

Finding Aid to the Collection of Sarah Orne Jewett Materials JEWE.1

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Summary Information

Repository	Colby College Special Collections
Creator	Jewett, Sarah Orne, 1849-1909
Title	Collection of Sarah Orne Jewett Materials.
Date [bulk]	Bulk, 1868-1986
Date [inclusive]	1868-1986.
Extent	2.25 Linear feet
Language	English
Abstract	This collection includes correspondence (primarily written between 1879-1908) and manuscripts by 19th-century Maine writer Sarah Orne Jewett.

Preferred Citation

Collection of Sarah Orne Jewett Materials, Colby College Special Collections, Waterville, Maine.

Biographical/Historical Note

Sarah Orne Jewett (1849-1909) of South Berwick, Maine achieved note as an author and poet. The daughter of Dr. Theodore Jewett, she was educated at Berwick Academy, though her studies were frequently interrupted by illness. She never married and lived most of her life in her home town. In later years she traveled to the West Indies and to Europe with her friend, Annie Adams Fields. Jewett's writing depicts her native state and its people with a clarity and sympathy that are still admired. In 1901 she received the first honorary Litt.D. awarded to a woman by Bowdoin College, her father's alma mater. Among her best known works are *A Country Doctor* and *Country of the Pointed Firs*.

Scope and Contents note

This collection includes correspondence, manuscripts, and first publications of 19th-century Maine writer, Sarah Orne Jewett. The bulk of the collection consists of letters written by Jewett to various correspondents between 1879 and 1908. The collection also contains manuscript items of varying length, an Anecdote Book, clippings, published writings, and a few photographic prints.

Arrangement note

Materials arranged in five series: Correspondence, Manuscripts and Copyright Petition, Photographs, Published Writings, Clippings.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

Colby College Special Collections 2012

Conditions Governing Access note

Collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

Materials to be used on site during regular Special Collections hours or by appointment. Photocopying or scanning may be possible at discretion of staff for nominal fee. Materials may be protected by copyright.

Custodial History note

Materials acquired via gift or purchase.

Provenance

Acquired over a period of years by various gifts and purchases.

Controlled Access Headings

Genre(s)

- Clippings
- Correspondence
- Photographs

Geographic Name(s)

- Maine -- In literature

Personal Name(s)

- Abbott, Lyman, 1835-1922
- Alden, Henry Mills, 1836-1919
- Blanc , Marie Thérèse de Solms, 1840-1907
- Dressel, Louisa Loring, 1864-1958
- Holmes, Oliver Wendell, 1809-1894
- Howe, Julia Ward, 1819-1910
- Jewett, Sarah Orne, 1849-1909

- Johnson, Robert Underwood, 1853-1937
- Kipling, Rudyard, 1865-1936
- Lee, Vernon, 1856-1935
- Parsons, Theophilus, 1797-1882
- Perry, Lilla Cabot
- Rossetti, Christina Georgina, 1830-1894,
- Scudder, Horace Elisha, 1838-1902
- Smith, Frances H.
- Thaxter, Celia, 1835-1894
- Thaxter, John, 1854-1924
- Twain, Mark, 1835-1910
- Whittier, John Greenleaf, 1807-1892
- Wingate, Charles E. L. (Charles Edgar Lewis), b. 1861

Subject(s)

- American literature -- Women authors -- 19th century
- Languages and Literature

Series A: Correspondence.

Collection Inventory

Series A: Correspondence. 1879-1908.

Subseries: Letters from Sarah Orne Jewett.

Folder A1: to Lyman Abbott. 1894. 1 AL. 2 p.

Folder A2: to Henry Mills Alden. 1879-1880. 3 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 9 p. Accompanied by autograph note signed JWH.

Folder A3: to Willis Boyd Allen. 1888. 2 ALS. Boston, MA. 6 p.

Folder A4: to Laura E Bellamy. 1885. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 5 p.

Folder A5: to Walter R Benjamin. 1888. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 1 p.

Folder A6: to Marie Thereses de Solms Blanc. 1897-1903. 5 ALS. Boston, MA, Naples, Italy, South Berwick, ME. 23 p.

Folder A7: to Agnes Bartlett Brown. 1891 and undated. 2 ALS. 5 p.

Folder A8: to J Appleton Brown. Undated. 2 ALS. Boston, MA, South Berwick, ME. 8 p.

Folder A9: to Henry J Burrage. 1897. 1 ALS. 2 p.

Folder A10: to Mary Bucklin Claflin. Undated. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 1 p.

Folder A11: to Fred Holland Day. 1895. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 4 p.

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Folder A12: to Julia Caroline (Ripley) Dorr. Undated. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 4 p.

Folder A13: to Louisa Loring Dresel. 1891. 1 ALS. 4 p.

Folder A14: to Louisa Loring Dresel. 1886-1898. 39 ALS. 158 p.

Folder A15: to Louisa Loring Dresel. 1889-1899. 5 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 17 p.

Folder A16: to Editors of the Independent. 1890. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 1 p.

Folder A17: to Dana Estes. 1891-1895. 3 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 9 p.

Folder A18: to Mary Lanman Ferris. 1891. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 3 p.

Folder A19: to Elizabeth C Field. 1900. 1 ALS. Constantinople. 4 p.

Folder A20: to Andress Small Floyd. 1894. 2 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 14 p. Accompanied by one ALS by Olive Floyd.

Folder A21: to Francis Jackson Garrison. 1882-1885. 2 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 6 p.

Folder A22: to Henry Green. 1897-1900. 7 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 24 p.

Folder A23: to Louise Imogen Guiney. 1891. 1 ALS. London, England. 2 p.

Folder A24: to Lucy Keays Hayward. 1901. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 4 p.

Folder A25: to Silvanus Hayward. 1899. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 3 p.

Folder A26: to Ida Agassiz Higginson. 1877. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 6 p. Negative photostat.

Folder A27: to Reuben H Hilton. 1903. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 1 p.

Folder A28: to Sara Holland. 1901. 1 ALS. Manchester by Sea, MA. 4 p.

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Folder A29: to Louis A Holman. 1894. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 3 p.

Folder A30: to Hamilton B Holt. 1898. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p. Letter annotated [by editor?].

Folder A31: to Frederick Mercer Hopkins. 1893-1897. 4 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 19 p.

Folder A32: to Houghton Mifflin & Co. 1904. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 4 p.

Folder A33: to Alice Greenwood Howe. 1891. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 2 p.

Folder A34: to Mr Jamieson. 1904. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p.

Folder A35: to Katherine M Johnson. Before or during 1901. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 4 p. In: *Tory Lover* by Sarah Orne Jewett (Boston and NY: Houghton Mifflin, 1901).

Folder A36: to Robert Underwood Johnson. 1891-1908. 6 ALS. 20 p.

Folder A37: to Alfred Ernest Keet. 1895 and undated. 2 ALS. 6 p. Undated letter is incomplete.

Folder A38: to Julie Stowell Leighton. 1905. 2 ALS, 1 AC. South Berwick, ME. 5 p.

Folder A39: to Dr Leslie. 1892. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 3 p.

Folder A40: to Rev George Lewis. 188? 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 2 p.

Folder A41: to Samuel Sidney McClure. 1886. 1 ALS. Richfield, NY. 4 p.

Folder A42: to Jessie McDermott. 1883. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 3 p.

Folder A43: to Miss McLaughlin. Undated. 1 ACS. 1 p.

Folder A44: Mr Marvin. Undated. 1 ALS. 4 p.

Folder A45: to Edwin William Morse (Editor of the Book Buyer). 1891. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 2 p.

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Folder A46: to Annie Elizabeth (Caldwell) Mower. 1903. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 4 p.

Folder A47: to Rev Irving Bemis Mower. 1897-1901. 2 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 5 p.

Folder A48: to Mary E Mulholland. 1899. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 4 p.

Folder A49: to Sara Norton. 1894-1897. 1 ALS, 1 ACS. Boston, MA and South Berwick, ME. 3 p.

Folder A50: to James Osgood. 1877. 2 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 4 p. Negative photostat (April 1877 letter).

Folder A51: to Violet Paget. 1907-1908. 3 ALS. Boston, MA and South Berwick, ME. 18 p.

Folder A52: to Theophilus Parsons (1/3). 1872-1881. 39 ALS. 245 p. Folders 1/3 and 2/3 contain original letters. Folder 3/3 contains typed transcripts.

Folder A52: to Theophilus Parsons (2/3).

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Folder A53: to Dr Andrew Peabody. 1889-1891. 2 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 7 p.

Folder A54: to Edith (Forbes) Perkins. 1903 and undated. 2 ALS. South Berwick, ME and Boston, MA. 5 p.

Folder A55: to Lilla Cabot Perry. Undated. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p.

Folder A56: to Lucretia Morse (Fisk) Perry. 1872. 2 ALS. Berwick, ME. 18 p.

Folder A57: to Sarah Perry. 1895. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 4 p.

Folder A58: to William Perry. 1882. 1 ALS. Dublin, Ireland. 4 p.

Folder A59: to Eliza Farman Pratt. 1887. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 3 p.

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Folder A60: to William H Rideing. Undated. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 4 p.

Folder A61: to Mrs. Rogers. Undated. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p.

Folder A62: to Horace Elisha Scudder. 1869-1901 and undated. 27 ALS. Boston, MA, South Berwick, ME and other places.

Folder A63: to Francis Hopkinson Smith. 1887-1897. 5 ALS. Boston, MA and South Berwick, ME. 15 p.

Folder A64: to Harriet Elizabeth (Prescott) Spofford. 1889-1897. 2 ALS. Boston, MA and South Berwick, ME. 7 p.

Folder A65: to Jennie O Starkey. 1902. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 3 p.

Folder A66: to John Thaxter. 1898-1901. 11 ALS. Boston, MA and South Berwick, ME. 42 p. Accompanied by one ACS to Thaxter from Mary Rice Jewett.

Folder A67: to Frederick Allison Tupper. 1891. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 2 p.

Folder A68: to unidentified correspondent (Abby). Undated. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 1 p.

Folder A69: to unidentified correspondents. 1887 and undated. 2 ALS. Boston, MA. 3 p.

Folder A70: to Susan H Ward. 1881. 1 ALS. New York, NY. 3 p.

Folder A71: to William Hayes Ward. 1893. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 8 p.

Folder A72: to Thomas Franklin Waters. 1906. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p.

Folder A73: to Mr and Mrs Andrew C Wheelwright. Undated. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 4 p.

Folder A74: to Mary Cabot Wheelwright. 1907. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 4 p.

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Folder A75: to Sarah Cabot Wheelwright. Undated. 13 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 57 p.

Folder A76: to Sarah Wyman Whitman. 1903. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 8 p.

Folder A77: to Charles E L Wingate. 1890. 1 ALS. St Augustine, FL. 3 p.

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Elizabeth Cabot Agassiz. Undated. 1 ALS. Nahant, MA. 4 p.

Thomas Bailey Aldrich. 1889-1895. 2 ALS. Cambridge, Ponkapog, MA. 6 p.

H Atkinson. 1891. 1 ALS. York, England. 4 p.

Ruth Charlotte de Beaulaincourt. 1902. 1 ALS. Paris, France. 4 p.

Charles H Bell. 1890. 1 ALS. Exeter, NH. 1 p.

Alice Brown. 1895. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 3 p.

Ruth Payne Burgess. Undated. 1 ALS. Montpelier, VT. 4 p.

John Burroughs. 1886-1895. 2 ALS. West Park, New York, NY. 5 p.

George Washington Cable. 1887. 1 ALS. Northampton, MA. 1 p.

Mary Hartwell Catherwood. Undated. 2 ALS. Hoopston, IL. 3 p.

Samuel Langhorne Clemens. 1887. 1 ALS. Hartford, CT. 2 p.

Geroge William Curtis. 1887. 1 LS. Staten Island, NY. 1 p.

James C Davis. 1896. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 1 p.

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Mary Elizabeth (Mapes) Dodge. 1889. 1 ALS. New York, NY. 1 p.

Julia Caroline (Ripley) Dorr. 1895. 1895. 1 ALS. 4 p.

David Douglas. 1907. 1 ALS. Clovenfords, New Brunswick. 4 p.

George du Maurier. 1891. 2 ALS. London, England. 7 p.

Edward Augustus Freeman. 1887-1889. 1 ALS, 1 ACS. Somerset, England, and Palermo, Italy. 4 p.

Mary E (Wilkins) Freeman. 1887-1889. 2 ALS. Randolph, MA. 6 p.

Alice French. 1897. 1 ALS. Pigeon Cove, MA. 1 p.

Anna Fuller. 1892. 1 ALS. Colorado Springs, CO. 4 p.

Horace Howard Furness. 1895. 1 ALS. Wallingford, PA. 4 p.

Edward Garnett. 1903-1906. 3 ALS. London, England. 23 p.

Louise Imogen Guiney. 1892-1897. 1 ALS, 1 AC. New York, NY and Auburndale, MA. 2 p.

Edward Everett Hale. 1889-1894. 2 ALS. Boston, MA. 6 p.

Thomas Wentworth Higginson. 1887. 2 ALS. Cambridge, MA. 5 p.

Oliver Wendell Holmes. 1887. 2 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p.

Harriet Goodhue Hosmer. Undated. 1 ALS. Cambridge, MA. 2 p.

Julia Ward Howe. 1894-1898. 2 ALS, 1 ACS. Boston, MA. 6 p.

William Dean Howells. 1871-1899. 7 ALS. Boston, MA, New York, NY and Kittery Point, ME. 12 p.

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Catherine A Janvier. 1902. 1 ALS. New York, NY. 3 p.

Richard Malcolm Johnston. 1889. 1 ALS. Baltimore, MD. 4 p.

Rudyard Kipling. 1895-1901. 2 ALS. Waite, VT and Sussex, England. 7 p.

George Parsons Lathrop. 1875. 1 ALS. Newport, RI. 2 p.

Anna Harriette Leonowens. 1884. 1 ALS. Halifax, Nova Scotia. 4 p.

Samuel Longfellow. 1887. 1 ALS. Cambridge, MA. 2 p.

James Russell Lowell. Undated. 1 AL (incomplete). Cambridge, MA. 3 p.

Julia Marlowe. 1900. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 1 p.

Alice Meynell. Undated. 1 ALS. London, England. 4 p.

Silas Weir Mitchell. 1887. 1 ALS. South Berwick, ME. 3 p.

Louise Chandler Moulton. Undated. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p.

Charles Eliot Norton. 1887. 1 ALS. Cambridge, MA. 2 p.

Violet Paget. 1907. 1 ALS. Florence, Italy. 9 p.

Sara Hammond Palfrey. 1895. 1 ALS. Cambridge, MA. 4 p.

Francis Parkman. 1887. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p.

Andrew Preston Peabody. 1889-1891. 2 ALS. Cambridge, MA. 8 p.

Nora Perry. 1889. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 1 p.

Henry Codman Potter. 1895. 1 ALS. Newport, RI. 4 p.

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Laura Elizabeth (Howe) Richards. 1903. 1 ALS. Gardiner, ME. 2 p.

Anne Isabella (Thackeray) Ritchie. Undated. 1 ALS. Kew, England. 1 p.

Christina Rossetti. 1883. 1 ALS. London, England. 3 p.

Francis Hopkinson Smith. Undated. 2 ALS. New York, NY. 6 p.

Edmund Clarence Stedman. 1889. 1 ALS. New York, NY. 2 p.

Frank R Stockton. 1887. 1 ALS. New York, NY. 2 p.

Thomas Russell Sullivan. 1900. 1 ALS. Boston, MA. 2 p.

Ellen Terry. Undated. 1 ALS. 1 p.

Celia Thaxter. Undated. 2 ALS. 2 p.

Adelaide C Waldron. 1891. 1 ALS. Farmington, NH. 3 p.

Elizabeth S P Ward. 1890. 1 ALS. East Gloucester, MA. 3 p.

Mary Augusta (Mrs Humphry) Ward. 1894-1898. 2 ALS. London, England. 7 p.

Susan Lee Warner. 1887. 1 ALS. Hartford, CT. 2 p.

Sarah Wyman Whitman. Undated. 1 ALS. 1 p.

Adeline Dutton Train Whitney. 1866. 1 ALS. Milton, MA. 3 p.

John Greenleaf Whittier. 1887-1891. 3 ALS. Amesbury, Oak Knoll, MA. 10 p.

Series B: Manuscripts and Copyright Petition.

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Folder B1: Anecdote book. 1872. 1 volume. (See Bound MS.) Accompanied by transcript (photocopy) and pencil sketch by SOJ, age 17.

Folder B2: Deephaven (excerpt). 1889. 1 p.

Folder B3: Discontent (verse). Undated. 2 p.

Folder B4: The Eagle Trees, to J G Whittier (poem). 1882. 4 p.

Folder B5: In Dark New England Days (short story). Undated. 63 p. Photocopy.

Folder B6: Jack's Merry Christmas (title page). Undated. 1 p.

Folder B7: A Marsh Island (excerpt). Undated. 1 p.

Folder B8: Thaxter, comments. Undated. 2 p. Comments by SOJ about two papers by Celia Thaxter.

Folder B9: Together (poem). 2 p.

Folder B10: Signed Petition for Perpetual Copyright. 1899. 4 p. List of petition signers: John Fiske, William Dean Howells, Thomas Bailey Aldrich, William Allen Butler, Henry Holt, Mary Mapes Dodge, Jeannette S Gilder, Henry Tynell, George Cary Eggleston, Sarah Orne Jewett.

Series C: Photographs. 2.0 folders.

Folder C1: Portrait with autograph inscription. Undated. 1 item. Accompanied by SOJ calling card with John Lord's autograph on verso.

Series D: Published Writings.

Folder C2: Photographs. Undated. 20 items. Includes one photograph portrait of the Rev Silvanus Wayward, "S O Jewett friend."

Series D: Published Writings. (See First Appearances.) 128 titles published in the Atlantic Monthly, Harper's Magazine, The Youth's Companion and many other serial publications. Title list: About Hospitality (1892): All my sad captains (1895): An afternoon in Holland (1882): An Autumn holiday (1880): The baby-house famine (1868): Bird's Nests (1873): A bit of foolishness (1881): A bit of shore life (1879): Bold words at the bridge (1899): A born farmer (1901): The boy with one shoe (1871): Buttons (1884): Cake crumbs (1880): Cartridges (1874): The centennial celebration (1891): A change of heart (1896): The Christmas eyes (1883): A Christmas guest (1887): The church mouse (1884): Counted out (1903): A dark carpet (1883): A dark night (1895): Decoration day (1892): Le jour de la décoration (1894): Deephaven excursions (1876): Desert islanders (1872): Doctors and patients (1873): The Dulham ladies (1886): Dunluce Castle, a poem (1883): A Dunnet shepherdess (1899): The eagle trees, a poem (1883): Elleneen (1901): An empty purse (1895): England after the Norman conquest: An every-day girl (1892): Every-day work (1883): The failure of David berry (1891): Fame's little day (1895): Farmer Finch (1885): Financial Failure (1891): Flowers in the dark (1880): The foreigner (1900): A French country girl (1883): From a mournful villager (1881): From Venice to one at home (1893): The green bonnet (1901): Grown-up (1872): A Guest at Home (1882): The guests of Mrs. Timms (1894): Hallowell's pretty sister (1880): The Hilton's holiday (1893): The house that ran away (1871): Human documents (1893): In a country practice (1894): In a hurry (1870): In Dark New England Days (1890): Jack's Merry Christmas (1881,1883): Jake's holiday (1874): Jenny Garrow's lovers (1868): Jim's little woman (1890): June beetles (1872): Katy's birthday (1883): The king of Folly Island (1886): The kitten's ghost (1873): A landlocked sailor (1899): A little captive maid (1891): Little French Mary (1895): A lonely worker (1893): Looking back on girlhood (1892): The lost turkey (1902): The luck of the Bogans (1889): Lucky People (1882): A Marsh Island (1885): Marsh rosemary (1886): Martha's lady (1897): The mate of the Daylight (1882): Mère Pochette (1888): Misdirected energy (1884): Miss Esther's guest (1890): Miss Sydney's flowers (1874): Missing (1882): Mrs. Osgood of Bar Mills (1898): Mrs. Parkins's Christmas eve (1890): A neighbor's landmark (1894): The new Methuselah (1890): The New-Year guests (1896): On Star Island (1881): Only a doll (1878): The orchard's grandmother (1871): The Parshley celebration (1899): Paper roses (1879): The

Series E: Clippings.

passing of Sister Barsett (1892): Patty's long vacation (1878): Peach-tree (1893): A pinch of salt (1897): The Plea of Insanity (1882): Prissy's visit (1875): Protoplasm and house-cleaning (1873): The Queen's twin (1899): The quest of Mr. Teaby (1890): River driftwood (1891): A second spring (1893): Sheltered (1881): The shipwrecked buttons (1870): Short stories of Sarah Orne Jewett (1905): A spring sunday (1904): The stage tavern (1900): Stolen pleasures (188?): The taking of Captain Ball (1889): Tame Indians (1875): Told in the tavern(1894): The Tory Lover (1900): The turtle club (1873): The two Browns (1886): Two mornings (1880): A village patriot (1896): A visit next door (1884): A war debt (1895): A way station (1890): A white heron (1931): A word from a neighbour (1893): The wrong side of clubs (1888): York garrison, 1640 (1886)

Series E: Clippings. 1889-1923. 7.0 folders.
