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Guide to the

**Maurice Buxton Forman manuscript material**

1909-1953

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## Summary

**Creator:** Forman, Maurice Buxton

**Title:** Maurice Buxton Forman manuscript material

**Date:** 1909-1953

**Size:** 8 items

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## Related Materials:

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## Scope and Content Note

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- To Clinton N. Rutan of New Jersey : 2 autograph letters signed : 17-21 Oct 1940 : (S'ANA 0947h.1-2) : both with stamped envelopes ; on several matters of Shelley-related interest, primarily the suicide letter of Harriet Shelley. The later letter gives a British Museum call number for a Harriet Shelley letter, noting "their MSS are not available until after the war." Rutan was apparently preparing to produce "a life of Shelley in illustrations."
- To T. J. Wise, book collector and forger : 1 [autograph?] letter (copy) : 16 Mar 1909 : (S'ANA 0581) : upon discovering a pirated edition of Tennyson's "Lover's Tale" in his father's library which "does not tally with any of the six editions" Wise mentions in his Tennyson bibliography. Removed from the Pfozheimer Collection's copy of the bibliography.

## Key Terms

### Subjects

Aerogrammes -- Great Britain -- 20th century -- Specimens  
 Bibliographers -- Great Britain -- 19th century -- Correspondence  
 Editors -- Great Britain -- 19th century -- Correspondence  
 Forgers -- Great Britain -- 19th century -- Correspondence

### Titles

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### Names

Forman, H. Buxton (Harry Buxton), 1842-1917  
 Forman, Maurice Buxton  
 Keats, John, 1795-1821  
 Rogers, Neville  
 Rutan, Clinton N. (Clinton Norman), 1918-1986  
 Shelley, Percy Bysshe, 1792-1822  
 Wise, Thomas James, 1859-1937