Austin Dobson:

An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

| Creator: | Dobson, Austin, 1840-1921 |
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| Title: | Austin Dobson Collection |
| Dates: | 1874-1960, undated |
| Extent: | 1 box (.21 linear feet) |
| Abstract: | Includes a few manuscripts and correspondence by the British poet Austin Dobson. Among his correspondents are Sir Henry Craik, Arthur Symons, David Croal Thomson, T. J. Wise, and others. |
| Call Number: | Manuscript Collection MS-1179 |
| Language: | English |
| Access: | Open for research |

Administrative Information

| Processed by: | Joan Sibley and Sara Saastamoinen, 2013 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. |
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| Repository: | Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin |

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Works:

| The last proof, signed handwritten manuscript with changes, 2 pages undated; galley proof with handwritten changes, 2 pages, undated. Attached to this: ANS to The Cornhill, 13 November 1907. | Container 1.1 |
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| Poems, handwritten manuscript in notebook, 162 pages, undated. On end paper: note by A. T. Dobson, October 1960. | Container 1.2 |
| A postscript for London Lyrics, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, February 1875. Included with this: portrait of Dobson by Elliott & Fry. | Container 1.1 |
| Rank and file, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated. | |
| The tale of Polypheme, signed handwritten manuscript with few emendations, 10 pages, undated. From Hanley II. | Container 1.3 |

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Letters:

| ALS to unidentified recipient, 10 March 1881. | Container 1.4 | | |
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| ALS to unidentified recipient, 31 October 1889. Removed from: Wq D656 885a. From the Wrenn Collection. | | | |
| 2 ALS to unidentified recipient, 1 December 1894 and 6 January 1896. | | | |
| ANS to The Cornhill, 13 November 1907. Attached to The last proof, galley proc with handwritten changes, undated. | of Container 1.1 | | |
| 2 ALS on cards to Craik, Henry, Sir, 10 October 1894 and 10 October 1915. | Container 1.4 | | |
| ALS to Hutchinson, Thomas, 30 December 1887. Removed from WP D656 882ed. From the Wrenn Collection. | | | |
| APCS to Nevill, Dorothy Fanny Walpole, 20 May 1893. With this: To Lady Dorothy Nevill, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 leaf, 20 January 1893. | | | |
| ALS to Pennell, Henry Cholmondeley, 2 February 1874. | | | |
| ALS to Reid,, 21 July 1891. | | | |
| ALS on card to Symons, Arthur, 10 March 1904. | | | |
| 3 ALS to Thomson, David Croal, 1882-1883, undated. | | | |

2 ALS to Wise, Thomas James, 12 August and 5 December 1903. 1 removed from Wm F461 747f. Both from the Wrenn Collection.

Recipient:

Caine, Hall, Sir, 1853-1931. 2 TLS to Dobson, 19 and 20 October 1914 re support Container for charity book for the exiled King Albert of Belgium. 1.5

Thomson, Hugh, 1860-1920. ALS to Dobson, 25 July 1911.

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Miscellaneous:

Dobson, A. F. A. ALS to Culpin, A. E. re Rank and file, 13 February 1938. Container 1.6

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.

- 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
- $\mathbf{D} = \text{document}$
- $\mathbf{C} = \operatorname{card}$
- $\mathbf{PC} = \text{post card}$
- **cc** = carbon copy
- $\mathbf{p} = \text{page}$
- **pp** = pages
- $\mathbf{l} = \text{leaf}$
- $\mathbf{l}\mathbf{l} =$ leaves
- $\mathbf{nd} = \mathbf{no} date$
- inc d = incomplete date