Summary

Creator: Sharp, William, 1855-1905

Title: William Sharp collection of papers

Date: 1883?-1909 [bulk 1890-1909]

Size: 115 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, typescripts, and correspondence.

Access: Restricted access.

Conditions Governing Use: For permission to publish, contact the Curator, The Henry W. and Albert A. Berg Collection of English and American Literature.


Processing note: Processed by Staff; Machine-readable finding aid created by Lynn Lobash and Nina Schneider.

Creator History
William Sharp was a Scottish poet, novelist, short story writer, biographer, essayist, and dramatist who also wrote under the pseudonym Fiona Macleod.

Custodial History
The bulk of the collection was previously owned by W. T. H. Howe.
Scope and Content Note
This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts, typescripts, and correspondence. The manuscripts include essays, poems, and miscellaneous manuscript material. The typescripts include drafts of stories, essays, a contents list, and instructions for the printer. The bulk of the collection consists of correspondence by the author, dating from 1894 to 1905, to Harry Buxon Forman, Lady Gregory, John Lane, Thomas B. Mosher, Herbert Stuart Stone, T. Fisher Unwin, W. B. Yeats, and others. Also present are letters relating to the author, dating from 1892 to 1909, between various correspondents, including Lawrence Gilman, C. A. Janvier, Thomas B. Mosher, Arthur C. Stedman, Walt Whitman, Duffield & Company, and others. There are letters to Sharp from H. Buxton Forman and Thomas Bird Mosher, dating from [1883?] to 1901.

Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic
Correspondence

Names
Sharp, William, 1855-1905
Forman, H. Buxton (Harry Buxton), 1842-1917
Gilman, Lawrence, 1878-1939
Gregory, Lady, 1852-1932
Howe, W. T. H. (William Thomas Hildrup)
Janvier, Catharine A. (Catharine Ann), 1841-1922
Lane, John, 1854-1925
Mosher, Thomas Bird, 1852-1923
Stedman Arthur, 1853-
Stone, Herbert Stuart, 1871-1915
Unwin, T. Fisher (Thomas Fisher), 1848-1935
Whitman, Walt, 1819-1892
Yeats, W. B. (William Butler), 1865-1939
Duffield & Company
Container List

Manuscripts and Typescripts

Manuscripts and Typescripts written by Sharp

Manuscript box
[By sundown shores; "new matter" etc. for the 1902 Mosher edition: Contents list, dedicatory introduction, instructions for the printer, The lynn of dreams, Sheumas, a memory]. With ms. corrections in the hand of Sharp's sister Mary (?) 1902 (17 p) (17 p)
Introduction signed "F.M."; With: Sharp's The Silence of Amor ["copy" for the 1902 Mosher edition]. B.

Manuscript box
[Deirdre and the sons of Usna]. To Esther Mona. Ms. of the dedicatory foreword, in his sister's Mary (?) hand n.d. (7 p) (7 p)

Manuscript box
Enchanted valleys, The. Typescript draft. n.d. (12 p) (12 p) B.

Manuscript box
Enchanted valleys, The. Later typescript n.d. (16 p) (16 p) B.

Manuscript box

Manuscript box
Immortal hour, The. Typescript n.d. (61 p) (61 p) B.

Manuscript box
Invocation. Typescript of the poem n.d. (1 p) (1 p)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box
King of Ys and Dahut the Red, The. Typescript and carbon; the carbon seems to have been used as printer's copy since it has names of typesetters. Both have ms. corrections and addition probably in W. Sharp's sister Mary's hand n.d. (13 p. each) (13 p. each) B.

Manuscript box
Silence of Amor, The. ["Copy" for the 1902 Mosher edition: sheets of the prose-poems from From the hills of dream, 1896, and typewritten additions, all with ms. corrections and additions in the hand of Sharp's sister Mary (?) 1902 ([27] p) ([27] p)
With typewritten page of directions; accompanied by letter in the same hand, signed "Fiona Macleod" to [Thomas B.] Mosher, July 31, 1902. 1 l.; B.

Manuscript box
Song in my heart. Typescript of the poem n.d. (1 p) (1 p) B.

Manuscript box

Manuscripts and Typescripts relating to Sharp
Manuscripts and Typescripts (cont.)
Manuscripts and Typescripts relating to Sharp (cont.)

Manuscript box
O’Grady, Standish. The Celtic theatre. Typescript (copy) of proposal. n.d. (1 p) (1 p)
Signatures in Lady Gregory’s hand: Standish O’Grady, W. B. Yeats, Edward Martyn, George Moore, Fiona Macleod

Correspondence
Outgoing Correspondence

Manuscript box
Chesson, [Nora Hopper]. TL to Mar. 11 (2 p) (2 p)
Signed “Fiona Macleod”

Manuscript box
Forman, H[arry] Buxton. ALS to 1883? Jan. (3 p) (3 p)
H.

Manuscript box
Forman, H. Buxton. ALS to 1883? Jan. (3 p) (3 p)
Enclosing a printed slip from the catalogue of the Rossetti exhibition held in 1883 at the Burlington Fine Arts Club. H.

Manuscript box
Gregory, Lady [Isabella Augusta Persse]. ALS to 1897 Nov. 27 (1 p) (1 p)

Manuscript box
Hill, Mrs. ALS to n.d. (1 leaf) (1 leaf)
B.

Manuscript box
[Kimball], [Hannibal Ingalls]. ALS to 1896 June 10 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)
B.

Manuscript box
[Lane], [John]. ALS to. Relates to Meredith bibliography 1890 Feb. 22 (5 p) (5 p)
H.

Manuscript box
Lane, John. Postal card to. Relates to Meredith bibliography 1890 July 20 (1 card) (1 card)
H.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letters to 1901 May 31 (2 p) (2 p)
Typed signature “Fiona Macleod”; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, Thomas B. Postal card to. In his sister Mary’s (?) hand 1901 June 19 (1 card) (1 card)
Signed “F. M.”; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, Thomas B. Postal card to. In his sister Mary’s hand 1901 July 5 (1 card) (1 card)
Signed “F. M.”; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary’s (?) hand 1901 Aug. 5 (2 p) (2 p)
Signed “Fiona Macleod”; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1901 July 8 (4 p) (4 p)
Signed “Fiona Macleod”; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1901 July 9 (2 p) (2 p)
Signed “Fiona Macleod”; B.
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Manuscript box  Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. Part typescript, part ms. in his sister Mary's (?) hand 1901] Sept. 2 (3 p) (3 p) Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

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Manuscript box  Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1901 Sept. 13 (3 p) (3 p) Signed "Fiona Macleod"; With comment in Mosher's (?) hand on verso. B.

Manuscript box  Mosher, Thomas B. Postal card to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1901 Sept. 16 (1 card) (1 card) Signed "F. M."; B.

Manuscript box  Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Incomplete (?) letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1901 Oct. 1 (2 leaves) (2 leaves) B.

Manuscript box  Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1901 Oct. 23 (3 p) (3 p) Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box  Mosher, Thomas B. Postal card to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1901 Nov. 26 (1 card) (1 card) Signed "F. M."; B.

Manuscript box  Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1901 Dec. 12 (2 leaves) (2 leaves) Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box  [Mosher], [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1901 Dec. 15? (1 leaf) (1 leaf) Signed "F. M."; B.

Manuscript box  Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1901 Dec. 16 (2 leaves) (2 leaves) Signed "Fiona Macleod"; With Christmas card enclosed. B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1902 Jan. 6 (3 p)
(Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box [Mosher], [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1902 June 19 (3 p) (3 p)
(Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1902 July (2 p) (2 p)
(Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1902 July 21 (2 p)
(2 p)
(Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1902 July 31 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)
(Signed "Fiona Macleod"; With his: The silence of Amor ["copy" of the 1902 Mosher edition]; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand [1902] Aug. 2 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)
(Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, Thomas B. Postal card to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1902 Aug. 6 (1 card) (1 card)
(Signed "F. M."; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand [1902] Sept. 3 (2 p) (2 p)
B.

(Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to [1902] Nov. 11 (6 p) (6 p)
(Typewritten signature "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1902 Nov. 12 (1 p) (1 p)
(Typewritten signature "F. M."; B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1902 Nov. 12 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)
(Typewritten signature "Fiona Macleod"; Enclosing leaves and flowers in separate envelope. B.

Manuscript box [Mosher], [Thomas B.]. Note on card to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1902 Dec. 19 (1 card) (1 card)
(Signed "F. M."; B.

Manuscript box [Mosher], [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1902? (1 p) (1 p)
(Signed "F. M."; Encloses list of Fiona Macleod's books. B.

Manuscript box Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand [1903] Apr. 24 (7 p) (7 p)
(Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.
Correspondence (cont.)
Outgoing Correspondence (cont.)

Manuscript box
Mosher, Thomas B. Postal card to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1903 May 14
(1 card) (1 card)
Signed "F. M."; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1903 May 26 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1903 June 3 (3 p)
(3 p)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; Encloses his: [Deirdre and the sons of Usna]. To Esther Mona. Ms. of the dedicatory foreword, in his sister Mary's (?) hand, signed F. M., undated. 7 p.; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1903 June 6 (3 p)
(3 p)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1903 June 23 (1 p) (1 p)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

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Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to 1903 Aug. 3 (2 p) (2 p)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; Encloses 2 p. of "Quotations about myself" by a Mr. George Eyre-Todd. B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1903 Sept. 10 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand 1903 Nov. 6 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand [1903] Dec. 6 (3 p) (3 p)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; Enclosing greeting card for 1903 and review of American editions of Deirdre and The house of Usna from Country life, Nov. 28, 1903. B.

Manuscript box
Typewritten signature "Fiona Macleod"; With: added slip with postscript. B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. Letter to. In his sister Mary's (?) hand [1904] Sept. 17 (3 p) (3 p)
Signed "Fiona Macleod"; B.

Manuscript box
Mosher, [Thomas B.]. ALS to. On 2 correspondence cards 1904 Nov. 28 (2 cards) (2 cards)
B.

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<td>Letter to In his sister Mary's (?) hand [1905] Apr. 24 (2 leaves) (2 leaves) Signed &quot;Fiona Macleod&quot;; Laid in: 2 variant proofs of the dedication page, in Gaelic, intended for but not used in The isle of dreams. B.</td>
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<td>Stone, Herbert Stuart</td>
<td>[ALS] to 1894 Apr. 3 (5 leaves) (5 leaves) Enclosed is Sharp's &quot;Rape of the Sabines,&quot; 11 p., excerpted from the Pagan review. B.</td>
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<td>[Stone], Herbert S.</td>
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Manuscript box  Stone, [Herbert Stuart]. ALS to 1895 Apr. 6 (2 leaves) (2 leaves) B.

Manuscript box  Stone, Herbert Stuart. ALS to [1895] May 4 (2 leaves) (2 leaves) B.

Manuscript box  Stone, [Herbert Stuart]. Letter to 1895 Aug. (3 p) (3 p) Signed “Fiona Macleod”; B.

Manuscript box  [Stone], Herbert [Stuart]. ALS to 1895 Aug. 30 (4 leaves) (4 leaves) B.

Manuscript box  [Stone & Kimball]. ALS to 1894 July 3 (1 p) (1 p) B.

Manuscript box  Stone & Kimball, Messrs. ALS to 1895 Dec. 21 (2 leaves) (2 leaves) B.

Manuscript box  Streatfeild, [Richard Alexander]. ALS to 1897? (3 p) (3 p) H.

Manuscript box  Unwin, T. Fisher. 4 postcards and 1 ALS to. Letter is undated 1896 June 19 - 1899 Apr. 18 (5 letters) (5 letters)

Manuscript box  White, [W. H.]. ALS to 1888? (1 p) (1 p) B.


Yeats, William Butler. Card to. In his sister Mary's hand 1898 July 6 (1 card) (1 card) Signed “Fiona Macleod”

Incoming Correspondence


Manuscript box  Mosher, Thomas Bird. LS to Sharp 1901 Feb. 12 (2 p) (2 p) B.

Related Correspondence


Manuscript box  Gilman, Lawrence. ALS to Thomas B. Mosher 1906 Oct. 6 (3 p) (3 p) Encloses his article The art of Fiona Macleod from The North American Review of Oct. 5, 1906. B.


Feb. 7 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)
B.

Feb. 13 (4 leaves) (4 leaves)
B.

Miscellaneous material: ALS on correspondence card, from Edith Rinder Wingate to [Thomas B. Mosher]; postal card to Mosher; typescript headed "By the same author"; 3 envelopes 1902 Nov. 6 - 1903 Oct. 30 ([6 items]) ([6 items])
ALS signed "Edith Rinder Wingate"; postal card signed "M.B.S."; B.

Stedman, Arthur C. ALS to Walt Whitman. Relates to William Sharp 1892
Jan. 21 (3 p) (3 p)
H.