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***Sweet Kitty Bellairs Costume Designs
and Production Material***
1903

***T-VIM 2010-045**

Summary

Title: *Sweet Kitty Bellairs* , 1903

Size: 3 linear feet (3 boxes)

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Biographical note

Sweet Kitty Bellairs by David Belasco based on Agnes and Egerton Castle's book *The Bath Comed*, opened at the Belasco Theatre, New York City, Dec. 9 1903, and starred Henrietta Crosman. The play ran for 206 performances.

Scope and content note

The collection includes original costume designs, as well as a small number of textual materials, such as property lists and plots, by Percy Anderson for the play *Sweet Kitty Bellairs* by David Belasco, based on Agnes and Egerton Castle's book *The Bath Comedy* produced at the Belasco Theatre New York City, 1903.

A number of the costume designs are painted on wood. There are a few printed items, such as plates illustrating military costumes and a page from a program. The unsigned painting of Henrietta Crosman as the title character may also be by Percy Anderson.

Container list

Sweet Kitty Bellairs, 1903

<u>Box</u>	<u>Fol</u>	
1	1	Coats of Arms; Program Page; Scene, Property and Light Plot Requirements 4 items.
	2	Research Material - Soldiers 4 items: Color plates with German text of soldiers's uniforms.
	3-4	Pencil Sketches - Female and Male Costumes 23 items.
		Costume Designs
	5	Back Views of Coiffures for Belles, Act I and A Bishop 2 items.
	6	Ballroom Scene 2 items: "Skirts in Ballroom Scene - Act III; " "Showing back views & hang of skirts."
	7	Ballroom Scene - Act III 2 items: Male upper bodies.
	8-13	Belles of Bath - Act I
	14-	Belles of Bath - Act III
	16	6 items: Color designs with swatches.
	17	The 4 Daughters of Mrs. Bate Coome - Act III
	18	Inn Keeper - Act IV
	19	Frigate Headdress 2 items; 1 with swatches.
	20	Gentlemen 2 items; 1 with swatches.
	21	Kitty Bellairs 3 items; 1 with swatch.
	22	Lady Bab Flyte 3 items.
	23	Lady Bab - Act I and Lady Cavendish - Act III 2 items; 1 with swatches; Lady Bab designs are for accessories.
	24-	Lady Maria Prideaux - Acts 1, III, IV
	26	6 items; some with swatches.
	27	Mistress Kitty in Act II
	28	Mrs. Backors (sp.?) 2 items.
	29	Mrs. Bate Coome 2 items; 1 with swatches.
	30	Mistress Beaufort and Mrs. Chichester 2 items with swatches.
	31	Mrs. Tilney - Act III
	32	Private of Dragoons Prologue 2 items; 1 is mounted with tear at top.
	33	Prologue 2 items: 2 designs of female costumes.
	34	Prue 2 items: 1 color design; 1 printed leaf with illustration captioned "Promenade Parisienne 1790," with swatches.
	35-	Soldiers
	36	4 items; 1 with swatches.
	37	Suggestion for Maid's Dress, Accompanying Lady Maria - Act IV
	38	Unidentified Female Costumes (3 items; 2 with swatches.)

- 2 1 Dragoon's Cloak
 2 Col. May and Unidentified Male
 2 items; unidentified male is painted on wood.
 3 Inn Keeper - Act IV
 4 Julia
 5 Julia's Ball Dress and Mrs. Beaufort
 2 items; mounted.
 6 Kitty's Ball Dress
 7 Kitty's Ball Dress - New Design
 Painted on wood.
 8 Kitty's First Dress
 9 Kitty's First Dress - New Design
 Painted on wood.
 10 Lady Bab - Ball Dress
 11 Lady Bab - Travelling Dress
 12 Lady Julia
 13 Lady Mosier and Unidentified Female
 2 items; painted on wood.
 14 Mistress Kitty - Act I
 15- Mistress Kitty - Act II
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 17 Mistress Kitty - Act III
 18 Mistress Kitty - Act IV Coat
 19 Mrs. De Burgh (sp.?)
 20- Unidentified - Female
 24 8 items; several are painted on wood.
 25 Unidentified - Male (Painting on canvas, possibly a servant.)
- 3 1 Henrietta Crosman as Sweet Kitty Bellairs
 1 Property Plots and Lists
 Includes Property Lists Acts II and II, and Property Plots Acts I-IV.