

Guide to Maryland County/Regional Resources at the Maryland Historical Society

What resources are available for specific counties and how do I find them?

Most of the published county resources available at the Maryland Historical Society can be located in section MF187 of the Rhodes Reading Room (the row farthest from the reference desk). Books on specific counties or regions of Maryland are arranged alphabetically by county beginning with Allegany County in the northeast stacks and continuing across the room in the southeast stacks of the Reading Room. Some records are also available on microfilm or in pamphlet form. Patrons may access microfilm and those books on the first floor of the Rhodes Reading Room themselves; however, pamphlets must be retrieved by the staff. Since searching the Library's on-line catalogue by county name would result in too many hits, we have listed below some of the most popular resources for each county. Please note that this is not an inclusive list, just an example of the types of records available for each county and where you might find them. If you are interested in a particular type of record, you can search the Library's on-line catalog using specific key words.

CARROLL COUNTY (CR) – formed in 1837 from Baltimore and Frederick Counties

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I. Published County Histories

- *History of Some Carroll County Villages, 1894-96* (MF187.C3C32)
- *Carroll County Maryland: A History, 1837-1976* (MF187.C3W27)
- *Carroll County and Its People: Past and Present* (PAM 1526)
- *The First 150 Years: A Pictorial History of Carroll County Maryland, 1837-1987* (MF187.C3F528)
- *History of Western Maryland, Being a History of Frederick, Montgomery, Carroll, Washington, Allegany, and Garrett Counties...* (MF181.S32)
- *Just South of Gettysburg: Carroll County, MD, in the Civil War* (MF187.C3K5)
- *Carroll County Physicians of the Nineteenth and Twentieth Centuries* (MF187.C3W913)
- *An Economic History of Mineral Hill Mine, Carroll County* (MTN443.Z6M6L)

II. Published Genealogical Sources and Journals

- *A Guide to Genealogical Research in Carroll County* (MF187.C3G84)
- *Carroll County Heritage*, by Carroll Co. Genealog. Club (F232.C27C271)
- *Bible Records Compiled by Mrs. Wilbur F. Yingling*; includes 45 families (MF187.C3D23B)
- *Index of Carroll County Names, Carroll County, Maryland: Compiled from the Simon Martinet Map of Carroll County, Maryland, 1862* (PAM 10,258)
- *Carrolltonian*, Carroll County Genealogical Society (MF187.C3C39)

III. Vital Records – Birth, Death, Marriage

- *Marriage License Records*, Westminster, MD (MF187.C3D2)
- *Carroll County, Maryland Marriage Licenses, 1837-1899* (MF187.C3C319)
- *Marriage Licenses of Carroll County Maryland, 1837-67* (MF187.C3D2)

IV. Church and Cemetery Records/Histories

- *Carroll County Maryland Tombstone Inscriptions* (MF187.C3D23)
- *Carroll County Cemeteries*, volumes 1-4 (MF187.C3G326)
- *Centennial History: Presbyterian Church, New Windsor, Maryland, 1839-1939* (MF187.C3P94N5C)

V. Land, Deed, Tax and Other Records

- *Carroll County Chancery Books, Vols, 1-40, 1837-1889* (MF187.C3S825)

- *Inventory of the County and Town Archives of Maryland: no. 6, Carroll County (Westminster)* (MF187.C3C29)
- *Carroll/Baltimore Counties 1798 Direct Tax* (MF187.C3H824)
- *The Particular Assessment Lists for Baltimore and Carroll Counties, 1798* (MF187.C3H824)
- *Carroll County 1860 Census Index* (MF187.C3I381860)
- *Index to 1850 Census of Carroll County* (MF187.C3I38)

VI. Newspapers

- *American Sentinel: 1856-62, 1867-1928* (Micro 2931-2962)
- *Democratic Advocate: 1886-1926* (scattered) (Micro 2963-2993)
- *Miscellaneous Articles from the Democratic Advocate and Other Carroll County Newspapers...* (MF187.C3.C37D)

VII. Related Manuscript Collections

- *Carroll County Record Book, 1842-1871; miscellaneous county records* (MS221)
- *Manchester Evangelical and Reformed Church Records, 1760-1836, 1884, 1908* (MS1852)
- *The Oliver D. Ridgely Diaries, 1887-1916; farmer in Carroll County* (MS2989)
- *Ferguson Family Papers, 1761-1864; land and estate papers of Carroll Co. family* (MS359)
- *Papers, 1764-1850; indentures and land papers of Englar family of Frederick, now Carroll, County* (MS320)
- *Hering Family Papers, 1774, 1833-1939: 2 volume autobiography of Joshua Webster Hering*
- *Shriver Family Papers; history of family residing at Union Mills Homestead from 1797-1957; formation of Carroll County from Frederick* (MS2085-2085.1); see finding aid at <http://www.mdhs.org/library/mss/ms002085.html>
- *Shriver Family Collection, 1721; records of the Shriver family businesses at Union Mills, Carroll County* (MS750); see finding aid at <http://www.mdhs.org/library/mss/ms000750.html>
- *German Church, also called Zion's Church, Register, 1760-1836, 1884; church in Manchester (now in Carroll County)* (MS1852)
- *William H. Lightner Diary, 1865-66; Civil War soldier from Carroll County* (MS2518)
- *Hering Family Scrapbooks and Recollections: most incidents in book occurred in Frederick and Carroll Counties; second volume deals chiefly with the Civil War era* (MS1917)
- *Independent Gist Account Books, 1784-1872; for store at Westminster, Carroll County* (MS390.1)
- *Doctor Piper Jackson Notebook, 1849-61; doctor in Baltimore and later in Taneytown, Carroll County* (MS1048)
- *John D. Middleburg Shearer Diary, 1860; small pocket diary of daily events* (Vertical File)
- *David Englar Copy Book, 1812-40; school children, house in Carroll Co.* (MS339)

- *New Windsor Library Company Record Books*, 1840-52; Carroll County library (MS618)
- *Irving Association Minute Book*, 1869-71; literary group at New Windsor, Carroll Co. (MS485)
- *Papers of the Estate of Evan Hiram Gardner of Carroll County, MD*, 1860-1863 (Vertical File)
- *The W. Gray Harman Collection*; genealogical information on families of Frederick and Carroll County (G5083)

VIII. Maps and Atlases

- *Carroll County, Md., Street Map*, 1985 (Ref. MG1273.C3A4)
- *An Illustrated Atlas of Carroll County, Maryland*, 1877 (MG1271.C3L1)
- *Manuscript Map of Proposed New County*, 1827; Carroll County (Vertical File)
- *Map of Land Patents in Northern Baltimore and Carroll Counties* (MF187.B2S463)