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Guide to the

**Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie collection of papers**

1877-1933 [bulk 1890-1911]

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## Summary

**Creator:** Hobbes, John Oliver, 1867-1906

**Title:** Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie collection of papers

**Date:** 1877-1933 [bulk 1890-1911]

**Size:** 1,607 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, typescripts, correspondence, notebooks for 1891 and 1892, and legal documents.

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## Creator History

Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie was an Anglo-American novelist, dramatist and lecturer. She wrote under the pseudonym John Oliver Hobbes.

## Custodial History

Previous owners include the American Play Company and T. Fisher Unwin.

## Scope and Content Note

This is a synthetic collection consisting of manuscripts, typescripts, correspondence by and about the author, notebooks for 1891 and 1892, and legal documents. The manuscripts and typescripts consist of plays, novels, and portions thereof, as well as a financial receipt for money paid to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie's father, John Morgan Richards, by the actor's agent Elisabeth Marbury. The correspondence consists of letters from the author, dating from 1877 to 1906, to her son John Craigie, Edmund William Gosse, Henry Higgs, Thomas Werner Laurie, her parents Laura Hortense and John Morgan Richards, Theodore Watts-Dunton, the literary agency T. Fisher Unwin, and others, as well as letters relating to the author, dating from 1897 to 1933, between various correspondents, including Sir Edmund Gosse, John Morgan Richards, Sir Owen Seaman, Clement King Shorter, Charles Whibley, T. Fisher Unwin, and others.

## Key Terms

### Genre/Physical Characteristic

Correspondence  
Notebooks

### Names

Hobbes, John Oliver, 1867-1906  
Gosse, Edmund, 1849-1928  
Higgs, Henry, 1864-1940  
Laurie, Thomas Werner  
Marbury, Elisabeth, 1856-1933  
Richards, John Morgan, 1841-1918  
Richards, Laura Hortense  
Seaman, Owen, 1861-1936  
Shorter, Clement King, 1857-1926  
Watts-Dunton, Theodore, 1832-1914  
Whibley, Charles, 1859-1930  
American Play Company  
T. Fisher Unwin (Firm)  
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## Container List

### Manuscripts and Typescripts

#### Manuscripts

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| Cased          | [Ambassador, The] Holograph, incomplete, of the play. Wanting Act I and part of Act II, scene 1 n.d. (63 p) (63 p)<br>With an additional fragment, 6 p.; Also fragment of unidentified play, 3 p. and prose fragment, 1 p.; at back of notebook fragment of another scene from another unidentified play, 2 p. |
| Cased          | Cloisters, The: a comedy in three acts. Holograph fragment. Cast of characters includes those of A study in temptations n.d. (4 p) (4 p)<br>With her: The sinner's comedy. Holograph   |
| Cased          | Dream and the business, The. Holograph n.d. (256 p) (256 p)<br>With 6 p. of unidentified manuscript material Differs from novel as published, London, T. Fisher Unwin, 1906  |
| Manuscript box | "I saw a shade." Holograph quotation from fly-leaf n.d. (1 p) (1 p)<br>With unidentified letter, acquired with Mrs. Craigie's letters  |
| Cased          | Light o' love, The. Holograph of play. Cast of characters includes those of A study in temptations. Notebook contains the beginning of two stories, 2 p. each, one dated June 2, 1892 n.d. (30 p) (30 p)<br>Signed "John Oliver Hobbes"  |
| Cased          | [Study in temptations, A] Holograph, incomplete. Wanting p. 66-70 and 155 to end n.d. (147 p) (147 p)<br>With 4 p. fragment, paginated 40-43, of another draft   |
| Cased          | Vineyard, The. Holograph, incomplete. Chapters 8-12, 16-17, 19-20, and 23 incomplete. Chapter 23 ends on p. 301 of the N.Y., Appleton, 1904 edition n.d. (170 p) (170 p)<br>Also 20 unidentified, scattered pages  |

#### Notebooks

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| Cased | [Notebook] Holograph. 39 p. of text in two sections. Section 1: untitled ms., heavily revised. 34 p. Section 2: first 5 p. of Part III, Chapter I of her novel, The school for saints, published in 1897. Bound in vellum n.d. (1 v) (1 v)<br>Signed "John Oliver Hobbes"                                       |
| Cased | School for Saints, The. Holograph. Incomplete. Chapters 1-2 as published, chapters 3-8 unidentified and 9 p. numbered 69-77, out of series in this manuscript n.d. (92 p) (92 p)  |
| Cased | Sinner's comedy, The. Early holograph fragmentary draft. Contains also two beginnings of dramatized version, 27 p. stylistic exercises, aphorisms and a fragment of an unidentified play 1891 Dec. 21 - 1891 Dec. 29 (27 p) (27 p)<br>Signed "John Oliver Hobbes"   |
| Cased | Sinner's comedy, The. Holograph, incomplete. Includes p. 1-36, 57-59, 65-72 and 95-154 of the N. Y. Cassell [1892] edition. Chapters XI and XII published as X and XI. Contains her: The cloisters: a comedy in three acts. Holograph fragment, undated. 4 p. n.d. (42 p) (42 p)<br>Signed "John Oliver Hobbes" |
| Cased | Study in temptations, A] Holograph fragment, paginated 41-79, beginning with published Chapter IV 1892 Sept. 24 (41 p) (41 p)<br>Signed "John Oliver Hobbes"; Notebook also contains 2 p. fragment of beginning of unidentified story and analysis of Ibsen's Ghosts, 9 p.                                      |
| Cased | [Study in temptations, A] Holograph of additional drafts and dramatization, fragments of untitled play and prose n.d. (111 p., 52 p) (111 p., 52 p)   |

Manuscripts and Typescripts (cont.)

Typescripts

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| Manuscript box              | [Story] Typescript (carbon) n.d. (7 p) (7 p)<br>Came with T. Fisher Unwin correspondence  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Marbury, Elisabeth. Account rendered to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards<br>Craigie's father, John Morgan Richards. Typescript 1907 Apr. 29 (1 p) (1 p) |

Correspondence

Outgoing Correspondence

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|----------------|---|
| Manuscript box | Courtney, [William L.]. ALS to 1905 May 25 (1 letter) (1 letter)<br>B.  |
| Manuscript box | Craigie, John. 303 ALS to her son 1897 Sept. 17 - [1906 Aug. 6? (303 letters in 59 folders) (303 letters in 59 folders)   |
| Manuscript box | Dominick, Mr. [--?]. ALS to n.d. (1 p) (1 p)  |
| Cased          | Gosse, Edmund William. 1 ANS and 5 ALS to 1899 [Feb.?] - 1899 Mar. 12 (6 letters) (6 letters)<br>With her: A repentance. London, 1899. Proof  |
| Cased          | Gosse, Ellen Epps. Letter, written by her secretary to 1899 Mar. 2 (2 p) (2 p)<br>With her: A repentance. London, 1899. Proof   |
| Manuscript box | Heinemann, William. ALS to 1904 Mar. 16 (2 p) (2 p)   |
| Manuscript box | Higgs, Henry. 30 ALS to 1901 June 21 - 1906 Mar. 11 (30 letters in 6 folders) (30 letters in 6 folders)   |
| Manuscript box | Laurie, [Thomas Werner]. 14 ALS, 1 TL to 1897 Apr. 8 - 1904 June 11 (15 letters) (15 letters)<br>Came with T. Fisher Unwin correspondence   |
| Manuscript box | Richards, Laura Hortense and John Morgan. 249 ALS, 2 postcards to her parents 1877 May 25 - 1906 Aug. 12 (251 letters in 30 folders) (251 letters in 30 folders)<br>Contains 2 letters from C. E. Godwin, Oct. 26, 1876 and Feb. 15, 1877 relating to the 10 year old Pearl |
| Manuscript box | T. Fisher Unwin. 922 ALS, TLS, telegrams, etc. to 1891 - 1906 (922 letters in 53 folders) (922 letters in 53 folders)<br>Contains reader's reports by G. K. Chesterton, W. H. Dircks, E. M. English, W. H. Chesson, and Edward Garnett                                      |
| Manuscript box | Watts-Dunton, Theodore. 3 ALS to 1898 Feb. 17 - 1899 Feb. 10 (3 letters) (3 letters)  |
| Manuscript box | [--?], Flora. ALS to her friend n.d. (1 letter) (1 letter)  |
| Manuscript box | [--?], Flossie. ALS to 1904 July 12 (1 p) (1 p)   |
| Manuscript box | [--?], Tip. 5 ALS to her friend. One dated Nov 22 [n.y.], one undated 1890 Apr. 6 - 1905 July 4 (5 letters) (5 letters)   |

Related Correspondence

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| Manuscript box              | Arlen, Michael. TLS, ALS to John Craigie 1933 June 14; [n.y.] Nov. 1 (2 letters) (2 letters)  |
| Manuscript box              | Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount. ALS to T. Fisher Unwin. Relates to P. M. T. R. Craigie 1906 Aug. 26 (1 letter) (1 letter)                               |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Craigie, Reginald. ALS to his son, John Craigie. Expresses sympathy on death of his wife, Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1906 Aug. 16 (1 p) (1 p) |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Godwin, E[--?]. ALS to Mrs. John Morgan Richards. Relates to correspondent's daughter, Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie Dec. 23 (3 p) (3 p)         |
| Manuscript box              | Gosse, Sir Edmund William. ALS to John Morgan Richards. Relates to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1910 Oct. 20 (1 p) (1 p)                        |

Correspondence (cont.)

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| Manuscript box              | Harrison, Frederic. ALS to T. Fisher Unwin. Relates to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1906 Aug. 23 (1 p) (1 p)   |
| Manuscript box              | Hawkins, Anthony Hope. ALS to John Morgan Richards. Relates to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1906 Oct. 3 (1 p) (1 p)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Labouchere, Henry du Pre. TL (carbon) to T. Fisher Unwin. Relates to P. M. R. Craigie [1906] Aug. 25 (1 p) (1 p)   |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Lee, Sir Sidney. ALS to John Morgan Richards. Correspondent is Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie's father 1906 Oct. 7 (2 p) (2 p)   |
| Manuscript box              | Moore, George. TLS to John Morgan Richards. Relates to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1915 Dec. 2 (1 p) (1 p)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Richards, Laura Hortense. ALS to T. Fisher Unwin. Letter from P. M. T. R. Craigie's mother 1897 Nov. 27 (1 letter) (1 letter)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Seaman, Sir Owen. 3 ALS to John Morgan Richards. Relates to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie, daughter of correspondent 1908 Dec. 9 - 1911 Apr. 20 (3 letters) (3 letters) |
| Manuscript box              | Shorter, Clement King. 4 ALS to John Morgan Richards. One dated 1911 Jan. 25 (4 letters) (4 letters)   |
| Manuscript box              | Terry, Ellen. ALS and letter to John Morgan Richards 1907 Aug. 13, 1908 Dec. 14 (3 p) (3 p)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Unwin, Thomas Fisher. TLS to John Morgan Richards. Relates to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1906 Aug. 28 (1 p) (1 p)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Van Duzer, Frederick C. TLS to John Morgan Richards. Relates to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1906 Oct. 31 (1 letter) (1 letter)  |
| Manuscript box              | Whibley, Charles. 23 ALS to T. Fisher Unwin. Letter of 1906 relates to P. M. T. R. Craigie 1897 - 1906 (23 letters in 5 folders) (23 letters in 5 folders)                   |
| Manuscript box              | Wyndham, George. ALS to T. Fisher Unwin. Relates to Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1906 Aug. 25 (1 p) (1 p)  |
| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | Craigie, Reginald. ALS to his son John Craigie. Expresses sympathy on death of his wife, Pearl Mary Teresa Richards Craigie 1906 Aug. 16 (1 p) (1 p)                         |

Legal Documents

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| Manuscript box<br>(Craigie) | <p>Agreements, correspondence, forms, statements, from various theatrical agencies concerning Pearl Mary Theresa Richards Craigie n.d. (3 folders) (3 folders)</p> <p>From the files of the American play company</p> |
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