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Collection of Orange Ephemera
1853-1960

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Number: 062-04

Title: Collection of Orange Ephemera

Creator: Unknown

Dates: 1853-1960

Quantity: 86 items

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition: Purchased, January 2017.

Accruals: No accruals are expected.

Custodial history: Unknown.

Processed by: The collection was processed in 2017 by Angela DiVeglia.

Conservation: Plastic sleeves were removed from three-ring binder and placed in folders.

Language: Materials are mainly in English. One item is in German.

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INFORMATION FOR RESEARCHERS

Separated material: None.

Published descriptions: Not applicable.

Location of originals: Not applicable.

Location of copies: Not applicable.

Publication note: Not applicable.

Subject headings: Advertising cards.
Advertising cards--United States--19th century.
Business cards.
Business cards--United States--19th century.
Tickets.
Printed ephemera.

SEE ALSO

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HISTORICAL NOTE

An unknown collector compiled these items which were collected based on color.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

This artificial collection, created by an unknown collector, contains 86 pieces of small printed ephemera, all on orange stock. The majority of the ephemera are from the northeastern and midwestern United States, with one order form from Texas and one hotel card from Germany. They cover a broad time range, with dated items from 1853-1960 and many undated items. The majority of items are from the late 19th century.

Many types of ephemera are represented here including tickets and promotional materials for shows, amusements, and cultural events, tickets to agricultural fairs, business cards and passes for hotels, promotional items for industrial manufacturers and medicines, advertisements for foods and home merchandise such as pottery, shoes, mattresses, and bicycles, and cards from schools and classes. The items are also visually interesting, with various typefaces, decorative borders, illustrations, and die-cut shapes. Together, these items offer a window into everyday life in the United States in the 19th century.

ORGANIZATION OF THE COLLECTION

Items are housed in plastic sleeves. Items within the collection are in original order, as received when purchased. The plastic sleeves were originally housed in an orange plastic three-ring binder; they were removed from the binder for long-term preservation and storage purposes.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION**Item list:**

Item No.	Item	Description	Date	Folder
01	Advertising card: S. C. Lord, dealer in meats, vegetables & produce of every kind. Providence, RI.	Die-cut card in shape of a bull.	n.d.	1
02	Ticket: Calcium Light: Dissolving Views.		n.d.	1
03	Advertising card: Pheny-Caffein Co. Worcester, MA.	Die-cut bookmark.	n.d.	1
04	Medical card: The Boston City Hospital, Diseases of the Ear. Dr. Leland. Boston, MA.	Admittance card for Department for Out-Patients.	1904	1
05	Advertising card: J. Johnson & Co., Clothiers. New Haven, CT.	Card features image of man in pin-striped suit.	n.d.	1
06	Reward of Merit: The Hill School. Moreland Township, Lycoming County, PA.	Card includes highly decorative border; list of names of pupils and School Directors on verso.	1893-1894	1
07	Label: 1 lb. tea, New York & China Tea Co.		n.d.	1
08	Label: C. F. Hovey & Co. Boston, MA	Octagonal label.	n.d.	1
09	Advertising card: Taber & Nettleton, Dealers in the Most Improved Agricultural & Horticultural Implements. Decatur, IL.		n.d.	1
10	Label: Tallmadge's None Such Saleratus.	Label has decorative border, elaborate type, image of woman carrying tray of steaming buns. Label seems to have been previously pasted to a piece of paper. Saleratus was a chemical leavener, a precursor to baking soda.	n.d.	1
11	Advertising card: Samuel Burns Porcelain Pottery and Glassware. Omaha, NE.	Die-cut card in shape of pitcher.	n.d.	1
12	Advertising card: Schneider's Miracle Ointment.		n.d.	1
13	Advertising card: A. A. Parsons & Co. Upholstery work of all kinds attended to. Boston, MA.	Includes image of bird springing forth from egg.	n.d.	1

14	Advertising card: J. W. Bates, boots and shoes. Great Falls, NH.	Die-cut card in shape of heeled women's boot. Addressed to Nellie S. Sanborn on verso.	n.d.	1
15	Coupon: 10 tintypes for \$2.50.		n.d.	1
16	Promotional card: The Ten Commandments: Commandment 2. Issued by H. P. Co. Milwaukee, WI.		n.d.	1
17	Advertising card: Van Ornum, Braley & Co.'s Webb Forks, manufactured for A. V. Blanchard & Co. Palmer, MA.	Card has ornamental border.	n.d.	1
18	Promotional card: "Have you seen the oil wells in full operation... opposite Main Exhibition Building?"		n.d.	1
19	Advertising card: Foundry Facing Mills, D. Elston. New York, NY.	Card lists products for sale, including British stone coal facing, moulding sand, babbitt metal, silver lead polish, etc.	n.d.	1
20	Advertising card: Atlantic Coal Co. Boston, MA.	Die-cut card in shape of baseball.	n.d.	1
21	Advertising card: John A. Steward, bell-hanger and lock manufacturer. Baltimore, MD.		n.d.	1
22	Ticket: Oxford Co. Agricultural Society, Fifteenth Exhibition. [Oxford County, ME]	Ticket includes image of agricultural implements.	1857	1
23	Business card: Dr. O. Fitzgerald. Bangor, ME.	Die-cut octagonal card bears portrait of doctor on the front; verso includes a lengthy list of diseases treated as well as a description of "Dr. Fitzgerald's Improved Invigorator."	n.d.	1
24	Advertising card: Hazelton's Ambrotype Gallery. Boston, MA	Card includes small portrait of child.	n.d.	1
25	Post office receipt. Belmont, MA.	Return address in Skowhegan, ME.	1922	1
26	Business card: Thomas B. Foulkrod, printer. Philadelphia, PA.		n.d.	1
27	Order form: Star Coin Book, The Numismatic Co. of Texas. Fort Worth, TX.	Includes slots for purchaser to insert two quarters.	n.d.	1
28	Advertising card: C. E. Emrick, dealer and jobber of bicycles and sundries of all kinds.	Card includes image of bicycle; list of present paced	Circa	1

	Troy, OH.	records, table of gear on verso.	1898	
29	Promotional card: Boston Chromo Entertainment. Boston, MA.	Image of man bashing through a paper wall.	n.d.	1
30	Hotel Commodore pass.		n.d.	1
31	Promotional card: Ballou House. North Adams, MA.	Card contains distances from Ballou House to various destinations on different rail lines.	n.d.	1
32	Shipping ticket: Claranett Creamery Co. Smethport, PA.	Ticket for shipping cream from farm to creamery. Includes reinforced hole for string to attach ticket to shipment.	n.d.	1
33	Business card: Yordy Bros., magicians and ventriloquists.	Decorative border.	n.d.	1
34	Shipping ticket: H. M. Rogers & Company, Inc. Wholesale receivers and shippers of all kinds of fresh fish. New York, NY.	Ticket includes reinforced hole for string to attach ticket to shipment.	n.d.	1
35	Shipping ticket: Tilden Produce Co. St. Paul, MN.	Ticket for shipping cream from farm to creamery. Includes image of cow. Typewritten shipment information from Sam Henke, Kulm, ND. Ticket includes reinforced hole for string to attach ticket to shipment.	n.d.	1
36	Ticket: Portland Society of Natural History. Portland, ME.	Includes seal of the Society.	1907	1
37	Promotional ticket: Great Forepaugh Show, H. H. Pinkham's Boot and Shoe Store. Newmarket, [NH?]		n.d.	1
38	Advertising card: Hood's Sarsaparilla. Lowell, MA.	Card includes testimonials from buyers who insist on Hood's Sarsaparilla to cure "that tired feeling."	n.d.	1
39	Advertising card: Hotel Steinbock. [Germany.]	"Kalte und warme Bader auf jeder Etage" [Cold and warm baths on each floor]	n.d.	1
40	Trade card: F. R. Goodrich. Mooers Forks, NY.	Punch card for purchases.	n.d.	1
41	Advertising card: Cuticura Remedies. Weeks & Potter, chemists and druggists. Boston, MA.	Includes logo for Cuticura skin remedies, with list of	n.d.	1

		skin ailments treated on verso.		
42	G. A. R. Gift Enterprise card	List of Prizes on verso.	n.d.	1
43	Business card: John T. Moulton, Morocco manufacturer. Lynn, MA.		n.d.	1
44	Card: 60 merits	Card given by teacher to student. Includes decorative border, decorative lettering, small cuts of bird and fountain.	n.d.	2
45	Religious card	Card contains Bible quote in decorative type: "Jesus said unto them I am the Bread of Life, He that eateth of this Bread shall live forever."	n.d.	2
46	Business card: Child's Union Art Gallery. Taunton, MA.		n.d.	2
47	Class card: Normal Academy of Music. [Normal, IL?]		n.d.	2
48	Ticket: Fair of 1869.	W. T. Rutherford, Treasurer.	1869	2
49	Ticket: Adams County Fair Association.	Includes hole so that ticket can be worn on one's clothing.	1906	2
50	Ticket: Cattle Show and Fair, Oxford Co. Agricultural Society. [Oxford County, ME]		1862	2
51	Ticket: Cattle Show and Fair, Oxford Co. Agricultural Society. [Oxford County, ME]		1869	2
52	Hollis Fair Second Premium. [Hollis, NH?]	"Full list of Premiums awarded will be published in Hollis Times."	1899	2
53	Raffle ticket: purebred Ayrshire heifer calf, Clinton-Franklin-Essex Ayrshire Club Field Day and Picnic. Chazy, NY.		1960	2
54	Ticket: Grand annual pic-nic of the Young Men's Social Club of Verplancks, at Bleakley's Grove. Verplanck, NY.		1882	2
55	Ticket: Buffalo Park, Fourth Day.		1869	2
56	Ticket: Cattle Show and Fair, Oxford Co. Agricultural Society. [Oxford County, ME]		1866	2
57	Ticket: Riverside Trotting Association. Rochester, NH.	Signed by the Treasurer. With decorative border.	n.d.	2

58	Ticket: Riverview Park gate and concession ticket. Chicago, IL.	"See a century of nonsense - Mammoth Fun Pageant"	1933	2
59	Luggage tag: Atlantic Transport Line.	Die-cut oval tag.	n.d.	2
60	Promotional ticket: W. W. Williams, ticket broker. Des Moines, IA.	Verso includes railway schedule of trains departing from Des Moines on August 15, 1904.	1904	2
61	Ticket: stage ticket, East to North Brookfield, issued by C. A. Bush. Worcester, MA.		n.d.	2
62	Shipping label: Wells Fargo & Co. Express. Shasta, CA.		n.d.	2
63	Shipping label: United States and Canada Express from Fitzwilliam, N.H. E. Cummings, Agt. Fitzwilliam, NH.		n.d.	2
64	Ticket: Graham's Lectures on Health and Longevity.	Verso contains faded stamp reading "CHOLERA" alongside J. Graham's signature in ink.	n.d.	2
65	C. H. Cook's Singing Class. Barre, VT.		n.d.	2
66	Promotional card: "The Bright Side of Life in Libby Prison" lecture by Chaplain C. C. McCabe in the Mt. Pleasant Ave M. E. Church.		1882	2
67	Ticket: Mr. & Mrs. Max Heinrich's Song Recital, Unity Hall. Hartford, CT.		1893	2
68	Ticket: North Paris Dramatic Club. North Paris, ME.		n.d.	2
69	Invitation: Cotillion Party at the house of R. D. Wing at Middle Granville... Music by Whitcomb's Band. [Middle Granville, NY]		1856	2
70	Ticket: Yarmouth Institute Twenty-fifth Annual Course. [Yarmouth, ME?]	Ticket for Dr. George Shore and 3 of Family.	n.d.	2
71	Ticket: Hudson Center Singing School term of '86.	In various type with ornamental border.	1886	2
72	Ticket: Salem Lyceum twenty-eighth course. [Salem, MA?]	J. M. Newhall, Rec. Secretary	n.d.	2
73	Ticket: Admit to Col. Pierce's Lecture.	Ticket bears image of military battle and quote: "Remember the Heroes who stood by our flag."	n.d.	2
74	Ticket: Frost's Singing School. Ladies.	Highly ornamental border.	n.d.	2

75	Ticket: Mr. & Mrs. Max Heinrich's Song Recital, Unity Hall. (2nd copy) Hartford, CT.		1893	2
76	Ticket: Loring's Brass Band.		n.d.	2
77	Ticket: L. W. Dickinson.		n.d.	2
78	Ticket: Admit one child under 10 years.		1870	2
79	Ticket: Grand Temperance Lecture.		n.d.	2
80	Ticket: Sheridan Christmas Party at St. Mary's Auditorium.	"Ladies' Ticket"	1957	2
81	Ticket: A. O. H. Picnic.	"Admit to Grove."	1887	2
82	Ticket: Oyster supper at the Pond House, Elmore.	Includes decorative, floral type ornaments.	1853	2
83	Advertising card: German Bulls Eye, 50 cents.		n.d.	2
84	Ticket: Refreshments.	Single word in decorative oval border.	n.d.	2
85	Ticket: Biehl's Moving Pictures.	Includes type ornaments and decorative border.	n.d.	2
86	Promotional card: Interesting to all: Professor Sturoc, from the College of Edinburgh.	Professor Sturoc gave descriptions of character and mental capabilities by examining subjects' heads and faces, and also predicted the future.	n.d.	2