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Guide to the

**Lettice Annie Esdaile Worrall manuscript material**

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## Summary

**Creator:** Worrall, Lettice Annie Esdaile

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**Abstract:** Lettice Annie Worrall, née Esdaile (b. 1880), great-granddaughter of Percy Bysshe Shelley. Autograph note attesting Shelley family provenance of scarf ring : [ca. 1962?] : (S'ANA 1070a) : in ink on formerly crumpled up sheet of lined notepaper; note reads: "Old scarf pin / left me by / Auntie [Budrie?] / (Eliza Margaret Esdaile) / Possibly belonged to / Shelley left / her by her mother / Shelley's daughter / Ianthe." Housed with scarf pin; shelved with realia.

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## Scope and Content Note

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· Autograph note authenticating Harriet Shelley's engagement ring : [ca. 1962?] : (S'ANA 1070b) : in ink on an envelope; note reads: "Engagement ring / Shelley gave his / first wife Harriet / Westbrook." Housed with ring; shelved with realia.

· Autograph note on cardboard jewelry box : [ca. 1962?] : (S'ANA 1070c) : in ink on box top; note reads: "Engagement Ring / given by Shelley to Harriet / Scarf Pin." The printing on the box lid, "Barnicott & Pearce / Taunton," has been cancelled. Box kept with ring and scarf pin; shelved with realia.

· To Louise Schutz Boas, biographer : 30 letters : -- 1 autograph letter signed : 25 Aug 1954 : (S'ANA 0409) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : in part discussing her upbringing in relation to the Shelley legend; begins, "I only received your letter by late post yesterday ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 30 Aug 1954 : (S'ANA 0410) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "I received your letters but I fear I can be of no further use to you, as I know there is not the slightest hope of finding any old letters or documents at Cothelestone that would throw any light on Harriet Shelley's death." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 28 Jul 1954 : (S'ANA 0411) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "I am sorry I can be of little help to you as regards your book ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 28 Sep 1955 : (S'ANA 0412) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "I am so sorry you visit on such a bad time to try & see me ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 16 Nov 1955 : (S'ANA 0413) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Many thanks for your letter. I do not take in the Times so did not see the article you mention." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 5 Dec 1955 : (S'ANA 0414) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "I apologize for being so long in acknowledging the cutting from the Times, 'Harriet Shelley's Brother-in-law' ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 24 Jul 1956 : (S'ANA 0415) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Many thanks for your letter of sympathy ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 19 Oct 1956 : (S'ANA 0416) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Thank you so much for your letter & for the copy of 'Shelley At Work' ..."; with the stamped envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 21 Feb 1957 : (S'ANA 0417) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : mentions her family's Shelley possessions, including, "Shelley's Christening Robe, his silver rattle ... & that one little Note book of Poems in his own precious handwriting [i.e., The Esdaile Notebook] ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 24 Mar 1957 : (S'ANA 0418) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Many thanks for your interesting letter of 18th [last?]. I am so sorry that you say you are coming to Taunton about May 16th as I fear I shall be away most of that month ..." -- 1 autograph post card signed : 16 Apr 1957 : (S'ANA 0419) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed post card) : begins, "I shall be here either Thursday May 30th or Friday May 31st & would be pleased for you to come over ..." -- 1 autograph post card signed : 27 May 1957 : (S'ANA 0420) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed post card) : begins, "I only got back late last week so sorry not to write sooner." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 4 Jun 1957 : (S'ANA 0421) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : mentions her disappointment that "those rings [i.e., Harriet Shelley's engagement ring and the scarf pin which possibly belonged to Harriet Shelley] & Dowden's letter" being the only Shelley-related materials she found at her late aunt's home. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 7 Jun 1957 : (S'ANA 0422) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Thank you so much for your letter & for [showing?] me those others ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph post card signed : 11 Jun 1957 : (S'ANA 0423) : [no place] : begins, "Many thanks for your letter & as far as I know Tuesday 25th will be quite a good day to come ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 26 Jun 1957 : (S'ANA 0424) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : regarding the Esdaile Notebook; begins, "I now return you the enclosed letter which my son was interested to see ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 25 Jul 1957 : (S'ANA 0425) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : including, "I think you will like to know that there is NO chance of a sale at Cothelstone for at least a year ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 25 May 1958 : (S'ANA 0426) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : on the sale of the Esdaile estate; begins, "Many thanks for your letter of 22nd last. As you already possess those 2 editions of Shelley's poems 1823-1824 I wonder whether you thought it worth while coming to the sael as I fear nothing else of interest that you mention in this letter has come to light ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 17 Jul 1958 : (S'ANA 0427) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelestone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Many thanks for your letter but I am so sorry I cannot help you as regards the information you ask re the Shelley bust & early editions of his Poems ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 9 Aug 1960 : (S'ANA 0428) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed

stationery) : begins, "Many thanks for your letter. Yes, indeed you are quite welcome to put in the preface of your book that the only direct descendents of the Poet Percy Bysshe Shelley are ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 29 Jun 1962 : (S'ANA 0429) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : mentioning the upcoming sale of the Esdaile Notebook; begins, "Thank you so much for your nice letter & I am glad you happen to be in London just now & so were able to see the Shelley Note Book ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 11 Aug 1962 : (S'ANA 0430) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : mentioning her sadness at parting with the Esdaile Notebook; begins, "Thank you so much for sending me that little cutting of Harriet Shelley's picture ..."; with the envelope; along with a photocopy of the typescript letter signed from Boas to Carl Pforzheimer II enclosing the Worrall letters, 19 Nov 1964; also, 1 empty envelope and 1 empty mailing wrapper from Boas to Pforzheimer. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 19 Jun 1965 : (S'ANA 0439) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Many thanks for sending me 'Notes & Queries' of May 65 ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 7 Jul 1965 : (S'ANA 0459) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Thank you so much for your letter & for sending me those articles about Shelley ..." -- 1 autograph post-card signed : 10 Jul 1965 : (S'ANA 0460) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed post-card) : begins, "So many thanks for your kind donation to our Church..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 18 Jul 1965 : (S'ANA 0458) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Thank you ever so much for the Book on Harriet Shelley ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 2 Dec 1965 : (S'ANA 0438) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "I feel I must write & tell you how much I appreciate all the trouble & care you took to write your book 'Harriet Shelley' ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 6 Jun 1966 : (S'ANA 0457) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "Your letter & the Book only arrived by post this A.M. ..."; with the envelope. -- 1 autograph letter signed : 3 Jan 1969 : (S'ANA 0616) : from Lower Terhill Cottage, Cothelstone, Taunton (printed stationery) : begins, "I was so pleased to hear from you this morning & indeed I should be most grateful if you could give me this portrait of Harriet Shelley ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 28 Mar 1969 : (S'ANA 0617) : from Lower Terhill, Cothelstone, Taunton, Somerset : begins, "Thank you ever so much for your letter which I received today & for the lovely photo of Harriet Shelley ..."; on airmail stationery.