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Guide to the

**Thomas James Wise collection of papers**

1876-1937

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## Summary

**Creator:** Wise, Thomas James, 1859-1937

**Title:** Thomas James Wise collection of papers

**Date:** 1876-1937

**Size:** 41 items

**Source:** This is a synthetic collection, created from materials acquired through gift and purchase from various sources. The letter to Eric S. Pinker came into the Berg Collection as part of the John D. Gordan bequest.

**Abstract:** This is a synthetic collection consisting of correspondence.

**Access:** Restricted access.

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## Creator History

Thomas James Wise was an English book collector, printer, bibliographer, and literary forger.

## Custodial History

Previous owners include W. T. H. Howe and Owen D. Young.

## Scope and Content Note

This is a synthetic collection consisting of correspondence. The correspondence includes letters from

Wise, dating from 188-? to 1935, to Sir Sidney Colvin, H. Buxton Forman, de V. Payen-Payne, Eric S. Pinker, Algernon Charles Swinburne, Cyril Hackett Wilkinson, and others, as well as letters relating to the author, dating from 1876 to 1939, between various correspondents, including Harry Treffry Dunn, H. Buxton Forman, W. T. H. Howe, E. V. Lucas, Wilfred George Partington, Theodore Watts-Dunton, the literary agency James B. Pinker and Son, and others. There are letters to Wise from Thomas Pugh Beddoes, Paul Lemperly, William Morris, de. V. Payen-Payne, J. B. Pinker and son, and J. A. Spoor, dating from 1919 to 1932.

## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Correspondence

### **Names**

Wise, Thomas James, 1859-1937  
Beddoes, Thomas Pugh  
Colvin, Sidney, 1845-1927  
Dunn, Henry Treffry, 1838-1899  
Forman, H. Buxton (Harry Buxton), 1842-1917  
Gordan, John D., 1907-1968  
Howe, W. T. H. (William Thomas Hildrup)  
Lemperly, Paul, 1858-1939  
Lucas, E. V. (Edward Verrall), 1868-1938  
Morris, William, 1834-1896  
Partington, Wilfred, 1888-  
Pinker, Eric  
Spoor, John A. (John Alden), 1851-1926  
Swinburne, Algernon Charles, 1837-1909  
V. Payen-Payne, de (Vincele\_s Payen-Payne), 1866-1945  
Watts-Dunton, Theodore, 1832-1914  
Wilkinson, Cyril Hackett, 1888-1960  
Young, Owen D., 1874-  
James B. Pinker and Son

## Container List

### Correspondence

#### Outgoing Correspondence

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| Manuscript box   | Colvin, [Sir Sidney]. ALS to. Relates to Keats 1917 Dec. 8 (4 leaves) (4 leaves)<br>B.  |
| Manuscript box   | Forman, [Harry Buxton]. ALS to 1914 Apr. 14 (7 p) (7 p)<br>H.   |
| Laid in: Shelley, P.<br>B. Hellas [London,<br>1822] Trial copy of<br>1st ed.       | Hammershlag, Mr. ALS to 1933 Jan. 21 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  |
| Manuscript box   | Maggs, [--?]. ALS to. Relates to Arthur Henry Hallam's Poems [London,<br>1830] Copy 1 1924 Dec. 17 (1 letter) (1 letter)<br>Removed from: Hallam, Arthur Henry. Poems. [London, 1830] Copy 1  |
| Manuscript box   | Maggs Bros. ALS to Mr. Maggs. Relates to Tennyson's The lover's tale<br>1926 Dec. 30 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)<br>Y.  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Henley)   | Payen-Payne, de V. ALS to 1932 Dec. 25 (1 p) (1 p)<br>On verso of: Payen-Payne, de V. ALS to Thomas James Wise. Xmas eve, 1932  |
| Laid into: Rossetti,<br>Christina. Verses.<br>London, 1847.<br>Copy 1              | Pearson (?), J[--?]. ALS to. Relates to Christina Rossetti 188? July 14 (3 p) (3<br>p)  |
| Manuscript box   | Pinker, Eric S. ALS to. Relates to Joseph Conrad's manuscripts 1927 Aug. 22<br>(2 leaves) (2 leaves)<br>John D. Gordan bequest  |
| Manuscript box   | Pinker, J. B., and son. 3 ALS to. Relate to Richard Curle as one of Joseph<br>Conrad's executors. One dated Nov. 19 [n.y.] 1919 Oct. 11, 1919 Oct. 15 (3 p.; 1<br>leaf; 1 leaf) (3 p.; 1 leaf; 1 leaf)  |
| Laid into: Shelley,<br>P. B. Hellas.<br>[London, 1822]<br>Trial copy of 1st<br>ed. | Swann, Mr. ALS to 1935 Jan. 15 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)  |
| Manuscript box   | Swinburne, Algernon Charles. ALS to. Relates to Undergraduate papers<br>and an anonymous review of Tennyson's Maud 1903 July 23 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)   |
| Manuscript box   | Wilkinson, Cyril Hackett. ALS to. Relates to manuscripts of Thomas Lovell<br>Beddoes 1933 Jan. 5 (2 leaves) (2 leaves)  |
| <h4>Incoming Correspondence</h4>   |   |
| Manuscript box<br>(Beddoes)  | Beddoes, Thomas Pugh. LS to Wise. Relates to letters of Thomas Lovell<br>Beddoes 1929 Jan. 1 (1 p) (1 p)  |
| Manuscript box   | Lemperly, Paul. ALS to Wise 1921 Jan. 25 (3 p) (3 p)  |
| Oversize (+)   | Morris, William. ANS to Wise n.d. (1 p) (1 p)<br>On verso of p 1 of Morris, William. ALS (draft?) to the editor of The Athenaeum. [Dec. 10,<br>1881] 2 p.; Bound with his: AL to the editor of The Times. The Society for the protection of<br>ancient buildings [London, May, ie., June 7, 1877] |

Correspondence (cont.)

Incoming Correspondence (cont.)

- Manuscript box (Henley) Payen-Payne, de Vinchelés. ALS to Wise. Dated "Xmas eve" 1932 [Dec. 24 (1 p) (1 p)  
On verso: Wise, Thomas James. ALS to de V. Payen-Payne. Xmas day [1932]
- Manuscript box (Wise, T. J.) Pinker, J. B., firm. TNS to Wise. Relates to his Joseph Conrad bibliography 1919 Oct. 21 (1 p) (1 p)  
John D. Gordan bequest
- Manuscript box (Wise, T. J.) Spoor, J[--?] A[--?]. TLS to Wise 1921 Jan. 24 (1 p) (1 p)

Related Correspondence

- Manuscript box (Rossetti, D. G.) Dunn, Harry Treffry. 18 ALS to Theodore Watts-Dunton. Relates to Dante Gabriel Rossetti. Letters wrapped in galley proof with Thomas James Wise's ms. inscription 1876 Jan. 17 - 1882 July 17 (18 letters in 5 folders) (18 letters in 5 folders)  
With: ALS to his sister Edith Hume, March 16, 1893, and letter from her to Watts; original pen-and-ink sketch enclosed in July 28, 1882
- Cased Lucas, E. V. LS to W. T. H. Howe. Mentions T. J. Wise 1937 May 25 (1 p) (1 p)  
In case with: Lamb, Charles. A dissertation upon roast pig. Dublin, 1889
- Manuscript box Partington, Wilfred George. TLS to James Pinker and sons. Relates to Thomas James Wise and Joseph Conrad 1939 June 29 (1 p) (1 p)
- Inserted in: Ablett, Joseph, comp. Literary hours. [Liverpool] 1837. Copy 1  
Slater, W. B. ALS to H. Buxton Forman. Mentions T. J. Wise 1896 June 11 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)