Henry Nelson Coleridge:
An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1798-1843
Title: Henry Nelson Coleridge Collection
Dates: 1808-1849, undated
Extent: 2 boxes (.84 linear feet)
Abstract: Includes manuscripts and letters written and received by Henry Nelson Coleridge, nephew of and editor of the works of Samuel Taylor Coleridge, along with a few personal items, including his diaries and appointment book. The bulk of the outgoing letters are addressed to his wife, Sara Coleridge, and the rest of his family. Incoming correspondence from various Coleridge family members, Basil Montagu, Robert Southey, Alfred Tennyson, William Wordsworth, and others are present.

Call Number: Manuscript Collection MS-0860
Language: English, French, Spanish
Access: Open for research

Administrative Information

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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: The University of Texas at Austin, Harry Ransom Center
Works:

Untitled essay on Samuel Taylor Coleridge, handwritten manuscript/ incomplete, 1 page (numbered 13), undated.

Untitled poem What thou didst fear, or fearing not, didst guess..., initialed handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, 1831; included is a copy by Sara Coleridge.

Untitled poem Whoe'er, with toil oppressed, would roam..., handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, undated.

Article on the Table Talk of S. T. Coleridge, handwritten manuscript/ incomplete/ copy, 2 pages, undated.

Birthday verses ... addressed to Miss Louisa Powles, handwritten manuscript/ copy, 3 pages, 14 February 1826.

Diary, handwritten manuscript written in notebook, 16 pages, 1819; included are other miscellaneous notes.

Diary, handwritten manuscript written in notebook, 117 pages, 7 February 1821- 2 June 1824; includes University exercises and notes, and poems.

Juvenilia, handwritten manuscript, 6 pages, 1811-1812; includes a drawing of Richard III.

Last composition, handwritten manuscript written in notebook, 25 pages, 1842; dictated to and in the hand of Sara Coleridge.

Last composition: Chapter 3, initialed handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, 27 December 1842.

The marriage song, handwritten manuscript/ copy, 2 pages, 1824; written for his sister, Frances Duke Coleridge Patteson.

Prayer, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, 1829; written for his marriage to Sara Coleridge.

Prayer, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, 16 November 1842.

Review of Letters of Charles Lamb with a sketch of his life by Thomas Noon Talfourd, handwritten manuscript with corrections, 29 pages, undated; includes ALS John Lockhart to Sara Coleridge, 6 July 1849.

Review of The Poetical Works of S. T. Coleridge, handwritten manuscript with emendations, 30 pages, 1834; published in vol. 52 of the Quarterly Review.
The simple swain, handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, undated; written with this:
Will, the maniac, handwritten manuscript, 3 pages, undated.
Letters:

ALS to Brown, Mrs. (Aunt), 12 February 1809.  

1 ALS, 6 ALI to Coleridge, Derwent, 1827-1841.

1 ALS, 2 ALI to Coleridge, Frances Duke Taylor (Mother), 1808-1825.

5 ALI, 1 AL to Coleridge, Francis George, 1838-1842, undated.

ALS to Coleridge, Harriette Thwaites Norris, 16 August 1835.

ALS to Coleridge, Herbert (Son), 18 September 1837.

3 ALS, 12 ALI, 4 AL to Coleridge, James (Father), 1824-1834, undated.

1 ALS, 9 ALS/ copies to Coleridge, James and family, 6 August- 29 September 1822; letters written on a trip to France; copied by Frances Duke Coleridge Patteson and sewn into green covers.

10 ALS/ copies to Coleridge, James and family, 6 August- 29 September 1822; letters written on a trip to France; copied by Henry Nelson Coleridge into a notebook; notebook also contains a transcription of the Table Talk of S. T. Coleridge, handwritten manuscript, 22 pages, undated.

5 ALS, 122 ALI, 4 ALI to Coleridge, Sara Coleridge, 1829-1841, undated:

Undated; 1829-1833.

1833-1834.

1835-1837.

1838-1841.

ALS, ALI to Coleridge, Sara Fricker (Aunt), 18 and 21 August 1836; written with each letter is ALS from Sara Coleridge to Sara Fricker Coleridge.

AL to Lockhart, John Gibson, undated.

ALS/ draft by Sara Coleridge to Moxon, Edward, undated.

ALS to Parrott, Anne (Nurse), 13 July 1833.

2 ALI, 1 AL, 1 AN to Patteson, Frances Duke Coleridge, 1823-1839; 1835 letter written in verse entitled Bulletin.
ALI to Patteson, John, Sir, undated.

1 AL/ draft, 1 AL/ draft/ incomplete, 1 AL/ incomplete to Pickering, William, 1842, undated; drafts in Sara Coleridge's hand; incomplete draft written partially on printed form letter from Charles Dickens to H. N. Coleridge, 7 July 1842 re International copyright.

14 ALS, 12 ALI, 3 AL to Southey, Robert, 1830-1838, undated.

ALS to Trevenen, Emily, 24 July 1832.
Recipient:


Alcala, Jiminez de. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, undated. In Spanish.

Alford, Henry, 1810-1871. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 24 November 1838.

Allen, George. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 26 January 1843.


Barker, William. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 16 November 1831.

Blomfield, Charles James, 1786-1857. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 21 July 1835.

Cary, H. F. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1 May 1838; included is ALS from Cary to J. H. Green, 6 March 1838.

Coleridge, Frances Anne Lovell, 1817-1855. ALI to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 27 November no year.

Coleridge, Francis George, 1794-1854. ALS, ALI to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1838-1842.

Coleridge, Frederick John, 1826-1906. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 18 February 1834.

Coleridge, Herbert, 1830-1861. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson (Papa), 6 October 1841.

Coleridge, Sara Coleridge, 1802-1852. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 25 August 1829.


Collyer, John, 1801-1870. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 12 December 1838.

Colmache, ____. AL to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 29 November no year.

Dashwood, Mrs. AL to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 14 January 1833.

Davis, Daniel Gateward. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 7 March 1827.

Dodsworth, William, 1798-1861. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 10 February 1842.


Dyce, Alexander, 1798-1869. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, undated.

Francis, William, 1817-1904. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 11 November 1836.

Frere, John Hookham, 1769-1846. 2 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 22 May and 26 July 1838; includes ALS/ copy from J. H. Frere to Mrs. Gillman, 31 May 1838, copied by E. H. Coleridge.

Gillman, James, 1782-1839. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, undated.

Gleig, George Robert, 1796-1888. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 2 May no year.

Green, Joseph Henry, 1791-1863. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 8 November 1836.

Hallam, Henry, 1777-1859. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 4 September no year.

Hamilton, W. R. ALS, AL to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 8 January and 26 May 1837.

Heath, J. M. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 26 April 1838.

Heraud, John Abraham, 1799-1887. 4 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1835-1843.

Hole, George. 2 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 21 July and 4 December 1829.


Jeremie, James Amiraux, 1802-1872. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 4 November 1836.

Kennaway, Charlotte, d. 1845. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 30 July 1832; also addressed to Sara.

Kennaway, John, Sir, d. 1836. 2 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1831-1832.
Le Chevalier, Jean Baptiste, 1752-1836. 2 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1833-1835. In French.


Maurice, Frederick Denison, 1805-1872. 3 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, undated.

Montagu, Basil, 1770-1851. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 20 April no year.

Murray, John, 1808-1892. 2 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 4 and 13 December 1834.

Patteson, Frances Duke Coleridge. AL/ copy to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 28 July 1837; copied by Ernest Hartley Coleridge.

Patteson, James Henry, b. 1828. 2 ALS, 1 ALI to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1838, undated.


Pollock, William Frederick, Sir, 1815-1888. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 15 April 1842.

Poole, Thomas. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 11 November 1835.

Rio, M. 3 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1839-1840.

Robinson, Henry Crabbe, 1775-1867. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1836?

Sainsbury, W. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 28 November 1839.

Sandford, Elizabeth Poole, d. 1853. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 14 November 1834.

Shoreland, William. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 19 October 1836.

Skinner, G. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 13 July 1836.

Southey, Robert, 1774-1843. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 21 April 1831; included are notes by Robert Southey on an unidentified book and a copy of the letter.
Tennyson, Alfred Tennyson, 1809-1892. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 26 May no year.

Tucker, William. 3 ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 1834-1839.

Wade, Josiah. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 26 September 1836.

Wedgwood, Josiah. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 31 July 1834.


White, J. P. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 22 and 31 August 1833.


Wordsworth, William, 1770-1850. ALS/ copy to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, undated; copy by Ernest Hartley Coleridge.

Wrangham, Francis, 1769-1842. ALS to Coleridge, Henry Nelson, 22 April 1836.
Miscellaneous:


Barnard, F. T. ALS to Green, Joseph Henry, 15 October 1834; written with this: handwritten manuscript/ copy of a manuscript memorandum of S. T. Coleridge written on the title page of Copper's Topographical Dictionary.

Coleridge, Frederick John, 1826-1906. ALS to Coleridge, Francis George re Henry Nelson Coleridge, undated.

Coleridge, Henry Nelson:

Accounts with John Murray for Coleridge on the classics, Civil's letter to Winchelsea, and Remarks on the Catholic question, handwritten manuscript, 3 pages, 1827-1834.

Appointment book, handwritten manuscript written in Gilbert's Clergyman's Almanac, 18 pages, 1842-1843.

Miscellaneous legal notes, handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, undated; signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, 18 April 1831.


Montagu, Basil, 1770-1851. ALS to Gillman, James, 19 October 1824.

Montagu, Basil, 1770-1851. ALS to Green, Joseph Henry re Samuel Taylor Coleridge's death, 24 August 1834.

Moore, H. ALS to Coleridge, John Taylor, Sir re Henry Nelson Coleridge, 26 October 1843.

Wheeler, John, 1798-1862. ALS to Gillman, James, 3 November 1843.
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