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Guide to the

**William Cowper letters**

1769-1777

MssCol 4256

## Summary

**Creator:** Cowper, William, 1731-1800

**Title:** William Cowper letters

**Date:** 1769-1777

**Size:** .1 linear feet (1 folder)

**Abstract:** William Cowper (1731-1800) was an English poet and writer of hymns whose works, often celebrating the mundane or pastoral, are considered forerunners of Romantic poetry. The collection consists of letters from Cowper, one undated and to an illegible recipient declining an invitation, and one dated May 27, 1777, to lawyer Joseph Hill relating to financial matters

**Access:** Advance notice required.

**Physical Location:** MssCol 4256

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## Custodial History

Items were originally part of the Ford and Lenox collections.

## Key Terms

### Occupations

Poets

### Names

Cowper, William, 1731-1800