

Sir Edwin Arnold:

An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator:	Arnold, Edwin, Sir, 1832-1904
Title:	Sir Edwin Arnold Collection
Dates:	1876-1904, undated
Extent:	2 boxes (.84 linear feet)
Abstract:	Includes several manuscripts and letters written by the English poet and journalist Sir Edwin Arnold, along with a few of his personal items such as a commonplace book with translations and a Japanese passport.
Call Number:	Manuscript Collection MS-0126
Language:	English, Japanese, and Sanskrit
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

Works:

- Untitled poem, A master-printer of the press. He spake..., signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, 27 March 1891. **Container** 1.1
- Address on the Jubilee of Queen Victoria, handwritten manuscript, 4 pages, 20 June 1897.
- The birth of wine in ancient Persia, handwritten manuscript, 4 pages, 28 November 1898.
- By dust to destiny, signed handwritten manuscript with corrections by the author, 12 pages, 15 September 1897. Original title By worm to prince struck through.
- A duet, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.
- From the Sanskrit, 2 handwritten manuscript poems, 3 pages, undated. With: An idyll of labour, proofs with handwritten corrections.
- Gladstone, signed handwritten manuscript, 2 pages, 28 May 1893.
- I love the flower..., initialed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.
- An idyll of labour, proofs with handwritten corrections, 2 pages, 18 May 1898. With this: From the Sanskrit, 2 handwritten manuscript poems.
- In an Indian temple, A casket of jewels, and other poems, signed handwritten manuscript, approximately 110 leaves with blanks, 1887. **Container** 1.2
- In Hyde Park, signed handwritten manuscript with emendation, 1 page, October 1898. **Container** 1.1
- Japanese Uta from Lafcadio Hearn, handwritten manuscript, 5 pages, undated.
- The light of the world; or, The great consummation, handwritten manuscript written in 2 lined folio volumes, 244 pages, undated. **Container** 2.1-2
- Lotus and jewel, containing In an Indian temple, A casket of gems, A queen's revenge with other poems..., signed handwritten manuscript with occasional proof sheets inserted, approximately 77 pages, 1887. From the Hanley Collection. **Container** 1.3
- Memories, signed handwritten manuscript, 38 pages, undated. **Container** 1.1
- Notes of cruises, handwritten manuscript, 3 pages, 1893.
- November in Hyde Park, signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated. Original title A dying lover struck through.

One night in Baghdad..., handwritten manuscript, 5 pages, undated.

The princess bids me write..., signed handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

A queen's kiss, signed handwritten manuscript, 3 pages, 5 April 1902.

A queen's kiss, signed handwritten manuscript, 3 pages, 5 April 1902. Newspaper clipping attached.

Theocritus. Idyll 21: A fisherman's dream, translated by Sir Edwin Arnold, signed handwritten manuscript with additional Arnold signature affixed, 10 pages, undated. From the Hanley Collection.

Under her window, handwritten manuscript, 1 page, undated.

Letters:**Container**
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21 ALS, ALI, ANS to unidentified recipients, 1876-1900, undated.

ALS to unidentified recipient, 11 February 1895.

ALS to Arnold, Lester, 16 June 1890.

ALS to Besant, Annie Wood, Mrs., 29 August 1896.

ALS to Bloede, G., Miss, 16 September no year.

ALS to Buchheim, Charles Augustus, 2 July 1894.

ALS to Earle, 13 March 1891. Addressed to Admiral Earle, whose son married Arnold's daughter Kate.

ALS to Fenton, Charlotte Jane Oakes, Lady, 24 July 1893.

ALS to The Forum, directed to the editor, 7 September 1895.

ALS to Goodman, 27 July 1898.

ALS to Hardy, 28 January 1890 (Tokyo).

ALS to Hunt, Marion Edith Waugh Holman, 7 May 1891. Addressed to Mrs. Holman Hunt.

ALS to Jardine, James, 7 October 1896.

ALS to Kurokawa, Tama, 29 May 1896. Written in Japanese using Roman alphabet.

ALS to Maud, Miss, 14 April 1896.

ALS to Molesworth, 21 June 1891.

ALS to Oakley, John, undated Accompanied by a letter to an unidentified woman, 18 June no year, originally written as an enclosure with a poem.

ALS to Pond, Miss, 23 April 1897.

2 ALS to Pond, James Burton, 24 June 1897, undated.

ALS to Quaritch, Bernard, 19 November 1888.

2 ALS to Rideing, William Henry, 8 May and 5 November 1894.

ALS to Roberts Brothers (Boston), 6 February 1896.

4 ALS, ANS on printed card to Scott, Clement William, 1881-1897, undated.

ALS to Shore, Thomas Teignmouth, 4 January 1877.

ALS to Skrine, 4 May 1899.

3 ALS to Stone, Mrs., 1898, undated.

ALS to Taylor, Miss, 28 May 1900.

ALS to Thompson, Mrs., 24 October 1896. Tipped into a copy of Arnold's *The light of Asia*, PR 4012 L3 1904.

ALS to Thomson, Miss, undated.

Container 1.4

4 ALS to Tuckerman, 1888-1891, undated.

ALS to Walford, 2 May no year.

ALS to Walford, 13 September 1894.

Miscellaneous:

Unidentified author. ALS to Arnold, 29 May 1895.

Container 1.5

Arnold, Edwin, Sir. Commonplace book, handwritten translations interspersed with printed matter, undated.

Arnold, Edwin, Sir. Passport for travel in Japan, 23 May 1892, 20 June 1892 (renewed). Signed by Hugh Fraser.

Ascquith, William Willans, 1851-1918. ALS to unidentified recipient, 3 July 1895.

Balfour, Arthur James, 1848-1930. ALS to Arnold, 24 March 1899. Body of letter in another hand.

Curzon, George Nathaniel Curzon, 1859-1925. ALS to Arnold, 5 July 1899.

Ellis, Arthur. TLS to executors of Arnold, 20 April 1904.

Mary Adelaide Wilhemina Elizabeth, Duchess of Teck, 1833-1897. ALS to Arnold, 15 July 1895.

Mutsui, H. ALS to Arnold, 5 January 1895.

Weber, Frederick. ALS to Arnold, 18 May 1903.

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