

# Guide to the Clinton County Land Papers

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## Introduction

This collection consists of material dealing with the description, sale, ownership, and construction of certain parcels of land in Plattsburgh and Clinton County. Much of the material is undated. The material is arranged by subject rather than chronology because there are so few dates.

These documents offer accurate and professional accounts of land holdings in Plattsburgh and Clinton County primarily in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Anyone interested in the boundaries, ownership, and development of land, especially in Plattsburgh itself, should find this collection useful.

Several prominent area figures are represented in this collection including Platt, Smith M. Weed, William Atwood, H. K. Averill, and H. K. Averill Jr.

The best documented pieces in the collection concern an ejectment suit brought by William Atwood in 1824, against the Platt family over a piece of property in Point Au Roche.

The Clinton County Land Papers were donated to the Clinton County Historical Association by Mrs. Watson and Mrs. LaDue and are on deposit in Special Collections.

## Background Sources in Special Collections

Mf D6 Obituary of A. K. Averill Sr., Plattsburgh Sentinel, April 1, 1881, p 3, col 3.

Mf D9 Sketch of Life of William Atwood, Plattsburgh Sentinel, July 18, 1890. p 1.

Mf D10 Sketch of the Platt Family, Plattsburgh Sentinel, April 24, 1891, p 1.

Mf C34 Obituary of Smith M. Weed, Plattsburgh Daily Republican, June 8, 1920, p 8.

## **Contents**

These papers are contained in five folders in a single one-half Hollinger box. The last folder contains photographs and miscellaneous items.

### **BOX 1 OF 1**

1/1: Platt-Atwood lawsuit (16 items)

1/2: Deeds (real & copied) (15 items)

1/3: Land description, mortgages, transaction accounts (10 items)

1/4: Land descriptions, transaction accounts, map (10 items)

1/5: Miscellaneous = photos, newspaper clippings, etc. (4 items)

**Items Total: 55**