

## Footnotes

This is meant to be a general guideline for footnoting a formal history paper. If you are citing a source then you need to make sure all the pertinent information is in the citation. The footnotes are for others to be able to find your source material.

### Book with one Author

Author name (first name first), Title (underlined), City/Publisher/year, page.

Hans L. Trefousse, Ben Butler: The South Called Him Beast! (New York: Twayne Publishers, 1957), 224.

If you site the same source multiple times, after the first time (where you put the complete citation), you can just put the: Author, Title, page.

Treffouse, Ben Butler, 133.

### Book with multiple authors

Author name (article), Title article (in quotes), Title of book (underlined), Editor(s) name, City/publisher/year, page.

Dale Baum, "The Massachusetts Voter: Party Loyalty in the Gilded Age, 1872-1896," in Massachusetts in the gilded Age: Selected Essays, eds. Jack Tager and John W. Ifkovic (Amherst: University of Massachusetts Press, 1985), 39.

### Journal Article

Author name (first name first), Title of Article (in quotes), Journal name (underlined), issue date, page number.

Richard Harmond, "The 'Beast' in Boston: Benjamin F. Butler as Governor of Massachusetts," Journal of American History 55 (September 1968): 268.

William D. Mallam, "Butlerism in Massachusetts," New England Quarterly 33, no. 2 (June 1960): 186.

### Unpublished Manuscript or letters

The key to odd sources is to try and site all pertinent information.

Edward Stanwood, Autobiography of Edward Stanton (unfinished), Edward Stanton Manuscript, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, 56.

Letter from Fort Fairfield to John D. Long, September 4, 1882, John D. Long Papers, Letterbook Volume 13, Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston.

Newspaper

Title (underlined), Date, page.

The Boston Daily Advertiser, August 19, 1882, 8.

Other primary sources

State election records

State election records, Massachusetts Archives, November 4, 1879.

Census

The Massachusetts Bureau of Statistics of Labor, The Census of Massachusetts 1880. (Boston: Wright & Potter Printing., State Printers 1883) p 76-78

You may also use a footnote to give specific information that might hurt the flow of your paper. For instance, in my thesis I wrote:

Were “Butlerism” and the Butler political machine responsible for his election?<sup>4</sup>

The footnote:

<sup>4</sup> “Butlerism” was a perjorative term used to describe machine oriented politics where the politics served the politicians. The goal was advancement for the leaders and economic returns for its’ membership.

I felt that it was important to include this information, but that it would interrupt the flow of my paper.