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Guide to the

**Henry Rider Haggard collection of papers**

1879-1920 [bulk 1885-1915]

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## Summary

**Creator:** Haggard, H. Rider (Henry Rider), 1856-1925

**Title:** Henry Rider Haggard collection of papers

**Date:** 1879-1920 [bulk 1885-1915]

**Size:** 204 items

**Source:** This is a synthetic collection, created from materials acquired through gift and purchase from various sources.

**Abstract:** This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts, a typescript, correspondence, financial and legal documents, and a portrait photograph.

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## Creator History

Henry Rider Haggard was an English novelist of adventure, fantasy, and historical fiction.

## Custodial History

Previous owners include W. T. H. Howe and the literary agency A. P. Watt and Son.

## Scope and Content Note

This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts, a typescript, correspondence, financial and legal documents, and a portrait photograph. The manuscripts consist of a story by the author and an article by Andrew Lang about him. The typescript is the preface to his "Nada the Lily." The correspondence consists of letters by the author, dating from 1885 to 1920, to Peter Fenelon Collier, William Hooker Gillette, Harold Massingham, Richard C. White, William Arthur Wills, the publishing firm of Cassell & Co., the literary agency A. P. Watt and Son, and others, as well as letters relating to the author, dating from 1884 to 1914, between various correspondents, including Spencer C. Blackett, William Hooker Gillette, Charles James Longman, A. P. Watt and Son, and others. There are letters written to the author from James F. Burrill, Cassell & Co., Ltd., Harper & Bros., John Cordy Jeaffreson, the Redpath Lyceum Bureau, Robert Pearsall Smith, A. P. Watt & Son, William Arthur Wills, and others dating from 1879-1895.

## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Correspondence

### **Names**

Haggard, H. Rider (Henry Rider), 1856-1925  
Blackett, Spencer C  
Burrill, James F  
Collier, Peter Fenelon, -1909  
Gillette, William, 1853-1937  
Howe, W. T. H. (William Thomas Hildrup)  
Jeaffreson, John Cordy, 1831-1901  
Lang, Andrew, 1844-1912  
Longman, C. J. (Charles James), 1852-1934  
Massingham, H. J. (Harold John), 1888-1952  
Smith, Robert Pearsall, 1827-1898  
Wills, W. A.  
A. P. Watt and Son  
A. P. Watt and Son  
Cassell & Company  
Harper & Brothers  
Redpath Lyceum Bureau

## Container List

### Correspondence

#### Outgoing correspondence

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| Manuscript box  | Cassell & Co. ALS (copy), LS to 1885 July 31, 1887 Sept. 21 (2 items) (2 items)<br>From the files of A. P. Watt and son  |
| Manuscript box  | [Cassell & co.?]. 2 ALS to Dec. 9; Dec. 23 (2 items) (2 items)   |
| Manuscript box  | Collier, Peter Fenelon. 2 TL (carbons) to 1894 Feb. 23, 1894 Mar. 18 (2 items) (2 items)<br>With ALS, 3 TLS from Collier to Haggard, Feb. 9-April 5, 1894; Letter of April 5 encloses agreement to publish The people of the mist in Once a week. From the files of A. P. Watt & son |
| Manuscript box  | Gillette, William Hooker. 2 AL (drafts) to 1887 Sept. 24, [1887 Oct (2 items) (2 items)<br>From the files of A. P. Watt & son  |
| In: Album of autographs, mostly 19th century          | Hill, [--?]. ALS to 1892 Dec. 1 (1 item) (1 item)  |
| Manuscript box  | Lee, Henry. Telegram to 1887 Oct. 20 (1 item) (1 item)<br>With related NS from General post office to N. P. Watt, Oct. 21, 1887. 1 l.; From the files of A. P. Watt & son  |
| Manuscript box  | Massingham, Harold. ALS to 1915 May 9 (1 item) (1 item)<br>Removed from his: The Mahatma and the hare. London: Longmans, Green, 1911. 1st ed.  |
| Manuscript box  | Maxwell, Messrs. J. & R. 3 ALS (copies), 1 AL (draft) to. Letter of [Oct. 1886] drafted from A. P. Watt & son 1885 May 20 - [1886 Oct (4 items) (4 items)<br>From the files of A. P. Watt & son  |
| Inserted in: Haggard, H. R. She. London, 1887. Copy 1 | Osgood, Mr. ALS to 1888 June 11 (3 p) (3 p)  |
| Manuscript box  | Pall Mall gazette [W. T. Stead]. Letter (copy) to the editor 1887 Apr. 5 (2 p) (2 p)<br>From the files of A. P. Watt & son   |
| Manuscript box  | T. Fisher Unwin. LS to 1895 Nov. 14 (1 item) (1 item)  |
| Manuscript box  | Watt & son, A. P. 25 ALS, 5 TLS, 3 LS, 8 miscellaneous pieces to 1885 Nov. 15 - 1920 Nov. 13 (41 items in 8 folders) (41 items in 8 folders)<br>With ms. extract from Watt's letter to Haggard, May 13, 1887, and three ANS from Haggard's secretary, Ida Hector, to Watt            |
| Manuscript box  | White, Richard C. 3 AL (drafts), telegram (holograph copy) to. Drafted for A. P. Watt & son. First letter addressed jointly to White and James O. Barrows 1887 July ?] - 1887 Sept. 23 (4 items) (4 items)<br>From the files of A. P. Watt & son                                     |
| Manuscript box  | Wills, William Arthur. 3 ALS, 4 letters (copies), 1 telegram (holograph copy) to [1894] Apr. 15 - 1895 Jan. 18 (8 items in 2 folders) (8 items in 2 folders)<br>From the files of A. P. Watt & son   |
| Manuscript box  | [--?]. ALS to 1915 May 5 (1 item) (1 item)<br>H.   |

#### Incoming correspondence

Correspondence (cont.)

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- Manuscript box (Haggard) Burrill, James F. ALS to Haggard. Relates to the dramatization of *She* by J. O. Barrow and R. C. White 1887 Sept. 5 (3 leaves) (3 leaves)  
From the files of A. P. Watt & son
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Cassell & Co., Ltd., London. 8 LS to Haggard 1887 May 21 - 1887 Dec. 2 (8 items in 2 folders) (8 items in 2 folders)  
Accompanied by royalty statement dated June 30, 1887. From the files of A. P. Watt & son
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Harper & Bros. New York. 2 LS to Haggard 1887 Apr. 26, 1887 May 26 (3 leaves; 1 leaf) (3 leaves; 1 leaf)  
With ms. annotation by Haggard. With "Memorandum of sales" of *Jess*, April 13, 1887; 10 LS from Harper to A. P. Watt & Son, May 24, 1887 - May 3, 1894. From the files of A. P. Watt & son
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Jeaffreson, John Cordy. ALS to Haggard 1885 Nov. 1 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)  
From the files of A. P. Watt & son
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Letters, ALS, TLS, etc. from various publishers, etc. to Haggard 1885 - 1895 (12 items in 1 folder) (12 items in 1 folder)  
From the files of A. P. Watt & son
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Redpath Lyceum Bureau. Letter to Haggard 1887 Dec. 1 (5 p) (5 p)  
Signed G. H. Hathaway. Accompanied by two letters, signed G. H. Hathaway, to A. P. Watt & son, Jan. 9 and Feb. 13, 1888. 2 leaves each
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Smith, Robert Pearsall. ALS to Haggard 1887 Nov. 17 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)  
Encloses letter to Smith from Redpath Lyceum Bureau, Nov. 17, 1887. 2 leaves.  
Accompanied by 3 letters, signed G. H. Hathaway to Smith, Nov. 26, Nov. 28, and Dec. 1, 1887. 1 p. each. From the files of A. P. Watt & son
- Cased Watt, A. P., & son. Letter books. Letters (copies) to various authors and publishers, etc. Vols. Numbered on spines through XXV. Lacking volumes I, V-VI, XII, XIV, XX-XXIV. Vol. [16] contains letters to or relating to Haggard. Each vol. Indexed separately 1879 Oct. - 1891 June (16 v) (16 v)  
Partial description and list of correspondents laid into volume [1]
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Wills, William Arthur. 4 ALS, 2 TLS, 3 LS, and 2 telegrams to Haggard 1894 Apr. 13 - 1895 Jan. 23 (11 items in 3 folders) (11 items in 3 folders)  
From the files of A. P. Watt & son

Related correspondence

- Manuscript box (Haggard) Blackett, Spencer C. 5 ALS, 2 LS, note to A. P. Watt & son. Relate to Sir H. R. Haggard 1887 Sept. 5 - 1890 July 28 (8 items) (8 items)  
With seven printers' certificates and Catalogue of books published by Spencer Blackett & Hallam. London, Sept. 1889
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Cassell & co., Ltd., London. 12 LS to A. P. Watt & son. Relate to Sir Henry Rider Haggard 1887 May 24 - 1891 Feb. 5 (12 items in 2 folders) (12 items in 2 folders)  
Includes three letters written and signed by Sir Thomas W. Reid; Letter of Aug. 2, 1887, encloses royalty statement, June 30, 1887
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Collier, Peter Fenelon. TLS to A. P. Watt & son 1894 Mar. 13 (3 p) (3 p)  
With copies of four pieces of related correspondence between C. J. Longman and C. J. Mills, April 5-May 15, 1894. Relate to Sir H. R. Haggard
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Gillette, William Hooker. 5 ALS, 3 telegrams to A. P. Watt & son. Letter of Sept. 5, 1887 annotated by Sir H. R. Haggard 1887 Sept. 5 - 1887 Nov. 17 (8 items) (8 items)  
Enclosed in Nov. 17, 1887: Agreement (draft) between Sir H. R. Haggard and William H. Gillette for dramatization of *She*. 1 p. With copy, 1 p.; From the files of A. P. Watt & son
- Manuscript box (Haggard) Hunter, Rose & co., Toronto. 4 LS, 2 telegrams to A. P. Watt & son. Relate to Canadian publication of Sir H. R. Haggard's *Allan Quatermain* 1887 Apr. 16 - 1887 June 8 (6 items) (6 items)  
With telegram to Longman and co., London, March 14, 1887

Correspondence (cont.)

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| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard) | Letters, ALS, TLS, etc., from miscellaneous correspondents, not listed separately, to A. P. Watt & son as literary agent for Sir Henry Rider Haggard 1887 - 1914 (12 items) (12 items)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard) | Longman, Charles James. 2 ALS, 1 ANS, 1 TLS to A. P. Watt & son. Relate to Sir Henry Rider Haggard 1887 May 5 - 1894 Mar. 16 (4 items) (4 items)<br>With TL (carbon) reply, Nov. 24, 1898   |
| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard) | Maxwell, J. & R., firm, publishers, London. 2 LS, 2 NS to A. P. Watt & son. Relate to Sir H. R. Haggard 1886 Feb. 23 - 1887 May 24 (4 items) (4 items)<br>With Watt's reply (copy), Oct. 12, 1886. 1 p.   |
| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard) | Morten, Cutler & co., London. 5 LS to A. P. Watt & son. Relate to Sir H. R. Haggard and W. A. Wills 1894 Apr. 26 - 1894 May 31 (5 items) (5 items)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard) | Pond (J. B.) lyceum bureau. Telegram to Robert Pearsall Smith 1887 Nov. 27 (1 item) (1 item)<br>With ANS by Smith at bottom. Accompanied by TLS from Pond, Nov. 25, 1887. 1 p.; TLS from Pond to Watt, Jan. 5 [1888] 3 p. Relate to Sir Henry Rider Haggard. From the files of A. P. Watt & son |
| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard) | Tillotson & son Ltd. 4 TLS, 1 LS, postcard and telegram to A. P. Watt & son. Relate to Sir Henry Rider Haggard and Wilkie Collins 1884 Nov. 27 - 1887 May 24 (7 items) (7 items)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard) | White, Richard C. ALS to A. P. Watt & son. Relates to his dramatization of Sir H. R. Haggard's <i>She</i> in collaboration with J. O. Barrows 1887 Sept. 2 (1 item) (1 item)  |

Financial and Legal Documents

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| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard)    | Receipts, etc., (43) made out to Sir Henry Rider Haggard. Includes two books of check stubs from A. P. Watt & son 1887 July 29 - 1904 Oct. 7 (43 items) (43 items)<br>From the files of A. P. Watt and son   |
| Manuscript box. In<br>folder 2 | Agreement (draft) between Sir Henry Rider Haggard and William Hooker Gillette for dramatization of <i>She</i> n.d. (1 p) (1 p)<br>With copy, 1 p. Enclosed in: Gillette, William Hooker. 5 ALS, 3 telegrams to A. P. Watt & son. Letter of Nov. 17, 1887. From the files of A. P. Watt and son |
| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard)    | Agreements (11) between Sir Henry Rider Haggard and various publishers 1885-1894 (11 items in 2 folders) (11 items in 2 folders)<br>From the files of A. P. Watt and son   |
| Manuscript box<br>(Haggard)    | Bentley, George. Al[an's] wife [by Sir Henry Rider Haggard]. Manuscript arbitration decision between Spencer Blackett and a Mr. Bryce 1890 Mar. 10 (1 item) (1 item)<br>Signed. From the files of A. P. Watt and son   |

Manuscripts and Typescripts

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| Manuscript box | [Authorization for registration of <i>She</i> in Paris, Berlin and Leipsig] 3 ms. forms n.d. (3 items) (3 items)<br>Signed. From the files of A. P. Watt & son   |
| Manuscript box | Lang, Andrew. Literary intelligence. Holograph article. Mentions William Archer, H. Rider Haggard and others n.d. (2 p) (2 p)  |
| Manuscript box | [ <i>Nada the lily</i> ] Preface. Typescript n.d. (4 p) (4 p)<br>With holograph note, signed, undated, on illustrations for <i>Nada</i> , 2 p. With typed copy, 2 p.; From the files of A. P. Watt & son |
| Manuscript box | Saved by lightning. Holograph story n.d. (8 p) (8 p)<br>Signed   |

Portraits

Portraits (cont.)

Manuscript box  
(Haggard)

Hoppe, Emil Otto. Portrait photograph of Sir Henry Rider Haggard. 19 x 13  
cm. 1909 (1 item) (1 item)  
Signed on mount by photographer and subject. H.