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Guide to the

## **Thomas Lawrence letters**

1852-1863

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### **Summary**

**Creator:** Lawrence, Thomas, A.M.

**Title:** Thomas Lawrence letters

**Date:** 1852-1863

**Size:** .1 linear feet (1 folder)

**Abstract:** Thomas Lawrence was a tailor who emigrated from Brighton, England to New York City in 1852. This collection contains letters addressed to Thomas Lawrence from relatives and friends (including William Roberts) in England, 1852-1863. Topics include economic and social conditions in England, such as wages, costs, imprisonment for debt, cholera, funeral customs, legislation prohibiting burials in towns, emigration to Australia, and other topics

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### **Key Terms**

#### **Geographic Names**

Australia -- Emigration and immigration -- 19th century  
England -- Economic conditions -- 19th century  
England -- Emigration and immigration -- 19th century  
England -- Social conditions -- 19th century

#### **Subjects**

Funeral rites and ceremonies -- England -- 19th century  
Tailors -- England -- Brighton -- 19th century  
Tailors -- New York (State) -- New York -- 19th century

#### **Names**

Lawrence, Thomas, A.M.  
Roberts, William