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Rare Book and Manuscript Library

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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator - collector:	Saffron, Morris Harold
Title:	Morris Harold Saffron collection letters and manuscripts
ID:	4079589
ID:	MS#1098
Date [inclusive]:	circa 1700-1992
Physical Description:	1 linear feet 2 box (253 items)
Language of the Material:	English .

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Morris Harold Saffron collection, letters and manuscripts; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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Biographical / Historical

Physician, medical historian, and chairman of the Friends of the Columbia Libraries, 1967-1972. Columbia, A.B. 1925; A.M. 1949; Ph.D. 1968). Dr. Saffron (1905-1993) was an authority on Colonial American medicine, Archivist-historian of the New Jersey Medical Society, and a practicing dermatologist.

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Summary

Letters, manuscripts, printed ephemera and photoreproductions collected by Saffron. The collection reflects Dr. Saffron's two avocations: book collecting and the history of medicine. Of particular importance are three reels of microfilms of Hunterian manuscripts at the University of Glasgow Library. William Hunter (1718-1783) was a Scottish physician. In addition, there is an autograph signed manuscript by John Martyn titled "To the Author of the Grubstreet Journal" 1731-32; letters published in "The Grub-Street Journal" concerning Richard Bentley's edition of Milton; a letter from Stephen Phillips to [Sir Sidney Colvin]; and poetry of Emily Winthrop Miles

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Summary

Some personal and academic correspondence have been added, as well as an oral history memoir of Morris Saffron and printed materials.

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Arrangement

Selected materials cataloged; remainder arranged. Arranged by material type.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Revision Description

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Printed ephemera: Source of acquisition--Saffron, Morris Harold. Method of acquisition--Gift.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

4 items re. E.W. Miles: Source of acquisition--Saffron, Morris. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--06/03/1992. Accession number--M-92-06-03.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Papers: Source of acquisition--Saffron, M.H. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--08/30/1992. Accession number--M-92-08-30.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Papers: Source of acquisition--Saffron, M.H. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--12/12/1992. Accession number--M-92-12-12.

Ownership and Custodial History

Gift of Morris H. Saffron, 1980, 1987, 1990& 1992.

Processing Information

Printed ephemera Entered in AMC 11/28/1990.

Processing Information

4 items re. E.W. Miles Processed HR 06/11/1992.

Processing Information

Papers Processed HR 02/08/1993.

Processing Information

Papers Processed HR 02/08/1993.

Accruals

Materials may have been added to the collection since this finding aid was prepared.
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Controlled Access Headings

- Physicians -- New York (State)
- Physicians -- Biography
- Medicine -- History
- Medicine -- Study and teaching
- Physicians -- New York (State) -- New York
- Essays
- Interviews
- Microforms
- Letters (correspondence)
- Photographs
- Photographic prints
- Poems
- Reminiscences
- Authors, English
- Book collectors
- Physicians
- Medical historians
- Correspondence

- Barzun, Jacques, 1907-2012
- Bentley, Richard, 1662-1742
- Browning, Elizabeth Barrett, 1806-1861
- Colvin, Sidney, 1845-1927
- Hunter, William, 1718-1783
- Eccles, Mary Hyde
- Kristeller, Paul Oskar, 1905-1999
- Leinsdorf, Erich, 1912-1993
- Malone, Dumas, 1892-1986
- Martyn, John, 1699-1768
- Phillips, Stephen, 1864-1915
- Westwood, T (Thomas), 1814?-1888
- Friends of the Columbia Libraries
- Hunterian Museum (University of Glasgow). Library

Collection Inventory

Cataloged correspondence and manuscripts

Title/Description	Instances
Barzun, Jacques	box 1
Browning, Elizabeth Barrett	box 1
Cane, Melville H.	box 1
Leinsdorf, Erich	box 1
Malone, Dumas	box 1
Martyn, John, 1699-1768	box 1
Phillips, Stephen, 1868-1915	box 1

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Arranged correspondence

Title/Description	Instances
A – Z	box 1
Columbia University	box 1
Eccles, Mary Morley Crapo Hyde, Viscountess	box 1
Kristeller, Paul Oscar	box 1

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Manuscripts

Title/Description	Instances
Cochran: Reminiscences about Revolutionary War figures, 20p (xerox copy)	box 2
Hunter, William, 1718-1783: Microfilm of the Hunterian Manuscripts at the University of Glasgow	box 2
Miles, Emily Winthrop: Poetry	box 2
Saffron, Morris H.: An Oral History Interview, 1982	box 2

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Photographs

Title/Description	Instances
Photographs	box 2

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Printed materials

Title/Description	Instances
Printed materials	box 2

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