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Carl H. Pforzheimer Collection of Shelley and His Circle

Guide to the

**Commonplace book of verses, epigrams, and riddles**

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## Summary

**Title:** Commonplace book of verses, epigrams, and riddles

**Size:** 1 volume (30 total leaves, some blank) + 1 insert

**Abstract:** Sewn notebook containing 26 manuscript pages in an unidentified early 19th century hand; most pieces apparently copied from contemporary British printed sources. The last seven leaves contain 32 mounted clippings from newspapers (one, at least, from *The Morning Post*); another small clipping is laid in. The earliest dated clipping is apparently from 1796; the latest year mentioned in a clipping is 1813.

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## Key Terms

### Genre/Physical Characteristic

Commonplace books  
Epigrams  
Poetry  
Riddles