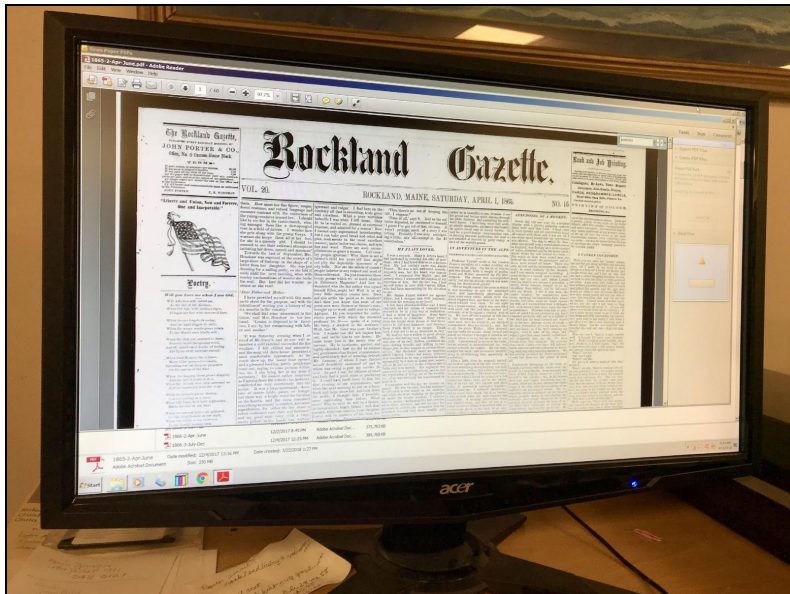


Newspaper Digitization Progress

We are happy to announce that a word-searchable, digital version of the *Courier Gazette* newspaper, from 1846 to December 1920, is available on a computer at the Rockland Historical Society. You may search for a name or a subject in those years of the paper

when the society is open on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.



The Rockland Public Library is working to install the digital version of the newspaper on its web site, which is being redesigned. When the library's new web site is ready, you will be able to search the old *Courier Gazettes* from your computer at home, on the library's web site. The historical society is creating its own web site, and eventually the old newspapers will be searchable on there.

The money to fund this project was provided by local publishers, museums, research institutions, and history lovers, who were excited about the ways they can use this valuable resource. Generous

donations came from Courier Publications Inc.; Maine Boats, Homes and Harbors; Down East Enterprises Inc.; Owls Head Transportation Museum; Sail Power and Steam Museum; Farnsworth Art Museum; Friends of the Rockland Public Library; Rockland Public Library Endowment Association; Rockland Historical Society; and many individuals.

This year we will pursue grants to fund a second phase of the project to purchase a word-searchable, digital version of the *Courier Gazette* from 1921 to 1970.

To help us share this important historic resource, please make a tax-deductible donation to:

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