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Guide to the Asa Fitch transcripts of Jabez Fitch narrative and diaries ca. 1871 MssCol NYGB 17996

# Summary

Creator: Fitch, Asa, 1809-1879

Title: Asa Fitch transcripts of Jabez Fitch narrative and diaries

Date: ca. 1871

Size: 2 v, 34 cm. (2 v. in 1 phasebox); 2 v, 34 cm. (2 v. in 1 phasebox)

**Abstract:** Asa Fitch (1809-1879) of Salem, New York was an entomologist and genealogist. He was the grandson of Jabez Fitch (1737-1812) of Norwich, Connecticut and Hyde Park, Vermont, a soldier in the French and Indian War and the Revolutionary War. The collection consists of Asa Fitch's transcripts of Jabez Fitch's narrative account of his treatment as an American prisoner of war after the Battle of Long Island, 1776-1777, his brief digest of diaries for the years 1749-1756, and his diaries continuing from late 1756-1772 May, 1774 Jan.-Oct., and 1777 Dec.-1793 Jan.; as well as Asa Fitch's transcripts of some miscellaneous items relating to the Fitch family; and his index with notes of family members and events mentioned in the Jabez Fitch diaries. Miscellaneous items include transcripts of Capt. Samuel P. Fitch's Voyage to the Pacific, from a New London, Connecticut newspaper, 21 Dec. 1808; the pension warrant of Joanna Walker, widow of Cordilla Fitch; and genealogical notes on the Fitch family from the volume known as the Brewster Book.

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### **Related Materials:**

Related collections include the Jabez Fitch Diary, 1776-1777, and the Fitch Family Manuscripts, Manuscripts and Archives Division, New York Public Library

Related collections in other repositories include Jabez Fitch's narrative (MS B F553), Vermont Historical Society, Barre, VT; Jabez Fitch Diaries, 1749-1812, and the Jonathan Brewster Manuscript (Brewster Book), Massachusetts Society of Mayflower Descendants, Braintree, MA; Jabez Fitch diaries in the Fitch Family Papers, Bailey/Howe Library, University of Vermont, Burlington, VT; and Jabez Fitch Journals, 1775, and the Papers of Jabez Fitch, 1776, Manuscripts Division, Library of Congress, Washington, DC

## **Creator History**

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## **Key Terms**

#### **Geographic Names**

Connecticut -- Social life and customs United States -- History -- French and Indian War, 1754-1763 -- Personal narratives United States -- History -- Revolution, 1775-1783 -- Personal narratives United States -- History -- Revolution, 1775-1783 -- Prisoners and prisons Vermont -- Social life and customs

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Diaries

### Occupations

Entomologists Genealogists

**Titles** Gift of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society

#### Names

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