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Guide to the

**Hannah Blaney Thacher Washburn diaries**

1861-1870

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## Summary

**Creator:** Washburn, Hannah Blaney Thacher

**Title:** Hannah Blaney Thacher Washburn diaries

**Date:** 1861-1870

**Size:** .21 linear feet (1 volume)

**Abstract:** Hannah Blaney Thacher Washburn, mother of Vermont Governor Peter Thacher Washburn, kept these diaries from 1861-1863, 1865-1867, and 1869-1870 at her home near Woodstock, Vermont. Entries include comments on social life at home; books read; church meetings; gardening, apple picking and drying, and other home occupations; weather and road conditions; and deaths and funerals. The diary also includes a few brief notes about Civil War events, President Grant's stopping at the local depot on August 28, 1869, and her son's death on February 7, 1870. The diaries are inscribed to Hannah M. Washburn

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## Key Terms

### Genre/Physical Characteristic

Diaries

### Subjects

Housewives -- Diaries

Mothers -- Diaries

### Geographic Names

United States -- History -- Civil War, 1861-1865

Woodstock (Vt.) -- Religious life and customs

Woodstock (Vt.) -- Social life and customs

### Names

Washburn, Hannah Blaney Thacher

Grant, Ulysses S. (Ulysses Simpson), 1822-1885  
Washburn, Peter T. (Peter Thacher), 1814-1870