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Collection Summary
Title: Benjamin Holt Ticknor Papers
Span Dates: 1595-1935
Bulk Dates: (bulk 1850-1920)
ID No.: MSS42929
Creator: Ticknor, Benjamin Holt, 1842-1914
Extent: 3,000 items ; 25 containers plus 1 oversize ; 5.6 linear feet
Language: Collection material in English
Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
Summary: Editor and publisher. Chiefly correspondence of American and British authors whose works were published by the Boston firms of Ticknor and Company and James R. Osgood and Company, with most of the letters addressed to Ticknor or to his daughter, Caroline Ticknor.

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.

People
Agassiz, Louis, 1807-1873.
Alcott, Amos Bronson, 1799-1888.
Aldrich, Thomas Bailey, 1836-1907.
Austin, Jane G. (Jane Goodwin), 1831-1894.
Bacon, Henry, 1813-1856.
Barnum, P. T. (Phineas Taylor), 1810-1891.
Bellamy, Edward, 1850-1898.
Benjamin, S. G. W. (Samuel Green Wheeler), 1837-1914.
Boucicault, Dion, 1820-1890.
Brooks, Henry M. (Henry Mason), 1822-1898.
Burghley, William Cecil, Baron, 1520-1598.
Bynner, Edwin Lassetter, 1842-1893.
Cesnola, Luigi Palma di, 1832-1904.
Child, Lydia Maria, 1802-1880.
Cooke, Rose Terry, 1827-1892.
Cusack, Mary Francis, 1829-1899.
Dana, Richard Henry, 1815-1882.
Fawcett, Edgar, 1847-1904.
French, Daniel Chester, 1850-1931.
Garfield, Lucretia Rudolph, 1832-1918.
Garland, Hamlin, 1860-1940.
Gréville, Henry, 1842-1902.
Guiney, Louise Imogen, 1861-1920.
Hale, Edward Everett, 1822-1909.
Hale, Lucretia P. (Lucretia Peabody), 1820-1900.
Hall, G. Stanley (Granville Stanley), 1844-1924.
Hapgood, Norman, 1868-1937.
Harris, Joel Chandler, 1848-1908.
Hawthorne, Julian, 1846-1934.
Hearn, Lafcadio, 1850-1904.
Higginson, Thomas Wentworth, 1823-1911.
Hoar, George Frisbie, 1826-1904.
Holmes, Oliver Wendell, Jr., 1841-1935.
Horsford, Eben Norton, 1818-1893.
Howells, William Dean, 1837-1920.
Hutton, Laurence, 1843-1904.
Irving, Washington, 1783-1859.
James, Henry, 1843-1916.
Kirk, Ellen Olney, 1842-1928.
Lodge, Henry Cabot, 1850-1924.
Longfellow, Samuel, 1819-1892.
Low, Will Hicok, 1853-1932.
Lowell, James Russell, 1819-1891.
MacVeagh, Franklin, 1837-1934.
Markham, Edwin, 1852-1940.
Mayo, Katherine, 1868?-1940.
Morrill, Justin S. (Justin Smith), 1810-1898.
Morse, Edward Sylvester, 1838-1925.
Moscheles, Felix, 1833-1917.
Moulton, Louise Chandler, 1835-1908.
Noble, Lucretia Gray.
Osgood, James R. (James Ripley), 1836-1892.
Palmer, Alice Freeman, 1855-1902.
Parker, Theodore, 1810-1860.
Perry, Nora, 1831-1896.
Phelps, William Lyon, 1865-1943.
Reid, Whitelaw, 1837-1912.
Richardson, Abby Sage, 1837-1900.
Sanborn, Kate, 1839-1917.
Sherman, William T. (William Tecumseh), 1820-1891.
Smillie, James David, 1833-1909.
Stanford, Leland, 1824-1893.
Stedman, Edmund Clarence, 1833-1908.
Taussig, F. W. (Frank William), 1859-1940.
Ticknor, Benjamin Holt, 1842-1914.
Ticknor, Caroline, 1866-1937. Caroline Ticknor papers.
Twain, Mark, 1835-1910.
Wallace, Lew, 1827-1905.
Waters, Clara Erskine Clement, 1834-1916.
Wendell, Barrett, 1855-1921.
Whitman, Walt, 1819-1892.
Whittier, John Greenleaf, 1807-1892.
Winsor, Justin, 1831-1897.
Winter, William, 1836-1917.
Wister, Owen, 1860-1938.

Organizations
James R. Osgood and Company.
William D. Ticknor & Co.

Subjects
Publishers and publishing--Massachusetts--Boston.
Administrative Information

Provenance
The papers of Benjamin Holt Ticknor, editor and publisher, were purchased by the Library of Congress in 1943-1944.

Processing History
The papers of Benjamin Holt Ticknor were housed and listed in 1981. The finding aid was revised in 2010.

Additional Guides
A card index and list of major correspondents in the collection is available in the Manuscript Division Reading Room.

Copyright Status
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Preferred Citation
Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Benjamin Holt Ticknor Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note
The papers of Benjamin Holt Ticknor (1842-1914) span the years 1595-1935, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the period 1850-1920. Housed mainly in bound volumes, the collection consists chiefly of correspondence of American and British authors whose works were published by the Boston firm of Ticknor and Company and, after 1885, James R. Osgood and Company. Most of the letters are addressed to Ticknor or to his daughter, Caroline Ticknor. Also included are occasional holograph writings such as the preface by Samuel Clemens (Mark Twain) to The New Guide of the Conversation in Portuguese and English by Pedro Carolino; Rankell's Remains by Barrett Wendell; and “Madge: ye hoyden,” a poem, by Eugene Field. The oldest item, dated 1595, is a fragment signed by William Cecil (Burghley, William Cecil, Baron).

The Ticknor Papers are organized largely as received. Material in the bound volumes is arranged alphabetically by name of correspondent, with the manuscripts to Rankell’s Remains by Wendell filed at the end. Unbound material consists of miscellaneous writings, printed matter, and the poem by Field.

Arrangement of the Papers
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- Aldrich, Thomas Bailey
- Austin, Jane Goodwin
- Bacon, Henry
- Barnum, Phineas T.
- Bates, Arlo
- Bellamy, Edward
- Benjamin, Samuel Green
- Besant, Annie
- Blouet, Paul
- Booth, Edwin T.
- Boucicault, Dion
- Brooks, Henry M.
- Brooks, Phillips
- Brown, Alice
- Bunner, Henry C.
- Bynner, Edwin Lassetter
- Cesnola, Luigi Palma di
- Child, Lydia M.
- Church, Frederick S.
- Churchill, Winston (1871-1947)
- Clarke, James Freeman
- Clemens, Samuel L.
- Coates, Florence Earle
- Cooke, Rose Terry
- Curtis, George Ticknor
- Cusack, Mary Frances
- Dallin, Cyrus E.
- Dana, Charles A.
- Dana, Richard Henry, Jr.
- Deland, Margaret
- Durand, Alice Marie (Henry Greville)
- Eggleston, George Cary
- Elliott, Maud Howe
- Fawcett, Edgar
- Filsinger, Sara Teasdale
- Foote, Mary Hallock
- French, Daniel Chester
- Garfield, Lucretia R.
- Garland, Hamlin
- Gayarre, Charles E. A.
- Gilder, Jeannette L.
- Gilder, Richard W.
- Guiney, Louise I.
- Haden, Francis Seymour
- Hale, Edward Everett (1822-1909)
- Hale, Lucretia P.
- Hall, Granville Stanley
• Hapgood, Norman
• Harris, Joel Chandler
• Hawthorne, Julian
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• Henschel, George
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• Holmes, Oliver Wendell
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• Reid, Thomas Mayne
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• Saltus, Edgar E.
• Sanborn, Franklin B.
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• Sharp, Dallas L.
• Sherman, Frank Dempster
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• Skinner, Otis Smillie, James D.
• Smith, Francis Hopkinson
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• Spofford, Harriet Prescott
• Stanford, Leland
• Stedman, Edmund C.
• Stephens, Alice Barber
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- Stoddard, Richard Henry
- Stoker, Bram
- Straus, Oscar S.
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- Tauchnitz, Christian Bernhard
- Taussig, Frank William
- Terhune, Mary Virginia
- Thompson, Maurice
- Ticknor, Thomas B.
- Tissot, Joseph Jacques
- Trowbridge, John
- Trubner, Nikolaus
- Trumbull, James Hammond
- Upton, George P.
- Van Dyke, Henry
- Wallace, Lew
- Walters, Clara Erskine
- Ward, Mary A. (Mrs. Humphry Ward)
- Ware, William R.
- Waring, George E.
- Webb, Charles Wells, Carolyn
- Wendell, Barrett
- Whitman, Walt
- Whitney, Adeline D.
- Whittier, John Greenleaf
- Winsor, Justin
- Winter, William
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- Wormeley, Katharine