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Names

Gordon, George William, 1801-1877
Cushing, Caleb, 1800-1879
Cutter, C. U
Pedro II Emperor of Brazil, 1825-1891
Pierce, Franklin, 1804-1869
Webster, Daniel, 1782-1852
Webster, Fletcher, 1813-1862
Wise, Henry A. (Henry Alexander), 1806-1876
New Hampshire. Militia
United States. Consulate General (Rio de Janeiro)
United States. Department of State
Whig Party (U.S.)