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Introduction

Scrapbook consists of newspaper accounts of Charles Sumner, collected by Frederic Vinton, librarian of the Chancellor Green Library at Princeton (1873-1890).

Range of collection dates: 1874-1878

Size: 1 portfolio (77 pieces)

Language: English

Provenance: Frederic Vinton.

Restrictions: Unknown.

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Scope Note:

Charles Sumner (6 Jan. 1811-11 Mar. 1874), politician and reformer, was born in Boston, Massachusetts, to a middle-class family committed to humanitarian reform. At age fifteen Sumner entered Harvard, where he excelled in literature and history. Following graduation in 1830, he enrolled in the Harvard Law School

His career as a lawyer was superceded by a political career which focused on prison reform and education, anti-militarism, and antislavery reform. He was elected to the senator of Massachusetts in 1851, and carried his focus on slavery to Washington. Totally opposed to the passage of the Compromise of 1850, he turned his energies to the repeal of the infamous Fugitive Slave Act. He argued that states had the right to choose whether or not slavery would be permitted. The 1854 passage of the Kansas-Nebraska Bill allowed territories the same power.

Sumner used the territorial issue as the occasion for his most famous antislavery Senate oration, "The Crime against Kansas." Delivered in May 1856, its language was extremely inflammatory, and Sumner became engaged in a heated exchange with senator [Stephen A. Douglas](#) of Illinois. Two days later Sumner was physically beaten by [Preston Brooks](#), congressman from South Carolina. It was three years before Sumner was well enough to resume his position in the Senate. In late 1859, he returned and continued his attacks on bondage with a four-hour address, "The Barbarism of Slavery."

Sumner continued to wield his influence during the Civil War and Reconstruction, and became a confidant of President Abraham Lincoln. Sumner also opposed Grant's efforts to expand in the Caribbean.

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Arrangement

Materials are organized chronologically. They span the first announcement of Sumner's death on March 11, 1874, thru to June 12, 1874; one issue from 1878 discusses his home.

1. "Senator Sumner dying: He cannot live through the day." The Boston Daily News, Boston (no. 1440), March 11, 1874.
2. "Death of Charles Sumner: End of a noble career." New-York Tribune, New York (vol. 33 no. 10278), March 12, 1874.
3. "Death of Senator Sumner: Last hours of the great statesman." The New-York Times, New York (vol. 23 no. 7015), March 12, 1874.
4. "Sumner: Sudden death of the great Massachusetts Senator." The New York Herald, New York (no. 13717), March 12, 1874.
5. "Death of Sumner: Scenes at the death-bed of the Massachusetts Senator." The World, New York (vol. 14 no. 4590), March 12, 1874.
6. "Sumner Dead. The great statesman gone to his rest." The Boston Daily Globe, Boston (vol. 5 no. 61), March 12, 1874.
7. "Charles Sumner." Boston Evening Transcript, Boston (vol. 47 vol. 14381), March 12, 1874.
8. "The death of Sumner: Last hours of the great senator." The Boston Herald, Boston, March 12, 1874.
9. "Charles Sumner: His last hours and death." and "Three o'clock by telegraph: Charles Sumner" and "Five o'clock by telegraph: The noble dead." The Boston Daily News, Boston (vol. 5 no. 1441), March 12, 1874.
10. "The dead senator." New-York Tribune, New York (vol. 33 no. 10279), March 13, 1874.
11. "The dead senator." and "Charles Sumner." Boston Post, Boston (vol. 86 no. 62), March 13, 1874.

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12. "Mr. Sumner and the young." and "Charles Sumner: The obsequies at Washington." and "Senator Sumner's funeral." and "Mr. Sumner's successor." Boston Evening Journal, Boston (vol. 41 no. 13615), March 13, 1874.
13. "The dead: Arrangements for the funeral of the statesman." and "Action in both Houses on the death of Sumner." The Boston Daily Globe, Boston (vol. 5 no. 62), March 13, 1874.
14. "Mr. Sumner's death: A nation in mourning." Boston Daily Advertiser, Boston (no. 18476 vol. 123 . . . no. 62), March 13, 1874.
15. "Charles Sumner: Death of an eminent statesman." and "Mr. Sumner's Death: The preparations for the funeral." Boston Semi-Weekly Advertiser, Boston (vol. 144), March 13, 1874.
16. "Charles Sumner: Tributes to his memory." and "Charles Sumner is dead." and "The late Senator Sumner." Boston Semi-Weekly Journal, Boston (vol. 41), March 13, 1874.
17. Can't find an article in The Boston Daily News, Boston (vol. 5, no. 1420), March 13, 1874.
18. "Tributes to the Nation's dead." and "The late Senator Sumner." And "Respect to the memory of Sumner." The Boston Herald, Boston, March 13, 1874.
19. "The Sumner obsequies." and "The late Charles Sumner: The reception of the remains to-day." The Boston Herald, Boston, March 14, 1874.
20. "Charles Sumner." The Boston Statesman Weekly Post, Boston (vol. 48), March 13, 1874.
21. "Death of the Hon. Charles Sumner." and "Action in both Houses of the death of Sumner." and "The death of Sumner." The Boston Daily Globe, Boston (vol. 2 no. 11), March 13, 1874.
22. "The obsequies: The nation's tribute to Charles Sumner." Boston Daily Advertiser, Boston (no. 18477 vol. 123 . . . no. 63), March 14, 1874.
23. "The next senator." and "Mr. Sumner's remains." and "The Sumner Obsequies." Boston Post, Boston (vol. 86 no. 63), March 14, 1874.
24. "Senator Sumner's Family." and "Boston's tribute to Charles Sumner." and "Charles Sumner." and "Charles Sumner: The Obsequies at Washington." and "The late Senator Sumner: Incidents

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- of his funeral." Boston Evening Journal, Boston (vol. 41 no. 13616), March 14, 1874.
25. "Senator Sumner: The remains." and "In memoriam: Our dead Senator." and "Senator Sumner's will." The Boston Daily News, Boston (vol. 5 no. 1443), March 14, 1874.
 26. "In memory of Charles Sumner." and "The Sumner funeral." Boston Evening Transcript, Boston (vol. 47 no. 14333), March 14, 1874.
 27. "Charles Sumner." Legislative Journal, Michigan, March 14, 1874.
 28. "Charles Sumner." Boston Courier, Boston (vol. 51), March 15, 1874.
 29. "The nation's grief: Honors to Sumner's memory." The Sunday Herald, Boston, March 15, 1874.
 30. "The late Senator Sumner." The New-York Times, New York (vol. 23 no. 7018), March 16, 1874.
 31. "Lying in state: Solemn reception of Mr. Sumner's remains." Boston Daily Advertiser, Boston (no. 18478, vol. 123 . . . no. 64), March 16, 1874.
 32. "Charles Sumner: The result of the autopsy." Boston Evening Journal, Boston (vol. 41 no. 13617), March 16, 1874.
 33. "Charles Sumner: His mortal remains in Boston." and "Charles Sumner: A full report." Boston Evening Transcript, Boston (vol. 47 no. 14384), March 16, 1874.
 34. "The obsequies." Boston Post, Boston (vol. 86 no. 64), March 16, 1874.
 35. "The journey to the tomb." The Boston Daily News, Boston (vol. 5 no. 1444), March 16, 1874.
 36. "The obsequies of Senator Sumner." The Boston Daily News, Boston (vol. 5 no. 1445), March 17, 1874.
 37. "The departed Senator." The Boston Herald, Boston, March 16, 1874.
 38. "Dust to Dust: Charles Sumner in his grave." The Boston Herald, Boston, March 17, 1874.
 39. "The late Senator." The Boston Daily Globe, Boston (vol. 5 no. 64), March 16, 1874.
 40. "The national loss: Public Meeting: The citizens of Boston." Boston Traveller, Boston (no. 75), March 17, 1874.
 41. "The funeral: Impressive ceremonies in King's Chapel." Boston Daily Advertiser, Boston (no. 18179, no. 65), March 17, 1874.

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42. "Memorial honors to Sumner." Boston Evening Transcript, Boston (vol. 47 no. 14385), March 17, 1874.
43. "The Obsequies. The Nation's tribute to Charles Sumner." and "The Funeral: Impressive ceremonies in King's Chapel." Boston Semi-Weekly Advertiser, Boston (vol. 144), March 17, 1874.
44. "The earthly end: Charles Sumner's remains consigned to the tomb." The Boston Daily Globe, Boston (vol. 5 no. 65), March 17, 1874.
45. "The earthly end: Charles Sumner's remains consigned to the tomb." The Boston Daily Globe, Boston (vol. 5 no. 65), March 17, 1874. Copy 2.
46. "Charles Sumner." and "Charles Sumner: His last hours and expressions." Boston Weekly Transcript, Boston (vol. 23 no. 1096), March 17, 1874.
47. "Painting of Sumner's last hours." Boston Evening Transcript, Boston (vol. 47 no. 14386), March 18, 1874.
48. "Election of Senator." Newburyport Daily Herald, Newburyport, Massachusetts (vol. 43), March 18, 1874.
49. "Charles Sumner: Death of the eminent statesman." Boston Weekly Advertiser, Boston (vol. 64), March 19, 1874.
50. "Charles Sumner: Born in Boston, January 6, 1811: Died in Washington, March 11, 1874." Boston Weekly Journal (vol. 41), March 19, 1874.
51. "Charles Sumner." The Congregationalist, Boston (vol. 25 no. 12), March 19, 1874.
52. "Sabbath services." Watchman and Reflector, Boston (vol. 55, no. 12), March 19, 1874.
53. "Charles Sumner." Watchman and Reflector, Boston (no volume given), March 19, 1874.
54. "Charles Sumner." Zion's Herald, Boston (vol. 51), March 19, 1874.
55. "Charles Sumner: His life, death, and burial." American Traveller, Boston (vol. 36 no. 12), March 21, 1874.
56. "When Charles Sumner was first elected . . ." The Pilot, Boston (vol. 37 no. 12), March 21, 1874.
57. "Sumner's college days." The Bunker Hill Times, Boston (vol. 2 no. 23), March 21, 1874.
58. "Sumner." Banner of Light, Boston (vol. 3 no. 25), March 21, 1874.

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59. "The next senator." Boston Courier, Boston (vol. 51 no. 12), March 22, 1874.
60. "The senatorship." The Boston Daily Globe, Boston (vol. 5 no. 70), March 23, 1874.
61. "The Massachusetts senatorship." The Boston Evening Transcript, Boston (vol. 47 no. 14390), March 23, 1874.
62. "The senatorial election." The Newburyport Herald, Newburyport, Massachusetts (vol. 70 no. 7), March 24, 1874.
63. "Charles Sumner." Watchman & Reflector, Boston (vol. 55 no. 13), March 26, 1874.
64. "Devoted to principle." and "Mr. Sumner in private life." and "Wilson on
65. Sumner." and "His ruling passion." Watchman and Reflector, Boston, March 26, 1874.
66. "A sermon on the death of Charles Sumner." Zion's Herald, Boston, (vol. 60 no. 13), March 20, 1874.
67. "Charles Sumner." Harper's Weekly, New York (vol. 18 no. 900), March 28, 1874.
68. "Charles Sumner: On seeing his face an hour after death." The Independent, New York (vol. 26 no. 1321), March 26, 1874.
69. "What we have lost in Sumner." Princeton Press, Princeton (vol. 43 no. 23), April 4, 1874.
70. "Charles Sumner: Eulogy by Robert B. Elliott of South Carolina." Boston Daily Advertiser, Boston (no. 18504, vol. 123 no. 90), April 15, 1874.
71. "Mr. Sumner in his library." The Independent, New York (vol. 35 no. 1324), April 16, 1874.
72. ____ "Charles Sumner: Memorial Addresses in both houses of congress." Boston Daily Advertiser, Boston (no. 18515, vol. 123 no. 101), April 28, 1874.
73. ____ "Charles Sumner: Boston's tribute to the illustrious dead." Boston Evening Transcript, Boston (vol. 47 no. 14421), April 29, 1874.
74. ____ "Schurz and Sumner." New-York Daily Tribune, New York (vol. 34 no. 10320), April 30, 1874.
75. ____ "Some glimpses of Senator Sumner." The Independent, New York (vol. 26, no. 1326), April 30, 1874.

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76. ____ "Extra: Sumner Eulogies." New-York Tribune, New York (no. 18), May 1874.
77. "Charles Sumner: Eulogy by George William Curtis." Boston Semi-Weekly, Boston (vol. 144 no. 44), June 12, 1874.
78. __ "The home of Charles Sumner." The Boston Beacon, Boston (vol. 5 no. 4), January 26, 1878.