

Carl H. Pforzheimer:

An Inventory of His Collection of English Manuscripts at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

- Creator:** Pforzheimer, Carl H. (Carl Howard), 1879-1957
- Title:** Carl H. Pforzheimer Collection of English Manuscripts
- Dates:** 1485-1844 (bulk 1530-1722), undated
- Extent:** 16 document boxes, 10 oversize boxes (21.25 linear feet), 1 oversize folder (osf)
- Abstract:** Chiefly manuscript newsletters addressed to Sir Richard Bulstrode and letters, documents, and manuscripts of writings by various English historical figures, all gathered together by the twentieth-century American book collector Carl H. Pforzheimer. Prominent figures represented include Oliver Cromwell, John Donne, Elizabeth I, John Evelyn, John Locke, Samuel Pepys, Sir Walter Raleigh, and others.
- Call Number:** Manuscript Collection MS-3244
- Language:** Predominantly English, but also includes Dutch, French, Greek, Italian, Latin, and Spanish
- Access:** Open for research. The Pforzheimer manuscripts have also been individually cataloged and all manuscripts are being digitized. The descriptions, digital images, and transcriptions (when available), are being added to the [Harry Ransom Center Digital Collections](#) as digitization is completed.
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Administrative Information

- Acquisition:** Purchase, 1986; Gift, 1989 (G8294)
- Processed by:** Elon Lang, Lydia Fletcher, and Joan Sibley, 2013; we gratefully acknowledge the assistance of James A. Winn, Melissa Schoenberger, and Newton Key in connection with the Bulstrode newsletters.
- Repository:** [Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin](#)

Biographical Sketch

Carl Howard Pforzheimer was born in New York, the son of Isaac and Mina Heyman Pforzheimer, on January 29, 1879. He was a collector of books since his teens, when he began his career as a runner on Wall Street. By the age of 23, he had his own firm on the New York Stock Exchange that specialized in trading oil companies, and as his wealth grew, he began collecting rare printed editions and manuscripts. By his early forties, he had established himself as one of the preeminent private book collectors of the twentieth century, competing at auctions with Henry C. Folger, Henry E. Huntington, John Pierpont Morgan, George D. Smith, and his long-time friend and mentor, Dr. A. S. W. Rosenbach of Philadelphia.

While Percy Shelley and the nineteenth-century Romantics were Pforzheimer's special interest, his primary objective was "to secure the important books of English literature and, when available, rarities and unique copies." Pforzheimer certainly achieved his aim: he gathered together a library that included rare early editions of Tudor and Elizabethan literature and essays (including works of Francis Bacon, William Shakespeare, John Skelton, and Edmund Spenser); incunabula including a Gutenberg Bible and seven books by the first English printer, William Caxton; rare editions of eighteenth and nineteenth century works by Robert Burns, Lewis Carroll, Daniel Defoe, and Walt Whitman; and the most complete known gathering of manuscripts, letters, and first editions of writers in the Shelley circle, including formerly unpublished letters of Mary Wollstonecraft Shelley. In 1940, Pforzheimer published a three-volume catalog of his library's holdings titled [The Carl H. Pforzheimer Library: English Literature, 1475-1700](#).

Pforzheimer died on April 4, 1957, predeceased by his wife, the former Lily Oppenheimer, and survived by two children, son Carl H., Jr. and daughter Mrs. Jane P. Long. Control over his library was transferred to The Carl and Lily Pforzheimer Foundation, Inc., which donated the Shelley collection to the New York Public Library in 1986. In that year, most of the Pforzheimer Library's "non-Shelley" books (including the Gutenberg Bible) and manuscripts were acquired at auction by the Harry Ransom Center.

Sources:

Pforzheimer, Carl H. Introduction to Emma Unger and William A. Jackson, *The Carl H. Pforzheimer Library: English Literature 1475-1700*. New York: Privately printed, 1940.

Pforzheimer, Carl H., Jr. Foreword to Kenneth Neil Cameron, *The Carl H. Pforzheimer Library: Shelley and His Circle*. Cambridge, Mass.: Harvard University Press, 1961.

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Scope and Contents

The Carl H. Pforzheimer Collection of English Manuscripts comprises 1,952 items dating from 1485-1844 (bulk 1530-1722). The collection is dominated by manuscript newsletters addressed to Sir Richard Bulstrode (1469), plus letters (370), documents (57), manuscripts of writings (52), and other items (4) chiefly created by English notables including Oliver Cromwell, John Donne, Elizabeth I, John Evelyn, John Locke, Samuel Pepys, and Sir Walter Raleigh, or by other English or European monarchs, nobles, and aristocrats. While most manuscripts in this collection are indeed written in English, there are a number of items written wholly or partially in French (288), and a few pieces in Dutch (3), Greek (1), Italian (3), Latin (7), or Spanish (6). The collection is arranged in three series: I. English Manuscripts, 1485-1844; II. Bulstrode Manuscripts, 1641-1837; and III. Original Manuscript Descriptions and Housings.

The first series is smaller than the second, but contains more diverse holdings created over a longer span of time. Several conceptual groupings are represented, such as correspondence by or pertaining to Sir Walter Raleigh; documents signed by participants in the regicide of King Charles I of England; and letters by English thinkers from the Enlightenment period of the late seventeenth and early eighteenth centuries. Highlights include letters by Oliver Cromwell, John Locke, and Samuel Pepys, as well as several letters of English monarchs, including Henry VII and James I, and a group of letters and documents signed by Elizabeth I pertaining to her failed marriage suit with François, Duke of Anjou. Literary connections include letters by playwright William Congreve; poet John Donne; designs and letters by John Evelyn the diarist, essayist, and gardener; and a rare copy of Edmund Spenser's *Shepherd's Calendar* translated into Latin. Many manuscripts are bound into unique extra-illustrated volumes assembled in the mid-nineteenth century that also contain rare artistic prints and portraiture, many of which are vividly colored.

The larger second series is comprised of manuscripts from the Bulstrodes, an aristocratic English family that was prominent in Middlesex in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries. Most of the manuscripts in this series are associated with Sir Richard Bulstrode (1610-1711), a diplomat stationed in Brussels, who received the 1,469 handwritten newsletters in this collection from offices in London while he was stationed abroad, 1667-1689. These newsletters provided Bulstrode with information from England that could not be printed in public newspapers. In return, Bulstrode, along with other newsletter subscribers, mailed personal accounts of news and politics from their regions along with copies of local newspapers back to London. Together with a supplemental set of letters between Bulstrode, Joseph Williamson (the owner of the principal newsletter office), and clerks from the Secretary of State's office (who also worked in Williamson's office), the Pforzheimer Collection preserves one of the world's largest records of early correspondence journalism. In addition to the Bulstrode newsletters, this series also

contains several manuscripts by Richard Bulstrode's second son, Whitelocke Bulstrode (1650-1724), a government administrator and religious essayist, as well as manuscripts and documents associated with other members of the Bulstrode family.

The final series retains items that were associated with individual Pforzheimer manuscripts before they arrived at the Ransom Center, including original paper envelopes and folders used to house the documents when held by the Carl H. Pforzheimer Library or the Alfred Morrison Collection, as well as accompanying descriptions or notes.

Series Descriptions

Series I. English Manuscripts, 1485-1844 (3 document boxes, 9 oversize boxes, 1 oversize folder)

The English Manuscripts series contains 266 items arranged alphabetically by creator name and date. Due to the fact that many of the items are either oversized or were assembled into bound volumes by former owners, the physical order does not always reflect the alphabetic sequence, but the container list and the index in this finding aid do enable browsing or searching by name.

The majority of the items in this series are letters by or to figures of royalty and nobility or major political or literary actors in the mid-sixteenth, mid-seventeenth, and late-seventeenth centuries. There are also a number of other documents from these periods, including bills, court reports, expense schedules, government orders, passports, petitions, a play, poems, receipts, sketches, speeches, and warrants.

The earliest item is a letter from Henry VII, King of England, in 1485 (PFORZ-MS-0124). Some documents were signed by several individuals, such as PFORZ-MS-0071 wherein six members of the English Privy Council authorized the payment of a muster master for Sussex in August 1585. The latest items are letters by early nineteenth-century collectors, editors, and historiographers that relate to manuscripts in this series (e.g., William Upcott, editor of John Evelyn's works, PFORZ-MS-0257; Patrick Fraser Tytler, biographer of Sir Walter Raleigh, PFORZ-MS-0255; and Sir Samuel Egerton Brydges, editor of Raleigh's poems, PFORZ-MS-0025).

From the sixteenth century, the best-represented figures are Queen Elizabeth I of England and Sir Walter Raleigh. A collector's folio volume contains several letters signed by Elizabeth I relating to the ultimately failed negotiations for her marriage to François, Duke of Anjou and Alençon. An additional credential letter sent to King Henry IV of France for an unknown emissary is written in Elizabeth's own hand and is one of 69 manuscripts collected by John Dillon in a three volume extra-illustrated edition of *The Life of Sir Walter Raleigh* by Patrick Fraser Tytler. Dillon, an antiquarian of the mid-nineteenth century, illustrated these volumes with original manuscripts by some of Raleigh's closest associates and antagonists as well as nearly 500 rare pictures and prints and 40 original drawings and paintings depicting people and settings from Raleigh's life. Included among the manuscripts tipped into these volumes are five original letters from Sir Walter Raleigh to Sir Humphrey Gilbert and Sir John Gilbert (his half-brothers), and Sir John Gilbert, the

Younger (his nephew). Another letter by Raleigh is included in a rare early-nineteenth century edition of Raleigh's poetry. A final item associated with Raleigh is a seventeenth-century volume which contains a contemporary manuscript copy of a transcription of Raleigh's arraignment at Winchester in 1603 and the speech he gave at his execution in 1618.

From the mid-seventeenth century, a significant group of letters represents key individuals involved in the regicide of King Charles I of England and the subsequent Commonwealth government. These include individual letters or documents from Miles Corbet, Sir John Danvers, Admiral Richard Deane, Isaac Dorislaus, and the Committee for the Public Revenue of the Parliament of England and Wales (i.e., part of the Rump Parliament). There are also two letters written and signed by Oliver Cromwell himself, one addressed to a friend discussing a potential marriage match for Cromwell's son (PFORZ-MS-0041) and one requesting emergency provisions for Cromwell's troops from the Committee of Carmarthenshire after capturing Pembroke Castle in 1648 (PFORZ-MS-0042).

From the late-seventeenth and early-eighteenth centuries, this series holds numerous items of correspondence from and between instrumental figures in the English Enlightenment and early Royal Society. These include letters by Richard Bentley, William Brouncker, Archbishop John Dolben, and Samuel Hartlib. Two of the most prominently represented people in this circle of correspondents are Samuel Pepys and John Evelyn. This series contains seven letters sent between them, 11 other letters by or to Pepys (including one to Isaac Newton about gambling odds, PFORZ-MS-0207, and one to Sir Godfrey Kneller about a commissioned painting, PFORZ-MS-0214), and seven other items by John Evelyn. Among Evelyn's papers are a large sketch for a garden design at Albury (PFORZ-MS-0086), a collection of three locks of Evelyn's hair (PFORZ-MS-0084), a translation of a letter written to Thomas Hobbes (PFORZ-MS-0085), a guide for setting up and maintaining a household by his wife Mary Evelyn (PFORZ-MS-0092), and letters bemoaning the clandestine marriage of Evelyn's daughter (PFORZ-MS-0090 and 0091).

The strongest holdings among the intellectuals of the English Enlightenment are letters written by or to the philosopher John Locke, tipped into two volumes assembled by a nineteenth-century collector. One volume features 38 letters from the Dublin-based natural philosopher William Molyneux to Locke about the development of certain philosophical ideas in later editions of *An Essay on Human Understanding* (1690), *Some Thoughts Concerning Education* (1693), and a few of Locke's other works. Molyneux also reports on the reception of Locke's works by Irish intellectuals in the 1690s, including Dr. St. George Ashe. The other volume features 20 letters in Locke's own hand written over the last year-and-a-half of his life, addressed to his younger friend and intellectual follower, the philosopher Anthony Collins. In many of these letters, Locke asks Collins to acquire books for him, and in the later ones, Locke and Collins collaborate on designs for a wheelchair.

Other items of special interest include manuscripts associated with significant literary figures: a copy of Edmund Spenser's *Shepherd's Calendar* (1579) translated into Latin by Theodore Bathurst (PFORZ-MS-0246), as well as a letter by John Donne from 1624 (PFORZ-MS-0052), and a letter by William Congreve from 1710 (PFORZ-MS-0039). There are two letters written by prominent Quakers in Restoration England: one by Margaret Askew Fell Fox (PFORZ-MS-0098) and one by Isaac Penington (PFORZ-MS-0204). Another cultural treasure is a vellum handwriting sample book from 1606 by Esther Inglis, one of very few known women calligraphers of her era (PFORZ-MS-0126).

Series II. Bulstrode Manuscripts, 1641-1837 (10 document boxes, 1 oversize box)

The Bulstrode Manuscripts encompass 1,686 items arranged into four subseries: A. Sir Richard Bulstrode, 1641-1801; B. Whitelocke Bulstrode, 1670-1722; C. Edward Bulstrode, 1681-1707; and D. Other Bulstrode Family Papers, 1672-1837.

Subseries A. Sir Richard Bulstrode, 1641-1801

Sir Richard Bulstrode (1610-1711) was a British diplomat and essayist who was primarily stationed near Brussels. This subseries for his papers is subdivided into: 1. Works (6 folders, arranged alphabetically by title); 2. Letters (10 folders, arranged into outgoing and incoming, subarranged alphabetically by author and subsequently by date); and 3. Newsletters (5 boxes, arranged by date).

1. The Works consist of seven manuscripts of essay drafts and verse either written by or in the possession of Richard Bulstrode. One volume in this section (PFORZ-MS-0267) is a collection of notes composed by a witness to Parliament during the early 1640s. While its actual author is unattributed, it has been identified as a possible source for Bulstrode's posthumously published *Memoirs and Reflections upon the Reign and Government of King Charles* (1721).

2. The Letters in this subseries include one letter from Bulstrode to Joseph Williamson in 1674 and 161 letters sent to Bulstrode between 1670 and 1687. The incoming letters are chiefly from Henry Thynne (100) and William Bridgeman (50) on behalf of the office of the Secretary of State of England and pertain to Bulstrode's duties as a diplomat in Brussels. These letters from Bridgeman and Thynne could be considered a supplement to the 1469 newsletters sent from Joseph Williamson's office to Bulstrode that are contained in the third segment of this subseries. Together they reveal a relationship between the newsletter enterprise in the late-seventeenth century and the correspondence of the office of the Secretary of State.

For example, in one newsletter from March 1683 (PFORZ-MS-1424), Bridgeman is the scribe who signs a newsletter sent to Bulstrode from the Williamson office. In his capacity as a clerk in the office of Secretary of State Robert Spencer, Earl of Sunderland, Bridgeman wrote individual letters (e.g., PFORZ-MS-0273) to thank Bulstrode for his news from abroad, to apologize for writing too little, to comment upon current news, or to urge Bulstrode to write more frequently or with greater specificity on some news Bulstrode has mentioned. While the letters from Bridgeman and Thynne are generally concerned with matters of state, the gathering of intelligence, and Bulstrode's official capacity as a diplomat to transmit

proprietary communications from the King to recipients on the continent, they also often refer to gazettes and newsletters shared between Bulstrode and their offices.

Some letters include very specific news of state and requests from the Secretary to conduct business on behalf of the state, such as the letter of March 14, 1678/1679 (PFORZ-MS-0274), which serves as notification to Bulstrode that the King and Queen are coming to Brussels and expect him to attend on them. Other letters request Bulstrode to do favors for the Secretary, such as the letter of November 21, 1679 (PFORZ-MS-0277), in which Bulstrode is asked to look into the well-being of one of Lady Sunderland's nephews who had been involved in a duel.

3. The largest part of this subseries consists of the 1,469 manuscript newsletters received by Bulstrode between 1667 and 1689. They are arranged chronologically; when questions arose about an item's date because of incomplete or irregular date formats (or a question about a scribe's use of new- and old-style dating methods), contemporary accounts such as Narcissus Luttrell's *A Brief Historical Relation of State Affairs from September 1678 to April 1714* were consulted to verify dates. The new chronological arrangement of the newsletters attempts to correct chronological sequencing errors noticed in the four-reel microfilm facsimile of the letters, *Newsletters of Richard Bulstrode, 1667-1689, From the Harry Ransom Humanities Center at the University of Texas, Austin* (Marlborough: Adam Matthew Publications, 2002). This new arrangement also incorporates over two dozen newsletters accidentally omitted from the microfilm.

The newsletters were the products of two different offices, one operated by Joseph Williamson (1633-1701) and the other by Edward Coleman (1636-1678) until his arrest and execution. These newsletters are significant because until 1695, there were no independent printed newspapers in England, only one official *Gazette* controlled by the government. Those who wanted uncensored news depended on manuscript newsletters that contained proprietary information for their subscribers about proceedings in parliament, activities of the military and royal family, and court gossip that could not be printed in public newspapers. To reciprocate for this service, subscribers mailed accounts of news and politics back to London from their estates around the realm. If they were diplomats like Bulstrode, subscribers sent first-hand accounts plus local newspapers from their stations in Europe. This early form of correspondence journalism not only provided the newsletter office with news for future newsletters, but for Williamson, who served as Secretary of State from 1674-1679, it also provided valuable intelligence for his statecraft.

In these newsletters, readers will find brief but detailed accounts of historical events as they unfolded in the British realm in the period between 1667 and 1689, from a London-oriented perspective. The beginning of this period was marked by the end of the second Anglo-Dutch War and the rebuilding of London after the Great Fire of 1666. The end of this period was marked by the Glorious Revolution and the parliamentary acts that led to the passage of Britain's Bill of Rights early in the reign of William and Mary. From the interceding 23 years, readers of the newsletters will find news items relating to a wide range of topics, including but not limited to: the activities of the East India Company; British diplomacy in Flanders, France, and the Dutch Republic (especially Zeeland) during the third Anglo-Dutch War and subsequent Anglo-French hostilities; court hearings held to admonish

newsletter offices for publishing privileged government information; difficulties in governing North American colonies, especially Boston and Virginia; the marriage of William of Orange to the future Queen Mary II; the Popish Plot, the trial of Titus Oates, and other persecutions of Catholics; events leading to the Habeas Corpus Act; the Exclusion Crisis and formation of the Whig and Tory political parties; the future Queen Anne's courtship by George of Hanover and later marriage to Prince George of Denmark; the Rye House Plot of 1683; the siege of Tangier; the death of Charles II and his tumultuous succession by Catholic James II; and the Duke of Monmouth's Rebellion and pursuit of his supporters in the Low Countries.

Generally each newsletter contains news items for one to six individually labeled days, usually spanning a time frame of less than one week. Spacing between the newsletters is extremely variable. Some parts of this collection suggest that multiple dispatches were sent to Bulstrode from a single newsletter office on the same day, whereas other parts reveal gaps of several weeks or months at a time.

Sir Richard Bulstrode is the implied if not explicitly addressed recipient of the newsletters. Occasionally, however, the newsletters are addressed to another individual who presumably served as Bulstrode's secretary or agent. Addressed recipients of newsletters other than Bulstrode include: Mr. Curtis (1 newsletter), Mr. Mansfield (23), Mr. Richardson (2), and Mr. Walgrave (48). Usually the clerks in Williamson's or Coleman's offices performed their scribal duties anonymously. However, some of the newsletters have been signed. Scribes who signed newsletters include: Henry Ball (4), William Bridgeman (1), J. Ellis (1), Jo. Mounteven (1), J. Tucker (1), James Vernon (12), Jo. Wendon (3), O. Wynne (1), and Robert Yard (202). There are also 14 letters which contain supplemental (often marginal) notes written by Joseph Williamson addressed directly to Bulstrode. These short notes are generally postscripts in which Williamson thanks Bulstrode for maintaining his correspondence with the newsletter office. Occasionally, gratitude to Bulstrode is also expressed by the newsletter office personnel for sending them commodities from the continent as gifts, including chocolate (PFORZ-MS-1008, 1023, and 1131) and "Brussels twizers or sissers" (i.e., tweezers or scissors; PFORZ-MS-0646).

Subseries B. Whitelocke Bulstrode, 1670-1722

Whitelocke Bulstrode (1650-1724) was the second son of Sir Richard Bulstrode and an administrator and religious essayist. (While this finding aid identifies Whitelocke Bulstrode's birth year as 1650 in a manner consistent with Library of Congress information, researchers should note that the *Oxford Dictionary of National Biography* identifies his birth year as 1652. This latter date is probably more accurate since Richard Bulstrode's first son, Edward, seems to have been born in 1650.) The Whitelocke Bulstrode subseries contains 31 items subdivided into three sections: 1. Works (2.5 boxes, arranged alphabetically by title); 2. Letters (2 folders, arranged by date); and 3. Other (1 folder).

1. The Works section constitutes the bulk of this subseries with 28 items documenting Whitelocke Bulstrode's work as a government administrator and prominent Protestant religious essayist in his day. There are several examples of notebooks he kept to record his meditations on the Bible or on other religious and philosophical subjects. Some of these served as commonplace books kept while reading and taking notes, but one is an account book from his time as a surveyor for the Commission of Excise for Vintners (PFORZ-MS-1902). Also present are several pamphlets containing drafts and printer's notes for many of Bulstrode's essays. Some of these are unpublished, but most were published in his lifetime or in a posthumous volume of collected works. Notable among these are three successive drafts of his essay "Of Sin" (PFORZ-MS-1919, 1920, 1921) and drafts of his three *Charges to the Grand-Jury of Middlesex* printed between 1717 and 1722.

2. The Letters section contains two items. Along with an example of Bulstrode's personal correspondence, there is a copy of a letter about popery that was part of a series of letters exchanged between Bulstrode and Dr. Lawrence Wood on the relative merits of the Roman and Anglican churches (PFORZ-MS-1928). These letters were published in multiple editions, the second of which was titled *The Pillars of Popery Thrown Down* (1718).

3. The Other section consists of one item: the first page from Whitelocke Bulstrode's will (PFORZ-MS-1929). This folio-sized document was found among other Bulstrode family papers and is estimated to be from late in Bulstrode's life.

Subseries C. Edward Bulstrode, 1681-1707

The six items in this subseries consist mainly of official documents or business records pertaining to the Bulstrode family estate that are signed or inscribed by Edward Bulstrode, born in 1650, the first son of Sir Richard Bulstrode. A range of activities are represented in these documents, including indenture agreements, a marriage settlement, business deals and property purchases, and notes on property holdings. These items are arranged alphabetically by assigned title.

Subseries D. Other Bulstrode Family Papers, 1672-1837

This final subseries contains ten works and documents associated with the Bulstrode family estate. The manuscripts are subdivided into two groups of items either related to Edward Bulstrode or to other Bulstrode family members. The first group contains two items that can be associated directly with Edward Bulstrode, born 1679, the grandson of Sir Richard Bulstrode by his first son Edward, born 1650. The remaining eight items comprising the second group include unattributed short essays and letters on political topics, legal documents, a catalog of pictures at the Bulstrode family house, and an 1803 will of a late descendent of the Bulstrode line, Sophia Bulstrode. Items in both groups are arranged alphabetically by assigned title.

Series III. Original Manuscript Descriptions and Housings (3 document boxes)

This series contains items previously associated with individual Pforzheimer manuscripts: chiefly the original paper envelopes and folders used to house the documents while they were held by the Carl H. Pforzheimer Library or the Alfred Morrison Collection, and/or accompanying descriptions or notes. These items are arranged sequentially by the original MS numbers (1-169) in the printed Pforzheimer Library catalog. Following the MS number items are associated materials from the manuscripts designated by "Misc." numbers, acquired in 1989 as Gift 8294. While many of the Pforzheimer manuscripts have associated materials in this series, not all do.

Frequently written on the original envelopes or folders are partial descriptions of individual manuscripts, biographical notes on their creators, and some provenance information. These notes were transcribed in the printed Pforzheimer Library catalog and, where possible, have now been recorded and expanded in subsequent Ransom Center descriptions. Other materials include handwritten and typed notes by former collectors and archivists, bookmarks and identification slips removed from bound volumes, paper wrappers, and custom-made bindings and collector's boxes that are no longer in use.

While most of these associated materials provide very little information that is not already accessible elsewhere, there are a few pieces that provide additional contextual information. Most notable among these are: a couple of partial auction sale catalogs; a couple of photocopies of modern articles written about individual items (e.g., a scholarly article on John Evelyn's garden sketch for Albury, PFORZ-MS-0086 / filed as MS.35c); and printouts of research material accumulated during cataloging in 2013.

Related Material

Additional items related to the following individuals are held by the Ransom Center in other collections, including:

- Alessandro Farnese, Duke of Parma – see Popular Imagery Collection; Ranuzzi Family Collection
- Charles V, Holy Roman Emperor – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, Popular Imagery Collection, Prints Collection, Ranuzzi Family Collection
- Charles IX, King of France – see Carlton Lake Collection; Prints Collection
- Cromwell, Oliver – see Hector Bolitho Collection; Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection; Prints Collection; Donald Wolfitt Collection
- Digby, Kenelm – see Prints Collection
- Dillon, John – see Charles Dickens Collection
- Disraeli, Isaac – see Isaac Disraeli Collection; MS X6 (Autographs Collection); Prints Collection

- Elizabeth I, Queen of England – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection; Prints Collection
- Essex, Robert Devereux, Earl of – see Prints Collection
- Godolphin, Sidney Godolphin, Earl of – see George Atherton Aitken Collection; Arthur Capel, Earl of Essex Collection
- Haddock, Richard – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- Henry Frederick, Prince of Wales – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- Henry II, King of France – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, Popular Imagery Collection; Prints Collection
- Henry IV, King of France – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection; Popular Imagery Collection
- Henry VII, King of England – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- James I, King of England – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- Jenkins, Leoline – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- John, of Austria (also Juan de Austria) – see Ranuzzi Family Collection
- King, William – see George Atherton Aitken Collection
- Kneller, Godfrey – see Prints Collection
- Locke, John – see John Locke Collection
- Maurice, Prince of Orange – see Popular Imagery Collection
- Monmouth, James, Duke of – see Prints Collection
- Newton, Isaac – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection; Prints Collection
- Pepys, Samuel – see Samuel Pepys Collection; Prints Collection
- Philip II, King of Spain – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- Raleigh, Walter, Sir – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- Suffolk, Thomas Howard, Earl of – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- Sloane, Hans, Sir – see Prints Collection
- Strafford, Thomas Wentworth, Earl of – see George Atherton Aitken Collection; Popular Imagery Collection

- Temple, William, Sir – see Medieval and Early Modern Manuscripts Collection
- Tytler, Patrick Fraser – see Patrick Fraser Tytler Collection
- Vanbrugh, John, Sir – see George Atherton Aitken Collection; B. J. Simmons & Co. Records

Outside of the Ransom Center, the Carl H. Pforzheimer Collection of Shelley and His Circle is owned by the New York Public Library and holds some 25,000 books, manuscripts, letters, and other objects, chiefly from the late eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries.

For researchers interested in Sir Richard Bulstrode, a substantial collection of his letters to Secretary of State Henry Coventry, written from Brussels, 1674-1686, is held at Longleat House, Wiltshire, U.K., in the Coventry Papers, Vols. 29-32. These are published in microfilm by Microform Academic Publishers, Wakefield, U.K. The Yale University Beinecke Library also holds six letters from Sir Joseph Williamson to Bulstrode, 1674-1679, in the Osborne Manuscripts, Files 16204-16209, and other works associated with Bulstrode in the Osborne Manuscripts, Files 2162-2166.

Additional collections of seventeenth-century newsletters similar to the Pforzheimer Bulstrode newsletters are available at several other repositories. The following is a list of notable external collections, some of which have been microfilmed or published in print editions:

- Kew, Richmond, Surrey, U.K. The National Archives: Greenwich Hospital Newsletters, containing newsletters sent to Lord Derwentwater 1673-1696; see the *Calendar of State Papers Domestic*, Records of the Admiralty ADM 77 & 78.
- London, U.K. British Library: Sloane MS 3929, Henry Muddiman newsletters from 1678, 1687-1688/1689;
- London, U.K. British Library: Additional MS 61610, newsletters from John Dyer 1707, 1710;
- London, U.K. British Library: Additional MSS 70420-70421, newsletters from John Dyer to Edward Harley 1709-1710;
- London, U.K. British Library: Additional MSS 72595-72597, newsletters from London sent to William Trumbull while he was stationed in Paris and Constantinople, 1683-1711.
- Los Angeles, CA. University of California, William Andrews Clark Memorial Library: MS.1951.021 / Pole Family News Collection, containing 266 manuscript newsletters from London sent to members of the Pole family of Radbourne, Derbyshire, 1681-1710; former shelfmark fC6976M2 1692-1710 Boxed.
- Manchester, U.K. University of Manchester, John Rylands University Library: GB 133 GB 133 Eng MS 114 / Newsletters to Sir William Temple, William Blathwayte, and others, from Joseph Williamson, Henry Muddiman and

- others, containing 204 newsletters, 1667-1679, in four volumes;
- Manchester, U.K. University of Manchester, John Rylands University Library: Legh Family of Lyme Muniments, at least 22 newsletters, 1679-1715, interspersed among personal correspondence, according to *Lady Newton's Lyme Letters 1660-1760*, London: William Heinemann, 1925, p. 105ff.
 - New Haven, CT. Yale University Library: Newsletters Addressed to Madam Pole, 1691-1695;
 - New Haven, CT. Yale University Library: Biscoe Newsletters, 1696-1706;
 - New Haven, CT. Yale University Library: Newsletter 1672 April 22-27.
 - Oxford, U.K. All Souls College: Papers of Narcissus Luttrell, 1678-1714.
 - Oxford, U.K. Bodleian Library: MS Carte 72 / Carte Papers, newsletters addressed to the 1st Duke of Ormond, 1660-1685, giving Proceedings of the English Parliament, and news of the Netherlands, France and Germany, 1660-1685.
 - San Marino, CA. Huntington Library: HM 66704-66716, newsletters addressed to members of the Parker Family of Browsholme, Yorkshire, 1635-1693;
 - San Marino, CA. Huntington Library: HM 30314-30315, newsletters addressed to Sir Leoline Jenkins, 1676-1680; see also the entry "Benson, Francis," in the *Guide to British Historical Manuscripts in the Huntington Library*, p. 286;
 - San Marino, CA. Huntington Library: Acquisition Lot 2959, Sotheby's sale of 26 June 1974: 200 newsletters, reports, and other papers sent to Sir Leoline Jenkins and to his secretary Dr. Owen Wynne, 1676-1680.
 - Washington, D.C. Folger Shakespeare Library: Folger L.C. 1-3950 / Newdigate Newsletters Collection, containing 3,950 newsletters addressed primarily to Sir Richard Newdigate, Esq., Arbury, Warwickshire, 1674-1715.
 - Washington, D.C. Library of Congress: LCCN mm 80-97733 / London Newsletter Collection, containing 3,000 newsletters addressed primarily to Sir William Scott, 5th Laird Harden, 1665-1685.
 - Wiltshire, U.K. Longleat House: MSS 68, 77-79, 79A, 80-85, 85A, 86-88 / The Muddiman Newsletters, containing thousands of consecutive newsletters dated on alternate days by Henry Muddiman, 29 April 1667-12 October 1689; see also the *Appendix to the Third Report of the Historical Manuscripts Commission*, p.184.

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- Danvers, John, 1588?-1655 -- *1.18*
- Dartmouth, George Legge, Baron, 1648-1691 -- *1.19*
- Deane, Richard, 1610-1653 -- *1.20*
- Digby, Kenelm, 1603-1665 -- *1.21*
- Dillon, John, -1868 -- *18*, *21-23*
- Disraeli, Isaac, 1766-1848 -- *23.221v*

- Dodwell, Henry, 1641-1711 -- *1.8*
- Dolben, John, 1625-1686 -- *1.22*
- Donne, John, 1572-1631 -- *1.23*
- Dopping, Anthony, 1643-1697 -- *20.32*
- Dorislaus, Isaac, 1595-1649 -- *1.24*
- Dorset, Thomas Sackville, Earl of, 1536-1608 -- *1.25; 3.1.4-5, 21.141, 22.106, 22.127, 22.128v, 22.170, 23.146, 23.215v*
- Dudley, Robert, Sir, 1574-1649 -- *1.26*
- Dyneley, Edward, Sir -- *16.3*
- Egerton, Thomas, Sir, 1540?-1617 -- *21.141, 22.127, 22.128v, 22.170*
- Elizabeth I, Queen of England, 1533-1603 -- *17.5, 17.7, 17.9-10, 17.13, 17.15, 21.102*
- Ellis, J., active 1679 (clerk to Sir Joseph Williamson) -- *7.5*
- England and Wales. Admiralty -- *21.185*
- England and Wales. Commissioners of Customs -- *3.4*
- England and Wales. Commissioners of the Admiralty and the Navy -- *1.19-20, 1.36, 1.39, 2.2, 2.6, 3.4*
- England and Wales. Court of Chancery -- *22.209*
- England and Wales. Exchequer -- *1.11, 3.5*
- England and Wales. Parliament. Committee for the Public Revenue -- *1.27*
- England and Wales. Privy Council -- *1.28, 21.84v, 21.141, 21.212v, 22.7, 22.94v, 22.101v, 22.106, 22.127, 22.128v, 22.170, 23.15v, 23.215v*
- England. Commissioners of the Second Taxation -- *21.178*
- England. Court of Chancery -- *22.209*
- Essex, Robert Devereux, Earl of, 1566-1601 -- *21.242v*
- Evelyn, John, 1620-1706 -- *1.8, 1.12, 1.22, 1.29, 1.38, 2.7, 15.2-4, 18.23, 18.36, 18.39, 18.41, 18.246, 18.424, osf 1*
- Fairfax, Henry, 1631-1688 -- *1.13*
- Fell, John, 1625-1686 -- *1.30, 19.3*
- Fleming, Thomas, approximately 1544-1613 -- *22.209*
- Forbes, George, active 1829 -- *2.7*
- Fortescue, John, Sir, 1531?-1607 -- *22.106, 22.127, 22.128v, 22.170, 22.209, 23.215v*
- Fox, Margaret Askew Fell, 1614-1702 -- *1.31*
- Frampton, Robert, 1622-1708 -- *1.32, 15.5*
- Francis I, King of France, 1494-1547 -- *23.38v*
- Gale, Thomas, 1635?-1702 -- *2.7*
- Gardner, George, active 1721 (citizen of Worcestershire) -- *16.7*
- Gastrell, Francis, 1662-1725 -- *19.15*
- Gawdy, Bassingbourne, -1606 -- *1.25*
- Gifford, Phillipp, active 1616 -- *14.1*
- Gilbert, Humphrey, Sir, 1539?-1583 (half-brother of Sir Walter Raleigh) -- *21.116v, 21.117v*
- Gilbert, John, Sir (half-brother of Sir Walter Raleigh) -- *21.169, 21.170, 21.231, 21.232*
- Gilbert, John, Sir, the younger (nephew of Sir Walter Raleigh) -- *22.20v, 22.21, 23.21v, 23.22*
- Godolphin, Anne, active 1678 (sister or sister-in-law to Henry Godolphin) -- *1.33*
- Godolphin, Francis, 1678-1766 -- *1.37*
- Godolphin, Henry, 1648-1733 -- *1.33*
- Godolphin, Margaret Blagge, 1652-1678 -- *15.4*
- Godolphin, Sidney Godolphin, Earl of, 1645-1712 -- *15.4*
- Gonson, Benjamin, 1551- -- *21.185, 22.101v*
- Goodrich, Thomas, 1494-1554 -- *22.7*
- Gotham, Stephen, active 1690 (naval officer) -- *1.7*
- Grimston, Harbottle, 1579-1648 -- *1.34*

- Guarrini, Signor, active 1646 -- *1.26*
- Guthrie, John, -1649 -- *1.35*
- Haddock, Richard, approximately 1629-1715 -- *1.36*
- Hall, Joseph, 1574-1656 -- *15.6*
- Hare, Francis, 1671-1740 -- *1.37*
- Hartlib, Samuel, -1662 -- *1.38*
- Hartlib, Samuel, Jr., active 1660 -- *1.39*
- Hatton, Christopher, Sir, 1540–1591 -- *23.215v*
- Hawarde, John, 1571?-1630 -- *1.40*
- Hawkins, John, Sir, 1532-1595 -- *21.182, 21.185*
- Hedwig of Brandenburg, Duchess of Brunswick-Wolfenbüttel, 1540-1602 -- *21.157v*
- Henri II, Duke of Lorraine, 1563-1624 -- *23.26v*
- Henry Frederick, Prince of Wales, 1594-1612 -- *23.26v*
- Henry II, King of France, 1519-1559 -- *23.135v*
- Henry IV, King of France, 1553-1610 -- *21.102, 21.242v, 22.90v, 22.144, 22.182v*
- Henry VII, King of England, 1457-1509 -- *22.186*
- Hewer, William, 1642-1715 (clerk to Samuel Pepys) -- *18*
- Hill, Thomas, 1760-1840 -- *23.221v*
- Hitchett, John, active 1743 (Middlesex) -- *13.19*
- Hobbes, Thomas, 1588-1679 -- *18, 20.10*
- Holles, Denzil Holles, Baron, 1599-1680 -- *3.5*
- Houblon, James, Sir, -1700 (London merchant) -- *2.7*
- Howard, Robert, 1626-1698 -- *1.1*
- Hunsdon, George Carey, Baron, 1547-1603 -- *22.128v*
- Hunsdon, Henry Carey, Baron, 1526-1596 -- *21.177, 21.178, 23.215v*
- Hunter, Mr., active 1683 -- *1.19*
- Inglis, Esther, 1571-1624 -- *2.1*
- Isabel Clara Eugenia, Infanta of Spain, 1566-1633 -- *22.132, 22.135v*
- Jackson, Jane, active 1678 -- *16.8*
- Jackson, John, 1673-1723 (nephew and heir of Samuel Pepys) -- *18*
- James I, King of England, 1566-1625 -- *22.182v*
- Jenkins, Leoline, Sir, 1623-1685 -- *1.30*
- John, of Austria, 1547-1578 -- *21.52*
- Julius, Duke of Braunschweig-Lüneburg, 1528-1589 -- *21.52*
- Keally, Joseph, active 1710 (Kilkenny) -- *1.14*
- King, Peter King, Lord, 1669-1734 -- *19.23-24*
- King, William, 1650-1729 -- *20.05, 20.39*
- Kneller, Godfrey, Sir, 1646-1723 -- *2.8*
- Langehearne, John, active 1605 (County Glamorgan, Wales) -- *1.6*
- Lauderdale, John Maitland, Duke of, 1616-1682 -- *3.4*
- Lawrence, Giles, active 1681 (Pershore, Gloucester) -- *16.3*
- Lawson, John, Sir, -1665 -- *2.2*
- Le Clerc, Jean, 1657-1736 -- *20.25, 20.27, 20.34-35*
- Leicester, Robert Dudley, Earl of, 1532?-1588 -- *21.54, 21.79v, 21.84v, 21.175*
- Lewkenor, Lewis, Sir, -1626 -- *3.9*
- Locke, John, 1632-1704 -- *19.3, 19.6-24, 20.3-44*
- Long, Robert, approximately 1602-1673 -- *3.5*
- Lowndes, William, 1652–1724 -- *20.19*
- Lupton, Elizabeth, active 1707 (Middlesex) -- *16.5*
- Lupton, John, active 1707 (Middlesex) -- *16.5*
- Maidstone, William Finch, Viscount, 1652-1672 -- *3.14*

- Malebranche, Nicolas, 1638-1715 - 20.20
- Mansfield, Mr., active 1669-1671 (clerk to Sir Richard Bulstrode?) -- 5.4-9
- Markham, Mr., active 1670 (naval surgeon) -- 2.8
- Masham, Francis, Sir, approximately 1646-1723 -- 19.23, 20.24, 20.26, 20.28-29, 20.40
- Masham, Samuel, 1678/1679-1758 -- 19.17
- Maurice, Prince of Orange, 1567-1625 -- 22.144
- Methuen, John, 1650–1706 -- 20.26, 20.30, 20.32
- Molyneux, Thomas, Sir, 1661-1733 -- 20.4, 20.7, 20.13, 20.38, 20.44
- Molyneux, William, 1656-1698 -- 20.3, 20.5-6, 20.8-12, 20.14-37, 20.40-43
- Monmouth, James Scott, Duke of, 1649-1685-- 1.2
- Morton, Richard, 1637-1698 -- 20.7
- Mounteven, Jo., active 1686/1687 (clerk to Sir Joseph Williamson) -- 9.9
- Mulgrave, Edmund Sheffield, Earl of, 1565-1646 -- 21.200v
- Newton, Isaac, 1642-1727 -- 2.7, 20.34
- Norfolk, Henry Howard, Duke of, 1628-1684 -- *osf 1*
- Norfolk, Thomas Howard, Duke of, 1538-1572 -- 2.3
- Norris, John, Sir, 1547?-1597 -- 21.54
- North, Roger, Baron, 1531-1600 -- 22.128v, 22.170
- Norton, Richard, 1614 or 1615-1691 -- 1.16
- Nottingham, Charles Howard, Earl of, approximately 1536-1624 -- 21.185, 21.212v, 22.94v, 22.106, 22.127, 22.128v
- Palmer, Henry, approximately 1550-1611 -- 21.185, 22.101v
- Pawling, Robert, 1635-1709 -- 19.12
- Pembroke, Thomas Herbert, Earl of, 1656-1733 -- 4.7
- Pengelly, Thomas, Sir, 1675-1730 -- 2.4-5
- Penington, Isaac, 1616-1679 -- 2.6
- Penn, Margaret, Lady, -1682-- 2.8
- Pepys, Samuel, 1633-1703 -- 1.3, 1.29, 2.2, 2.7-8, 15.3-4
- Petre, Robert, -1593 -- 21.154v, 21.182, 23.15v
- Philip II, King of Spain, 1527-1598 -- 21.157v, 22.5
- Philip III, King of Spain, 1578-1621 -- 23.149
- Pignatelli, Ettore, -1535 -- 22.166
- Pitcher, Francis, active 1523 (courier) -- 1.28
- Popham, John, Sir, 1531?-1607 -- 22.127
- Preston, Richard Graham, Viscount, 1648-1695 -- 4.8
- Psalmanazar, George, 1679?-1763 -- 19.19
- Purbeck, Frances Coke, Viscountess, 1599-1645 -- 1.21
- Quayle, Francis, -1716 -- 20.23
- Radcliffe, George, Sir, 1593-1657 -- 3.7
- Raleigh, Walter, Sir, 1552?-1618 -- 3.1.4-5, 3.2, 21.116v, 21.117v, 21.169-170, 21.231-232, 22.20-22
- Richardson, Mr., active 1671-1672 (clerk to Sir Richard Bulstrode?) -- 5.9-10
- Rochester, Laurence Hyde, Earl of, 1641-1711 -- 1.13
- Russell, John, Earl of Bedford, approximately 1485-1555 -- 22.7
- Salisbury, Robert Cecil, Earl of, 1563-1612 -- 21.141, 22.59v, 22.94v, 22.106, 22.127, 22.170, 22.236
- Sandwich, Edward Montagu, Earl of, 1625-1672 -- 3.4
- Savile, Henry, 1642-1687 -- 3.3
- Selden, John, 1584-1654 -- 1.17
- Sergeant, John, 1623–1707 -- 20.36
- Shaftesbury, Anthony Ashley Cooper, Earl of, 1621-1683 -- 3.4

- Shrewsbury, Francis Talbot, Earl of, 1500-1560 -- 22.7
- Shrewsbury, Gilbert Talbot, Earl of, 1552-1616 -- 22.127
- Sidney, Robert, 1563-1626 -- 2.1
- Singleton, John, -1686 -- 3.5
- Sitwell, George, 1601-1667 -- 15.7
- Sloane, Hans, Sir, 1660-1753 -- 2.7, 20.27, 20.38
- Smith, Simon, active 1678 -- 16.8
- Smith, Thomas, 1513-1577 -- 1.28
- Smythe, John, Sir, approximately 1534-1607 -- 21.80v
- Sorbière, Samuel, 1615-1670 -- 18
- Southampton, Henry Wriothesley, Earl of, 1573-1624 -- 14
- Southampton, Thomas Wriothesley, Earl of, 1607-1667 -- 3.5, 15.7
- Southwell, Robert, Sir, 1635-1702 -- 1.10, 18.424
- Spelman, Henry, Sir, 1564?-1641 -- 15.6
- Spenser, Edmund, 1552?-1599 -- 3.6
- Spyller, Mary, active 1695 -- 16.2
- Stanhope, John, Baron, approximately 1540-1621 -- 22.127
- Stanley, John, Baron, 1663-1744 -- 3.13
- Stonley, Richard, 1519 or 1520-1600 -- 1.5
- Strafford, Thomas Wentworth, Earl of, 1593-1641 -- 3.7, 3.8
- Strafford, William Wentworth, 1626-1695 -- 3.8
- Strype, John, 1643-1737 -- 22.9
- Suffolk, Thomas Howard, Earl of, 1561-1626 -- 3.9, 21.141, 22.192
- Sunderland, Robert Spencer, Earl of, 1640-1702 -- 4.5-6, 19.3
- Swart, Adriaen van Diemen, active 1655-1664 -- 3.5
- Swinnerton, John, Sir, -1616 -- 14.1
- Synge, Edward, 1659-1741 -- 20.23
- Téllez Girón, Pedro, duque de Osuna, 1574-1624 -- 23.149
- Temple, John, Sir, 1632-1705 -- 15.8
- Temple, William, Sir, 1628-1699 -- 3.10
- Tewkesbury, Henry Capel, Lord Capel of, -1696 -- 20.24, 20.28
- Thoresby, Ralph, 1658-1725 -- 18
- Thorpe, Francis, 1595-1665 -- 1.27
- Thou, Jacques-Auguste de, 1553-1617 -- 21.40
- Thynne, Henry Frederick, -1705 -- 1.22?, 1.32?, 4.9-12
- Timberlake, Henry, -1626 -- 14.1
- Toland, John, 1670-1722 -- 20.31, 20.33-35
- Trenchard, John, 1586-1662 -- 3.11
- Trumbull, William, Sir, 1639-1716 -- 4.13
- Tucker, J., active 1688 (clerk to Sir Joseph Williamson) -- 10.7
- Tytler, Patrick Fraser, 1791-1849 -- 21.9v
- Udall, Nicholas, 1505-1556 -- 3.12
- Upcott, William, 1779-1845 -- 18.10
- Van Homrigh, Bartholomew, -1703 -- 20.30
- Vanbrugh, John, Sir, 1664-1726 -- 3.13
- Vane, Henry, Sir, 1612?-1662 -- 3.11
- Vernon, James, 1646-1727 -- 7.10, 9.10-11, 10.1
- Waad, William, Sir, 1546-1623 -- 23.15v, 23.215v
- Walgrave, Mr., active 1667-1668 (clerk to Sir Richard Bulstrode?) -- 5.1-3
- Wallis, John, 1616-1703 -- 1.12
- Walsh, William, 1663-1708 -- 15.5

- Walsingham, Francis, Sir, 1530?-1590 -- 3.14, 15.9, 21.54, 21.212v, 22.61
- Warwick, Robert Rich, Earl of, 1587-1658 -- 1.34
- Wendon, Jo., active 1683 (clerk to Sir Joseph Williamson) -- 8.11-12
- West, William, -1670 -- 1.31
- Whitgift, John, 1530?-1604 -- 21.141, 22.127
- Willem, Lodewijk, Count of Nassau, 1560-1620 -- 21.111
- Williamson, Joseph, Sir, 1633-1701 -- 4.4-5, 5.1-13, 6.1, 6.4-9, 6.11-12, 7.2-3, 7.5-13, 8.1-12, 9.1-11, 10.1-8
- Winchester, William Paulet, Marquis of, approximately 1483-1572 -- 23.145
- Winwood, Ralph, Sir, 1563?-1617 -- 23.79
- Wiseman, William, Sir, approximately 1629-1688 -- 1.2
- Wolley, John, -1596 -- 23.215v
- Wood, physician to the Pretender -- 13.11
- Worcester, Edward Somerset, Earl of, approximately 1550-1628 -- 22.106, 22.127
- Worthington, John, 1618-1671 -- 1.38
- Wynne, John, 1665/1666-1743 -- 19.15
- Wynne, Owen, 1652- -- 10.7
- Wynter, William, Sir, -1589 -- 21.182
- Yard, Robert, approximately 1651-1705 -- 5.9, 7.5, 7.9, 7.11-13, 8.1-3, 8.5, 8.9-12, 9.1
- Zouche, Edward la Zouche, Baron, 1556-1625