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Guide to the

Lytton Strachey collection of papers

1904-1934

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Summary

Creator: Strachey, Lytton, 1880-1932

Title: Lytton Strachey collection of papers

Date: 1904-1934

Size: 881 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

Lytton Strachey was a British essayist, poet, and literary critic.

Custodial History

The bulk of the materials is from James Strachey and Roger Senhouse.

Scope and Content Note

This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts and correspondence. The manuscripts include holographs of poems and memoranda, as well as a holograph of Max Beerbohm's 1943 Rede lecture on the author. The correspondence includes letters from the author, dating from 1905 to 1931, to John Maynard Keynes, Edward Sackville-West, Roger Senhouse, Edith Sitwell, Leonard Woolf, and others. There are also letters relating to the author, dating from 1904 to 1934, between various correspondents including Dora Carrington, Roger Senhouse, Francis Hackett, Robert Calverley Trevelyan, and Leonard Woolf. There are letters to Strachey from Rupert Brooke, John Maynard Keynes, Roger Senhouse, James Strachey, and Virginia Woolf, dating from 1906 to 1931.

Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Correspondence

Names

Strachey, Lytton, 1880-1932
Beerbohm, Max, Sir, 1872-1956
Brooke, Rupert, 1887-1915
Carrington, Dora de Houghton, 1893-1932
Hackett, Francis, 1883-1962
Keynes, John Maynard, 1883-1946
Sackville-West, Edward, 1901-1965
Senhouse, Roger
Senhouse, Roger
Sitwell, Edith, 1887-1964
Strachey, James
Strachey, James
Trevelyan, R. C. (Robert Calverley), 1872-1951
Woolf, Leonard, 1880-1969
Woolf, Virginia, 1882-1941

Container List

Manuscripts

Manuscripts written by Strachey

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| Manuscript box | Has the Rajah read Henry James? Holograph memorandum. Relates to Rupert Brooke n.d. (2 leaves) (2 leaves)
With envelope labelled "The Dossier," dated by James Strachey Aug. 2-, 1905. Published in Christopher Hassall's Rupert Brooke, N.Y., Harcourt, 1964, p. 70-71. Came with Brooke's correspondence with James Strachey |
| Manuscript box. In his: 112 ALS to Leonard S. Woolf. 1905-1922. On p. 2 of letter of Nov. 10 [-15, 1906] Folder 6 | In memoriam J. M. K. Ob. Sept. 1906. Holograph poem. Relates to John Maynard Keynes. n.d. (1 p) (1 p)
Published in Michael Holroyd's Lytton Strachey, New York, Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1968, v. 1, p. 260 |
| Manuscript box. In his: 112 ALS to Leonard S. Woolf. 1905-1922. Letter of Oct. 11, 1907. Folder 12 | Knowledge. Holograph poem 1907 Sept. (1 leaf) (1 leaf)
Published in part in Michael Holroyd's Lytton Strachey. New York, Holt, Rinehart and Winston, 1968, v. 1, p. 328 |
| Manuscript box | Lytton Strachey donation, The. Holograph circular, in jocular reply to the Eliot Fellowship Fund 1922 Dec. (1 p) (1 p)
With accompanying Postscript, 1 p. |
| Manuscript box. In his 366 ALS, 11 ANS, 10 postcards to Roger Senhouse. 1924-1931. Letters of Jan. 11 and June 29, 1928; Nov. 18, 1930; and June 29, 1931. Folders 24, 29, 63, and 71 | Poems (4). Holograph. First lines are: "Whoever remiss is"; "In the dim chambers of my brain"; "My heart is sair--I dare na tell--"; "Il faut penser: san quoi l'homme devient." n.d. (1 p. each) (1 p. each) |
| Manuscript box | Poems (19). Holograph. Sent to Roger Senhouse. Three dated Feb. 14, 1929; Feb. 14 and [July] 1930 1929 Feb. 14 - 1930 [July (19 letters in 4 folders) (19 letters in 4 folders)
One signed with initials. Came with his correspondence with Roger Senhouse |

Manuscripts relating to Strachey

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| Manuscript box | Beerbohm, Max. Lytton Strachey. Holograph. The Rede lecture for 1943. Page 31 verso is typescript, with the author's ms. corrections, of p. 15-16 of holograph text n.d. (31 p) (31 p) |
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Correspondence

Outgoing Correspondence

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| Manuscript box | Bagenal, Barbara (Hiles). 3 ALS to 1916 July 17 - 1916 Sept. 4 (2 leaves; 1 p.; 1 leaf) (2 leaves; 1 p.; 1 leaf) |
| Manuscript box | Bagenal, Nick. ALS to 1918 May 8 (2 leaves) (2 leaves) |
| Manuscript box | Brooke, Rupert. 2 ALS to 1910 Mar. 31, 1910 Apr. 1 (1 leaf; 3 p) (1 leaf; 3 p)
Came with Brooke's correspondence with James Strachey |

Correspondence (cont.)
Outgoing Correspondence (cont.)

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| Cased | Keynes, John Maynard. 23 ALS and 1 postcard to 1906 May 4 - 1906 Aug. 30 (24 letters) (24 letters)
Interfiled with these: Keynes, J. M. 24 ALS, 2 ANS to Strachey, May 5, 1906-Sept. 30, 1906; Strachey, James. ALS to J. M. Keynes, Aug. 26, 1906. 1 l. |
| Manuscript box | Lehmann, John. ALS to 1931 Oct. 30 (1 leaf) (1 leaf) |
| Manuscript box | Mansfield, Katherine. ALS to 1919 Oct. 3 (1 leaf) (1 leaf) |
| Manuscript box | Marsh, Sir Edward Howard. 2 ALS to 1920 May 2, 1920 June 13 (1 leaf; 1 p) (1 leaf; 1 p) |
| Manuscript box | Murry, John Middleton. ALS to 1919 Aug. 17 (1 p) (1 p) |
| Manuscript box | Murry, John Middleton. ALS to 1920 May 28 (1 p) (1 p) |
| Manuscript box | Murry, John Middleton. ALS to 1920 Sept. 22 (1 p) (1 p) |
| Manuscript box | Murry, John Middleton. ALS to 1922 June 9 (1 p) (1 p) |
| Manuscript box | Pinker, J. B. ALS to 1929 Apr. 22 (1 p) (1 p)
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| Manuscript box | Sackville-West, Edward. 2 ALS to 1926 Sept. 2, 1929 Dec. 14 (1 p. each) (1 p. each) |
| Manuscript box | Senhouse, Roger. 366 ALS (3 incomplete), 11 ANS, 10 postcards to 1924 Nov. 8 - 1931 Dec. 4 (387 letters in 77 folders) (387 letters in 77 folders)
Letter of April 23, 1929 accompanied by envelope addressed in verse, Folder 42 |
| Manuscript box | Sitwell, Edith. AN in the third person to 1926 May 11 (1 p) (1 p) |
| Manuscript box | Woolf, Leonard Sidney. 112 ALS (1 incomplete) to 1905 Dec. 7 - 1922 Sept. 30 (112 letters in 22 folders) (112 letters in 22 folders) |

Incoming Correspondence

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| Manuscript box | Brooke, Rupert. 7 ALS, 5 postcards, 1 telegram to Strachey 1909 Sept. 27] - [1911] Dec. [19? (13 letters in 3 folders) (13 letters in 3 folders)
One letter signed with a caricature. Came with Brooke's correspondence with James Strachey |
| Interfiled with:
Strachey, Lytton.
23 ALS, 1
postcard to John
Maynard Keynes.
May 4 - Aug. 30,
1906 | Keynes, John Maynard. 24 ALS, 2 ANS to Strachey 1906 May 5 - 1906 Sept. 30 (26 letters) (26 letters) |
| Manuscript box
(Strachey, L.) | Senhouse, Roger. 232 ALS (11 incomplete), 8 telegrams, 2 postcards to Strachey 1924 Dec. 20 - 1931 Dec. 5 (242 letters in 48 folders) (242 letters in 48 folders)
Letters enclosing holograph five poems by Senhouse in folders 4, 27 and 36 |
| Manuscript box.
In: Strachey,
James. 158 ALS,
5 postcards, 3
ANS, 4 telegrams,
7 letters to Rupert
Brooke. July 4,
1905-[n.d., after
June 5, 1941].
Folder 5 | Strachey, James. ANS to Lytton Strachey n.d. (1 p) (1 p) |
| Manuscript box | Woolf, Virginia. ALS to Strachey 1915 Feb. 26 (1 leaf) (1 leaf) |
| Manuscript box | Woolf, Virginia. 2 ALS to Strachey [1922] Dec. 3, 1923 Feb. 23 (1 p.; 1 leaf) (1 p.; 1 leaf)
First letter encloses: Eliot Fellowship Fund. Printed circular requesting subscriptions to a special fellowship fund for T. S. Eliot, Oct. 1922. Also printed postscript |

Related Correspondence

Correspondence (cont.)

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| Manuscript box
(Strachey, L.) | Carrington, Dora. 23 ALS to Roger Senhouse. Relate to Lytton Strachey
1926 Jan. 21 - [1932? Jan (23 letters in 5 folders) (23 letters in 5 folders) |
| Manuscript box | Hackett, Francis. 3 ALS to Leonard Sidney Woolf. Letter of Jan. 30, 1932
relates to Lytton Strachey 1932 Jan. 30 - 1934 May 7 (1 leaf each) (1 leaf each) |
| Manuscript box | Trevelyan, Robert Calverley. 3 ALS to Leonard Sidney Woolf. Mention E.
M. Forster, Desmond MacCarthy, Bernard Shaw, and Lytton Strachey 1904
Apr. 8 - 1905 Dec (2 leaves each) (2 leaves each)
Enclosed in letter of Dec. 1905: MacCarthy, Desmond. The Irish plays. Clipping from The
Speaker, Dec. 9, 1905, p. 251-252. Relates to National theatre society, Ltd., Dublin |