company (5 receipts)

Sub-Series 13: E.T. Smith Company (15 receipts)

Sub-Series 14: Wilson & Holder (23 receipts)

Sub-Series 15: New England Biscuit Co. (2 receipts)

Sub-Series 16: The Worcester Gas Light Co. (2 receipts)

Sub-Series 17: Scandinavian Importing Co. (12 receipts)

Sub-Series 18: Ross Bros. Co. (3 receipts)

Sub-Series 19: Armour and Company (2 receipts)

Sub-Series 20: Miscellaneous Vendors (6 individual receipts)

Series 2: Family Photographs

Series 3: Account Books

Sub-Series 1: 1st volume- 1903-1905

Sub-Series 2: 2nd volume- 1906-1909

Sub-Series 3: 3rd volume- 1910-1912

Series 4: Purchase Account book 1902-1905

Series 5: Daybook 1902-1911

Series 6: Check book 1904-1906

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 1, C.A. King Company

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	1984.87.1.1.1-18	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 2, The Daniels, Cornell Co.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	2	1984.87.1.2.1-12	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 3, The Swedish Importing Co.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	3	1984.87.1.3.1-6	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 4, The Morris & Company.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	4	1984.87.1.4.1-10	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 5, The Swift Co.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	5	1984.87.1.5.1-7	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 6, W.H. Blodger Co.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	6	1984.87.1.6.1-22	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 7, Worcester Butter and Egg Co.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	7	1984.87.1.7.1-2	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 8, Hammond Company

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	8	1984.87.1.8.1-6	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 9, Perkins & Butler

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1	9	1984.87.1.9.1-8	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 10, Wilson & Holden

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	10	1984.87.1.10.1-2	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 11, W.N. Gleason Company

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1	11	1984.87.1.11.1-8	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 12, National Biscuit Company

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	12	1984.87.1.12.1-5	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 13, E.T. Smith Company

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	13	1984.87.1.13.1-15	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 14, Wilson & Holden

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	14	1984.87.1.14.1-23	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 15, New England Biscuit Co.

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2	15	1984.87.1.15.1-2	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 16, The Worcester Gas Light Co.

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	16	1984.87.1.16.1-2	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 17, Scandinavian Importing Co.

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2	17	1984.87.1.17.1-12	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 18, Ross Bros. Co.

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2	18	1984.87.1.18.1-3	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 19, Armour and Company

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	19	1984.87.1.19.1-2	food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.1
Series 1, Vendor Receipts
Sub-Series 20, Miscellaneous Vendors

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	20	1984.87.1.20.1-6	individual food vendor receipts

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.2
Series 2, Family Photographs

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2	21	1984.87.2	Individual portraits- 5 male, 3 female, as well as 3 wedding photographs, and 1 group shot.
2	22	1984.87.2	3 portraits of children, 3 group family shots,

and 3 individual portraits.

2	23	1984.87.2	7 large shots (mix of wedding, family children, and 1 class photo at unknown school)
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Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.3
Series 3, Account Books
Sub-Series 1, Volume one

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2		1984.87.3.1	1 st volume (1903-1905)

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.3
Series 3, Account Books
Sub-Series 2, Volume two

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
2		1984.87.3.2	2 nd volume (1906-1909)

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.3
Series 3, Account Books
Sub-Series 3, volume three

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3		1984.87.3.3	3 rd volume (1910-1912)

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.4
Series 4, Purchase Account Book

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3		1984.87.4	1902-1905

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.5
Series 5, Day Book

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3		1984.87.5	1902-1911

Nordstrom Family Collection
1984.87.6
Series 6, Check Book

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
3		1984.87.6	1904-1906