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Alden Badger Papers¹

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Hardwick Historical Society
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Hardwick, Vt. 05843

Collection Title: Alden Badger Papers

Collection Dates: 1909-1947

Collection Size: half-box; .5 cubic feet

Name of Creator: Alden Badger

Abstract: A time book recording the time Alden Badger spent on various jobs, and a diary documenting his starting a farm 1909.

Preferred citation: Alden Badger Papers, Hardwick Historical Society, Hardwick, Vt.

Biography: Alden Enoch Badger was born in Hardwick in November, 1883, to G. Ambrose Badger and Emma Stevens Badger. He attended District 12 school in Mackville and then Hardwick Academy. He lived at home and helped his father with his ice business until he developed an interest in the granite quarrying business. He worked for himself and for the Woodbury Granite Company in various capacities. Eventually he became an expert stone mason, building granite walls and foundations. In 1905, he married Blanche F. Brown with whom he had five children. He had an intense interest in the Fairview Cemetery and worked to make it a model cemetery. He farmed and also worked as a janitor in the Mackville schools. He died in July, 1944. His obituary appears in the August 3, 1944, edition of the *Hardwick Gazette*.

Scope and Content: His diary documents the first March – September, 1909, of farm ownership, listing activities of the days, with daily accounts in the back. His time book lists Badger's time spent on various jobs. Some entries list various men's names, others seem to be Badger's time alone. Work through the 1940s seems largely related to cemeteries in the Hardwick area.

System of arrangement: Chronologically.

Removed from the Collection: A number of pictures of School children, c. 1915; Kiwanis Club members, c. 1947; Modern Woodmen of America parade float, c. 1920; Woodbury Granite crew, pre-WWI; Fletcher Granite crew, pre-WWI; Many snapshots from about 1910-1973 –

¹ For more technical details about this collection, see the last page of this document.

most identified and moved to the photograph collection.

Hardwick Academy Commencement Exercise booklet, 1933 and 1944, moved the Schools Collection.

The Hardwickian, June 1933 and June 1944 moved to the school yearbooks collection.

CONTROLLED HEADINGS²

People and families: Badger, Alden (Alden Enoch), 1883-1944*;

Geographical names: Hardwick (Vt.)

Corporate names: None

Occupations: Farmers

Genre: Diaries; Time books

Topics: Agriculture; Manual work

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Alden Badger diary, 1909

Documents the first March through September of farm ownership. Lists activities of the days, with daily accounts in the back.

Alden Badger time book, 1919-1944

Listing of time spent on various jobs. Some list various men's names, others seem to be Badger's time alone. Work through the 1940s seems largely related to cemeteries in the Hardwick area.

2 * indicates this terms does not appear in Library of Congress or Getty controlled vocabularies.

Conditions governing access: Open and available to the public.

Details of physical access: A volunteer will retrieve the parts you want to see

Details of technical access: No issues

Conditions governing reproduction access and use: Subject of copyright laws.

Languages/scripts in the collection: English

Other finding aids: None

Custodial history: The papers passed down through the family

Immediate source of acquisition: Jeannette Badger, Alden's daughter

Processing Information: Processed by Elizabeth H. Dow following the rules of DACS 20007, finishing in January, 2021.

Appraisal/destruction/scheduling information: Nothing scheduled

Accruals: Nothing scheduled

Existence/location of originals: Hardwick Historical Society

Existence/location of copies: None

Related archival materials: None

Publication notes: None

Miscellaneous notes: None