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Guide to the

**Ralph Milbanke, Earl of Lovelace manuscript material**

1854-1886

Pforz MS

## Summary

**Creator:** Lovelace, Ralph Milbanke, Earl of, 1839-1906

**Title:** Ralph Milbanke, Earl of Lovelace manuscript material

**Date:** 1854-1886

**Size:** 3 items

**Abstract:** Autograph marriage certificate, signed "Wentworth" : 30 Dec 1880 : (B'ANA 0657) : printed document (printed and sold by Thomas Scott, 1, Warwick Court, Holborn) filled out in ink; certifying his marriage to Mary Caroline Stuart Wortley, performed by Stephen W. Lawley at the Parish Church in the Parish of St. Anne, Westminster, Middlesex. With a list of those present (including Jane C. Lovelace; [Lord] Wharnccliffe; George Hamilton; L[ionel] King Noel; W. H. Pollen; Robert Browning; Edward J. Poynter; J[ohn] H[ungerford] Pollen; A. J. Ross, D.D.; Archibald Stuart Wortley); and the signature the parish rector, Nugent Wade. Confer Pforz MS (MISC 0772), a Robert Browning letter, for a reference to the wedding.

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## Creator History

Ralph Milbanke, second Earl of Lovelace. The third and youngest child of William King, first Earl of Lovelace, and Ada Byron King, the computer pioneer, he was baptized Ralph Gordon Noel King. In 1861, he adopted the surname Milbanke, as directed by the will of his grandmother, Lady Byron. After the death of his older brother in 1862, he inherited the Wentworth barony; he was known as Lord Wentworth until his father's death in 1893, when he became the second Earl of Lovelace. In 1905 he published his book *Astarte*, which paints a very negative portrait of his grandfather, Lord Byron, the poet.

## Scope and Content Note

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## **Key Terms**

### **Titles**

Lovelace, Ralph Milbanke, Earl of : manuscript material

### **Subjects**

Nobility -- Great Britain -- 19th century -- Correspondence

### **Names**

Lovelace, Ralph Milbanke, Earl of, 1839-1906

Byron, George Gordon Byron, Baron, 1788-1824

Locker-Lampson, Frederick, 1821-1895

Scharf, George, 1820-1895

Scott, Thomas, active 1853-1886

Wade, Nugent