

# The Noxon Family Papers

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## Creators

Robert Noxon  
Ann Noxon  
B. Davis Noxon

## Extent

.5 linear feet, or 9 folders and two daybooks

## Dates

Inclusive: 1800 – 1847

Bulk: 1800 – 1847

## Conditions Governing Access

No Restrictions

## Languages

English

## Scope and Content

The collection consists of correspondence primarily received by B. Davis Noxon in western New York from his family in Poughkeepsie. Also included are two of Robert Noxon's daybooks.

## Historical Note

B. Davis Noxon was the son of Robert Noxon and his first wife. Robert later married Ann Noxon who had a granddaughter named Ann Elizabeth Ives. B. Davis Noxon also had a sister named Cornelia, and a brother (step brother?), Lawrence Van Kleeck. It is possible then, that Ann Noxon was originally Ann Van Kleeck.

The early letters sent to B. Davis Noxon from his father and step mother are addressed to Onondaga, and changed to Syracuse, Onondaga County, over time. This conveys the changes that came with perhaps the largest economic and population boom in American history due to the opening of the Erie Canal in 1825. The village of Syracuse was incorporated that same year and soon became a major population center.

## Provenance

The Noxon Family Papers were donated to the Dutchess County Historical Society by Marion G. Noxon in 1950 & 1970. The Robert Noxon Daybooks were not located with the other manuscript material in 2012, and were marked "purchase." Whether that describes the books themselves or their provenance is unknown.

## Subject Headings

Business records; Commerce; Correspondence; Economic history Erie Canal

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## Container List

### Small Collections Box 8

File	Contents	Date
File 32	Correspondence from Robert Noxon to B. Davis Noxon [11 letters]	1822 November 23 – 1833 April 8
File 33	Correspondence from Ann Noxon to B. Davis Noxon [2 letters]	1833 July 20 – 1839 June 26
File 34	Letter from Lawrence Van Kleeck to B. Davis Noxon	1833 November 15
File 35	Letter from Anne Noxon to Ann Elizabeth Ives	1847 August 27
File 36	Letter from Cornelia to Mrs. B. Davis Noxon	1831 August 28
File 37	Letter to B. Davis Noxon from C. I. Van Vlack	1835 February 28
File 38	Noxon Family Tree	undated
File 39	Daybook of Robert Noxon [see small collections oversized box 9]	1800 April – 1812 May
File 40	Daybook of Robert Noxon [see small collections oversized box 9]	1803 August – 1805 June