Sir Walter Scott:

An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	Scott, Walter, Sir, 1771-1832
Title:	Sir Walter Scott Collection
Dates:	1815-1839, undated
Extent:	1 box (.42 linear feet)
Abstract:	Collection includes manuscripts and letters written by Scottish novelist, playwright, and poet Sir Walter Scott as well as a number of family letters written or received during and after Scott's final illness.
Call Number:	Manuscript Collection MS-3753
Language:	English
Access:	Open for research

Administrative Information

Processed by:	Joan Sibley and Michael Ramsey, 2011 Note: This finding aid replicates and replaces information previously available only in a card catalog. Please see the explanatory note at the end of this finding aid for information regarding the arrangement of the manuscripts as well as the abbreviations commonly used in descriptions.
Repository:	Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin

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Works:

Eve of St. John / The Baron of Smaylhome: An auld Border ballad, handwritten manuscript with few emendations, 10 pages, undated. Included with this: photocopy and materials relating to this manuscript. From Hanley II.

On Ettricke forest mountains dun, handwritten manuscript with few emendations, 2 pages on 1 leaf, undated. Title on this: "The Sherrif's fancy to a tune so called." 1.2

Saint cloud, handwritten manuscript, 5 September 1815. From the WrennContainerCollection.1.3

St. Valentine's day; or The fair maid of Perth, printed copy with profuse emendations by Scott on the margins and on inserted blank leaves, circa 1832. In Wn Sco86 828cb WRE. From the Wrenn Collection.

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Letters:

ALS to Ballantyne, James, December 1818. From the Stark Collection.	Container 1.4
ALS to Campbell-Colquhoun, Archibald, 27 October 1808. Removed from Wn Sco86 805. From the Wrenn Collection.	
ALS to Croker, John Wilson, 12 July 1822.	Container 1.5
ALS to Croker, John Wilson, 16 February 1827. Removed from Stark 3661.	Container 1.4

ALS to Moore, Thomas, undated (Abbotsford).

Letters I:

Bound volume of letters largely related to Charles Robert Maturin's tragedyContainerBertram. From the Stark Collection. Contents include:1.6

Bell, Robert. ALS to Maturin, Charles Robert, 10 May 1816.

Byron, George Gordon Noel Byron, Baron. ALS to Maturin, Charles Robert, 22 December 1815.

Essex, Earl of. ALS to Maturin, Charles Robert, 11 May 1816.

Kinnaird, Douglas James William. 3 ALS to Maturin, Charles Robert, 1816, undated.

Lamb, George. ALS no recipient, 2 January 1816.

Lamb, George. 10 ALS to Maturin, Charles Robert, 1816-1818.

Maturin, Charles Robert. AL to Lamb, George, 2 September 1816.

Scott, Walter, Sir. 20 ALS to Maturin, Charles Robert, 1812-1825.

Scott, Walter, Sir. ALS to Maturin, Charles Robert, Mrs., 9 April 1825.

Miscellaneous:

Unidentified author. Funeral of Sir Walter Scott, handwritten manuscript / copy from the Edinburgh Morning Courant, 5 October 1832.

Unidentified author. AN to Sutherland, George Granville Leveson-Gower, Duke of, 21 September 1832. Withdrawn from The lay of the last minstrel, a poem, by Sir Walter Scott, London, 1805.

Baillie, Joanna. 2 ALS to Scott, Elizabeth M'Culloch re Lockhart, Charlotte Sophia Scott, 1837.

Binning, J. W. ALS to Scott, Elizabeth M'Culloch re Sir Walter Scott, 26 September 1832.

Cadell, Robert. 2 ALS to Scott, Elizabeth M'Culloch re Sir Walter Scott, 1832.

Gifford, F. ANS to Scott, Mrs. re Sir Walter Scott, 1832.

Hurst, Robinson & Co., Messrs. ALS to Slater, Joseph re Sir Walter Scott, 18 April 1821.

Lockhart, Charlotte Sophia Scott. 3 ALS to Scott, Elizabeth M'Culloch re Sir Walter Scott and Anne Scott, 1832-1833.

Lockhart, John Gibson. ALS to Scott, Mrs., re Sir Walter Scott, 1832. Address varies from that of Elizabeth Scott so recipient is presumably a cousin of Sir Walter Scott.

Ormonde, G. L. ALS to unidentified recipient re Sir Walter Scott, circa 1832. Presumably to one of Scott's daughters, Charlotte Sophia Lockhart or Anne Scott.

Scott, Anne Rutherford. ALS to Huxley, Jessie Scott re Sir Walter Scott, 22 June 1832.

Scott, Charles. ALS to Scott, Elizabeth M'Culloch re Sir Walter Scott, 21 September 1832.

Scott, Elizabeth M'Culloch. 3 ALS to Huxley, Jessie re Sir Walter Scott, 1832.

Scott, Walter, Sir. Calling cards of visitors, 6 cards, 1832. Cards received from enquirers during Scott's last illness.

Scott, Walter, Sir. Handwritten document / invoice of books bought at sale by Scott, 1819-1820.

Scott, Walter, Sir. List of callers, 1 leaf, undated. Signatures of enquirers at Scott's London house during his last illness.

Scott, Walter, Sir, 1801-1847. ALS to Hogg, James, 22 September 1832. An invitation to attend the funeral of his father, the novelist and poet.

Scott, Walter, Sir, 1801-1847. ALS to Scott, Elizabeth M'Culloch re Sir Walter Scott, 17 June 1832. On this: ANS to Elizabeth Scott from Anne Scott.

Slater, Joseph. ALS to Hurst, Robinson, Co., Messrs. re Sir Walter Scott, 18 April 1821.

Smith, John. ALS to Muirhead, James Patrick re notes by Sir Walter Scott, 11 February 1839.

Worthington, Greville. ALS to Gannon, Thomas J., March 1931.

Explanatory Note Concerning Manuscript Collections Cataloged in the Card Catalog

Prior to 1990 when archival cataloging procedures were adopted at the Ransom Center, all manuscript collections were described in a card catalog.

Organization of Collections:

- Manuscripts for each author collection were organized into four categories:
- Works: manuscripts by the author, arranged alphabetically by title;
- Letters: the author's outgoing correspondence, arranged alphabetically by recipient name;
- **Recipient:** the author's incoming correspondence, arranged alphabetically by the author of the letter; and
- Miscellaneous: all other manuscripts and correspondence, arranged alphabetically by creator.

Materials that did not fit into these categories, such as art, photographs, books, and near-print materials such as newspaper clippings, were dispersed to other Ransom Center collections for cataloging and storage.

Abbreviations Used in Descriptions:

The symbols below were used in combinations. For example **ALS** means autograph letter signed; **Tccms** means typed carbon copy manuscript, etc.

- \mathbf{A} = autograph (i.e., handwritten)
- $\mathbf{T} = \text{typed}$
- S = signed
- $\mathbf{I} = initialed$
- Ms = manuscript
- Mss = manuscripts
- $\mathbf{L} =$ letter
- **FL** = form letter
- N = note
- \mathbf{D} = document
- $\mathbf{C} = \operatorname{card}$
- $\mathbf{PC} = \text{post card}$
- **cc** = carbon copy
- $\mathbf{p} = \text{page}$
- **pp** = pages
- $\mathbf{l} = \text{leaf}$
- $\mathbf{l} = \mathbf{l} = \mathbf{l} = \mathbf{l} = \mathbf{l} + \mathbf{l}$
- $\mathbf{nd} = \mathbf{no} date$
- inc d = incomplete date