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# Guide to the Leigh Hunt Collection

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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** GEN MSS 65

**CREATOR:** Hunt, Leigh, 1784-1859

**TITLE:** Leigh Hunt collection

**DATES:** 1817-1854

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.2 linear feet (1 box)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** Letters from Leigh Hunt to various parties, including Charles Ollier; manuscripts by Hunt, including his "Ultra Crepidarius," a satire on William Gifford, which includes a photograph of William Hazlitt.

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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

Ongoing collection of documents acquired by gift and purchase from various sources. Type of accession (gift or purchase) and date of acquisition is noted in the box-and-folder list. For further information, consult the appropriate curator.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

## Conditions Governing Use

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## Preferred Citation

Leigh Hunt Collection. General Collection, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

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## Processing Information

This finding aid was produced from previously existing cards in the Manuscripts Catalog, or from another inventory. All pertinent bibliographical information has been retained. If the collection also contains unlisted or unsorted material, it has been noted in the box-and-folder list. This finding aid will be updated periodically to account for new materials that may be added to the collection. The date of the most recent update is noted on the title page. For information on material that may have been added since the last update, please consult the Public Service Desk.

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## Existence and Location of Copies

The manuscript, "Ultra Crepidarius" [folder 18] is available on microfilm.

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## Scope and Contents

This finding aid encompasses accessions of single manuscripts and small groups of manuscripts and other papers, by or pertaining to Leigh Hunt, which the library has chosen to group and list as an artificial collection. Materials incorporated into the collection prior to June 1997 have been organized into 2 series. [Series I](#) contains correspondence, while [Series II](#) contains manuscripts of assorted writings by Hunt.

## Collection Contents

### Series I: Correspondence

#### HUNT, LEIGH

b. 1, f. 1	ALS to William R. Drake, Kensington Purchase,, 1949.	[1840] Jul 22
b. 1, f. 2	ALS to William Jerdan, Wimbledon Gift, 1970.	n.d.
b. 1, f. 3	ALS to Douglas William Jerrold, Kensington, London Gift, 1970.	n.d.
b. 1, f. 4	Note in third person to Mr. Miller The note directs Mr. Miller to give the Waverly novels to the bearer. It is followed by a list of miscellaneous books.  Removed from: Oliphant, Margaret. Literary history of England. London, 1882. Ib50 ie882.	n.d.
b. 1, f. 5	ALS to Vincent Novello, London Gift, 1970.	1817 Oct 15
b. 1, f. 6	3 ALS to Charles Ollier Gift, 1970.	1843, 1854
b. 1, f. 7	ALS to [Charles] Ollier, Kensington Purchased, 1944.	1843 May 10
b. 1, f. 8	ALS to J. W. Parker, Jr., Hammersmith Gift, 1970.	n.d.
b. 1, f. 9	ALS to Cyrus Redding, London Signed: Henry L. Hunt Gift, 1970.	n.d.
b. 1, f. 10	ALS to [J. G. Vizetelly] Purchase, 1951.	n.d.
b. 1, f. 11	ALS to Benjamin Nottingham Webster, Kensington, London Gift, 1970.	n.d.

**Series II: Manuscripts**

## HUNT, LEIGH

b. 1, f. 12	CORONATION SOLILOQUY OF GEORGE THE FOURTH: autograph manuscript introduction n.d. Hunt's poem Coronation Soliloquy of His Majesty King George the Fourth was first published in <i>The Examiner</i> , July 29, 1821, but without this introduction which apparently first appeared in his <i>Poems</i> , 1860. Gift, 1954.	
b. 1, f. 13	FAITH, HOPE, AND CHARITY; & THE PROSPECTS OF MANKIND: autograph manuscript poem of 12 lines n.d. Gift, 1970.	
b. 1, f. 14	THE FAMILY JOURNAL, NO. V., APRIL FOOLS: autograph manuscript essay n.d. Gift, 1970.	
b. 1, f. 15	LAZY CORNER; OR, BED VERSUS BUSINESS, FROM THE ITALIAN OF BERNI: autograph manuscript, signed. 1845 First published in the <i>New Monthly Magazine</i> , October, 1845. Gift, 1970.	
b. 1, f. 16	PORTRAIT OF HIMSELF FROM ALFIERI: autograph manuscript poem. n.d. At head of title: "This poem is in the handwriting of Leigh Hunt. J. T. Fields." Portrait of Himself, which is a translation from the Italian of a poem by Vittorio Alfieri, was first published in <i>The Liberal</i> , No. II, 1823. Gift, 1954.	
b. 1, f. 17	RONDEAU: autograph manuscript poem. [1838?] Removed from: Oliphant, Margaret. <i>Literary history of England</i> . London, 1882. Ib50 ie882.	
b. 1, f. 18	ULTRA-CREPIDARIUS: autograph manuscript of the satire on William Gifford, with autograph manuscript notes of Hunt's sea voyage to Italy, 1822-23, miscellaneous poems, random jottings for literary projects, and personal memoranda. n.d. In a blue morocco notebook. 18.5x12cm. 71 p. Laid in is a photograph of William Hazlitt, with autograph notes on recto and verso by Alexander Ireland. Gift, 1948.	

## **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**

Authors, English -- 19th century

### **Names**

Hunt, Leigh, 1784-1859

Ollier, Charles, 1788-1859