

Elizabeth Robins:

An Inventory of Her Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	Robins, Elizabeth, 1862-1952
Title:	Elizabeth Robins Collection
Dates:	1897-1938, undated
Extent:	2 boxes (.84 linear feet)
Abstract:	Includes mainly letters written and received by the American actress, novelist, playwright, and suffragist Elizabeth Robins, who wrote under the pseudonym C. E. Raimond. The correspondence relates to Robins' acting, theatrical writing, and literary output, as well as her activities on behalf of women's suffrage in England and the United States. Among her correspondents are Henry James, Laurence Housman, Annie Kenney, Dame Christabel Pankhurst, Emmeline Pankhurst, Baroness Emmeline Pethick Lawrence, Dame Ethel Mary Smyth, H. G. Wells, and Virginia Woolf.
Call Number:	Manuscript Collection MS-3568
Language:	English
Access:	Open for research

Administrative Information

Processed by:	Joan Sibley and Jamie Hawkins-Kirkham, 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

Letters:

ALS to unidentified recipient Madam, 15 May no year. Purchase 1995 (R13296); not described in card catalog. **Container**
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ALS / draft to Cecil, Edgar Algernon Robert Gascoyne-Cecil, 15 September no year.

AL / drafts to James, Henry, 9 August 1931. Four leaves of drafts seem to be for the same letter, probably answered by ALS from James to Robins dated 11 August 1931.

2 TccL to the National Women's Social and Political Union, London, directed to Mrs. How Martyn, 9 April 1907.

ALS / copy, ALI to Pankhurst, Christabel, Dame, 23 November 1912, undated.

ALS / draft to Pethick Lawrence, Emmeline, 13 December 1908.

ALI / draft to Wells, H. G., undated.

Recipient:

- Unidentified author. ALS to Robins, 28 December 1908. **Container 1.2**
- Unidentified author. ALS to Robins, 19 May 1919.
- Unidentified author Amy H. H. ALS to Robins, 25 April 1907.
- Unidentified author M. K. R. ALI to Robins, 16 October 1934.
- Unidentified author E. A. M. T. ALI to Robins, 28 April 1938.
- Anderson, Elizabeth Garrett, 1836-1917. ALS to Robins, 30 July 1909. **Container 1.3**
- Anderson, Elizabeth Garrett, 1836-1917. 2 ALS to Robins, 4 December 1911, 31 July 1912.
- Archer, Alice Hayes, d. 1928. TL to Robins, 5 November no year.
- Archer, Charles, 1861-1941. 3 ALS, TccLS to Robins, 1924-1925.
- Archer, William. 4 ALI to Robins, 1908-1912, undated. Includes metal coin stamped Votes for women, Political Equality Association, N.Y., 5 cents. Not described in card catalog. **Container 1.4**
- Bell, Florence Eveleen Eleanore Olliffe, Lady, 1851-1930. 2 ALI, TLI, 5 TL, TL / incomplete to Robins, 1907-1912, undated. **Container 1.5**
- Bell, Gertrude Margaret Lowthian, d. 1926. ALS to Robins, 31 August 1907. **Container 1.3**
- Blanco White, Amber Reeves, 1887- . 17 ALS to Robins, 1909-1912, undated. One written as if from her daughter Anna Jane. Includes photograph of baby. **Container 1.6**
- Buchan, John, 1875-1940. 3 ALS to Robins, 1907-1908. **Container 1.3**
- Campbell, Beatrice Stella Tanner, 1865-1940. ALS to Robins, undated.
- Cecil, Edgar Algernon Robert Gascoyne-Cecil, 1864- . ALS to Robins, undated.
- Draper, Ruth, 1884-1956. 2 TLS to Robins, 3 May 1933, 6 June 1934.
- Elliott, Gertrude, 1874-1950. 2 ALS to Robins, 13 January and 18 January 1909. Letters are signed Gertrude Forbes-Robertson.
- English Association. TLS to Robins, 4 June 1925.

- Fawcett, Millicent Garrett, 1847-1929. ALS to Robins, 5 May 1907.
- Granville-Barker, Harley Granville, 1877-1946. 10 ALS to Robins, 1907, undated. Bodies of 9 letters written by secretary; 3 signed with a stamp. **Container**
1.7
- Grey, Edward Grey, Sir, 1862-1933. 11 ALS to Robins, 1907-1911. **Container**
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- Hamilton, Cicely Mary, 1875- . ALS to Robins, 1 August 1909. **Container**
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- Hamilton, Ian Standish Monteith, Sir, 1853-1947. 3 ALS to Robins, 1906-1907.
- Hamilton, Mary Agnes Adamson, 1883- . ALS to Robins, 17 March 1922.
- Harraden, Beatrice, 1864-1936. 2 ALS, 9 ALI to Robins, 1911-1922, undated. **Container**
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- Heinemann, William, 1863-1920. ALS to Robins, 29 April 1907. **Container**
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- Housman, Laurence, 1865-1959. 2 ALS to Robins, 8 March and 12 March 1912.
- Irving, Dorothea Baird, d. 1933. ALS to Robins, 2 February no year. **Container**
1.10
- James, Henry, 1843-1916. TL / copy to Robins, 12 December 1897. Written on this is an AN by Robins; two additional AN, on small slips of paper, are attached.
- James, Henry, 1879-1947. 2 ALS, APCS to Robins, 1931.
- Kenney, Annie. 5 ALS, TLS to Robins, 1907-1912, undated.
- Keynes, John Maynard, 1883-1946. TLS to Robins, 10 October 1944.
- Low, Frances H. ALS to Robins, 24 March 1909.
- McCarthy, Lillah, 1875-1960. 2 ALS to Robins, 18 March 1909, undated.
- McKenna, Reginald, 1863- . ALS to Robins, 8 December 1911.
- Marie Louise, Princess, 1872- . 2 ALS, TLS to Robins, 1922.
- Massingham, Henry William, 1860-1924. 2 ALS to Robins, 5 July 1912, undated.
- Meynell, Alice Christiana Thompson, 1847-1922. 3 ALS to Robins, undated.
- Murray, Gilbert, 1866-1957. ALS, TLI, TL to Robins, 1909, undated. Included in TL / incomplete: Graham Murray to unidentified recipient, undated.

- Murray, Mary Henrietta Howard, Lady, d. 1956. ALS to Robins, 11 September 1909.
- Nevinson, Henry Woodd, 1856-1941. ALS, 2 TLI, TL to Robins, 1934, undated. **Container 1.11**
- Newbolt, Henry John, Sir, 1862-1938. ALS, AN to Robins, 5 June and 11 June 1925.
- Pankhurst, Christabel, Dame, 1880- . 41 ALS, 12 ALI, 4 TLS, TL / incomplete, APC, telegram, to Robins, 1906-1913, undated. **Container 1.12-2.1**
- Pankhurst, Emmeline Goulden, 1858-1928. 46 ALS, 7 ALI, TccLS to Robins, 1906-1913, undated. **Container 2.2**
- Pankhurst, Estelle Sylvia, 1882- . 2 TLS to Robins, 26 November and 3 December 1908. **Container 1.11**
- Pethick Lawrence, Emmeline, 1867- . 14 ALS, 10 TLS to Robins, 1907-1913, undated. **Container 2.3**
- Pethick Lawrence, Frederick William, 1871- . 4 ALS, 6 TLS to Robins, 1907-1912. **Container 1.11**
- Reeves, Maud. 5 ALS, ALI to Robins, 1909-1910, undated.
- Rhondda, Margaret Haig Thomas Mackworth, 1883-1958. 4 ALI to Robins, 1921.
- Rhondda, Sybil Margaret Haig, d. 1941. ALS to Robins, 22 May 1922.
- Scott-Moncrieff, Mary Deborah Albright, Lady. APCS to Robins, 8 December 1906.
- Sharp, Evelyn, 1869-1955. 13 ALS, TLS to Robins, 1907-1913. **Container 2.4**
- Smith, Sybil Mary, Baroness Bicester. 10 ALS, 1 telegram to Robins, 1912, undated. Enclosed is ALS from Christabel Pankhurst to Lady Sybil Smith, 5 April 1913. **Container 2.5**
- Smyth, Ethel Mary, Dame, 1858-1944. 2 ALS to Robins, 26 May and 20 June 1912. **Container 1.11**
- Stubb, J. L. ALS to Robins, 4 January 1922.
- Taylor, M. ALS to Robins, 7 October 1912. **Container 2.6**
- Trevelyan, Charles Philips, Sir, 1870- . ALS to Robins, 21 November 1922.

Vedrenne, John E., 1867-1930. ALS, 7 TLS to Robins re Votes for women, February - May 1907. Included is TLS from Taylor Platt to Robins, 19 April 1907. Letterhead: Vedrenne-Barker Performances and Royal Court Theatre.

Ward, Mary August Arnold, 1851-1920. ALS to Robins, 23 February 1897.

Wells, Amy Catherine Robbins, d. 1927. 2 ALS to Robins, undated.

Wells, H. G., 1866-1946. 9 ALS to Robins, 1903-1908, undated.

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2.7

Weyman, Stanley John, 1855-1928. ALS to Robins, 27 May 1912. On envelope is AL / draft of reply, undated.

Container
2.6

Wilberforce, Charlotte Langford, d. 1909. ALS to Robins, 6 November no year.

Woolf, Virginia Stephen, 1882-1941. ALS to Robins, 16 July 1931.

Miscellaneous:

Unidentified author Henry. ALS to unidentified recipient Georgina, 8 April 1910.

Container
2.8

Robins, Elizabeth, 1862-1952. Notes re the novel, handwritten manuscript, 3 pages, 12 April 1907. Written on 4 miscellaneous typescript pages.

Miscellaneous envelopes.

Container 2.9

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