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Guide to the Eugene Field Collection

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Collection Overview

REPOSITORY: Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library

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CALL NUMBER: YCAL MSS 508

CREATOR: Field, Eugene, 1850-1895

TITLE: Eugene Field collection

DATES: 1880-1894

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 0.42 linear feet (1 box)

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: Contains autograph manuscript drafts of poems by Eugene Field and

autograph letters signed from Field to various individuals.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acquired from various sources. Provenance is listed at folder level when known.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

The Eugene Field Collection is the physical property of the Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Yale University. Literary rights, including copyright, belong to the authors or their legal heirs and assigns. For further information, consult the appropriate curator.

Preferred Citation

Eugene Field Collection. Yale Collection of American Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

Processing Information

This collection includes materials previously identified by the following call numbers: Za Field (Eugene). Photocopies of catalog cards and provenance information are filed in Box 1.

Eugene Field, 1850-1895

Eugene Field, Chicago poet and journalist.

Scope and Contents

Contains autograph manuscript drafts of poems by Eugene Field and autograph letters signed from Field to various individuals.

Arrangement

Organized into two series: I. Correspondence, 1880-1898. II. Writings, 1888-1892.

Collection Contents

Series I: Correspondence, 1880-1898, undated

14 Folders

	To Field from various	1880-1898
	Eight folders of letters to Eugene Field from various people	
	Gift of Carol J. Neufeld and Morris A. Neufeld, November 1950	
b. 1	A-B	
	Irving Bacheller, Manin A Baker, Page M. Baker, John F. Ballantyne, Phineas Taylor Barnum, Wilson Barrett, Belford Clarke & Co., J. E. Blaine, Edward William Bok, Jessie W. Bolté, E. Brainard, G. E. Bridgman, J. S. C. Brown, Francis Fisher Browne, Edward Hubert Butler	:
b. 1	C-D	
	George W. Cable, Louise S. Cable, J. Cleveland Cady, B. B. Cahoon, W. T. Carleton, Julia A. Carney, Clark Ezra Carr, Mary H. Catherwood, Francis James Child, George W. Childs, Albert Clarke, Cecil Clay	
b. 1	E-G	
b. 1	H-L	
b. 1	M-R	
b. 1	S-T	
b. 1	U-Z	
b. 1	First names only and unidentified	
b.1	From Field to Colonel Thomas Wentworth Higginson, autograph letter signed Gift of Owen F. Aldis, 1911	undated
b. 1	From Field to Miss Hutchinson, 2 autograph letters signed	1893 November 23, 1984 May 17
b. 1	From Field to Benjamin H. Ticknor, 3 autograph letters signed	1887 April- August
	Removed from his <i>Second Book of Tales</i> , New York, 1896; his Little Book of Profitable Tales, Chicago, 1889; his Cultural Garden, Boston 1887	August
	Gift of Owen Aldis, 1911	
b. 1	From Field to Julia Sutherland Comstock, 2 autograph letters signed	1873 June 12, November 24
	The first letter was written before Field's marriage to Miss Comstock	November 24
	Gift of Philip D. Sang, 1955	
b.1	From Field to "My Dear Taylor," autograph letter signed Gift of R. A. Kaufman, 1956	1894 May 12
b.1	From Field to "Dear Sir" Purchased from James Thin, 1956	1890 February 8

Series II: Writings, 1888-1892, undated

5 Folders

b. 1	"The Bereaved Bridegroom," first chapter, original manuscript with two illustrations	undated
	Gift of Philip Neufeld, date unknown	
b.1	"Little-Oh-Dear," manuscript copy, signed, of last verse of this poem, with colored illustration at head of card	1894 June 25
	Gift of Owen F. Aldis, 1911	
	Removed from copy of his Love-Songs of Childhood, New York, 1894	
b. 1	Six-line quotation commencing "Of waistcoats there are diverse kinds," in his handwriting, signed	1882 May
	Removed from his copy of Little Book of Western Verse, Chicago, 1889	
	Gift of Owen F. Aldis, 1911	
b. 1	"Sharps and Flats," one page manuscript numbered "1"	undated
b.1	"To E[dmund]. C[larence]. S[tedman]," original manuscript, signed	1888 May 17
	A letter in the form of a twenty-line poem, with rubricated initials at the beginning of the stanzas $$	
	Gift of Mrs. Paul Moore,1956	

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

American literature -- 19th century Authors, American -- 19th century Poets, American -- 19th century

Occupations

Poets -- United States -- 19th century

Names

Field, Eugene, 1850-1895