

Edmund Gosse:

An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	Gosse, Edmund, 1849-1928
Title:	Edmund Gosse Collection
Dates:	1858-1931, undated
Extent:	3 boxes (1.26 linear feet), 1 galley folder (gf)
Abstract:	Includes manuscripts and letters written by the English poet, critic, and author Edmund Gosse. Chief correspondents include Maurice Baring, Elizabeth Hawkins-Whitshed, Alice Meynell, Sir Henry John Newbolt, Arthur Wing Pinero, T. J. Wise, and John Henry Wrenn.
Call Number:	Manuscript Collection MS-1669
Language:	English
Access:	Open for research

Administrative Information

Processed by:	Joan Sibley and Sara Saastamoinen, 2012 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

Works:

- The autumn garden, page proofs / second revise with handwritten revisions, two sets, **Container**
113 pages each, 2-4 September 1908. With bookplate of Franklin Gilliam. 1.2
- A ballad of dead cities à la Villon, signed handwritten manuscript with corrections, **Container**
2 pages, undated. One correction in hand of Austin Dobson. 1.1
- The bibliography of Gray, Trinity College, Cambridge, March 16, 1889, signed
handwritten manuscript, 3 pages, 1889.
- The bibliography of Gray / Two points connected with the bibliography of the poet
Gray..., typescript, 2 pages, circa 1927.
- A cancelled passage of Epipsychidion, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, 21
January 1881.
- Cling to the flying hours; and yet... (poem), signed handwritten manuscript, 1
page, 5 May 1890. Sent to Olaf Halvorsen.
- Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde: Introduction, initialed handwritten manuscript, 3 pages,
undated. For the Pentland edition.
- French literature in the eighteenth century, signed handwritten manuscript, 5 pages,
undated.
- From "The church by the sea," signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.
"For Mrs. Jessopp's collection."
- Gossip in a library, Ionica, signed handwritten manuscript, 10 pages, 1858.
- Gray, signed handwritten manuscript, 226 pages bound, 1882. Bound with ALS to **Container**
Marzials, Emilie L, 25 December 1883. From the Hanley Collection. 1.3
- Labour and love, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated. **Container**
1.1
- The Maenad's grave, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated. "Written for
Mr. W. H. Rideing."
- Masques, handwritten manuscript / notes, 5 pages, undated.
- Mr. Frederic Harrison's autobiography, signed handwritten manuscript, 8 pages,
circa 1911.
- Mr. Stephen Phillips, handwritten manuscript / incomplete, 2 pages, undated.

Monad and multitude, signed handwritten manuscript / fair copy, 5 pages, September 1906 (Altvogelbergfels). Removed from PR 4725 G7 I5 1894b copy 2 HRC.

Old eyes are dull, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, 14 July 1926. "Copied for my friend Alison McCormick."

The poplar tree, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

To W. A. H. Bullen, signed handwritten poem, 1 page, undated. From the Stark Collection.

Professor Blackie, John Stuart Blackie, A biography by Anna M. Stoddart (review of), signed handwritten manuscript, 8 pages, circa 1895.

Rosemary, signed handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, circa 1896.

Rosemary, proofs, 1 page, 1 May 1896.

The school of faith, signed handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, undated.

To Augustus John, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

To the liver of A. W. P., initialed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, 15 November 1896. Written for Sir Arthur Wing Pinero.

A vision of Dunstanborough, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

Letters:

- ALS to unidentified recipient, 2 October 1906. **Container 1.4**
- 7 ALS, 3 ANS, AL / incomplete to various unidentified recipients, 1883-1928, undated.
- ALS to Aitken, George Atherton, 19 August 1912.
- ALS to Baddeley, Welbore St. Claire, 31 December 1878.
- ALS to Barden, R. Seymour, 12 April 1925.
- 42 ALS, 4 ANS, 2 APCS to Baring, Maurice, 1895-1928. Bound. Bookplate of Maurice Baring. **Container 1.5**
- ALS to Beddard, Frank Evers, 15 December 1908. **Container 1.4**
- ALS to Bell, Charles Dent, 9 May 1895.
- 2 ALS to Benjamin, Lewis Saul, 24 August 1895, 26 September 1899.
- ALS to Bigelow, 24 January 1885.
- ALS to Birrell, Augustine, 18 March 1897.
- ALS to Boughton, George Henry, 15 August 1882.
- ALS to Burke, Thomas, 1 December 1909.
- 2 ALI, ALS to Campbell, James Dykes re Catalogue of a portion of the library of Mr. Edmund Gosse, 21 and 26 December 1893, undated. **Container 1.6**
- 4 ALS, 2 ANS to Campbell, James Dykes, 1893-1894. Included with these: ANS to Campbell from Norman MacColl, undated; AN by Campbell, 8 May 1894.
- ALS to Canton, William, 9 March 1894.
- 2 ALS to Carey, 13 April 1885, 2 February 1892.
- ANS to Cawein, Madison Julius, 21 June 1903.
- ALS to Chester, Joseph Lemuel, 3 January 1881.
- ALS to Cockerell, Sydney Carlyle, Sir, 26 June 1896.
- ALS to Colbeck, James, 2 August 1887.

ANS, 2 ALS to Colles, William Morris, 1893-1915.

ALS to Collins, William, Sir, 31 January 1920.

ANS to Cotton, 6 December 1881.

4 ALS to Craik, Henry, Sir, 1893-1897.

ALS to Curtis, Daniel Sargent, Mrs., 22 March 1915.

ALS to Davenport, E., 24 March 1889.

ALS to Donaldson, Stuart Alexander, 27 February 1905.

ANS to Dorian, Monsieur, 25 February 1927.

ANS to Dowden, Edward, 14 December 1913.

ALS to Falconer, Charles M., 31 December 1898.

Container 1.7

ALS to Fisher, F. H., 19 January 1892.

ALS to Fleetwood, 5 April 1927. Signed Gamaliel.

2 ANS to Frazer, R., 16 June 1891, 21 June 1895.

2 ALS to Freeman, John, 8 March 1917, 15 June 1924. One letter re Algernon Charles Swinburne.

2 ALS to Fulleylove, John, 11 and 15 November 1906.

ALS to George, Sir, 17 March 1927.

2 ALI, 4 ALS to Graham, Harry Jocelyn Clive, 1905-1913, undated.

APCS to Graham, W. H., 13 August no year.

ALS to Hackett, Edmond Byrne, 4 March 1928.

ALS to Hanson, 29 June 1893.

ALS to Harraden, Beatrice, 12 July 1923.

ALS to Harris, Frank, 30 May 1913.

ALS to Henniker, Florence Ellen Hungerford Milnes, 24 November 1913.

ALS to Holt, Mr., 2 March 1883.

ANS to Holt, Mr., 1 February 1900.

ALS to Hook, Bryan, 7 July 1886.

ALS to Hooper, James, 29 April 1881.

ALS to Hopkins, Gerald, 21 August 1924.

ALS to Hunt, Margaret Raine, 3 June 1875.

ALS / incomplete to Hunt, William Holman, undated.

ALS to Irving, Henry, Sir, 21 June 1888.

Container 2.1

ALS to Jago, 25 September 1919.

ALS to Jessopp, Augustus, 18 May 1896.

ALS to Jessopp, Mary Ann Cotesworth, 28 September 1898.

ALS to Kernahan, Coulson, 25 August 1891.

ALS to Kernahan, Coulson, 22 May 1896.

3 ALS to Kitton, Frederick George, 1886-1903.

ALS to Kyllmann, 23 March 1921, 24 February 1923.

ANS to Lane, John, 26 May 1914.

ALI to Lang, Andrew, 1 May 1879.

ALS to Lang, Andrew, 9 June 1887.

ALS to Lang, Charles, 12 January 1883. Written on this: ANS F. B. to Charles.

ALS to Lang, Leonora Blanche Alleyne, 17 June 1881.

45 ALS, 5 ANS, 3 APCS to Le Blond, Elizabeth Alice Frances Hawkins-Whitshed, 1920-1928, undated. **Container 2.2**

ALS to Levett, Margaret Emily Ashley-Cooper, Lady, 3 December 1926.

Container 2.1

ALS to Linton, Eliza Lynn, 21 August 1889.

2 ALS to Locker-Lampson, Frederick, 6 December 1881, 27 February 1884.

ALS to Lucy, 17 May 1920.

ALS to MacAlister, John Young Walker, Sir, 17 October 1920.

Container
2.3

ALS to Metcalf, L. S., 4 September 1890.

14 ALS, 2 ANS to Meynell, Alice Christiana Thompson, 1881-1916.

Container
2.4

3 ALS to Meynell, Wilfrid, 1902-1925.

Container 2.3

ANS to Miles, Alfred Henry, 18 July 1903.

ALS to Miller, George, 1 March 1899.

ALS to Miller, Jahu Dewitt, 8 March 1880.

ANS to Mills, Ernestine re Nora Hopper fund, 10 May 1906.

ALS to Monkhouse, William Cosmo, 1 February 1886.

ALS to Montstuart, 28 July 1888.

3 ALS to Murray, Charles Fairfax, 1903-1905, undated.

ALS to Murray, David, 13 July 1905.

16 ALS, 4 ALI, FLS, 2 APCI, telegram to Newbolt, Henry John, Sir, 1903-1926, undated. Included with these: printed list of nominations for the Academic Committee of the Royal Society of Literature.

ALS to O'Connor, T. P., 13 November 1902.

Container 2.5

ALS to Osgood, James Ripley, 20 December 1887.

ALS to Oules, Walter William, 22 June 1881.

2 ALS to Parry, 5 September 1885, 30 March 1886.

ALS, 2 ANS to Parry, 1891-1898, undated.

ALS to Partridge, Bernard, 26 October 1886. Addressed to Bernard Gould, stage name of Bernard Partridge.

ALS to Payen-Payne, James Bertrand de Vinchelés, 8 January 1922.

7 ALS, 2 ANS to Pinero, Arthur Wing, 1899-1912.

2 ALS to Pollock, Walter Herries, 2 February and 3 December 1884.

ALS to Reid, John G. 27 September 1894.

ALS to Robins, Elizabeth, 11 January 1907.

ALS to Romanes, Ethel Duncan, 12 February 1891.

2 ALS to Scollard, Clinton, 14 December 1887, 19 April 1904.

ALS to Sidgwick, Frank, 7 July 1921.

ALS, ANS to Sims, George Robert, 1 May 1807, 2 May 1817.

ALS to Squire, Jack Collings, 2 June 1922. Removed from 59-1024.

ALS to Stedman, Edmund Clarence, 31 July 1894.

ALS to Steen, Adolph, 5 March 1876.

ALS to Stone, Mrs., 10 May 1892.

4 ALS to Taylor, Rachel Annand, 1909-1923.

Container 2.6

ALS to Thommessen, 13 May 1901.

ALS to Venables, Margaret, 23 February 1916.

ALS to Vizetelly, Ernest Alfred, 18 July 1889.

APCS to Welch, Catherine, 12 September 1907. From the Brumbaugh Collection.

ALS to Wendell, Barrett, 13 June no year.

APCS to Wheatley, Henry Benjamin, 25 April 1911.

ANS to White, Gleeson, 29 May 1895.

ALS to Williams, 21 February 1895.

2 ALS to Wilson, John G., 18 April 1912, 13 November 1925.

42 ALS, telegram to Wise, Thomas James, 1893-1910. From the Wrenn collection.

**Container
2.7**

TL to Wise, Thomas James, 6 April 1901. Removed from E. H. Garrett letters.

**Container
2.6**

ALI to Wise, Thomas James, 20 September 1909.

ALI to Wise, Thomas James, 4 April 1917.

3 ALS to Wrenn, John Henry, 1903-1906. Removed from Wq G95 904i; Wq D656 906c.

7 ALS to Wrenn, John Henry, 1903-1909. From the Wrenn Collection.

Container
2.8

5 ALS, 4 ANS, APCS to Wright, H. G., 1917-1925.

Container 2.9

ALS to Wright, William Aldis, 25 June 1882.

Container 2.6

APCS to Wright, William Henry Kearley, 3 August 1894.

ALS to Young, Mrs., 18 October 1902.

Recipient:

Beerbohm, Max, Sir, 1872-1956. ALS to Gosse, 8 May 1923.

Container
2.10

Crewe, Robert Offley Ashburton, Crewe-Milnes, Marquis of, 1885-1945. AL / copy to Gosse, undated. In Gosse's hand.

Horne, Richard Henry, 1803-1884. ALS to Gosse, 14 July 1879.

Le Blond, Elizabeth Alice Frances Hawkins-Whitshed, d. 1934. 2 TccL to Gosse, 4 March 1926.

Newbolt, Henry John, Sir, 1862-1938. ALI / draft to Gosse, 9 April 1910.

Miscellaneous:

- Campbell, James Dykes, 1838-1895. Review of A catalogue of a portion of the library of Edmund Gosse, by R. J. Lister, galley proof, 1 page, undated. **Container**
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- Campbell, James Dykes, 1838-1895. Review of Conversations of James Northcote, R. A. by William Hazlitt, edited by Edmund Gosse, galley proof / incomplete, 5 galleys cut and pasted onto scrapbook pages, undated. For The Athenaeum, 5 May 1894. **Container**
2.11
- Charteris, Evan, Sir, 1864-1940. The life and letters of Sir Edmund Gosse, page proofs, 518 pages bound, circa 1931. **Container**
3.1
- Gosse, Ellen Epps. ALS to Wilson, John G., 24 February 1928. **Container**
2.11
- Gosse, Teresa, b. 1877. ALs to Bumpus, Messrs., 31 December 1924.
- Gosse, Teresa, b. 1877. ALS to Le Blond, Elizabeth Alice Frances Hawkins-Whitshed re Sir Edmund William Gosse, 12 May 1928.
- Gullick, Norman. 7 ALS, ANS to Wilson, John G. or R. re Sir Edmund William Gosse, 1925-1926.
- Low, Will Hicok, 1853-1932. An air from elsewhere, to H. C. Bunner survivor of 26th Jan '85, pen and ink sketch, undated. Included with this: signed menu of complimentary breakfast to Mr. Edmund Gosse, 26 January 1885, New York.
- Meynell, Francis, Sir. ALS to Olivia, 9 April 1959. Encloses TLS from Paul F. Mattheisen, 7 April 1959.
- Scott, William Bell, 1811-1890. Poems, page proofs with handwritten revisions, 272 pages, undated (published 1875). Contains ALS from Scott to Nellie re Sir Edmund William Gosse, undated. Bookplate of Edmund William Gosse. **Container**
3.2
- Smith, Alexander. ALS to Gosse, Edmund, 1 September 1903. From the Wrenn Collection. **Container**
2.11
- Swinburne, Algernon Charles, 1837-1909. Letters... to Edmund Gosse, Series II: 1876-1877, page proofs with handwritten corrections in the hand of Gosse and / or Thomas James Wise, 50 pages, 1911. Contains ALS from Gosse to Wise, 5 January 1911.
- Swinburne, Algernon Charles, 1837-1909. Letters... to Edmund Gosse, Series III: 1878-1880, page proofs with handwritten corrections in the hand of Gosse and / or Thomas James Wise, 43 pages, 1911.

Wise, Thomas James, 1859-1937. A bibliography... of Walter Savage Landor, proof pages / incomplete with handwritten corrections in the hand of Sir Edmund William Gosse, Part I, 112 pages; Parts III and IV, pages 369-421; another Part IV, 15 pages, circa 1919. Bookplate of Franklin Gilliam. **Container** 3.3

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