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**Robbins family genealogical research papers**

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## Summary

**Creator:** Holton, David-Parsons, 1812?-1883

**Title:** Robbins family genealogical research papers

**Date:** 1880-1956

**Size:** .4 linear feet (1 box)

**Abstract:** David-Parsons Holton, M.D., was a founding member of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society. His wife, Frances K. Holton, was the first female member of the Society. The Robbins family genealogical research papers consist of correspondence, 1880-1882, of genealogist David-Parsons Holton, M.D., and his wife Frances K. Holton, and other materials relating to their research on the Robbins family, as well as correspondence of collection donor Christine (Mrs. William J.) Robbins, 1947-1956, regarding her own research. The collection includes genealogical family trees and charts, among them a "Chart of Descendants of John Robbins, of Wethersfield, Ct., through his great great Grandson, Capt. Elisha Robbins," published by David-Parsons Holton in 1882. Also present are extensive notes and notebooks on the Robbins family compiled mainly by Frances Holton, with notes by Orrin G. Robbins on a branch of the family in Copenhagen, New York; also, copies (some typed, some transcribed and some in photostat) of original Robbins family documents, including property deeds from 1661 and 1689, attested by C. Robbins, a 1794 deed of indenture between Daniel McHenry and John Robbins, and the 1823 will of Ralph Vankirk of New Jersey.

**Access:** Advance notice required.

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## Custodial History

Gift of Christine (Mrs. William J.) Robbins to the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society, 1965.

### **Scope and Content Note**

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### **Key Terms**

#### **Geographic Names**

Copenhagen (N.Y.) -- Genealogy  
New England -- Genealogy

#### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Genealogies

#### **Titles**

Gift of the New York Genealogical and Biographical Society

#### **Names**

Holton, David-Parsons, 1812?-1883  
Holton, Frances Keturah Forward, b. 1815  
Holton family  
Robbins family  
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