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Guide to the

**Jenkins commonplace books of "Extracts on Woman,"**

circa 1802-1819

Pforz BND-MSS (Jenkins)

## Summary

**Title:** Jenkins commonplace books of "Extracts on Woman,"

**Date:** circa 1802-1819

**Size:** 3 volumes

**Abstract:** William Jenkins, pells office, Treasury Chambers, Dublin Castle, deputy clerk of the pells. Two of his sons were William Jenkins (1805-1874), lawyer, of Clifton Court, near Bristol; and Thomas Lowten Jenkins (1812-1869), lawyer and rower, of Wraxall House, Somersetshire, who practiced for a time in India. "M. Jenkins" may be the wife of the elder William Jenkins and the mother of the younger William and Thomas. Three manuscript notebooks of varying sizes containing excerpts on women and women's issues from various authors, most of whom are contemporaries: Byron, Southey, L.E.L., Thomas Gisborne, Madame de Staël, James Hogg, Thomas Moore, Bernard Barton, Madame Cottin, etc. The first notebook (MISC 2304) is made up of 23 full-sheet letter covers addressed to "William Jenkins / Treasury," sewn together and folded to make 92 pages (26 cm in height), each of which bears ink manuscript transcriptions in what appears to be the same hand. The second notebook (MISC 2305) is made up of six partial sheets sewn together and folded to make 24 pages (17 cm in height), of which 22 bear ink manuscript transcriptions, apparently in the same hand as the first volume. The third volume (MISC 2306) is a 30-page notebook (15 cm in height) in stiff marbled boards with the manuscript book label of "M. Jenkins," an unidentified member of the Jenkins family, perhaps the one responsible for all three notebooks. In addition to extracts on "woman," this volume also contains "Receipt for the Cure of Cancers," "To the Gouty the following article is copied," and "Gout Cordial," all in what appears to be a different hand from the rest of the volume. All three notebooks were formerly owned by the book collector Thomas Phillipps (Phillipps MS. 27051) and kept in buff wrappers labeled "Extracts on Woman."

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## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Commonplace books

### **Subjects**

Medicine -- Formulae, receipts, prescriptions

Women -- Anecdotes

Women -- Conduct of life

### **Names**

Phillipps, Thomas, Sir, 1792-1872