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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

Mary Augusta Arnold (Mrs. Humphry) Ward was a novelist and president of The Brontë Society.

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Scope and Contents

Correspondents include Eleanor Cropper Acland, Dame Eva Isabella Henrietta Hanbury-Racy Anstruther, William T. Field (11 letters), Agnes M. Mather, Marjorie Peice, Erman Jesse Ridgway, Liliash Guthrie Rodd, Humphrey Ward, Rowland Edmund Prothero, Robert F. Wilson, and Butler Wood (13 letters).

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Summary

In 1898 Mary Augusta Ward was asked by George Smith to write the critical introductions for his "Haworth edition" of the Brontë novels (London, Smith, Elder, 1899-1902). These papers are her manuscripts, drafts, proofs, and notes assembled for the project, and include typescripts of Charlotte Brontë's letters to George Smith, 1847-1854. Other notes and correspondence concern her work for The Brontë Society. Also, some correspondence about her volunteer work during World War I and the complete manuscript and drafts for her last novel, HARVEST, which was posthumously published in 1920.

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Arrangement

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Controlled Access Headings

- World War, 1914-1918 -- War work
- English literature -- 20th century
- Literature -- Societies, etc
- Women authors, English
- Smith, George, 1824-1901
- Brontë, Charlotte, 1816-1855
- Brontë Society

Collection Inventory

Mary A. (Mrs. Humphry) Ward papers

Title/Description	Instances
Correspondence, A-Mary Ward	box 1
Manuscripts, Mary Ward	box 1
Manuscripts, Mary Ward	box 2
Correspondence, Wilson-Wood	box 2
Copies of Charlotte Brontë letters to George Smith, 1847-1854	box 2
Printed material	box 2

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