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Guide to the

**Charlotte Brontë manuscript material**

1830-1854

Pforz MS

## Summary

**Creator:** Brontë\_, Charlotte, 1816-1855

**Title:** Charlotte Brontë manuscript material

**Date:** 1830-1854

**Size:** 7 items

**Abstract:** Holograph short story, "The adventures of Ernest Alembert" : 25 May 1830 : (MISC 0187) : 16 p.; stitched within brown paper covers marked in Brontë's juvenile hand, "The Adventures of Ernest / Alembert a Tale by C / Brontë May 25 1830"; begins, "Many Years ago there lived in a certain country, A youth named Ernest Alembert. He came of an ancient & noble race ..." With the bookplate of H. Buxton Forman.

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## Creator History

Charlotte Brontë, English novelist.

## Scope and Content Note

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Shelved as \*Pforz A-RU 04.||||To Ellen Nussey, a lifelong friend : 4 letters : -- 1 autograph letter signed "CB" : 30 Jan 1850 : (MISC 0193) : [no place] : begins, "I wonder how your poor mother is this morning, and how you are too ..." Shelved as \*Pforz A-RU 04. -- 1 autograph letter signed "C Brontë" : (MISC 0194) : [no place] : begins, "I did not send the Ex[aminer] last week not knowing how to address..." Shelved as \*Pforz A-RU 04. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 11 Apr 1854 : (MISC 0060) : from Haworth : begins, "Thank you for the collar. It is very pretty, and I \_will\_ wear it for the sake of her who made and gave it..."; also announces her engagement to Arthur Bell Nicholls -- 1 autograph letter signed "C B Nicholls" : 7 Sep 1854 : (MISC 0195) : from Haworth : begins, "I send a French paper to-day." Shelved as \*Pforz A-RU 04.

## **Key Terms**

### **Titles**

Brontë, Charlotte : manuscript material

### **Subjects**

Novelists, English -- 19th century -- Correspondence

Short stories, English -- 19th century -- Manuscripts -- Specimens

### **Names**

Brontë, Charlotte, 1816-1855

Forman, H. Buxton (Harry Buxton), 1842-1917

Nussey, Ellen

Williams, William Smith