

Victor Hugo:

An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	Hugo, Victor, 1802-1885
Title:	Victor Hugo Collection
Dates:	1826-1876, undated
Extent:	1 box (.21 linear feet)
Abstract:	Includes manuscripts and letters written by the French poet, novelist, and playwright Victor Hugo, plus two letters written by Alexandre Dumas to Hugo.
Call Number:	Manuscript Collection MS-2068
Language:	French
Access:	Open for research

Administrative Information

Processed by:	Joan Sibley and Michael Ramsey, 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

Works:

Au peuple, 2 printed with handwritten notes by Hugo on verso, 1 sheet each, 31 October 1852.
Tipped into PQ 2285 C4 1853.

Les Chatiments, handwritten manuscript / draft fragment and workings, 2 pages on 1 leaf, undated. **Container** 1.1

Dieu, handwritten manuscript / draft fragments lined through, 4 pages on 3 leaves, undated. **Container** 1.2

Préface philosophique, handwritten manuscript / draft fragment with revisions written on slips of paper from La Presse, 1 page, 1859. **Container** 1.3

Trumeau, handwritten manuscript with revisions, 3 pages, undated. **Container** 1.4

Letters:

10 ALS, 1 AL to various recipients, 1 handwritten menu, and 1 handwritten note, 1826-1876?, undated. From the Stark Collection:

ALS to Trebuchet, Adolphe, undated.

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ALS to Lavalette, Adrien, vicomte de, undated; AL to Rastoul, H., Madame, undated.

ALS to Fiennes, Charles Matharel de, undated.

ALS to Villemain, M. (Abel-Francois), 15 March no year.

ALS to unidentified recipient, 1 January 1826.

ALS to Valtier, 14 August no year.

ALS to Belin, Jules, 12 January 1837.

ALS to Pelvey, Louis Achille, 3 February 1876?

ALS to ____, Casimir, 9 September 1873.

ALS to unidentified recipient, 7 October 1873.

Handwritten menu, undated.

Handwritten note, 5 August 1846.

AL / incomplete to Blanc, Jean Joseph Charles Louis, 28 September 1852.

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ALS to Castel, 5 October 1862 (Hauteville House).

ALS to Garnier, Edouard, 25 October 1857. Tipped into PR 4582 F7 1872 vol. 4, opposite page 304.

ALS to Gosselin, Charles, 3 October 1853 (Marine Terrace).

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Recipient:

Dumas, Alexandre, 1802-1870. ALS to Hugo, Victor Marie, 14 July 1831.

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Dumas, Alexandre, 1802-1870. ALS to Hugo, Victor Marie, 21 August 1852.
Written with this: ALS Noël Parfait to Hugo, 21 August 1852.

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