

## Collection Update for May 2020

**2,328** new items were added in May

### Hosted

- Boston Public Library - Tichnor Brothers Postcard Collection (1,162 items)\*

\* items ingested into existing collection

### Harvested

- National Archives at Boston - Tallulah Morgan v. James W. Hennigan Case File (1,166 items)

**190,644** Item views   **822,830** Total item-level records   **342,195** Total hosted items

## Collection Update for April 2020

**3,487** new items were added in April

### Hosted

- Boston Children's Museum - Boston Children's Museum Scrapbooks from the American History Collection (1 item)\*
- Boston Public Library - Norman B. Leventhal Map Center Collection (21 items)\*
- Boston Public Library - Wendy Artin (1963-). Drawings and Paintings (64 items)
- Coast Guard Heritage Museum - Coast Guard Heritage Museum General Collection (8 items)\*
- Coast Guard Heritage Museum - The Di Rosario Collection (112 items)
- Historical Society of Old Yarmouth - Historical Society of Old Yarmouth Archives and Local History Collection (3,257 items)\*
- Jamaica Plain Historical Society - Doyle's Cafe Memorabilia (24 items)\*

\* items ingested into existing collection

### Harvested

- No harvests in April

**200,354** Item views   **820,503** Total item-level records   **341,033** Total hosted items

## Call for Conference Committee Members...

The Digital Commonwealth Conference Committee needs your help! Our committee has been reduced to six members. The Conference Committee plans and executes the annual conference (including the very successful 2020 virtual event). Planning has already begun for the 2021 event....can you spare an hour each month to participate in the committee Zoom meeting, plus 4-6 hours to work on identifying and contacting speakers, and another 10-12 hours during the two weeks before the conference? We have a Conference Manager who manages all the administrative functions for the event. Please think about joining us....contact committee co-chairs [Justin Snow](#) or [Sarah Moazeni](#) if you're interested in helping out or have more questions on what the committee does. Thank you!!

## Need a Fresh Look for your Zoom Virtual Background?

We're all on so many Zoom meeting these days that I'm sure many of you are getting tired of seeing everyone in front of the Golden Gate Bridge, beautiful as it is. Here are 5 picks from the Digital Commonwealth repository that you can download, and maybe spark some discussion from fellow "Zoomees" on where you found them. A great way to begin a conversation about Digital Commonwealth.....

### 1. A more serious note - Library at the Boston Latin School



### 2. A serene vista - Hoosac Tunnel, Mohawk Trail, Mass.



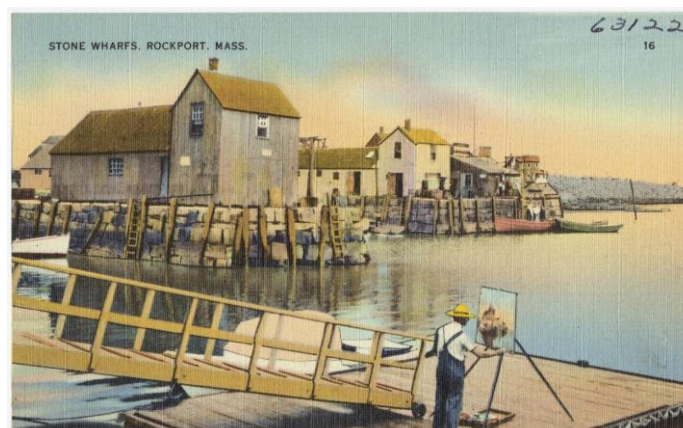
### 3. Red Throated Loon Painting



### 4. One for the times....Flowers of Hope, Martin Johnson Heade



### 5. One of my favorite places in MA....Stone Wharfs, Rockport



Don't like our picks? You can also try these:

- [American Philosophical Society](#)
- [Airbnb](#)
- [The New York Public Library](#)

## News from the Digital Public Library of America

The next DPLA Community and Open Board meeting will be held on Friday, June 26th at 1pm ET. A conversation between ALA Executive Director Tracie D. Hall and MacArthur Foundation President John Palfrey about the future of reading and the role of the library in ensuring equity and access to knowledge and information for all will be hosted. The DPLA Board will also provide an update on their work, including a summary of the 90 day plan that was initiated in April and a preview of their summer activities. DPLA board member and Cleveland Public Library CEO Felton Thomas will provide concluding remarks.

[Register to Attend DPLA Community and Open Board Meeting](#)

The DPLA Board of Directors also issued a statement last week in response to the police killing of George Floyd. DPLA Executive Director, John Bracken, will be sharing the actions DPLA is taking to live up to that commitment.

[DPLA Statement on George Floyd](#)

Don't forget the excellent Primary Source Sets available on DPLA's website too!

[DPLA Primary Source Sets](#)

## Featured New Collection

### Doyle's Cafe Memorabilia, Jamaica Plain Historical Society

Doyle's Cafe was a popular community gathering space on Washington Street in Jamaica Plain. Doyle's opened its doors in 1882 and was also known as a favorite gathering place for both local and national politicians. Doyle's closed on October 26th, 2019. The Doyle's Cafe Memorabilia collection features the photographs, news clippings, ephemeral materials, and other decorations that hung on Doyle's walls. While the physical items were sold at auction, their memory is preserved through the digital images held by the Jamaica Plain Historical Society.



*Elizabeth Warren behind the bar at Doyle's, Jon Trudas Photography, October 23, 2012*

[View the Complete Collection](#)

## Save the Dates for 2020!

We continue to monitor the COVID-19 situation and the Membership and Outreach Committees are working to adjust our programming accordingly. Our first priority is everyone's safety and health.

### Members VIP Tour of BPL Digitization Lab

Wednesday, September 23, 10am – 12pm, Boston Public Library.

Tuesday, December 8, 10am – 12pm, Boston Public Library.

### Members Only Behind the Scenes Tour of the Peabody Essex Museum Library

July 13, 2020, 10am-12pm, Peabody Essex Museum.

### "Getting Started with Digital Commonwealth"

October 16, 2020, 10am-12pm, Canton Public Library.

### "What to Digitize"

November 2020, date TBA, Beverly Public Library.

## Member News

### Welcome New Friend of Digital Commonwealth!

Robert Stewart, New Jersey

### Welcome Back Returning Members!

Boston Architectural College

Bridgewater State University

College of the Holy Cross

Groton Historical Society

Harvard University Botany Libraries

Historic Newton

Northeast Document Conservation Center

Phillips Academy Andover, Archives

Sherborn Library

Topsfield Historical Society

Webster-Dudley Historical Society

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Worcester Polytechnic Institute

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