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Summary Information

Repository	Enoch Pratt Free Library Special Collections
Creator	Livingston, John
Title	Eminent Americans Engraving Collection
Date	19th century
Extent	0.25 Linear feet
Language	English
Abstract	<p>The Eminent Americans Engraving Collection consists of a small group of engravings of eminent American statesmen, more specifically, 19th century lawyers. Many of the biographical accounts of the lawyers were engraved from daguerreotypes, photographs or paintings, by the leading printers of the day.</p>

Biographical/Historical

John Livingston was involved in several major business and legal activities in addition to practicing law. He was the editor and publisher of the U.S. Monthly Law Magazine and of Livingston's Law Register from the late 1840s. His third major venture was the publication of a series of biographical encyclopedias, including Biographical Sketches of Eminent American Lawyers, published in ten parts, and Livingston's Portraits and Memoirs of Eminent Americans, a broader series of biographies printed in two or three volumes each.

In his periodicals Livingston provided the name of every lawyer known to him, giving the full postal address which he had acquired through extensive correspondence with lawyers and postmasters throughout the U. S. He seemed to realize that the rise in the national commercial economy, and the growth of businesses with interests in more than one state, was going to require a systematic source of legal services, which his two periodicals provided. The Law Register became a database, assisting lawyers, bankers and merchants in finding lawyers in other jurisdictions. The Monthly Law Magazine was a means by which to provide reports of cases on a national scale to its readers.

The biographies of eminent Americans were designed to enlighten the reader, and to provide life stories after which they might model their ambitions and activities. As a result they were somewhat didactic and repetitive, encouraging the virtues which made good lawyers. Livingston did not write most of them, but solicited memoirs from the subjects themselves. Many were accompanied by "well executed portraits," engraved from daguerreotypes, photographs or paintings, by the leading printers of the day.

Scope and Contents

The Eminent Americans Engraving Collection consists of engravings of eminent 19th c. American statesmen and lawyers. The collection is based on a publication of a series of biographical encyclopedias. Although there were a few engravings that could not be identified, the bulk of the collection is based on John Livingston's Biographical Sketches of Eminent American Lawyers and Livingston's Portraits and Memoirs of Eminent Americans, a broader series of biographies. These volumes consist of lawyers and statesmen known by Livingston, but the biographical accounts were based on actual memoirs of the subjects themselves. Finally, the portraits were engraved from daguerreotypes, photographs or paintings, by the leading printers of the day.

Arrangement

The engraved portraits are arranged in alphabetical order by last name and are housed in 1 box.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Enoch Pratt Free Library Special Collections August, 2016

Conditions Governing Access note

Unrestricted, open by appointment.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

The Eminent Americans Engraving Collection was transferred from the Fine Arts Department to Special Collections in November, 2013.

Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- Enoch Pratt Free Library. Fine Arts Department.
- Enoch Pratt Free Library. Special Collections Department.

Genre(s)

- Biographies
- Daguerreotype
- Painting

- Photographs

Occupation(s)

- editors (assembling, revising)
- Lawyers
- Printers
- publishers

Subject(s)

- Biographical Sketches of Eminent American Lawyers
- Livingston's law register
- Livingston's Portraits and Memoirs of Eminent Americans
- U.S. Monthly Law Magazine

Series I: Biographical Sketches of Eminent Americans

Collection Inventory

Series I: Biographical Sketches of Eminent Americans 19th century	Box	Folder
	Box	Folder
Samuel Anderson of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, engraving by F. Halpin	1	1-8
Richard Hazen Ayer, President of the Amoskeag Bank at Manchester, N.H., engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	1
Luther Badger, Harpursville, Broome County, N.Y., engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	1
Daniel M. Barringer, Minister of the U.S. to the Court of Spain, engraving by Casilear Capewell & Kimmel	1	1
William Horn Battle of Chapel Hill, N.C., engraving by S. Holyer	1	1
Horace P. Biddle, Logansport, Indiana, engraving by S. Holyer	1	1
James L. Bowman, President of the Monongahela Bank, at Brownsville, PA., engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	1
Joshua B. Bowles of Kentucky, President of the Bank of Louisville, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	1

Series I: Biographical Sketches of Eminent Americans

Josiah Brigham, President Quincy Stone Bank, Massachusetts, engraving by S. Hollyer (sic)	1	1
Charles Brooks of Medford Mass., engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	1
N. C. Brooks, President of the Baltimore Female College, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	1
Hon. Aaron V. Brown, Ex-Governor of Tennessee, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	1
Samuel A. Brown, Jamestown, N.Y., engraving by H. B. Hall	1	1
William F. Bullock of Louisville, Kentucky, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	1
Hon. Jacob Burnet, LL.D. of Ohio, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	1
James Campbell, United States Post Master General, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	2
John C. Campbell, President of the North-Western Bank, at Wheeling, Virginia, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	2
E. (Edward, 2nd?) Carpenter, of Philadelphia, Penn., engraving by Parker, S.C.	1	2

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Leonard Church, President of the Lee Bank, Lee, Massachusetts, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	2
William B. Clarke of Hagerstown, Maryland, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	2
John Randolph Clay, Charge D'Affaires of the U.S. at Lima Peru	1	2
Hon. James B. Colt of Saint Louis, Missouri, engraving by R. Thew	1	2
T. Coopwood of Aberdeen, Mississippi, engraving by J. B. Forrest	1	2
Hon. Richard S. Coxe of Washington, D.C., engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	2
Reuben Culver of Logan, Ohio, President of the Logan Branch Bank. engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	2
Caleb Cushing, Attorney General for the United States, engraving by F. Halpin	1	2
Henry W. Cushman of Bernardston Mass., engraving by A. H. Ritchie	1	2
Pliny Cutler, President of the Atlantic Bank, Boston, Mass., engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	2
John F. Darby of St. Louis Missouri Member of the XXXIId Congress, engraving by S. Hollyer	1	3

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Hon. Gilbert Dean. Of New York, Member of the 32nd Congress of U.S., engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	3
David Devens, President of the Bunker Hill Bank at Charlestown, Mass., engraving by S. Hollyer	1	3
Alexander Dewitt, President of the Mechanics Bank at Worcester, Massachusetts & M. C. XXXIII Congress, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	3
S. Newton Dexter of Whitestown, Oneida Co. N.Y., engraving by H. B. Hall	1	3
James C. Dobbin of North Carolina, Secretary of the United States Navy, daguerreotype by Whitehurst, engraving by J. C. Buttre	1	3
John P. Dobyms, President of the Maysville Branch, of Farmers' Bank of KY., engraving by W. Wellstood	1	3
George Downes, President of the Calais Bank, at Calais, Maine, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	3
Hon. Henry Dutton, Professor of Law in Yale College, New Haven, Conn., engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	3
John Worth Edmonds, engraving by Girsch	1	3
Halmor H. Emmons of Detroit, Michigan, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	3

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LaFayette S. Foster of Norwich, Connecticut, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	3
Hugh A. Garland of St. Louis, Missouri, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	4
John A. Gilmer , engraving by F. Halpin	1	4
George H. Gordon of Woolville, Miss., engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	4
Jacob Gould, President of the Farmers' & Mechanics ' Bank, at Rochester, N.Y., engraving by F. Halpin	1	4
W. Portis (?) Grace of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, engraving by Capewell & Kimmel	1	4
Calvin Graves of Caswell County, North Carolina, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	4
Albert G. Gridley, President of the Kirkland Bank, at Clinton, New York, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	4
Robert Cooper Grier, Justice of the Supreme Court of the U.S., engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	4
Hiram Griswold of Cleveland Ohio, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	4

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Samuel Hall of Princeton, Indiana, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	4
Allen Hamilton, President of the Fort Wayne Branch State Bank of Indiana, engraving by Casilear Capewell & Kimmel	1	4
Peter Hitchcock, Late Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Ohio	1	4
West Hughes Humphreys, Attorney General of the State of Tennessee, engraving by W. Wellstood	1	4
Andrew M. January, President of the Branch Bank of Kentucky, at Maysville, KY, engraving by S. Hollyer	1	4
Hon. Charles F. Keith of Tennessee, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	5
John A. Knowles, President of the Appleton Bank at Lowell, Mass., engraving by Capewell & Kimmel	1	5
John Landes of Lancaster, PA., President of the Lancaster County Bank, engraving by T. Y. Chubb	1	5
William Lawrence of Bellefontaine, Ohio	1	5
Joseph H. Lumpkin, engraving by Girch	1	5
Andrew J. Marchbanks of Tennessee, One of the Judges of the Circuit Court, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	5

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William L. Marcy, Secretary of State, daguerreotype by Whitehurst, engraving by J. C. Buttre	1	5
Mulord Marsh of Savannah, Georgia, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	5
William Mason, President of the Machinist's Bank of Taunton, Massachusetts, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	5
Benjamin Mayhall of Rensselaer County New York, engraving by A. H. Ritchie	1	5
Robert McClelland, Secretary of the Department of the Interior, daguerreotype by Whitehurst, engraving by J. C. Buttre	1	5
William B. McClure of Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	5
John H. McHenry of Hartford, Kentucky	1	5
Bradley B. Meeker, Associate Justice of Minnesota, engraving by J. Rogers sc.	1	5
William H. Mills, Cashier of the Eastern Bank at Bangor, Maine, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	5
Hiram J. Miner of H. J. Miner's Bank at Fredonia, N.Y., engraving by T. Y. Chubb	1	5

Series I: Biographical Sketches of Eminent Americans

John C. S. Monkur, M.D., Professor of Principles & Practice of Medicine & Clinical Medicine in the Washington University, of Baltimore, Maryland, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	5
John W. Nash of Powhatan, C. H. VA, engraving by R. Thern Sc.	1	6
Thomas Nelson, Chief Justice of Oregon, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	6
George W. Norton, President of the Southern Bank of Kentucky, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	6
Hr. A. W. Overton of Tennessee, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	6
Loveland Paddock, President of the Black River Bank at Watertown, N.Y., engraving by H. B. Hall	1	6
William Parker of Boston, Mass. - President of the Boylston Bank, engraving by F. Halpin	1	6
Ezekiel Pickens of Selma, Alabama, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	6
Franklin Pierce, President of the United States, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	6
Maj. Gen. Gideon J. Pillow. Of Tennessee, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	6
Henry Pirtle of Louisville, Kentucky, engraving by G. Bather Sc.	1	6

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Noah Pomeroy, Meriden Conn., President of the Meriden Bank, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	6
John Pope of Memphis, President of the Union Bank of Tennessee, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	6
Hon. Daniel S. Printup, of Rome, George, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	6
George M. Randall, Rector of the Church of the Messiah, Boston, Mass., engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	7
Isaac Saunders of Rhode Island, President of the Citizen's Union Bank, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	7
D. Tallmudge of Lancaster, Ohio, President of the Hocking Valley Bank, engraving by S. Hollyer	1	7
Hon. Oliver Teall. Of Syracuse New York, President of the Onondaga County Bank, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	7
Brevet Major Genl. Nathan Towson, Paymaster General U.S. Army, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	7
Hon. Thomas A. Walker, Judge of the Fifth Circuit Court of Alabama, engraving by Prudhomme Sc.	1	7
Lott Warren, Formerly Judge of the South Western Circuit of Georgia, engraving by A. H. Ritchie	1	7

Series II: Eminent American Lawyers

Thomas Whittemore of Massachusetts, President of the Cambridge Bank, engraving by J. C. Buttre from a daguerreotype	1	7
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Archibald Williams, U.S. Attorney for Illinois, engraving by J. Rogers Sc.	1	7
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Daniel A. Wilson, Lynchburg, VA, engraving by J. Rogers, 77 Duane St. N.Y.	1	7
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Hon. Archibald Dixon, of Henderson, Kentucky, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	8
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Hon. Francis Brinley Fogg, of Nashville Tennessee, engraving by S. Hollyer	1	8
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James Guthrie, Secretary of the United States Treasury, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	8
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Willard Hall, United States District Judge for Delaware, engraving by J. Rogers, 341, Broadway	1	8
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Samuel M. Harrington, Justice of the superior Court of Delaware, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	8
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Pliny Merrick of Worcester, Massachusetts by artist, Alonzo Hartwell del., engraving by H. W. Smith Sc.	1	8
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Williard Phillips of Boston, Massachusetts, engraving by D. L. Glover Sc.	1	8
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Series III: Eminent American Statesmen

Samuel Prentiss, District Judge of the U.S. for Vermont, engraving by G. Bather Sc.	1	8
Pierre A. Rost, Justice of the Supreme Court of Louisiana, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	8
Hon. Jesse Turner. Of Van Buren, Arkansas, engraving by H. B. Hall	1	8
Hon. Reuben H. Walworth, The Last of the New York Chancellors, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	8
Hon. Alfred Wheeler. U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of California, engraving by H. S. Sadd	1	8
David M. Woodson, Judge of the First Circuit Court of Illinois, engraving by J. Rogers, 341, Broadway	1	8
Series III: Eminent American Statesmen 19th century	Box 1	Folder 9-12
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William Bainbridge, U.S.N., painting by J. W. Jarvis, engraving by G. Parker	1	9
Joshua Barney, U.S.N., drawing by W. G. Armstrong after a miniature by Isabey, engraving by J. Gross	1	9
Nicholas Biddle painting by Rembrant Peale, engraving by J. R. Longacre & T. B. Welch	1	9

Series III: Eminent American Statesmen

Honorable F. Carroll Brewster, engraving by H. B. Hall, N.Y.	1	9
Charles Brockden Brown, miniature by William Dunlap in 1806 and engraving by I. B. Forrest	1	9
Major General Zac Brown	1	9
James Buchanan engraving by H. B. Hall, from a daguerreotype	1	9
George Rogers Clark, portrait by J. B. Longacre after original painting by J. W. Jarvis, engraving by T. B. Welch	1	9
Richard Dale, U.S.N. ,drawing by J. B. Longacre after a portrait by J. Wood in Peale's Museum, New York, engraving by R. W. Dodson	1	9
George Mifflin Dallas , daguerreotype by M'Clees & Germon, engraving by T. B. Welch. Printer, A. E. Lent & Co.	1	9
William Richardson Davie drawing by Mr. Vanderlyn taken in 1800, engraving by J. B. Longacre	1	9
Stephen Decatur, painted by T. Sully, engraving by A. B. Durand from a copy by James Herring	1	9
Oliver Ellsworth, painting by J. Herring, engraving by E. Mackenzie	1	10
David G. Farragut, photo by J. Gurney & Son, engraving by W. J. Jackman . Entered according to Act of Congress in the Year 1865 by Rich.	1	10

Series III: Eminent American Statesmen

Rutter & Co. in the clerks office of the District Court of the United States
in and for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Millard Fillmore, daguerreotype by J. B. Whitehurst, engraving by T. B. Welch; Rice and Hart's National Portrait Gallery of Distinguished Americans, Philadelphia	1	10
Robert Fulton, painting by B. West, P.R.A., engraving by G. Parker	1	10
William Gaston, painting by G. Cooke, engraving by A. B. Durand	1	10
Felix Grundy, painted by W. B. Cooper, engraving by T. B. Welch	1	10
Joseph M. Harper, President of the Mechanic's Bank at Concord, N.H.	1	10
Major General William Henry Harrison, portrait by J. R. Lambdin painted for the National Portrait Gallery, engraving by R. W. Dodson	1	10
Francis Hopkinson, painted by Pine in possession of J. Hopkinson, Esq., engraving by J. B. Longacre	1	10
James Jackson , drawing by J. B. Longacre after St. Memin, engraving by W. A. Wilmer	1	10
Andrew Johnson, photograph by M. B. Brady, engraving by Thomas Phillibrown. Entered according to Act of Congress in the Year 1866 by Rich. Rutter & Co. in the clerks office of the District Court of the United States in and for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania	1	10

Series III: Eminent American Statesmen

Simon Kenton, portrait by L. W. Morgan painted for the National Portrait Gallery and in the possession of James B. Longacre, engraving by R. W. Dodson	1	10
Rufus King, original Picture by Stuart, engraving by T. Kelly	1	10
Morgan Lewis, painted by James Herring, engraving by Durrand & Paradise	1	11
Louis McLane, painting by G. S. Newton, engraving by T. Kelly	1	11
James Madison, large print by Mr. Edwin after the original portrait by G. Stuart, engraving by W. A. Wilmer	1	11
James Madison, Aged 82, drawing by J. B. Longacre taken from life at Montpelier, Va. July 1833, engraving by T. B. Welch	1	11
Luther Martin, painting in possession of J. Purviance Esq. of Baltimore, engraving by W. A. Wilmer	1	11
Genral (sic) Lachlan McIntosh, painting by J. B. Longacre after an original portrait, engraving by Hoppner Meyer	1	11
Thomas McKean, painting by G. Stuart, engraving by T. B. Welch	1	11
George G. Meade, photograph by F. Gutekunst, engraving by R. Whitechurch. Entered according to Act of Congress in the Year 1866 by Rich. Rutter & Co. in the clerks office of the District Court of the United States in and for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania	1	11

Series III: Eminent American Statesmen

Thomas Mifflin, painting by G. Stuart in possession of G. M. Dallas, Esq., engraving by E. Wellmore	1	11
Richard Montgomery, painting by C. W. Peale in the Philadelphia Museum, engraving by E. Mackenzie	1	11
Lindley Murray Westoby pinx. Gimber sculp.	1	11
Philip Syng Physick, M.D. Original Picture by H. Inman, painted for the Medical Class of the University of Pennsylvania, engraving by R. W. Dodson	1	12
Franklin Pierce , painting by Healy, engraving by H. B. Hall, N.Y.	1	12
William Pinkney, painting by C. B. King, engraving by E. Wellmore	1	12
William H. Prescott, daguerreotype by Southworth & Hawse, engraving by T. B. Welch	1	12
Henry H. Pullen, painted by A. G. Hoit, engraving by C. E. Wagstaff & J. Andrews, printed by Andrews & Wagstaff	1	12
Stephen Van Rensselaer, miniature by C. Fraser, engraving by G. Parker	1	12
Jared Sparks, painted by T. Sully, engraving by S. A. Schoff for Rice, Rutter & Co.'s National Portrait Gallery	1	12
Joseph Story, from a Crayon Drawing by W. W. Story J. Cheney	1	12

Series IV: Misc. engravings

Daniel D. Tompkins, painted by J. W. Jarvis, engraving by T. Woolnoth	1	12
Jonathan Trumbull, painted by Col. John Trumbull, engraving by E. Mackenzie	1	12
Martin Van Buren, painting by H. Inman, engraving by E. Wellmore from the painting	1	12
Marshall P. Wilder, dag. by Whipple, engraving by H. W. Smith	1	12
Series IV: Misc. engravings	Box	Folder
	1	13
	Box	Folder
Battle of the Thames	1	13
Battle of Plattsburg	1	13
Unidentified etching of Statesmen? from Alabama	1	13