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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Tilton, Eleanor M (Eleanor Marguerite), 1913-
Title:	Eleanor M. Tilton papers
ID:	4079404
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Language of the Material:	English .

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Biographical / Historical

Professor of English, Barnard College, 1959-1979, scholar of American literature, editor and authority on Ralph W. Emerson. Columbia University Ph.D., 1947.

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Summary

This collection includes nine letters of Ralph Waldo Emerson as well as letters of Louis Agassiz, Amos Bronson Alcott, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr., Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, James Russell Lowell, John Lothrop Motley, Charles Sumner, and John Greenleaf Whittier. In addition, there are two incomplete manuscripts by Emerson and one document from the

Liverpool Custom-house signed by Nathaniel Hawthorne as Consul for the United States. The collection also includes the corrected typescript, index, and page and galley proofs for Thomas Franklin Currier, *A BIBLIOGRAPHY OF OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES* (New York, 1953) which was edited by Professor Tilton. Also, some early correspondence and photographs of the Tilton family and friends. There are letters from the actors Annie Louise Ames, Richard J. Dillon, and Hans L. Meery to Tilton's grandfather, Bernard Paul Verne, as well as photographs, tintypes, and daguerreotypes of the Verne family and friends.

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1992 Addition: Her professional papers include correspondence, manuscripts, notes, and printed materials on many aspects of 18th and 19th century American literature, especially literary New England. Among her papers are files compiled in editing volumes 7 and 8 of *THE LETTERS OF RALPH WALDO EMERSON* (New York, 1939-1991). These files contain correspondence, card files, notes, transcripts, photocopies, book typescripts, printed materials, and other related items. There are also similar files relating to Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr. and to her books, *AMIALE AUTOCRAT: A BIOGRAPHY OF DR. OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES* (New York, 1947) and *LITERARY BANTLINGS: ADDENDA TO THE HOLMES BIBLIOGRAPHY* (New York, 1957).

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Arrangement

This collection is arranged into 10 series.

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Restrictions on Access

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Restrictions on Access

This collection has no restrictions.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Source of acquisition--Tilton, Eleanor M. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--1979. Accession number--M-79.

Ownership and Custodial History

Gift of Eleanor M. Tilton, 1979, 1983& 1992.

Processing Information

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Controlled Access Headings

- Actors
- American literature
- Criticism, Textual
- Letters (correspondence)
- Literature publishing
- Scholarly publishing
- Theater -- Massachusetts -- Boston -- 19th century
- Transcendentalists (New England)
- Advertisements
- Announcements
- Applications
- Articles
- Bibliographies
- Biographies (literary works)
- Brochures
- Bulletins
- Calendars (documents)
- Card files
- Trade catalogs
- Certificates
- Clippings (Information Artifacts)
- Contracts
- Résumés (personnel records)
- Daguerreotypes (photographs)
- Deeds
- Dissertations
- Drafts (documents)
- Engravings (prints)
- Essays
- Etchings (prints)
- Examinations (documents)
- Financial records
- Galley proofs
- Genealogies (histories)
- Greeting cards
- Guidebooks
- Illustrations
- indexes (reference sources)
- Invitations

- Invoices
- Lists (document genres)
- Lithographs
- Manuscripts (documents)
- Maps (documents)
- Newsletters
- Notebooks
- Notes (documents)
- Pamphlets
- Photographs
- Photographic prints
- Pictures (object genre)
- Playbills
- Poems
- Portraits
- Postcards
- Prints
- Proofs (printed matter)
- Reports
- Reprints
- Reviews (documents)
- Sermons
- Silhouettes
- Syllabi
- Tax returns
- Tintypes (photographs)
- Transcripts
- Actors
- Actresses
- Authors
- Editors
- Philosophers
- Physicians
- Poets
- Scholars
- Women college teachers
- Women scholars
- Agassiz, Louis, 1807-1873
- Airy, George Biddell, 1801-1892
- Alcott, Amos Bronson, 1799-1888
- Ames, Annie Louise
- Badeau, Adam, 1831-1895
- Baker, George M (George Melville), 1832-1890
- Brown, Charles Brockden, 1771-1810
- Bryant, Jacob, 1715-1804
- Bugbee, James M (James McKellar), 1837-1913
- Burnap, Benjamin, fl.1700

- Burnap, Joseph, fl.1700
- Currier, Thomas Franklin, 1873-1946
- Dillon, Richard J.
- Eatton, John
- Emerson, Ralph Waldo, 1803-1882
- Fields, James Thomas, 1817-1881
- Fowles, John, 1926-2005
- Gillett, Frederick Huntington, 1851-1935
- Gunn, Elisha, fl.1796
- Gunn, William, fl.1796
- Hawthorne, Nathaniel, 1804-1864
- Henley, Samuel, 1740-1815
- Hinman, R. R (Royal Ralph), 1785-1868
- Hoar, Elizabeth Sherman, 1814-1878
- Holmes, Oliver Wendell, 1809-1894
- Howison, George Holmes, 1834-1917
- Ireland, Alexander, 1810-1894
- Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth, 1807-1882
- Lowell, James Russell, 1819-1891
- Luce, Clare Boothe, 1903-1987
- Markham, Edwin, 1852-1940
- Meery, Hans L
- Motley, John Lothrop, 1814-1877
- Nickools, Thomas, fl.1700
- Phipps, Samuel, fl.1700
- Quay, Matthew Stanley, 1833-1904
- Richardson, John, active 1700
- Root, Elisha, fl.1796
- Root, Joseph, fl.1796
- Root, Martin, fl.1796
- Smith, Gerrit, 1797-1874
- Sumner, Charles, 1811-1874
- Thoreau, Henry David, 1817-1862
- Verne, Bernard Paul
- Ward, Samuel Gray
- Weiss, John, 1818-1879
- Whipple, Edwin Percy, 1819-1886
- Whittier, John Greenleaf, 1807-1892
- Wilson, Carroll A (Carroll Atwood), 1886-1947
- Emerson family
- Hoar family
- Tilton family
- Ward family
- Barnard College -- Faculty
- Ticknor and Fields
- Verne family

Collection Inventory

Series I: Cataloged Correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
Agassiz, Louis	box 1
Airy, Sir George Biddell	box 1
Alcott, Bronson	box 1
Ames, Annie Louise	box 1
Baker, George Melville	box 1
Bryant, Jacob	box 1
Dillon, Richard J.	box 1
Emerson, Ralph Waldo	box 1
Fields, James Thomas	box 1
Fowles, John	box 1
Gillett, Frederick Huntington	box 1
Hinman, Royal Ralph	box 1
Holmes, Oliver Wendell, 1809-1894	box 1
Howison, George Holmes	box 1
Longfellow, Henry Wadsworth	box 1
Lowell, James Russell	box 1
Luce, Clare Boothe	box 1
Markham, Edwin	box 1
Meery, Hans L.	box 1
Motley, John Lothrop	box 1
Quay, Matthew Stanley	box 1
Ripley, Aiden Lasell	box 1
Sumner, Charles	box 1
Whipple, Edwin Percy	box 1
Whittier, John Greenleaf	box 1
Wilson, Carroll	box 1

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Series II: Cataloged Manuscripts

Title/Description	Instances
Emerson, Ralph Waldo	box 1

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Title/Description	Instances
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Series IV: Photographs and Tintypes

Title/Description	Instances
Verne family & friends	box 1

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Series V: General Files

Title/Description	Instances
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Financial	box 3
Miscellaneous manuscripts & notes	box 4

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Series VI: Subject Files

Scope and Contents

Including correspondence, manuscripts, documents & printed materials

Title/Description	Instances
Adams family	box 4
Alcott family	box 4
Brown, Charles Brockden	

	box 4
Bryant, William Cullen	box 4
Carlyle, Alexander	box 5
Coleridge, Samuel Taylor	box 5
Columbia University	box 5
<i>Curriculum Vitae</i>	box 5
Dennet, John Richard	box 5
D'Evelyn, Charlotte	box 5
Donne, John	box 5
<i>The Edinburgh Review</i>	box 6
Emerson, Ralph Waldo	box 6
Scope and Contents	
[See Boxes 12-72]	
English 75 (course)	box 6
English 76 (course)	box 6
English 97 & 98 (courses)	box 6
Hawthorne, Nathaniel	box 6
Holmes, Oliver Wendell	box 6
Scope and Contents	
[See Boxes 73-81]	
Howells, William Dean	box 6
Hume & other philosophers	box 6
Irving, Washington	box 6
James, Henry	box 7
Maps	box 7
Melville, Herman	box 7
Mount Holyoke College	box 7
Office description	box 7
"Old News" - her student paper & notes re. William Parks & <i>The Virginia Gazette</i>	box 7
Pictorial/picturesque	box 8
Poe, Edgar Allen	box 8

Politics	box 8
Prosody & rhetoric/English 75 (course)	box 8
Recommendations	box 9
Reviews	box 9
Reviews by Tilton	box 9
Romantics	box 9
Szell, Timea K.	box 9
Taylor, Edward, d. 1729	box 9
Taylor, Edward, d. 1729	box 9
Thoreau, Henry David	box 9
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Wordsworth, William	box 9

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Title/Description	Instances
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Books, photocopies & oversize	box 11

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Subseries VIII.1: Book Manuscripts of *The Letters of Ralph Waldo Emerson*

Title/Description	Instances
Typescripts: pp. 1-555	box 12
Typescripts: pp. 556-1335	box 13
Typescripts: pp. 1336-1891	box 14
Typescripts: pp. 1892-2207	box 15
Typescripts: pp. 2208-2757	box 16
Typescripts: pp. 2758-3133	box 17

Typescripts: pp. 3134-3487	box 18
Typescripts: pp. 3487-5902	box 19
Book proofs	box 20
Book proofs	box 21

Subseries VIII.2: Card Files re. Emerson and Holmes

Scope and Contents

All shelved Off-Site

Title/Description	Instances
A-Z <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 1-A
1975-1976; Through 1851 [loose notebook pages]; From 1852; & Misc. <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 1-B
3 misc. files <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 1-C
4 misc. files <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 1-D
Misc. <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 2
Owners & freq. citations <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 3
Owners & freq. citations <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 3-A
Library of RWE: A-K <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 4
Library of RWE: L-Z <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 5
Summaries of Letters, 1848-1853 <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 6
Summaries of Letters, 1854-1864 <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 7
Summaries of Letters, 1812-1847 <u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	box 8
Summaries of Letters, 1812-1847	box 8-A

<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
Summaries of Letters, 1865-n.d.	box 9
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
Summaries of Letters, 1865-n.d.	box 9-A
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1803-1840	box 10
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1803-1840	box 10-A
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1840-1849	box 11
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1840-1849	box 11-A
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1850-1859	box 12
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1850-1859	box 12-A
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1860-1870	box 13
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1860-1870	box 13-A
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1871-1883 & n.d.	box 14
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
List of Recipients, 1871-1883 & n.d.	box 14-A
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
N.d. dated & towns & lectures [& misc.]	box 15
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
N.d. dated & towns & lectures [& misc.]	box 15-A
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
Brief index notes: A-B	box 16
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
Brief index notes: C-E	box 17
<u>Physical Description:</u> 1 Card file box	
Brief index notes: F-J	box 18

<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Brief index notes: F-J	box 18-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Brief index notes: K-O	box 19
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Brief index notes: P-S	box 20
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Brief index notes: P-S	box 20-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Brief index notes: T-Z	box 21
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: A-A[Z]	box 22
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: A-A[Z]	box 22-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: A-A[Z]	box 22-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: BA-Burnouf	box 23
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: BA-Burnouf	box 23-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: BA-Burnouf	box 23-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: [Burns]-CO[NV]	box 24
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: [Burns]-CO[NV]	box 24-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: [Burns]-CO[NV]	box 24-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: C[ONW]-El[i] Emer[son]	box 25
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: C[ONW]-El[i] Emer[son]	box 25-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: C[ONW]-El[i] Emer[son]	box 25-B

<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Ellen E[merson]-E[therwald]	box 26
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Ellen E[merson]-E[therwald]	box 26-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Ellen E[merson]-E[therwald]	box 26-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Eth[ic]-G[rec]	box 27
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Eth[ic]-G[rec]	box 27-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Eth[ic]-G[rec]	box 27-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Greece-[C.] Hubbard	box 28
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Greece-[C.] Hubbard	box 28-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Greece-[C.] Hubbard	box 28-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: [W.] Hu[bbard]-Lecture [Green]	box 29
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: [W.] Hu[bbard]-Lecture [Green]	box 29-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Lecture [H]-[LY]	box 30
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Lecture [H]-[LY]	box 30-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Lecture [H]-[LY]	box 30-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: MA-NAT	box 31
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: MA-NAT	box 31-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: MA-NAT	box 31-B

<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: NAV-P[LA]	box 32
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: NAV-P[LA]	box 32-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: NAV-P[LA]	box 32-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: PL[E]-ROM	box 33
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: PL[E]-ROM	box 33-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: RON-SL	box 34
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: RON-SL	box 34-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: SM-TR	box 35
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: SM-TR	box 35-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: SM-TR	box 35-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: TU-Z	box 36
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: TU-Z	box 36-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: TU-Z	box 36-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Misc.	box 37
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Misc.	box 37-A
<u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Card file box	
Full index notes: Misc.	box 37-B
<u>Physical Description</u> : Card file box	

Subseries VIII.3: Correspondence re. Emerson

Title/Description	Instances
A-E	box 22
F-L	box 23
M-R	box 24
S-Z	box 25

Subseries VIII.4: Hoar Family of Concord, MA

Title/Description	Instances
Elizabeth Sherman Hoar, 1814-1879, fiancée of Charles C. Emerson	box 26

Subseries VIII.5: Notebooks re. Emerson

Title/Description	Instances
1824-1875 & [n.d.]	box 27
By topics	box 28
Unlabeled or loose pages	box 29

Subseries VIII.6: Notes/Miscellaneous

Title/Description	Instances
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Part 2	box 31
Part 3	box 32
Part 4	box 33

Subseries VIII.7: Photocopies of Letters to and from Emerson

Title/Description	Instances
1811-1840	box 34
1840-1845	box 35
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1858-1863	box 38
1864-1870	box 39
1871-1881 & Misc.	box 40
Various topics (1)	box 41
Various topics (2)	box 42

Subseries VIII.8: Printed Materials

Title/Description	Instances
Printed Materials	box 43
Photocopies	box 44

Subseries VIII.9: Subject Files

Title/Description	Instances
A-E	box 45
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Li-O	box 47
P-W	box 48

Subseries VIII.10: Transcripts of Letters to and from Emerson

Title/Description	Instances
Transcripts made by Joel Myerson - 1	box 49
Transcripts made by Joel Myerson - 2	box 50
Transcripts & notes: 1807-1833	box 51
Transcripts & notes: 1834-1838	box 52
Transcripts & notes: 1839-1840	box 53
Transcripts & notes: 1841-1843	box 54
Transcripts & notes: 1844-1846	box 55
Transcripts & notes: 1847-1849	box 56
Transcripts & notes: 1850-1852	box 57
Transcripts & notes: 1853-1855	box 58
Transcripts & notes: 1856-1858	box 59
Transcripts & notes: 1859-1861	box 60
Transcripts & notes: 1861-1863	box 61
Transcripts & notes: 1864-1865	box 62
Transcripts & notes: 1866-1867	box 63
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Transcripts & notes: 1872-1874	box 66
Transcripts & notes: 1875-1883	box 67

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<i>A Bibliography of Oliver Wendell Holmes</i> by Thomas Franklin Currier. Ed. by Eleanor M. Tilton <u>Physical Description</u> : Pages 1-700 Typescript	box 73
<i>A Bibliography of Oliver Wendell Holmes</i> by Thomas Franklin Currier. Ed. by Eleanor M. Tilton <u>Physical Description</u> : Pages 701-1282 & Index Typescript	box 74
<i>A Bibliography of Oliver Wendell Holmes</i> by Thomas Franklin Currier. Ed. by Eleanor M. Tilton <u>Physical Description</u> : Pages 1-600 Page proofs	box 75
<i>A Bibliography of Oliver Wendell Holmes</i> by Thomas Franklin Currier. Ed. by Eleanor M. Tilton <u>Physical Description</u> : Pages 601-707 Pages proofs & Galley proofs	box 76
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Title/Description	Instances
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