



# Collection Overview

True to its mission, Longyear Museum collects and preserves documents, artifacts, and photographs relating to the life and work of Mary Baker Eddy, her students and early followers, and to the early history of the Christian Science movement. For inquiries about the collection, call us at 617.278.9000, or email [letters@longyear.org](mailto:letters@longyear.org).

## Archives

Collection	# of Records	Date range	Highlights
<b>Mary Baker Eddy Documents</b>	849	c1835-1910	Mostly outgoing correspondence ( <a href="#">see separate reference aid</a> ), but also includes calling cards, manuscripts, and poems.
<b>Baker Family</b>	185	c1785-1920	Books, letters, manuscripts, and some other items that belonged to the Baker family.
<b>Library</b>	16493	c1599-2008	Extensive collection of Christian Science publications, including nearly all editions of <i>Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures</i> . Also Bibles, books, lectures, magazines, and pamphlets.
<b>Historical Files</b>	2254	c1888-1998	Documents, reminiscences, and <a href="#">letters related to early Christian Science workers</a> ( <a href="#">see separate reference aid</a> ).
<b>Periodicals</b>	14816	c1800-2010	Newspapers, magazines, and clippings. Includes extensive collection of <i>The Christian Science Journal</i> , <i>Sentinel</i> , <i>Quarterly</i> , and <i>Monitor</i> .
<b>Bagley Family</b>	561	c1756-1961	Collection of items belonging to the Bagley family from Amesbury, Mass. Mainly includes almanacs (1794-1897) and books, but also magazines, photographs, periodicals.

## Images

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<b>Artwork</b>	679	c1848-2000	Paintings, drawings, and other media that illustrate Mrs. Eddy, early workers, and sites relevant to Christian Science.



<b>Mary Baker Eddy Photographs</b>	474	c1856-1963	Photographs of Mrs. Eddy.
<b>General Photographs</b>	6848	c1870-1988	Mainly photographs of early workers and sites relevant to Christian Science. Also includes ambrotypes, carte-de-visites, stereographs, and tintypes.

## Objects

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<b>Artifacts</b>	1222	c1792-1910	Artifacts that range from large furniture to small items with direct ties to Mrs. Eddy or to early workers.
<b>Postcards</b>	783	c1900-1983	Postcards with images of sites relevant to Christian Science, including Mrs. Eddy's homes, The Mother Church, and Christian Science branch churches.
<b>Scrapbooks</b>	164	c1850-2006	Scrapbooks covering an assortment of topics relevant to Christian Science. Compiled by various early workers, including Mary B. Longyear, Maurine Campbell, Lloyd Coate, the Farlow family, the Knapp family, and the Rathvon family.