

EARLY AMERICAN WATCH PAPERS IN THE METROPOLITAN MUSEUM

(WATCHES)

The following list of American watchmakers of the nineteenth century is taken from a page of watch papers in a scrapbook in the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York. (Dick Fund Purchase 34.47.4) The scrapbook was compiled by John Warner Barber, a Connecticut engraver (b. Windsor, Conn. 1798 — d. New Haven 1885), and quite possibly he is responsible for the design and execution of many of these watch papers, although only one is signed by him. Several others, however, are signed by another Connecticut engraver, A. Reed, of East Windsor. Many of the papers are of watchmakers who appear to be hitherto unrecorded.

by John Ittman

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*Illustrations on
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Nathan Allyn / Watch-Maker / 10 Rods W. of the Court House / Hartford.
Wm. Bliss / Watch Maker / Cleveland / Ohio
C. Brewer / Watch Maker / Middletown / Con.
Jos. Church / & Co. / Watch Makers / Head of Ferry St. / Hartford.
Crocks & Phelps / Watch-Makers / and / Jewellers / Northampton.
Garrit De Witt / Sparta / Georgia.
Goodwin & Dodd/Clock & Watch Makers/W. Side of the Court House/Hartford.
Greenleaf & Oakes / Watch-Makers / Main Street / Hartford.
Judah Hart / Watch-Maker / and / Jeweller / Norwich.
Edmund Hughes / Watch-Maker / Middletown, Con.
Huntington & Church / Watch-Makers / Springfield / Massachusetts.
J. E. Latimer / Clock and Watch / Maker / Saybrook / Pett'g Point (Ct.)
J. S. Lawrence / Clock and Watch Repairer / Fair-Haven / Con.
John McNiesh / Watch Maker / New York. 94 Water Street
Frederick Oakes/Watch Maker / and/Jeweller/head of Ferry Street/Hartford.
N. Olmstead / Watch and Clock / Maker / Farmington.
C. O'Neil / Church Street / New Haven.
N. Pratt Jr. / Clock and Watch Maker. Jewelry &c. / East Haddam Con.
Franklin Richmond / Watch Maker / No. 43 / Market Street / Providence.
S. Rowell / Clock & Watch / Maker / Granville.
C. V. Sands / Clock & Watch Maker / Goldsmith & Jeweller.
Ralph P. Sargeant. Clock & Watch Maker / Main Street / Hartford.
Thos. Sargeant / Clock & Watch / Maker / Springfield.
Rbt. Sutton / Clock & Watch / Maker / No. 30 State St. / N. Haven.
Alvan Wilcox /Watch Maker / 63 Chapel Street / New Haven.
L. Young / Watch Makers / & Jewellers / Bridgeport Con.





