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INTRODUCTION

The papers contain correspondence and other papers of a U.S. Representative and U.S. Senator from New Hampshire. Arranged chronologically.

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Henry William Blair, Representative and Senator from New Hampshire, was born in Campton, Grafton County, New Hampshire on December 6, 1834. He attended Tilton Academy, studied law and was admitted to the bar in 1859. Blair began practice in Plymouth, New Hampshire, and was appointed prosecuting attorney for Grafton County in 1860.

Blair served in the Union Army during the Civil War as lieutenant colonel of the 15th Regiment, New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry. In 1866, Blair was elected to the State House of Representatives. He was elected to the State Senate and served from 1867 to 1868. He was elected as a Republican to the 44th and 45th Congress and in 1879 he became a United States Senator. His term ended in 1891. He was elected again to that body and served from 1893 to 1895. Blair practiced law in Washington, D. C. until his death on March 14, 1920.

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