

# WORCESTER HISTORICAL MUSEUM

30 Elm Street  
Worcester, Massachusetts

## ARCHIVES

Hattie Proctor Postcard  
Collection

1999.156

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### Collection Information

Abstract : Postcards depicting some of the principal buildings of Worcester during the late 1890s to early 1900s provide insight into the city as it was at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

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

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : Gift of Mrs. Patricia P. Macfarland, Portsmouth, R.I., November 1999.

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

Postcards – Massachusetts – Worcester. lcs  
Worcester (Mass.) – Pictorial works.

Relief halftones. aat  
Photomechanical prints. aat

### **Historical/Biographical Notes**

Postcards were developed in the late 1800s and became very popular around the end of the 19<sup>th</sup>/beginning of 20<sup>th</sup> century, reaching fad proportions. Nearly every municipality had numerous postcards representing its building, people, scenes, etc. Postcards provide extraordinary detail about the physical appearance, buildings, and overall ambience of localities during the late 19<sup>th</sup> to early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries.

### **Scope and Content**

The collection comprises postcards with color halftone scenes of some of the principal buildings in Worcester sent to Mrs. Fred J. (Hattie) Proctor of Everett, Mass., postmarked between 1901 and 1913.

### **Series Description**

Series 1: Postcards. Scenes of Worcester, Mass. ca. 1900-1910. 7 items.

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Series 1, Postcards

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1		1999.156.1.1	Y.M.C.A. and Free Public Library, Worcester, Mass. : halftone photomechanical print, postcard / ca. 1913. Message from Carrie to Mrs. Fred J. Proctor, postmarked [1913].
1		1999.156.1.2	City Hall, Worcester, Mass. : halftone photomechanical print, postcard / ca. 1912. Message from Carrie to Mrs. Fred J. Proctor, postmarked Feb. 7, 1912.
1		1999.156.1.3	Worcester State Hospital, Worcester, Mass. : halftone photomechanical print, postcard / ca. 1906. Message from Carrie G. Hurd to Mrs. Fred J. Proctor, postmarked [ca. 1906].
1		1999.156.1.4	South High School, Worcester, Mass. : halftone photomechanical print, postcard / ca. 1909. Message from "A" to Mrs. Fred J. Proctor, postmarked Aug. 25, 1909.
1		1999.156.1.5	City Hall and Main St., Worcester, Mass. : halftone photomechanical print, postcard / ca. 1906. Message from Mrs. A. Hurd to Mrs. Fred J. Proctor, postmark [n.d.]
1		1999.156.1.6-.7	State Armory, Bancroft School, and Womans Club, Worcester, Mass. : halftone photomechanical print, postcard / ca. 1900. [.6] from Lucy Wright to Mrs. Fred Proctor, postmarked Aug. 28, 1907; [.7] from Nellie to Mrs. Fred Proctor (Hattie), postmarked Sept. 10, 1909.