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Mary Chapin Smith
Collection

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Collection Information

Abstract : The collection contains letters, manuscripts, and other short writings by Mary Chapin Smith (Mrs. Chetwood Smith)

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : American Antiquarian Society

MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings

Historical/Biographical Notes

Mary Chapin Smith (1872-1950) was born in Wickford, Rhode Island before moving to Worcester. She wrote several articles and books, the best known of which (*Rogers Groups*) was written jointly with her husband, Chetwood Smith. She compiled a volume called "History's Most Famous Words," in which she told the story of 300 common sayings. She was also a member of the Worcester Historical Society, the Worcester Natural History Society, and the Animal Rescue League.

Scope and Content

The collection contains two fiction manuscripts, correspondences concerning the publishing of her manuscripts, four manuscripts about rivers written for children, an article on Artemus Ward, and several short writings on etiquette.

Series Descriptions

Series 1: Correspondences

Series 2: Manuscripts

Series 3: Miscellaneous Writings

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Series 1, Correspondences

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	1977.56.22.1.1-12	Various letters to and from Mary Chapin Smith

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Series 2, Manuscripts

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	2	1977.56.22.2.1-4	Manuscripts about four rivers, for children.
1	3	1977.56.22.2.5	Manuscript of "The Witch's Daughter"
1	4	1977.56.22.2.6	Manuscript of "The Meteorite Murders"

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Series 3, Miscellaneous Writings

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	5	1977.56.22.3.1-14	Article on Artemus Ward, writings on etiquette