

# Manton Marble Papers

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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Manton Marble Papers

**Span Dates:** 1838-1916

**Bulk Dates:** (bulk 1864-1898)

**ID No.:** MSS31286

**Creator:** Marble, Manton, 1834-1917

**Extent:** 14,000 items ; 97 containers ; 20.8 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material in English

**Location:** Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**Summary:** Editor and publisher. Correspondence, drafts of articles and letters, financial papers, newspaper clippings, photographs, and other material relating to Marble's career as editor and owner of the *New York World*, and as a senior member of the national Democratic Party.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### People

Arnold, Samuel Greene, 1821-1880--Correspondence.  
Barlow, Samuel L. M. (Samuel Latham Mitchill), 1826-1889--Correspondence.  
Bayard, Thomas F. (Thomas Francis), 1828-1898--Correspondence.  
Belmont, August, 1816-1890--Correspondence.  
Bogart, W. H. (William Henry), 1810-1888--Correspondence.  
Cleveland, Grover, 1837-1908.  
Comstock, Calvert, 1812-1876--Correspondence.  
Cox, Samuel Sullivan, 1824-1889--Correspondence.  
Croly, David G. (David Goodman), 1829-1889--Correspondence.  
Curtis, George Ticknor, 1812-1894--Correspondence.  
Dana, Charles A. (Charles Anderson), 1819-1897--Correspondence.  
Doolittle, James R. (James Rood), 1815-1897--Correspondence.  
Fiske, John, 1842-1901--Correspondence.  
Hurlbert, William Henry, 1827-1895--Correspondence.  
Johnson, Reverdy, 1796-1876--Correspondence.  
Kerr, Michael C. (Michael Crawford), 1827-1876--Correspondence.  
Lincoln, Abraham, 1809-1865.  
Marble, Manton, 1834-1917.  
Medill, Joseph, 1823-1899--Correspondence.  
Porter, Fitz-John, 1822-1901--Correspondence.  
Rathbone, John Finley, 1819- --Correspondence.  
Seymour, Horatio, 1810-1886--Correspondence.  
Spencer, Herbert, 1820-1903--Correspondence.  
Stoddard, Richard Henry, 1825-1903--Correspondence.  
Tilden, Samuel J. (Samuel Jones), 1814-1886--Correspondence.  
Vallandigham, Clement L. (Clement Laird), 1820-1871--Correspondence.  
Watterson, Henry, 1840-1921--Correspondence.  
White, Horace, 1834-1916--Correspondence.

### Organizations

Democratic Party (N.Y.)  
Democratic Party (U.S.)

### Subjects

American newspapers--New York (State)--New York.

Bimetallism.  
Elections--United States--1864.  
Elections--United States--1876.  
Silver question.

#### **Places**

Europe--Foreign relations--United States.  
New York (State)--Politics and government.  
United States--Foreign relations--Europe.  
United States--History--Civil War, 1861-1865--Censorship.  
United States--Politics and government--1861-1865.  
United States--Politics and government--1865-1900.

#### **Titles**

*World (New York, N.Y. : 1860-1931)*

#### **Occupations**

Editors.  
Publishers.

## **Administrative Information**

#### **Provenance**

The papers of Manton Marble, editor and journalist, were given to the Library of Congress by Delia Marble and Lady Katrina Conway in 1931. An addition was transferred from the Library of Congress Archives in 1989.

#### **Processing History**

The papers of Manton Marble were processed in 1963. Revisions and an addition were made in 2004.

#### **Copyright Status**

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Manton Marble is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

#### **Access and Restrictions**

The papers of Manton Marble are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

#### **Preferred Citation**

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Manton Marble Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

## **Biographical Note**

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1834, Nov. 16	Born, Worcester, Mass.
1855	Graduated, University of Rochester, Rochester, N.Y.
1862-1876	Editor and proprietor, <i>New York World</i> , New York, N.Y.
1864	Supported George B. McClellan for president Married Delia West (died 1869)

1874	Wrote platform for New York state Democratic Party
1876	Wrote platform for national Democratic Party
1878	<i>Published Secret Chapter of Political History ...</i> (New York: <i>New York Sun</i> )
1879	Married Abby Williams Lambard
1885	Delegate to European bimetallic congress
1917, July 24	Died, Allington Castle, Kent, England

## Scope and Content Note

The papers of Manton Malone Marble (1834-1917) span the years 1838-1916 with the bulk of the material dating from 1864-1898. The collection consists of bound correspondence and related matter, including letters, telegrams, articles, and drafts of Democratic Party policy statements organized in three series: [General Correspondence](#), [Miscellany](#), and [Addition](#).

Most of the collection relates to Marble's career as editor and owner of the *New York World* and to his role in New York state and national Democratic Party politics in the period between the beginning of the Civil War and the close of the nineteenth century. There are drafts of statements and papers on the presidential election of 1876, a draft of the "Peace Plank" of the Democratic platform in 1864, articles on bimetallism and the Silver Question, papers relating to Marble's role as President Grover Cleveland's representative in Europe in 1885 to consult with European governments on bimetallism, and documents relating to the shutdown of the *New York World* in 1864 by the Abraham Lincoln administration.

The [Miscellany](#) series includes drafts of articles from the *New York World*, material relating to the election of 1876, bimetallism, the Manhattan Club, and the national Democratic party in the second half of the nineteenth century. The [Addition](#) contains one calling card.

Correspondents include Samuel Greene Arnold, Samuel L. M. Barlow, Thomas F. Bayard, August Belmont, W. H. Bogart, Calvert Comstock, Samuel Sullivan Cox, David G. Croly, George Ticknor Curtis, Charles A. Dana, James R. Doolittle, John Fiske, William Henry Hurlbert, Reverdy Johnson, Michael C. Kerr, Joseph Medill, Fitz-John Porter, John Finley Rathbone, Horatio Seymour, Richard Henry Stoddard, Samuel J. Tilden, Clement L. Vallandigham, Henry Watterson, and Horace White.

## Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged in three series:

- [General Correspondence, 1852-1916](#)
- [Miscellany, 1838-1914](#)
- [Addition](#)

## Description of Series

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**General Correspondence, 1852-1916**

Correspondence and related material in bound volumes.  
Arranged either chronologically or alphabetically.

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**Miscellany, 1838-1914**

Correspondence, drafts of articles, financial records, newspaper clippings, photographs, proofs, and miscellaneous material.  
Arranged alphabetically by subject and chronologically therein.

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**Addition**

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