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Guide to the

Bayard Taylor papers

1855-1878

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Summary

Creator: Taylor, Bayard, 1825-1878

Title: Bayard Taylor papers

Date: 1855-1878

Size: .21 linear feet (1 box)

Source: Gift of John Pierpont Morgan, 1899, with additional gifts and purchases.

Abstract: Bayard Taylor (1825-1878) was an American poet, literary critic, translator, and travel writer. His papers consist chiefly of letters and travel essays written to the New York Tribune between October 1856 and December 1857 while on his extensive trip to Northern Europe. These letters were republished in 1857 under the title *Northern Travel: Summer and Winter Pictures*. Also present is correspondence regarding speaking engagements, social matters, a trip to Africa, and the writing and publishing of his work; canceled checks; a detailed "specification for repairing main home at the county seat Cedarcroft of Bayard Taylor, Esq. at Kinnet Square, PA;" an annotated copy of "The Obsequies in Rome;" and a manuscript copy with watercolor illustration of a portion of "Duke Ernst of Saxe-Coburg."

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Related Materials:

Forms part of Ford collection

Scope and Content Note

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Key Terms

Geographic Names

Africa -- Description and travel -- 19th century
Europe -- Description and travel -- 19th century
Scandinavia -- Description and travel

Occupations

Authors, American -- 19th century

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Checks (bank checks)
Poems
Watercolors (paintings)

Subjects

Real property -- Pennsylvania -- Chester County

Names

Ford, Gordon Lester, 1823-1891 -- recipient
Taylor, Bayard, 1825-1878 -- Correspondence
New York Herald Tribune (Firm)