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Guide to the

**Nathaniel Parker Willis collection of papers**

1840-1866

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## Summary

**Creator:** Willis, Nathaniel Parker, 1806-1867

**Title:** Nathaniel Parker Willis collection of papers

**Date:** 1840-1866

**Size:** 25 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 and correspondence.

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## Creator History

Nathaniel Parker Willis was an American novelist, poet, essayist, journalist, and literary critic.

## Custodial History

Previous owners include Tristram Coffin, [--?] Fayerweather, and W. T. H. Howe.

## Scope and Content Note

This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts and correspondence by the author. The manuscripts comprise two poems and an epistolary essay. The correspondence includes letters from

the author, dating from 1840 to 1863, to Henry Russell Cleveland, Benson J. Lossing, General George P. Morris, and others. There is also a letter, dated June 11, 1856, from George Pope Morris to Willis.

## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Correspondence

### **Names**

Willis, Nathaniel Parker, 1806-1867

Cleveland, Henry R. (Henry Russell), 1808-1843

Coffin, Tristram, 1838?-1924

Howe, W. T. H. (William Thomas Hildrup)

Lossing, Benson John, 1813-1891

Morris, George Pope, 1802-1864

## Container List

### Manuscripts

- Manuscript box Letter from under a bridge. To the unknown purchaser, next occupant of Glenmary. Holograph draft n.d. (3 leaves) (3 leaves)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Reverie at Glenmary. Holograph, "Copied as an autograph for my friend, L. S. Cist, of St. Louis, in July, 1866" 1866 July (2 p) (2 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box [Unseen spirits] Holograph poem 1858 Dec. (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
R. H. Stoddard's autograph; H.

### Correspondence

#### Outgoing Correspondence

- Manuscript box Clarke, Miss. ALS to 184- Jan. 21 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Cleveland, Henry Russell. ALS to [1840] Feb. 21 or [1841] Feb. 21 (3 p) (3 p)  
Fayerweather; Berg
- Manuscript box Comstock, Miss. ALS to n.d. (1 p) (1 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Lossing, [Benson J.]. ALS to 1859 Aug. 4 (1 p) (1 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, [General George P.]. ALS to 1853? (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, [General George P.]. ALS to 1861 Aug. 5 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, General George P. ALS to 1861 or 1862 (1 p) (1 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, General George P. ALS to [1862] Mar. 8 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, [General George P.]. ALS to 1863 Mar. 18 (1 p) (1 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, [General George P.]. ALS to 1862 Apr. 29 (1 p) (1 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, [General George P.]. ALS to May 6 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
Encloses holograph copy of Willis' reply to a Mr. Tuckerman. 1 l.; Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, General George P. ALS to July 29 (1 letter) (1 letter)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, General George P. ALS to n.d. (1 p) (1 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, General [George P.]. ALS to n.d. (1 p) (1 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Morris, Miss Georgie. ALS to 1862 Sept. 12 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box Richards, Thomas Addison (?). ALS to 1854 Nov. 1 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)
- Manuscript box [Van Schaick], [J. B.]. ALS to n.d. (3 p) (3 p)  
H.

Correspondence (cont.)

Outgoing Correspondence (cont.)

- Manuscript box      [--?]. ALS to [1848] Nov. 28 (1 p) (1 p)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box      [--?]. ALS to [1853] May 28 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Manuscript box      [--?]. ALS to 1857 May 22 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
Tristram Coffin; Howe
- Oversize  
(+)(Dickens)-B      [--?]. ALS to Jan. 22 (1 leaf) (1 leaf)  
In: Kitton, F. G. Charles Dickens by pen and pencil. London, 1890-92. Copy 2, vol. 2, opp. p.  
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Incoming Correspondence

- Manuscript box      Morris, George Pope. ALS to Willis 1856 June 11 (1 p) (1 p)