

William Aiken Kneeland scrapbook

Ms. Coll. 1364

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Summary Information

Repository	University of Pennsylvania: Kislak Center for Special Collections, Rare Books and Manuscripts
Creator	Kneeland, William Aiken, 1884-1947
Title	William Aiken Kneeland scrapbook
Call number	Ms. Coll. 1364
Date [inclusive]	1897-1904
Extent	1 box (.12 linear foot)
Language	English
Abstract	A scrapbook comprising printing samples created by William Aiken Kneeland. He began his printing business named the Amateur Publishing Company at the age of 12 in 1897 and produced his last printed item in 1904.

Cite as:

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Biography/History

One of five children born to clergyman Martin Dwelle and Sarah Lord Kneeland in Fredonia, New York. The family moved to Roxbury, Massachusetts on Wyoming Street. Kneeland attended the Boston Latin School and was awarded the Franklin Medal. At the age of twelve Kneeland began a printing business named the Amateur Publishing Company. He went on to Dartmouth College and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in 1904. Kneeland then attended Boston University School of Law where he received his J.B. degree. He opened his own law practice and was an instructor at Boston University. Kneeland married Mabel M. Loomis in 1907.

Scope and Contents

A scrapbook with decorative, embossed covers comprising printing samples created by William Aiken Kneeland. He began his printing business named the Amateur Publishing Company at the age of 12 in 1897 and produced his last printed item in 1904. The scrapbook contains a printed samples with annotated notes in pencil specifying the print job number, quantity of printed items, the date, and price. The jobs are numbered 1 to 75. The samples include notices of events at the Roxbury Presbyterian Church where, his mother was active, and various items for the New England Sabbath Protective League, where his father was secretary and an editor. Kneeland also produced announcements and other items for the Boston Latin School. He also printed items for local businesses and the community. Printed samples include advertisements, announcements, booklets, business forms, calling cards, and notices. Some items are printed on colored paper. Laid in the volume is Kneeland's business card and a written note with expenses including the cost of a foot power press. A handwritten yellow label is on the cover with notes in pencil. A label for Mark Twain's scrap book is pasted on the inside front cover.

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Custodial History note

Label pasted on inside front cover: Mark Twain's Scrap Book, Daniel Slote & Co., New York.

Source of Acquisition

Sold by Bartleby's Books (Chevy Chase, Maryland), 2018.

Controlled Access Headings

CORPORATE NAME(S)

- New England Sabbath Protective League.

FORM/GENRE(S)

- Announcements
- Blank forms
- Booklets
- Business cards
- Forms (documents)
- Manuscripts, American--19th century
- Manuscripts, American--20th century
- Visiting cards

PERSONAL NAME(S)

- Kneeland, Martin Dwelle, 1848-1946

SUBJECT(S)

- Printed ephemera--Roxbury (Boston, Mass.)--Specimens
- Printing--Roxbury (Boston, Mass.)--Specimens

- Scrapbooks--Specimens

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