Finding Aid for the Littlefield Family Correspondence, 1850-1870

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Littlefield Family Correspondence
Date (inclusive): 1850-1870
Collection number: 106
Creator: Littlefield family
Extent: 1 box (.5 linear ft.)
(91 letters and transcripts in 1 document box)
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield and some members of his family came to California from Maine in the 1850s and engaged in gold mining, lumbering, and mercantile pursuits. The collection consists of correspondence between Littlefield and family members including letters from Sutter Creek and other gold fields.
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Biography/History
Lambert Littlefield and some members of his family came to California from Maine in the 1850s; during the gold rush and immediate aftermath, they engaged in gold mining, lumbering, and mercantile pursuits.
Jeremiah Littlefield Family Tree
Unknown LITTLEFIELD (350), b. circa 1765
+unknown spouse
  Jeremiah LITTLEFIELD (340), b. 14 Jan 1790 at ME
  +Abigail TWINING (341), b. 25 Nov 1796, m. 1822, d. 13 Sep 1865 at Frankfort, ME
  Lambert LITTLEFIELD (344), b. 18 May 1823 at ME, d. 21 Jul 1910 at Burson, CA
  +Sarah Jane BRADBURY (781), b. 1826 at ME, m. 27 Oct 1850 at Montville, ME, d. 2 Oct 1870 at Sutter Creek, CA
  • Mary LITTLEFIELD (795), b. 1852 at Montville, ME
  • Martha Josephine LITTLEFIELD (794), b. 1852 at Montville, ME
  • Clara Augusta LITTLEFIELD (782), b. 17 Aug 1856 at Sutter Creek, CA, d. 16 Jan 1860 at Sutter Creek, CA
  • Anna Laura LITTLEFIELD (785), b. 1860 at CA
  • John Franklin LITTLEFIELD (786), b. 1862 at CA
  • Nellie LITTLEFIELD (784), b. 9 May 1864 at Jackson, CA, d. 10 Dec 1864 at Jackson, CA
  • Emma LITTLEFIELD (787), b. 1867 at CA
  • +Julia Augusta LEONARD (783), b. 3 Jun 1842 at OH, m. 1870 at CA, d. 11 Dec 1915 at Burson, CA
• Crosby C. ROUNDY (963), b. circa 1828 at ME
• Hobert Richardson ROUNDY (868), b. 1829 at Bangor, ME
• Nancy LITTLEFIELD (354), b. 23 Aug 1797
• Lydia LITTLEFIELD (355), b. 28 May 1801
• Joanna LITTLEFIELD (356), b. 23 Aug 1804, d. 1854 at ME
  + Josiah Mitchell PACKARD (854), b. circa 1795 at ME
• Emeline PACKARD (962), b. 1827 at ME
• James PACKARD (855), b. circa 1829 at ME
• Daniel E. PACKARD (856), b. circa 1831 at ME
• Josiah PACKARD (857), b. circa 1836 at ME
• Helen Lucetta PACKARD (858), b. circa 1839 at ME
• Lydia Ann PACKARD (859), b. circa 1841 at ME
• Dorcas Julia PACKARD (860), b. circa 1847 at ME
• James LITTLEFIELD (357), b. 28 Oct 1810

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Scope and Content
Correspondence of Lambert Littlefield and members of his family. Several members of the family came to California from Maine in the 1850s and during the gold rush and post-gold rush period engaged in mining, lumbering and mercantile pursuits.

Organization and Arrangement
[Letters are arranged chronologically and those with no year are at the end.]

Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Subjects
Littlefield family--Correspondence.
Littlefield, Lambert--Correspondence.
Pioneers--California--Archival resources.
Gold mines and mining--California.

Genres and Forms of Material
Family papers.

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Arrangement
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Littlefield, Lambert. 1850 September 28.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.

Littlefield, Lambert. 1852 September 26.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Littlefield, Lambert. 1852 November 8.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Winters Bar, Calaveras County - to - (Dear Sir).
Additional Note

Norton, Abram. [1852 November 8].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Additional Note
On same sheet with Littlefield, Lambert, November 8, 1852, Winters Bar to Dear Sir.

Littlefield, Lambert. 1852 December 15.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Sutter Creek - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Additional Note
On p. 4, Littlefield to Phebe Emma (sister).

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Nathan Littlefield, West Great Works, Maine - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Additional Note
Accompanied on same sheet by Whitney, Mary to Dear Father. Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Whitney, Mary. [1853 February 13].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Additional Note

Littlefield, Lambert. 1853 February 27.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Mud Springs, [Eldorado County], Aldorado. - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Lambert. 1853 April 7.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Mud Springs, Eldorado County, Aldorado. - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Additional Note
On same sheet, same to same, April 9 [1853]. Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Rushton, James H. 1853 June 5.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: James H. Rushton, Sutter Creek - to - [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Additional Note

Littlefield, Lambert. [1853 June 5].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Additional Note

Littlefield, Lambert. 1853 July 17.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.

Littlefield, Lambert. 1853 September 10.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Sutter Creek, California - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Lambert. 1853 September 24.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Sutter Creek - to - brother.

Littlefield, Lambert. 1853 December 20.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp. (pp.1-2, 4).
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Sutter Creek - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Additional Note
On same sheet with: Rushton, J.H. to uncle [Jeremiah Littlefield]. Autograph letter signed, 1p.

Rushton, James H.. [1853 December 20].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Additional Note
On same sheet with: Littlefield, Lambert, December 20, 1853 to father [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Roundy, Lacy. 1854 January 9.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Additional Note
And: Mary Roundy to brother [Jeremiah Littlefield]. Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Roundy, Crosby C. C.. 1854 January 9.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Abstract: Crosby C.C. Roundy, Madison, Wisconsin - to - uncle [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Additional Note
On sheet with: roundy, Mary, to brother Jeremiah Littlefield, January 9, 1854.

Roundy, Mary. [1854 January 9].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Additional Note
On sheet with: Roundy, Mary, to brother Jeremiah Littlefield, January 9, 1854.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Sutter Creek - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Rushton, James H.. 1854 January 22.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: James H. Rushton, Sutter Creek - to - Jeremiah Littlefield, uncle.

Roundy, Mary. 1854 February 9.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p. (Typed copy only)
Abstract: Mary Roundy, Madison, Wisconsin - to - brother [Jeremiah Littlefield], Maine.

Littlefield, Lambert. 1854 March 25.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Daniel Packard, Madison, Wisconsin - to - Uncle Jerrymiah [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Norton, Abram. 1854 July 25.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Abram Norton, Lanchapllanna, California - to - [Jeremiah Littlefield ?].

Littlefield, Lambert. 1854 October 5.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Winters Bar, California - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Lambert. 1854 October 18.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Winters Bar, California - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Sarah J.. 1855 February 15.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Sarah J. Littlefield, Montville, Maine - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Littlefield, Lambert. 1855 March 11.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Davis, Lewis M.. 1855 March 20.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lewis M. Davis, Mud Springs, [California] - to - Brother, Horace [Davis].
Additional Note
pp.3-4 dated March 21.

Davis, Bela F.. 1855 April 4.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Davis, Bela F.. 1855 April 20.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Bela Fitch Davis, Eldorado, [California] - to - Lydia [Davis](wife).

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lydia A. Davis, San Francisco - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.

Davis, Lydia. [1855?] July 23.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Ell [!] Dorado, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Nathan T.. 1855 July 29.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Nathan Littlefield, Sutter Creek, Amador County, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Davis, Lydia A.. 1855 August 13.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.

Whitney, Mary. 1855 August 29.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Mary Whitney, Bangor, Maine - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield], [California].
  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.

Davis, Lydia A.. [1855] September 16.
  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
  Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Jeremiah. 1855 October 14.
  Physical Description: Autograph letter, 2pp.
  Abstract: [Jeremiah Littlefield], Mud Springs, [California] - to - daughter, Mary [Whitney]?.

Davis, Lydia A.. 1855 October 15.
  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
  Abstract: Nathan Littlefield, Sutter Creek - to - sister.

Littlefield, Nathan T.. 1855 November 15.
  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
  Abstract: Nathan T. Littlefield, Sutter Creek, [California] - to - sister [Mary] and brother-in-law [Benjamin Whitney].

Littlefield, Jeremiah. 1855 November 29.
  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
  Abstract: Jeremiah Littlefield, Sutter Creek, Amador County, [California] - to - wife [Abagail Littlefield].

Davis, Lydia A.. 1855 November.
  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
  Abstract: Lydia A. Davis, El Dorado, [California] - to - sister, Mary [Whitney].

  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
  Abstract: Lydia [Davis], El Dorado - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
  Abstract: Nathan T. Littlefield, Quartz Mountain Ranch - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].
  Additional Note
  pp.2-4 dated January 13, 1856.

Whitney, Mary. 1855 December 31.
  Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
  Abstract: Mary Whitney, Bangor, [Maine] - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield], [California].
Littlefield, Nathan T. 1856 February 25.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Additional Note
p.4, Sarah [J. Littlefield] to Mary [Whitney].

Littlefield, Sarah J. 1856 February 25.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Abstract: Sarah [Littlefield], [Quartz Mountain Ranch, California] - to - sister, Mary [Whitney].

Additional Note
On p. 4 of Nathan Littlefield to brother and sister [Mary], Quartz Mountain Ranch, February 25, 1856.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - sister-in-law [Hannah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Jeremiah. 1856 October 5.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.

Davis, Lydia A. [1856?] October 16.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - brother-in-law [Ephriam Fowler] and sister.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Nathan T. L[ittlefield], Sandy Gulch, [California] - to - sister [Mary Whitney].
Additional Note
p.3, Nathan Littlefield to mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Nathan T.. [1857 March 28].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Additional Note
On sheet with: Littlefield, Nathan T. to sister [Mary Whitney], March 28, 1857.

Davis, Bela F.. 1857 May 3.
Physical Description: Autograph letter, 2pp. (unsigned)

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.

Littlefield, Jeremiah. 1857 June 28.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Additional Note
pp.3-4, Nathan Littlefield to brother and sister, June 28, 1857.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Additional Note
On sheet with: Jeremiah Littlefield to son [Zenas], Sandy Gulch, June 28, 1857.

Davis, Abigail. 1857 November 8.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].

Littlefield, Jeremiah. 1858 May 23.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Buckeye, [California] - to - sister, Mary [Whitney].

Packard, Lydia Ann. 1859 July 12.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Additional Note
pp.2-3, Helan L. Packard to Uncle Jerrey [Jeremiah Littlefield, July 12, 1859].

Packard, Helen L.. [1859 July 12].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Additional Note
On sheet with Lydia Ann [Packard] to [Jeremiah Littlefield], Dixmont Centre, July 12, 1859.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lambert L[ittlefield], Sutter Creek, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lydia Davis, Mud Springs, [California] - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Additional Note
pp.3-4, Nathan T. Littlefield to father [Jeremiah Littlefield], January 1, 1860.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Additional Note
On sheet with: Lydia Davis to father [Jeremiah Littlefield], January 1 [1860].

Littlefield, Nathan T. 1860 March 17.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Nathan T. Littlefield, Sutter Creek, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - father and mother [Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield], [Maine].

Littlefield, Nathan T. 1860 May 11.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Nathan T. Littlefield, Sutter Creek, [California] - to - father [Jeremiah Littlefield].
Additional Note
p.4 Nate T. Littlefield to brother and sister.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - sister, Mrs. Abby F. Davis.

Davis, Lydia A.. [1860?] June 18.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - mother [Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lydia A. Davis, Mud Springs, [California] - to - Cora [Davis, niece].

Davis, Lydia A.. [1862?] February 2.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - sister.

Davis, Lydia A.. [1862?] February 15.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - father and mother [Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - sister.

Littlefield, Lambert. 1863 February 9.
Physical Description: Autograph letter, 2pp. (unsigned)
Abstract: [Lambert Littlefield], Sutter Creek, [California] - to - father and mother [Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 1p.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs - to - sister.

Littlefield, Lambert. 1863 July 5.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lambert Littlefield, Sutter Creek, [California] - to - father and mother [Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs, [California] - to - brother and sister [brother Horace].
Additional Note
pp.3-4, Bela F. Davis to Brother Horace and family.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 2pp.
Additional Note
On sheet with: Lydia [Davis] to brother and sister.

Davis, Lydia A.. [1864] [December 12?].
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 3pp.
Abstract: Lydia [Davis], Mud Springs - to - sister [Mary Whitney].

Davis, Lydia A.. [1865?] February 5.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.
Abstract: Lydia Davis, Mud Springs - to - father and mother [Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Littlefield].

Davis, Bela F.. 1867 January 24.
Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.

Physical Description: Autograph letter signed, 4pp.