

# Recusant Manuscripts:

## An Inventory of the Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

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### Descriptive Summary

<b>Creator:</b>	Harry Ransom Center
<b>Title:</b>	Recusant Manuscripts Collection
<b>Dates:</b>	1698-1815
<b>Extent:</b>	3 boxes (1.26 linear feet)
<b>Abstract:</b>	Contains manuscripts that were received with a large group of published works known as the Recusant Literature Collection. These works were created in England during periods when Catholicism was proscribed and document the exiled French clergy and their reception in England. Several of the earliest manuscripts from this collection have since been added to the Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, which gathers together the Ransom Center's pre-1700 manuscript holdings.
<b>Call Number:</b>	Manuscript Collection MS-3431
<b>Language:</b>	English and Latin
<b>Access:</b>	Open for research

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### Administrative Information

<b>Processed by:</b>	Joan Sibley and Jamie Hawkins-Kirkham, 2011 <b>Note:</b> 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.
<b>Repository:</b>	<a href="#">Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin</a>

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**Works:**

- Number A572. Mahen, Cornelius. Containing the history of St. Wenefrides' life, handwritten manuscript, 285 pages on 143 leaves, circa 1815. Written in two different hands. **Container** 1.1
- Number A666. Carier, Benjamin, A carrier to a king...and three poems by Francis Quarles. See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 66.
- Number B896. An eight days retreat for Religious, handwritten manuscript, 67 leaves, 17--. **Container** 1.2
- Number B897. Mabillon, Jean, 1632-1707. The Christian death after the pattern of that of our Lord Jesus Christ and several saints and eminent persons of antiquity, handwritten manuscript, vii, 217 pages (misnumbered 216), 17--. **Container** 1.3
- Number B898. Meditations. First day. First meditation. On ye end of ye retreat, handwritten manuscript, 122 pages on 61 leaves, 17--. **Container** 1.4
- Number B1031. Dictionarium geographico-historicum civitatum patriarchalium archiepiscopalium..., handwritten manuscript, 2, 238, xiii pages, 1718. **Container** 2.1
- Number B1031. A geographical index of archbishopricks and bishopricks, etc. in Asia, Africa, and America, handwritten manuscript, 23 pages, 1725.
- Number B1031. The beginning of the reformation, serving for an introduction to Mr. Ward's cantos, of the reformation of England, handwritten manuscript, 46 pages, 1732.
- Number B1032. A discourse of Predestination & Grace Between Theodidactus and Philalethes. See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 69.
- Number B1033. Compendiosa conjurationis nitrati pulveris narratio, a Jesuitis eorumque sequacibus in Britannia contra Regis, Regnique salutem machinata et fabricata. See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 67.
- Number B1034. A Rational Discourse concerning Predetermination or Predestination. See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 72.
- Number B1035. Two dialogues on perfection and penance followed by liturgical material for Morning and Evening Prayer. See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 68.
- Number B1036. An epitome of controversy, or the sectaries lookingglass (sic), handwritten manuscript, iii, 37 pages, 17--. Dedicatory epistle to Lady Ann Roper signed J. C. **Container** 2.2

- Number B1037. Huddleston, Richard, 1583-1655. A short plain way to the faith and church, composed many years since by that eminent divine Mr. Richard Huddleston... also a brief account of what occur'd on his deathbed in regard to religion, handwritten manuscript in the hand of J. M., vi, 26 pages, 1742. **Container** 2.3
- Number B1038. Wigmore, William alias Campion, 1599-1665. The Catholic doctrine of transubstantiation prov'd to be ancient and orthodoxal, handwritten manuscript in the hand of J. M., 24 pages on 19 leaves, 1742. See Wing C410. **Container** 2.4
- Number B1039. P., L. The right religion review'd and inlarg'd, handwritten manuscript in the hand of J. M., iv, 48 pages, 1742. **Container** 2.5
- Number B1040-1041. Rituale Roman seu ordo administrandi sacramento Baptismi, etc., pro Anglia Scotia et Hibernia, handwritten manuscript, 30 leaves, 1698. Manuscript bound with Polanco, Juan Alfonso. Methodus ad eos adivvandos qvi morivntvr Leoddi, 1579. See BX 2261 P66 1579.
- Number B1042. Catholic Catechism in 28 lessons concerning the governance of the church, the Creeds, and daily Christian life. See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 70.
- Number B1043. The importance of enquiring into ye marks of ye true church of Christ, in which alone salvation is to be found and proved possible, handwritten manuscript, 107 pages, 17--. Book belonged to James Whebbe. **Container** 2.6
- Number B1043. Of Luther's doctrine, handwritten manuscript, 24 pages, 17--. Book belonged to James Whebbe.
- Number B1044. A short treatise of ye incarnation, handwritten manuscript, 305 pages (misnumbered 301), 17--. **Container** 2.7
- Number B1044. The reasons why our Lord Jesus Christ retir'd himself now and then into ye desert..., handwritten manuscript, 104 pages, 17--.
- Number B1045. Sergeant, John?, Concerning the Nature of the Authority, Jurisdiction, or Governing Power truly Inherent in the Apostolical Vicars in England. See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 73.
- Number B1046. Auntient fathers for the doctrine of the Church of England, written by W. I. See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 65.
- Number B1047. The question. What force, validity, or obligation have the Decrees of the Roman Court, Independent of ye Ratification or Promulgation of the Respective Princes to whom they are directed? See Medieval & Early Modern Manuscripts Collection, HRC 71.

- Number B1048. A dialogue concerning the extent of humane reason in the concern of religion, and determination of matters of faith; between C. L. of ye Ch. of England, J. R. of ye Catholic Church, handwritten manuscript, 26 pages on 13 leaves, circa 1712. **Container** 2.8
- Number B1049. A letter to N. N. provincial of the English Jesuits concerning a pernicious pamphlet lately spread abroad by them in the Kingdome, handwritten manuscript, 17 pages on 9 leaves, circa 1710. **Container** 2.9
- Number B1050. The rise and progress of the Jesuits in England, handwritten manuscript, 63 pages on 32 leaves, circa 1715. **Container** 2.10
- Number B1051. Eruditissime et piissime Domine..., handwritten manuscript, 41 pages on 21 leaves, circa 1710. **Container** 3.1
- Number B1052. Documenta et regulae ad actionum quotidianarum rectam compositionem ex variis auctoribus, handwritten manuscript, 166 pages (misnumbered 165), 17--. **Container** 3.2

## 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)
- **T** = typed
- **S** = signed
- **I** = initialed
- **Ms** = manuscript
- **Mss** = manuscripts
- **L** = letter
- **FL** = form letter
- **N** = note
- **D** = document
- **C** = card
- **PC** = post card
- **cc** = carbon copy
- **p** = page
- **pp** = pages
- **l** = leaf
- **ll** = leaves
- **nd** = no date
- **inc d** = incomplete date