Sydney Howard Gay

Papers, ca. 1837-1886
Biographical Note

Sydney Howard Gay (1814-1888) was an American journalist, author and abolitionist. He was an editor at the *Anti-Slavery Standard*, the *New York Tribune*, the *Chicago Tribune*, and the *New York Evening Post*. His other activities included lecturing for the American Anti-Slavery Society and writing biographies and the multi-volume *History of the United States* (with William Cullen Bryant).

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of manuscripts of works by Gay, correspondence, notes, account books, and reports. Gay’s writings include manuscripts of the *History of the United States*, his biographies and other works. Also included are correspondence, notes, reports, and account books from the American Anti-Slavery Society and the *Anti-Slavery Standard*. 
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   - Broadside
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   - *Amerigo Vespucci* manuscript (8vo)
   - *Life of James Madison* manuscript (8vo), including chapters 1-20 and index

2  *History of the United States* ms.
   - Vol. I, chapter 1-17
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### Volumes

- American Anti-slavery Society
  - Ledger, May 1844 - April 1863
  - Cash book, May 1852 - April 1863
- *Anti-slavery Standard*
  - Account Book, Jan. 1854 - Jan. 1860
  - Account Book, Jan. 1860 - Dec. 1862