# Source Guide to Maritime Collections

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The Maryland Historical Society has the most extensive Maritime holdings in Maryland. The collection ranges from Passenger Manifests to Customs Records to an extensive collection of Prints, Photos, and Maps, as well as journals and manuscripts. Please be aware that this is not a complete list. Both published and manuscript sources are included in our online catalog, and patrons are encouraged to experiment with general and specific searches. More detailed finding aids for manuscript sources are also available in the McIlvain Special Collections Reading Room.
I. Arrivals & Departures/Customs/Enrollment/Port of Entry

**Manuscript Collections**
- **Annapolis Port of Entry Record Books**, 1756-1775 (MS 21)*
- **Baltimore Bureau of Customs Collectors' Books**, 1848-1918 (MS 1002)
- **Baltimore Chamber of Commerce Ship Arrivals & Departures**, 1896-1944 (MS 58)
- **Baltimore Customs House Collection**, 1767-1816 (MS 608)
- **Baltimore Customs Records**, 1790-1832 (MS 2359)*
- **Baltimore Port of Arrival and Departure of Vessels**, 1811-1812 (MS 2228)*
- **Certificates of enrollment issued at Baltimore, Md.**, 1791-1814 (MS 2521)*
- **Certificates of Registry issued at Baltimore, MD**, 1802-1814 (MS 2543)*
- **Havre de Grace Licensing and Enrolling Agency Licensing and enrollment book**, 1813-1817 (MS 1898)
- **Masters abstracts of registers, Maryland and Virginia ports**, 1815-1911 (MS 2591)*
- **Master abstracts of registrations issued at Baltimore, MD**, 1815-1911 (MS 2323)*
- **Merchants Exchange Reading Room Record books**, 1832-1899 (MS 610): Records of arrivals and clearances in the port of Baltimore which were maintained by the Merchant's Exchange Reading Room.
- **Port of Patuxent Papers**, 1786 (MS 1930)
- **Ports of Patuxent, North Potomack, Oxford, and Pocomoke Papers**, 1751-1757 (MS 670)*
- **Pre-federal customs house records for the Districts of Baltimore, Annapolis, Patuxent and Oxford, Maryland**, 1745-1849 (MS 2414)*
- **Records of the Bureau of Customs, Port of Baltimore**, 1791-1835 (MS 2418)*
- **Selected ports in Maryland and Virginia: Chronological record of Enrollments issued**, 1815-1911 (MS 2476)*
- **United States Customhouse (Baltimore, Md.) Papers**, 1796-1798 (MS 1249)

**Photograph Collections**

* Collection Restricted to Microfilm
II. Fishing/Oyster Industry

**Manuscript Collections**
- **Edwin Warfield Manuscript Collection**, 1893-1910 (MS 3194): Scrapbooks about major issues Warfield faced as governor, especially on environmental issues such as oyster preservation and game and hunting laws.
- **Maryland Family History Research Papers**, 1977 (MS 2269.1): Describes family life among Tilghman Island farmers and watermen; maternal family history describes life among Baltimore's working class.
- **Thomas Ewell Scrapbook**, 1888-1893 (MS 351): Clippings of articles written by Ewell including coverage of murders, disasters, fires, early railroad mishaps, and oyster controversy between MD and VA.

**Photograph Collections**
- **Aubrey Bodine Collection**, 1925-1970 (B##): Images document virtually all aspects of life in Baltimore, Maryland and the Chesapeake region.
- **Hughes Photograph Collection**, ca. 1910-1946 (PP8): Documentation of many aspects of life in Baltimore city and county, and other Maryland counties including Anne Arundel, Carroll, Harford, Kent, and St. Mary's.
- **Stereoview Photograph Collection**, ca. 1860-1912 (PP1): Sites, structures, and events in Baltimore, Annapolis, Frederick, Hagerstown, and Cumberland.

**Published Sources**
- **Chesapeake Bay buyboats /** by Larry S. Chowning (VM371.C49 2003)
- **Chesapeake gold : man & oyster on the Bay /** by Susan Brait (MSH365.C4B73)
- **Fish and shellfish of the middle Atlantic coast /** by Rachel L. Carson (PAM 838)
- **Maryland inland fishing guide /** by Game and Inland Fish Commission (PAM 3540)
- **Skipjack : the story of America's last sailing oystermen /** by Christopher White (MSH365.M3W45)
- **Sunup to sundown : watermen of the Chesapeake /** by Mick Blackistone (SH464.C47B58)
- **The Maryland Blue Crab /** by Fred W. Sieling (PAM 4939)
- **The oyster question : scientists, watermen, and the Maryland Chesapeake Bay since 1880 /** by Christine Keiner (MSH365.K35)
- **The oyster wars of Chesapeake Bay /** by John R. Wennersten (MSH365.C4W46)

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III. Military/Naval

**Manuscript Collections**

- **Alexander Murray Papers**, 1812-1868 (MS 1391): Correspondence related to the family and descendants of Commodore Alexander Murray, 1755-1821.


- **Brig Fair American Papers**, 1808-1811 (MS 2253)*: Concerns the legal developments after captured by a British ship of war c. 1810, and condemned in the Court of Admiralty and High Court of Appeals in Westminster, England.

- **Captain William Joseph Belt Collection**, 1811-1856 (MS 117): Belt's experiences in U.S. Navy.

- **C. B. Dulaney Record books**, 1836-7; 1846; 1851-55 (MS 310): Logbooks for USS Boston, USS Cumberland, and USS St. Lawrence

- **Commodore Isaac Mayo Scrapbook**, 1842-1853 (MS 583): Collection of clippings concerning public affairs and naval matters; numerous notes, invitations, visiting cards received during cruises in U.S. Frigate Constitution and U.S. Ship Macedonian to African and Caribbean Waters.

- **Commodore Joshua Barney Manuscript Collection**, 1711-1978 (MS 3168): Includes correspondence, financial documents, land records, business papers, military service records, and more.


- **Defence Records**, 1896 (MS 289): containing records of ship Defence, commissioned 1776 for defense of Baltimore.


- **Entry papers, "Deutschland"**, 1916 July 10-1917 Jan. 29 (MS 1661): Including manifests, of the German submarine "Deutschland," P. Koenig, Commander, July 10, 1916, which ran the British blockade to deliver a cargo of dye stuffs from Bremen.

- **Franklin Buchanan Collection**, 1820-1853 (MS 158): Scrapbook relating to (death of) Buchanan; bound manuscript; "Regulations for the Government of USSF Susquehanna, 1853".

- **Grace Guarino Collection**, 1938-1946 (MS 2713): Provides good information on attitudes of sailors concerning their missions, Navy life, Baltimore, and WWII in general.

- **George Jones Armiger Collection**, 1918-1938 (MS 1928): Relating to George Jones Armiger and the fate of the U.S.
S. Cyclops which was last heard from on Mar. 4, 1918.

- **Guy Steele Papers**, 1891-1894 (MS 1429.1): Letters to Mr. & Mrs. Thomas B. Steele, 1891-94, while serving U. S. F. S. "Lancaster" in China and Japan.


- **James K. Harwood Papers**, 1787-1959 (MS 1022): Information and accounts involving his activities as a naval officer serving in both the U. S. and Confederate Navies.


- **James William Foster Papers**, 1935-1955 (MS 1613): Concerning the frigate "Constellation" and its return to Baltimore


- **Logbooks of the Isabella and Brig Consort**, 1829-1862 (MS 3112): Journeys of the ship Isabella from Canton, China to Philadelphia, Pa. in 1829 and the brig Consort from Philadelphia, Pa. to San Francisco, Ca. in 1850.

- **Log, ROSSIE**, Sept. 15-Oct. 22, 1812 (MS 2312)*: Under the command of Barney on a cruise from Newport, R.I. to Baltimore, she fought and captured the King's Packet PRINCESS AMELIA.

- **Log, U.S. Sloop-of-War PEACOCK**, 1815 Jan. 30-July 10 (MS 2315)*: daily record of voyage from NYC around the Cape of Good Hope in Batavia in consort with U.S. naval vessel TOM BOWLINE.

- **Maryland National Guard Scrapbook**, 1901-1903 (MS 611): Clippings concerning activities of the 1st Brigade, MD Naval Militia, stressing drills on the waters of the Chesapeake.


- **Naval Veteran Post 76 Records**, 1903-1926 (MS 608): 5 vols. of the Naval Veteran Post 76, Grand Army of the Republic records.

- **Otho Holland Williams Account**, 1773-1796 (MS 908.2): Fearnaught, Defence, Protector; Accounts and payrolls of the barges/Terrible & Revenge during the Revolutionary War. Crew lists and receipts of wages.


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• Robert Lyon Rogers Papers, 1848-1865 (MS 1811): Regarding the U. S. S. Cumberland.
• Samuel Hambleton Papers, 1775-1914 (MS 2021): letters of Hambleton and John N. Hambleton, both Purser's in the US Navy.
• Society of the Army and Navy of the C. S. A. Roster, 1900-1910 (MS 770.1)
• Thomas McKean Buchanan Letter book, 1862 (MS 161): Reporting activities of U. S. Steamer "Calhoun."
• U. S. F. Constellation Papers, 1959-1972 (MS 1939): Includes letters, logs, notes made by the donor, designs and drawings, etc.
• U. S. S. Maryland Memoirs, 1921-1946 (MS 2832): Focuses on activities during the peace time and in the Pacific theatre during WW II, and decommission in 1946.
• U.S. Steamship "Hartford" Order Book, 1859-1861 (MS 965)
• William Henry Winder Papers, 1817-1888 (MS 2310): Correspondence, memoirs and a few miscellaneous documents of the Winder Family and relations
• William May Collection, 1831-1857 (MS 575): Rules and regulations for the government of the US Frigate CONGRESS.
• William Tipton Conn Scrapbook, 1902-1919 (MS 1813): Contains memorabilia collected as an officer aboard the U. S. S. Paul Jones (1903-05), the U. S. S. Supply (1906), and the U. S. S. Donegal (1917).

Photograph Collections
• Bernard W. Figgins Photograph Collection, 1917-1970 (PP27): made or collected by Lt. Figgins during his service in the United States Navy in World War I, depicting ships (Stockton, USS Von Steuben, Jason, USS Hopkins) and crews including African American sailors.
• Clarence Beckett-Maryland National Guard aerial photograph collection, ca. 1935-1940 (PP144): Aerial views of sites in Western Maryland affected by flooding along the Potomac River in March 1936, including Hancock, Big Pool, Williamsport, and Point of Rocks. Other Maryland aerial photographs depict downtown Baltimore, the Inner Harbor, Fort McHenry, and the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis.
• Hill Collection of Stereoviews, ca. 1860s-1910s (PP309): Views include harbor views and U.S. Naval Academy.
• U. S. Naval Academy Photograph Collection, 1892 (PP154): Photographs by Frances Benjamin Johnston, depicting the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Md.

Published Sources
• A History of American privateers, and letters-of-marque : interspersed with several naval battles between American and British ships-of-war / by George Coggeshall (E 360.C64)
• American privateers in the war of 1812 : the vessels and their prizes as recorded in Niles' weekly register / edited by Timothy S. Good (E360.A64)
• Civil War naval chronology, 1861-1865 / compiled by Naval History Division, Navy Department (E591.U5 1971)
• History of the Confederate States navy : from its organization to the surrender of its last vessel (E596.S31)
• Liberty ships : the ugly ducklings of World War II / by John Gorley Bunker (D773.B83)
• Mr. Lincoln's navy / by Richard S. West (E591.W44)
• Private enterprise and public spirit : Baltimore privateering in the War of 1812 / by Jerome Randolph Garitee (MJX5241.G232)
• The naval history of the Civil War / by David D. Porter (E591.P84)

IV. Shipbuilding

Manuscript Collections
• Graham-Winans Letters, 1862-1870 (MS 2144): Mention is also made to Thomas Winans' invention of the cigar steamer.
• H. G. Hazen & Co. Ledgers, 1863-1868 (MS 1485): Two account books kept by Baltimore shipbuilding firm which flourished in the late 1850's and 1860's.
• Jacob Grafflin Papers, 1795-1844 (MS 2055): Receipts, bills of sale, checks, sales orders, notices of debts and other financial paraphernalia relating to the sail-making house of Grafflin and his business partner, Mr. Hardester.
• John A. L. Radcliffe Microfilm Collection, 1846-1873 (MS 2968)*: Covers the shipbuilding business of John, William and Nehemiah Radcliffe, who specialized in 2-masted schooners.
• John Goldsborough Earle Collection, 1680-1910 (MS 2306): Shipbuilding data on approximately 4000 vessels built in MD. This data consists of place and date of construction and by whom built. Also the principle dimensions and any pertinent notes. The data was chiefly compiled from the measurements records and the Carpenters' Certificates in the National Archives.
• Joseph Despeaux Account book, 1807-1820 (MS 294): Journal of Despeaux, Baltimore shipwright, showing accounts of work performed at Fells Point yard.
• Joseph Despeaux Papers, ca. 1778-1884; 1933 (MS 260): Papers of family of Joseph Despeaux, French refugee from Haitian rebellion 1792. Family settled in Baltimore, and ran shipyard.
• Levin Richardson Papers, 1831-1865 (MS 1405): Deals with shipbuilding by the Richardson brothers.
• Samuel Kinnard Day book, 1821-1831 (MS 2997): Daybook of

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Kinnard, fl. 1821-1831, Baltimore shipwright, contains 400 entries between 1821-1831, including charges for carpenters, caulkers, a boy, and Kinnard himself.

- **Sparrows Point Shipyard Records**, 1892-1976 (MS 2370): List of all the 649 ships built by the Yard from Jan. 23, 1892 to June 11, 1976. The list is arranged in sequence by hull number and includes the vessels' name; type; owner and the dates of contracting, keel laying, launching and delivery.


- **Thomas Williamson Account book**, 1746-1749 (MS 913): Ledger for rope walk in Annapolis, with Thomas Williamson and Barton Rodgett as partners; include many entries for wages, tar, oakum, tallow, hemp, rum, etc, with numerous items showing completed cordage and rope.


- **William H. Skinner Record book**, 1852-1927 (MS 1485): Descriptions in exact detail of the materials used, specifications and cost for such vessels as the Sirocco, 1852, Napier, 1855, Pursuit, 1856 and the Julia Rollins, 1884.

- **William J. Kelley Shipbuilding at Federal Hill Manuscript**, 1961 (MS 2264): Covers the evolution of shipbuilding in the Federal Hill area from 1773 when Thomas Morgan started the first shipyard, through to the modern twentieth century shipbuilding firms of Redman & Vane and General Ship Repair Company, Inc.

- **Winans Papers**, 1828-1963 (MS 916): Concern the development of the Cigar boat steamships

**Photograph Collections**

- **Brown Photograph Collection**, 1896-1925 (PP20): Subjects include Baltimore harbor boats, fruit sellers, oyster schooners and other water craft.

- **Hughes Studio Photograph Collection**, ca. 1940-1956 (PP30): An extensive professional documentation of many aspects of life in Baltimore city and County, St. Mary's County and Annapolis, Md.

- **Sparrows Point Cyanotype Collection**, ca. 1890s (PP277): Prints of the Sparrows Point steel and shipyard.

**Published Sources**

- **British & American clippers a comparison of their design, construction and performance in the 1850s** / David R. MacGregor (VM19.M218)


- **Design makes a difference : shipbuilding in Baltimore 1795-1835** / by Toni Ahrens (MVM25.B2A287)

- **Early ship-building in Maryland : a special reference to the Chesapeake Bay log canoe / autobiography of Robert Dawson Lambdin** (VM353.L42)

- **Merchant sailing ships, 1775-1815 : their design and construction** / by David R. MacGregor (VM143.M147)

- **Shipbuilders in the Patapsco River area, 1662 to date** / by William J. Kelley (MVM12.K29)

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• Ships for victory: a history of shipbuilding under the U. S. Maritime Commission in World War II / by Frederic Chapin Lane (MV23.L3)

V. Steamboats/Steamboat Lines

Manuscript Collections
- Baltimore Steam Packet Company Collection, 1863-1953 (MS 2622): Contains correspondence and insurance policies for the Baltimore Steam Packet Company.
- Baltimore Steam Packet Company Papers, 1860-1962 (MS 1023): Logs for vessels owned by the company, plans and correspondence regarding the construction and repair of new steamers, Annual reports, 1935-1962, as well as daily sailing, passenger and freight records.
- "City of Norfolk" steamship of the (Old Bay Line) Baltimore Steam Packet Co. radio telephone log, 1960-1961 (MS 1651): Shows ship or shore station contacted, with call number, operator's name, and rough notation of reason for call.
- Henry C. Eliason Collection, 1884-1940 (MS 1073): Related to Tolchester steamboats.
- Maryland Steamboat Company Scrapbooks, 1888 July 5-1894 Dec. 17 (MS2316)*: Clippings relate to the operation of the Maryland Steamboat Co.
- Pulaski Steamship Scrapbook, 1838 (MS 668): Clippings on the boiler explosion and wreck of the steamer "Pulaski" on her way from Charleston SC to Baltimore, June 1838, containing eyewitness accounts.
- Tangier Steamboat Company Account book, 1855-1856 (MS 802)*: Containing entries of charges for freight shipped for various customers from Baltimore to Prince George and Somerset Counties.
- Tolchester Company Logbook, 1934-1936 (MS 3165): Logbook for the "Express" and "Emma Giles" with entries recording times of arrival and departure at stops on the Baltimore to Tolchester route, daily weather conditions, and emergency drills.
- United States Board of Supervising Inspectors of Steam Vessels Inspection Papers, 1862-1872 (MS 781): Certificates issued by
steamboat inspectors for Port of Baltimore and district, 1862-3; and Maryland, 1871-2.

- **Weems Steamboat Company Scrapbooks**, 1895-1925 (MS 888): Clippings dealing with the ships, personnel, and policies of the Weems Steamboat Co. and the Baltimore and Carolina Steamship Co.

- **William Calvert Steuart Baltimore Steamboats**, 1813-1954 (MS 3150): Contains information about the various Chesapeake Bay steamboat lines that operated out of Baltimore, such as years of operation, company nicknames, etc. and descriptions of Baltimore-based steamers, including size, tonnage, ownership, and major events.

- **William Calvert Steuart Papers**, 1930-1962 (MS 1809): Consists of correspondence or notes pertaining to ships, models, boats, ports, etc.

- **William C. Geoghegan Scrapbooks**, 1909-1949 (MS 2672): Scrapbooks contain letters, newspaper clippings, and photos concerning notable events in Captain William C. Geoghegan’s career as a steamship captain.

**Photograph Collections**

- **Baltimore Harbor Views Photograph Collection**, ca. 1867-1870 (PP143): Photoprints attached to a single board, with the caption "Views in the harbor of Baltimore Md." Subjects include the steamboat Juniata.

- **Denton (Maryland) Photograph Collection**, ca. 1906 (PP120): Photographs made by Leroy Francis Smith scenes in and around Denton in Caroline County, Md., including the steam boats Avalon and Joppa.

- **Tolchester Photograph Collection**, ca. 1883-1925 (PP128): Includes views of excursion steamships of the Tolchester Steamboat Company on the Chesapeake Bay including Louise, Susquehanna, and Express.

- **William C. Steuart Photograph Collection**, 1847-1960 (PP75): Contains over 600 images of sail and steam ships and scenes of the Baltimore waterfront.

**Published Sources**

- **Chesapeake Bay steamers** / Chris Dickon (VK24.M3D53)


- **Days of Gratitude : a brief history of a Chesapeake steamboat and the town named after her** / William M. Denny (PAM 6063)


- **Propeller steamers of the Chesapeake Bay** / John A. Hain (MHE630.C5H15)

- **Side wheel steamers of the Chesapeake Bay, 1880-1947** / John A. Hain (MHE630.C4H15 1951)

- **Steamboat on the Chesapeake : Emma Giles and the Tolchester line** / David C. Holly (MHE630.C4 H65S)

- **Steamboats out of Baltimore** / by Robert H. Burgess and H. Graham Wood (MHE751.B85)

- **Tidewater by steamboat : a saga of the Chesapeake : the Weems line on the Patuxent, Potomac, and Rappahannock** / David C. Holly (MHE630.C4H65)

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VI. Trade

**Manuscript Collections**

- **Alexander Hamilton Papers**, 1760-1800 (MS 1301): Consists of materials relating to the tobacco trade between Maryland and Glasgow, Scotland.
- **Ambrose Clarke Shipping Papers**, 1793-1829 (MS 1754): Material on ships owned or leased by Clarke: Bills and receipts for ship's supplies (no specific vessel) & some unidentified bills of lading and cargo lists.
- **Aquila Hall Papers**, 1758-1775 (MS 1298): Account statements; invoices of goods shipped from London; tobacco grading and prices; tobacco sales and accounts; ships and Masters in the tobacco trade, hogshead marks, effect of European affairs on the trade.
- **Baltimore Board of Trade Papers**, 1836-1911 (MS 117): includes a membership list, cash books, minute books, letter book, arbitration cases, and minutes of Commissioners of Board of Pilots.
- **Baltimore Marine Insurance Company Letterbook**, 1866 (MS 2214): Letters discuss claims made by merchants and captains for damage to their ships and cargo.
- **Captain Joseph Ennals Ledger**, ca. 1729-1762 (MS 937): General merchandise ledger of Dorchester Co. dealing with the sale of dry goods, groceries, and maritime supplies.
- **Captain Ratcliffe Hicks Correspondence**, 1833-1878 (MS 950): Capt. Hicks sailed to all ports but chiefly the East India trade, 1833-45.
- **C. E. Bennet Papers**, 1876-1879 (MS 119): Vouchers, manifests, clearances and similar papers the schooners David F. Keeling of Baltimore, and Hattie E. Giles, engaged in West Indies and Brazilian trade from Baltimore and NY.
- **Charles M. Eaton Papers**, 1816-1884 (MS 300)*: Collection contains insurance policies 1830-84 issued to W. E. Mayhew & Co., on warehouses, sugar, printing machinery, indigo, saltpeter, cargoes of vessels, and Avondale Flour Mill at Laurel.
- **Charles Wirgman Account book**, 1819-1823 (MS 920): Ledgers of Charles and Peter Wirgman, Baltimore merchants, including accounts of numerous vessels and state of transactions with firms in foreign ports, insurance companies, ship captains, etc.
- **Frederick Konig Records**, 1790-1872 (MS 522): Records of Frederick Konig's (1771-1853) mercantile firm in Baltimore, MD, which imported German goods.
- **George Law Harrison Account book**, 1853-1885 (MS 434): Cash books showing expenses for wide variety of items, including sails, duties, insurance and other vessel expenses.

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• **Henry Augustus Houghton Account and daybook, 1831-1835 (MS 1591):** Supercargo on ships in the Baltimore, Rio de Janeiro and Buenos Aires trade.

• **Henry Augustus Houghton Papers, 1831-1843 (MS 467):** Correspondence and accounts of Henry A. Houghton concerning trade with South America, esp. Rio de Janeiro.

• **Henry Didier Collection, 1809-1817 (MS 295):** Letters sent by Didier from Paris, London, Cape Francois, and Baltimore on shipment of goods, arrivals and departures, and sale of merchandise and note book containing shipping information, 1815-17.

• **Henry Johnson Letterbook, 1783-1785 (MS 498):** Letterbook of Johnson, Johonnat and Co., commission merchants of Baltimore and Boston.

• **James Thompson Account books, 1833-1844 (MS 823):** Lists policies on ships and cargoes, 1833-35.


• **John McClure Account book, 1781-1784 (MS 552):** Day books of John McClure, Baltimore merchant, mainly for accounts of ships for trading voyages (including expenses for the upkeep of vessels) and of merchandise purchased for resale.

• **Louis Merceret Account book, 1861-1874 (MS 586):** Records of sugar, coffee, rice and cotton weighed for Baltimore merchants by public weigher; indicates consignees of shipments and vessels on which they arrived.

• **Mary Tenant Mactier Latrobe Papers, 1807-1907 (MS 1758):** Latrobe's attempts to collect money under French Spoliation Act for losses sustained by her father, Alexander Mactier.

• **Merchants and Miners Transportation Co. Papers, 1924-1952 (MS 1841):** Collection consists primarily of letters addressed to James B. Sweeney, vice-president and traffic manager of the Merchants and Miners Transportation Company.

• **Moses Merryman Account book, 1825, 1852-1853 (MS 588):** Waste book and ledger of Merryman, Baltimore Co., showing commercial transactions, including voyages to foreign parts and cargoes purchased from vessels.

• **Paul Bentalou Journal, 1784-1813 (MS 125):** Account of trades in general merchandise in North and South America, West Indies, Europe.

• **Philip Friese Shipping House Account books, 1799-1808, 1805-12 (MS 933):** Contains accounts of shipping house of Philip Friese 1776-1857 of Baltimore and Bremen; shipments of coffee, tobacco, sugar, etc. Wide area of shipping and ports, Richmond, Georgetown, Annapolis, Philadelphia, Amsterdam, Baltimore, etc.

• **Ridgely Papers, 1733-1817 (MS 692.1):** Papers of Capt. Charles Ridgely deal with his career as sea captain and planter.

• **Robert Oliver Record books, 1785-1835 (MS 626.1):** Volumes provide a very complete picture of extensive trade with English, Irish, French.
Dutch, German, Baltic, Mediterranean, Caribbean, and East Indian ports, particularly the islands of the West Indies.

- **Samuel Owings Hoffman Letterbook**, 1847-1851 (MS 450): Concerning ships going to CA during the "boom period" of the Gold Rush.
- **Simon Becker Letter book**, 1799-1818 (MS 115): Referring to tobacco trade between Baltimore and Bremen, coffee trade with Cuba, and general merchandizing.
- **Ships "Armata" and "Pocahontas" trading to Baltimore**: record book, freight, 1823-25 (MS 1098): Shows cargoes carried to Baltimore from various European ports-shippers, consigners, articles concerned, size, value, etc.
- **Thomas Donaldson Protest book**, 1793-1796 (MS 1160): Containing copies of depositions taken before Donaldson, Notary Public for Baltimore Co., consisting chiefly of statements by merchants, masters of vessels, and members of the crew, concerning captured and damaged ships and cargoes.
- **Tobacco Cargos, Maryland-London, Record books**, 1774-75 (MS 832): Detailed records of tobacco cargoes carried from MD to London in the ships "Brothers," and "Richmond," and "Nancy."
- **Tyson and Company Ledger**, 1818-1823 (MS 865): Accounts of Baltimore Mercantile House, dealing chiefly in flour. Also records of cargoes of coffee, plaster, Adventures of Schooner "Leander" and others.

**Photograph Collections**

- **Chamber of Commerce Photograph collection**, 1953-ca. 1966 (1966.6): Images of unidentified and identified ships, mostly in the Baltimore harbor, ships being loaded with cargo, and harbor views.
- **Thomas Chew Worthington Photograph collection**, ca. 1899-1930 (PP23): Subjects are Baltimore scenes, including businesses, government and public buildings, historic houses, warehouses, and waterways.

**Published Sources**

- **About building a schooner : 'the Chesapeake Trader', owned by Dr. Bratten and T. B. Taylor, Barren Creek Springs, with a favoring wind / by J. Howard Adkins and Louise H. Adkins (PAM 10544)
- **American merchant ships, 1850-1900 / Frederick C. Matthews (VM378.M38)
- **Baltimore : “farthest inland” Atlantic port / by E. John Long (PAM 12951)
- **Baltimore shipping in the Napoleonic period : 1793-1810 / Susan R. Pinoff (PAM 13159)
- **Lists of Baltimore shipping, 1844-1860. Index of Carpenter's certificates of vessels, 1790-1831 / Marion V. Brewington (VK155.B8)
- **Merchant sailing ships, 1775-1815 : their design and construction / by David R. MacGregor (VM143.M147)
- **Shipping in the port of Annapolis : 1748-1775 / by Vaughan W. Brown (PAM 10156)
- **Shipping, maritime trade, and the economic development of colonial North America / by James F. Shepherd and Gary M. Walton (HF3025.S717)

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• Ships, shipping and fishing: with some account of our seaports and their industries / George Frederick Bosworth (HE823.B7)

• The way of the ship: America's maritime history reenvisioned, 1600-2000 / Alex Roland, W. Jeffrey Bolster, Alexander Keyssar (HE745.R54)

• Trade and industry in colonial Maryland: 1753-1769 / Paul H. Giddens (MHC104.G45)

VI. Other

Manuscript Collections

• Arundel Boat Club Scrapbook, Canoe Regatta, 1914-20 (MS 218)*: Newspaper clippings pertaining to the Arundel Boat Club and its annual regattas.

• Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company Papers, ca. 1850 (MS 2151): "Letter to a Stockholder from a Stockholder" and "Letters of Delta on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal" dealing with the problems the Potomac Improvement Company.

• Chesapeake Bay Yacht Club Records, 1959 (MS 240): Score and record sheets for Regattas held in 1959.

• Cloberry vs Claiborne court papers, 1635-45 (MS 242): Transcripts of documents concerning several cases arising over Claiborne's conduct in VA and MD. Includes charges of piracy and murder brought against him.

• General George D. Wise Journal, 1842-1848 (MS 861): Includes comments on the contemporary scene in Washington, Philadelphia, NY, as seen by member of Coastal Survey unit working at Cape May, NJ, in the Del. and Chesapeake.


• John Gibson Papers, 1783-1840 (MS 1294): On the seizure of the ship "Tom Hazard" and Joseph Crosdale on the difficulties of sea travel in war time.

• John Roulstone Greenleaf Andrews Correspondence journal, 1825 (MS 2771): Letters written while sailing aboard the schooner "Fornax" from Baltimore, Md. to Boston, MA.

• London Town Ferry accounts, 1778-1779 (MS 1687)*: Accounts of the London Town Ferry, Ledgers III & IV, 1778-79 kept by ferry keeper William Brown.

• Maryland District Pilots Pilots’ Certificate Record book, 1853-1855 (MS 659): Issued by Inspectors for District of Maryland to pilots of vessels operating on Chesapeake Bay and tributary rivers.


• Richard Harding Randall Maritime papers, 1930-1970 (MS 1858): Chief interest was in ships and sailing.

• Robert Seager treatise: “The Elements of Navigation,” 1772 (MS 860)

* Collection Restricted to Microfilm
735): Principles and methods of navigation with diagrams and examples.

- **T. H. Poppleton Records**, 1823, July-August (MS 1568): Levels from tide water at Baltimore to Harrisburg Bridge.
- **U. S. Lines Employee cards**, 1935-1949 (MS 834): File cards on employees from MD who worked for the U. S. Lines Shipping Co.

**Photograph Collections**

- **Baltimore Harbor views photograph collection**, ca. 1867-1870 (PP143): Subjects include the steamboat Juniata; views of crowds at the wharves, possibly on the occasion of the sailing of the John T. Ford in 1867; a view of the harbor from Federal Hill; and unidentified sail boats.
- **Edward S. Clark/sailing craft of the Chesapeake Bay photograph collection**, n.d. and ca. 1941 (PP160): Document various sailing craft on the Chesapeake Bay in Maryland, including bugeyes, scow-sloops, pungies, flatties, schooners, ram schooners, skipjacks, and log canoes.
- **Maryland Historical Society Ship Models Exhibition Photograph Album**, 1924-1925 (PP293): Catalog of an exhibition of models and pictures of ships.
- **Subject Vertical File**: Over 17,000 items, this is one of MdHS’s most popular photograph resource tools.

**Print Collections**

- **Hambleton Print Collection**: Baltimore-related prints from nineteenth-century views and maps.
- **Peale/Baltimore City Life Works on Paper**: Collection includes prints, manuscripts, maps, posters, and ephemera.
- **Small Print Subject Collection**: Consists of over 1,300 advertisements, woodcuts, etchings, drawings, newspaper images, newspaper clippings, small booklets, and other items.
- **Medium Print Collection**: Over 600 depictions of events, people, and places important to Maryland’s history.
- **Large Print Collection**: Over 250 depictions of people, places, and events. Etchings, lithographs, and drawings represent just some of the print formats included in the collection.
- **Oversize Print Collection**: Over 75 lithographs, etchings, drawings, and other media illustrating Maryland’s historical people, events, and places.