

# Guide to the Madeline Earle Stanton Correspondence

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## Collection Overview

**REPOSITORY:** Medical Historical Library, Cushing/Whitney Medical Library  
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**CALL NUMBER:** Ms Coll 7

**CREATOR:** Stanton, Madeline E. (Madeline Earle)

**TITLE:** Madeline Earle Stanton correspondence

**DATES:** 1915-1963

**BULK DATES:** 1927-1933

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.75 linear feet (2 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Madeline Stanton was secretary to Harvey Cushing at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston. She accompanied him to Yale in 1933, and after his death, she and John F. Fulton headed the Historical Library of the Yale Medical Library. The correspondence consists of letters and cards sent to Madeline Stanton by neurosurgical colleagues and former students of Harvey Cushing, by employees at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, and others. Major correspondents include Percival Bailey, Claude S. Beck, Hugh Cairns, Louise Eisenhardt, Eric Oldberg, and Paul Martin. The letters document aspects of Miss Stanton's role as Cushing's secretary and her private life.

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## Requesting Instructions

To request items from this collection for use on site, please use the request links in the HTML version of this finding aid, available at <https://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/med.ms.0007>.

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

b. box  
f. folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Donated to the Historical Library by Madeline Stanton.

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## Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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## Conditions Governing Use

The Madeline Earle Stanton Correspondence is the physical property of the Harvey Cushing / John Hay Whitney Medical Library, Yale University. Yale does not own copyright. For further information, consult staff.

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## Preferred Citation

Madeline Earle Stanton Correspondence. Cushing/Whitney Medical Library, Yale University.

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## Associated Materials

Madeline Earle Stanton Papers (MS 1482) , Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

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## Biographical / Historical

Madeline E. Stanton was born in Canton, Massachusetts on June 9, 1898. After graduating cum laude from Smith College in 1919, she was employed as a secretary to Agade Jacchia, conductor of the Boston Pops Orchestra. In 1920, she became secretary to Harvey Cushing, Mosely Professor of Surgery in the Harvard Medical School and surgeon-in-chief of the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston. She accompanied him to New Haven when he was appointed Sterling Professor of Neurology in 1933. After Cushing's death in 1939, she took a major role in organizing the Historical Library of the Yale Medical Library. She served as Secretary and then Librarian of the Historical Library. She continued to work in the Historical Library beyond her formal retirement in 1968. During her tenure as assistant to Cushing and as Librarian of the Historical Library, Stanton met many neurosurgeons who became long-lasting personal friends. Madeline Stanton died in 1980.

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## Scope and Contents

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## Arrangement

Organized into two series: I. Correspondence arranged alphabetically. II. Miscellany.

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**Collection Contents****Series I: Correspondence**

Arranged alphabetically by correspondent

b. 1, f. 1	A (General)	
	Anrep, G. W.	1930
	Armitage, George and Mildred	1930-1931
	Ashcroft, Peter	1943
b. 1, f. 2	Bagdasar, Dimitri	1929-1931
b. 1, f. 3	Bailey, Percival	1925-1933
b. 1, f. 4	Beck, Claude S.	1925-1932
b. 1, f. 5	B (General)	
	"Baldy"	1929?
	Bock, J. S.	1932-1933
	Bell, Donald C.	1931
	Bird, Clarence E.	n.d.
	Boyd, Walter W.	1930-1932
	Bremer, F.	1922
b. 1, f. 6	Cairns, Hugh, Sir	1932-1952
b. 1, f. 7	C (General)	
	C., H. (possibly not Harvey Cushing)	n.d.
	C., Dot	1928
b. 1, f. 8	D (General)	
	Davey, Lycurgus M.	1944 August 11
	Davidoff, Leo	1924, 1928
	De Coppet, Gaston	1930
	Dixon, Thomas W.	1929
b. 1, f. 9	Eisenhardt, Louise	1931-1935
b. 1, f. 10	Fulton, Lucia (Mrs. John Fulton)	1929-1960
b. 1, f. 11	Grant, Francis C.	1930-1931
b. 1, f. 12	G (General)	

## G (General) (continued)

	Glenn, Frank	1931-1932
	Grosz, Emile de (includes book of images of Budapest)	n.d.
	Gruder, R. luc	n.d.
	Gutierrez-Mahoney, C. G. de	1963
b. 1, f. 13	Henderson, William R. ("Willie")	1931-1932
b. 1, f. 14	Horrax, Gilbert	1923-1928
b. 1, f. 15	H & I (General)	
	Herrmann, Louis	n.d.
	Howland, Dr. (secretary to)	1935
	Ingraham, Frank	n.d.
b. 1, f. 16	J (General)	
	James, William	1922
	Jefferson, Geoffrey	n.d.
b. 1, f. 17	K (General)	
	Keller, Allen D.	1931
	Klebs, Arnold C.	1936
b. 1, f. 18	L (General)	
	Lindau, Arvid	1932
	Leriche, René (stamp removed from envelope)	1929?
	Locke, C. E., Jr.	1922
	Light, Richard U. (holiday card)	n.d.
b. 1, f. 19	Martin, Paul	1920-1931
b. 1, f. 20	M (General)	
	MacLean, Paul and Alison	1956
	Marshall	1930
	Mayo, William	1931
	McLean, A. J.	1930-1932
	"Mildred"	1930
	Morrelle, Jean ( stamp has been removed from envelope)	1926, 1930
b. 1, f. 21	Oldenberg, Eric	1931-1933

b. 1, f. 22	P-R (General)	
	Powers, John H.	1931
	Russell, Dorothy	1928
b. 1, f. 23	S (General)	
	Scarff, John H.	1932
	Schreiber, Frederic	1929-1930
	Seaver?, John E.	1930
	Shea, Mary M.	1932
	Streeter, Alice (Mrs. Edward C. Streeter)	1947-1948
	Strong, Robert C.	1932
b. 1, f. 24	T-W (General)	
	Tanaka, Fumio.	1928-1929
	Teel, Harold M.	1929
	Wheeler, D. W.	1922
b. 2, f. 25	Unidentified correspondents - letters	1924-1933
b. 2, f. 26	Unidentified correspondents - postcards	1931-1932

**Series II: Miscellany, 1933 & n.d.**

b. 2, f. 27	Photographs (4), labeled, of places in the Far East and Europe	n.d.
b. 2, f. 28	Brochure about the World Fair, Chicago	1933
b. 2, f. 29	Receipts from Smith College (with later note by Madeline Stanton)	1915-1917



## **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**

Neurosurgeons

### **Names**

Bailey, Percival, 1892-1973  
Beck, Claude S. (Claude Schaeffer), 1894-1971  
Cairns, Hugh, Sir, 1896-1952  
Cushing, Harvey, 1869-1939  
Davey, L. M. (Lycurgus Michael), 1918-  
Eisenhardt, Louise, 1891-1967  
Henderson, William R.  
Horrax, Gilbert, 1887-1957  
Martin, Paul  
Oldberg, Eric, 1901-1986

### **Corporate Body**

Peter Bent Brigham Hospital