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**Abstract:** Pt. I: papers of Frederick W. Sharon re his business and property investments, the operation of the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, and the Sharon Estate Co. Pt. II Louise Sharon's social and family correspondence and letters re her business affairs. Pt. III: papers of Francis G. Newlands re work as trustee of Sharon Estate Co.

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**Scope and Content**

The Sharon Family Papers, which were given to the Bancroft Library in May 1960 by William F. Sharon, are divided into three parts: Part I, the papers of Frederick William Sharon (1857-1915), the son of Senator William Sharon; Part II, the papers of his wife, Louise (Tevis) Breckinridge Sharon, the daughter of Lloyd Tevis; and Part III, the papers of Sharon's brother-in-law, Francis G. Newlands, who later became U. S. Senator from Nevada.

Frederick Sharon's papers (26 boxes and 1 carton) relate primarily to his many business investments, his real estate holdings in San Francisco, Washington, D. C., and New York City, and the operation of the Palace Hotel, San Francisco. They also include reports of the Sharon Estate Company. Mrs. Sharon's papers (8 boxes) consist of social and family correspondence and letters concerning her business affairs. Senator Newland's papers (3 boxes) relate mainly to his work as trustee of the Sharon Estate Company.

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Boxes 1-23

**Letters to Frederick W. Sharon**

**Scope and Content Note**

Arranged alphabetically by name of person or organization. Single letters have been placed in miscellanies preceding each letter of the alphabet. A list of the more important correspondents follows the Key.

Box 1	<b>A</b>
Box 2	<b>B</b>
Box 3	<b>C</b>
Box 4	<b>D</b>
Box 5	<b>E-G</b>
Box 6	<b>Hesketh, Florence E</b>
Box 7	<b>Hesketh, Florence L-Ke</b>
Box 8	<b>Ki</b>
Box 9	<b>L-M</b>
Box 10	<b>N-P</b>
Box 11	<b>Q-Se</b>
Box 12	<b>Sharon, W</b>
Boxes 13-15	<b>Sharon L</b>
Box 16	<b>She-T</b>
Box 17	<b>W, Y</b>
Box 18-23	<b>Wilson</b>
Box 24	<b>Letters written by Sharon</b>

**Scope and Content Note**

Primarily drafts.

Boxes 25-26  
Carton 1

**Reports of the Sharon Estate Company, 1888-1912**

**Misc. papers**

**Scope and Content Note**

Bills, business agreements, deeds, check books, insurance policies, wills, clippings, etc.

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Boxes 1-8

**Letters written to Mrs. Sharon**

**Scope and Content Note**

Arranged alphabetically by name of person or organization. Single letters have been placed in miscellanies preceding each letter of the alphabet. A list of the more important correspondents follows the Key. In Box 7 there are also some letters, primarily draft copies, written by Mrs. Sharon.

Box 1  
Box 2  
Box 3  
Box 4  
Box 5  
Box 6  
Box 7  
Box 8

**A-Breckinridge, J**  
**Breckinridge, L-F**  
**H-L**  
**M-Sa**  
**Se-Tevis, S**  
**Tevis, W**  
**T-Will**  
**Wils**

Box 1

**Letters written to Senator Newlands, A-Z**

**Scope and Content Note**

Arranged alphabetically by name of person or organization. Single letters are in an alphabetical miscellany. A list of the more important correspondents follows the Key.

Boxes 2-3

**Letters written by Newlands**

**Scope and Content Note**

Include letters to Frederick and Louise Sharon, Flora (Sharon) Hesketh, Henry C. Wright, and his wife, Edith.

**Alexander & Green (Firm)**

**5 letters, 1889-1911.**

**See also W. C. Gulliver.**

**Allen, Frederick H.**

**2 letters, 1887 & 1900**

**Allen, James M.**

**59 letters, 1887-1905**

**American Concentrated Must Company**

**5 letters, 1891-1896.**

**See also files for James M. Allen, Pelham Ames and Paul Oeker.**

**Ames, Pelham W.**

**3 letters, 1888-1892**

**Armstrong & Company (Successors to Kane & Company, Paris, France)**

**79 letters, 1888-1910. Concerning Sharon's finances in Europe.**

**B - Miscellany (single letters)**

**Blanding, Edith**

**Letter, n.d.**

**Blanding, Gordon, Jr.**

**Letter, Dec. 11, 1911**

**Baldwin & Hammond (successors to McAfee, Baldwin & Hammond)**

**15 letters, 1892-1895**

**Bird, Ernest E.**

**22 letters, 1907-1912. As counselor for Lady Hesketh.**

**Blanding, Gordon**

**2 telegrams, 1902 & 1910**

**Blanding, Lena**

4 letters, 1894-1898  
Bodington, Oliver E.  
13 letters, 1897-1899. Some letters for the firm Bodington & Alexander.  
Breckinridge, John Cabell, [1879]-1927  
7 letters, 1893-1897  
Breckinridge, Lloyd Tevis, 1878-1901  
2 letters, 1898-1900  
Bredow, Frances (Newlands)  
8 letters, 1894-1905  
Bredow, Leopold  
6 letters, 1906-1911  
Brown, A. Page, 1859-1896  
9 letters, 1891-1894  
C - Miscellany (single letters)  
Cooperative Land & Trust Company  
Letter, June 15, 1912  
Crocker, Charles F.  
Letter, June 3, 1891  
Crocker, William  
Letter, Sept. 22, 1896  
Chevy Chase Land Company  
60 letters, 1890-1915. Concerning land holdings in Washington held by Frederick Sharon and Francis G. Newlands.  
DeLong, Edith (Haggin) Lounsbery  
4 letters, 1903-1905  
Dobinson, James H., d. 1894  
56 letters, 1885-1893  
Drew, H. R. & Company  
4 letters, 1894-1898. Re N. Y. real estate.  
Earle, Henry M.  
21 letters, 1892-1899. Re property in Washington, D. C.  
Eldridge, Jessie (Newlands)  
10 letters, 1888-1897  
F - Miscellany (single letter)  
Fitch, Henry S.  
Letter, May 4, 1891  
Fisher, Thomas J. Company (Washington, D. C.)  
6 letters, 1898-1914  
Francis, Francis  
38 letters, 1889-1897. Many letters relate to Sharon's mining interests.  
G - Miscellany  
Gilman, Daniel Coit  
Letter, Aug. 29, 1874  
Goodman, Joseph T., 1838-1917  
letter, Nov. 2, 1889.  
Gulliver, William C.  
8 letters, 1890-1904  
H - Miscellany (single letters)  
Hammond, R. P. Jr.  
Letter, June 1, 1891  
Haxton, Sara  
Letter, Feb. 9, 1905  
Hériot, C.  
letter, July 3, 1890  
The History Company  
Letter, Aug. 1, 1891. Signed by N. J. Stone.  
Hume, Hurn

Letter, July 15, 1892

**Harper, John**  
71 letters, 1894-1913. Re Sharon's mining interests.

**Herrin, William F.**  
10 letters, 1888-1910

**Hesketh, Florence Emily (Sharon), d. 1924**  
59 letters, 1882-1910. One letter, n.d., addressed to Lady Hesketh from George Botton, Sir Thomas Hesketh's cousin.

**Hesketh, Florence Louise (Breckinridge), 1880-1956**  
10 letters, 1899-1914

**Hesketh, Frederick, [1883-1910]**  
6 letters, 1900-1905

**Hesketh, Sir Thomas George Fermor, 1849-1924**  
6 letters, 1885-1895

**Hesketh, Thomas George Fermor, 1881-1944**  
16 letters, 1899-1914

**Janin, Henry**  
10 letters, 1891-1905

**Johnston, Edythe (Newlands)**  
12 letters, 1893-1901

**Johnston, Janet (Newlands)**  
4 letters, 1893-1905

**Kelham, George William, 1871-1936**  
3 letters, 1914-1915

**Kelly, Edmond**  
51 letters, 1903-1910. As counselor for the Sharons in the affairs of John Breckinridge

**Kirkpatrick, John C., d. 1914**  
103 letters, 1884-1914. As manager, The Palace Hotel. See Frederick Sharon's "Out correspondence" for letters and wires to Kirkpatrick.

**Lawlor, Lillie Jean**  
3 letters, 1895-1910

**Lloyd, Charles**  
3 letters, 1892-1893

**Lounsbery, Edith**  
2 letters, 1903

**Lounsbery, Richard P.**  
12 letters, 1891-1903

**McAllister, Hall**  
29 letters, 1890-1899. Many letters concerning Sharon Estate Co.

**Manogue, Patrick, Bp., 1831-1895**  
5 letters, 1885-1892. Letter, Nov. 23, 1885, has signature clipped out.

**Martin, J. P.**  
34 letters, 1885-1903. Many letters re property in San Francisco.

**Michael, M. F.**  
8 letters, 1907-1915

**Newlands, Edith (McAllister)**  
17 letters, 1888-1905

**Newlands, James, Jr.**  
4 letters, 1908-1909

**Newlands, John C.**  
8 letters, 1907-1915

**Oeker, Paul**  
46 letters, 1890-1900.  
See also files for James Allen, American Concentrated Must Company and Pelham Ames.

**P - Miscellany (single letter)**

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**Pritchett, Henry Smith, 1857-1939**  
letter, Nov. 20, 1903  
**Pacific Ocean Exposition**  
2 letters, Jan. 8 & 17, 1907  
**Price, Bruce, 1845-1903**  
2 letters, 1887 & 1890  
**Queensberry, John Sholto Douglas, 8th Marquis of, 1844-1900**  
3 letters, March 1892 & n.d.  
**R - Miscellany (single letters)**  
**Ralston, William C., 1826-1875**  
Letter, Aug. 14, 1874  
**Read, George R.**  
Letter, Dec. 19, 1898  
**Riordan, Patrick William, 1841-1914**  
Letter, Nov. 24, 1885  
**Ronalds, Lorillard, Jr.**  
Letter, Sept. 20, 1893  
**Rosebery, Archibald Philip Primrose, 5th Earl of, 1847-1929**  
Letter, Sept. 2, 1909  
**Rathbone, Jared Lawrence, 1844-1907**  
2 letters, Aug.-Dec. 1888  
**Rothschild & Fils**  
4 letters, 1895-1905  
**S - Miscellany (single letters)**  
**Shorp, J. Campbell**  
Letter, Apr. 23, 1885  
**Spreckels, Rudolph, 1872-1958**  
Letter, Aug. 13, 1904  
**Stephens, Henry Morse, 1857-1919**  
Letter, Oct. 24, 1910  
**San Francisco. Panama Pacific International Exposition, 1915**  
3 letters, 1912-1915  
**Seymour, John W.**  
91 letters, 1902-1910. As Sharon's personal secretary.  
**Sharon, Henry William, 1885-1896**  
8 letters, 1891-1896. Signed Harry.  
**Sharon, William E., d. 1914**  
83 letters, 1886-1914. Many letters re mining interests in Nevada.  
**Sharon, Louise (Tevis) Breckinridge, ca. 1858-1938**  
367 letters, 1884-1906  
**Shephard, Charles S.**  
12 letters, 1889-1892  
**Sherwood, Franklin Platt**  
3 letters, June-July, 1903  
**Shorb, James de Barth**  
4 letters, 1887-1889  
**Smith, Charles Percy**  
10 letters, 1890-1896. Many letters re Palace Hotel, San Francisco.  
**Springmuhl, F.**  
4 letters, 1888-1890  
**Stellwagen, Edward James, 1854-1932**  
15 letters, 1895-1913  
**Tevis, Henry Lloyd, 1856-1931**  
6 letters, 1901-1911. Signed Harry.  
**Tevis, Susan Gano (Sanders), d. 1902**  
6 letters, 1885-1898  
**Tevis, William Sanders**

7 letters, 1901-1910  
Wauters, Emile Charles, 1846-1933  
3 letters, 1892-n.d. Concerning a portrait of Mrs. Sharon.  
Webb, Louis  
4 letters, June-July, 1898  
Wheeler, Alfred A.  
12 letters, 1888-1913. Re purchase of lands in California.  
Wheeler, Harold  
3 letters, 1894-1896  
Whitaker, O. W.  
2 letters, Nov. 23-26, 1885  
Williams Deacon's Bank Limited, Manchester, Eng  
66 letters, 1896-1905  
Wilson, Wright & Wilson's (firm)  
448 letters, 1894-1914. Mainly letters of Henry Loundee Wright as Sharon's English solicitor. Concerning the Sharon Estate Company, the Palace Hotel, etc.  
Yerington, Henry Marvin  
9 letters, 1890-1905

**A - Miscellany (single letter)**  
Atherton, Jeannie (Selby)  
Letter, Nov. 19, 1896  
Allen, James M.  
2 letters, 1888-1901  
Armstrong & Company, Paris  
10 letters, 1895-1906

**B - Miscellany (single letters)**  
Boalt, Elisabeth  
Letter, Sept. 29, 1896  
[Breckinridge], Adelaide [(Murphy)]  
Letter, April 16, 1905  
Bredow, Frances (Newlands)  
letter, 1901  
Bredow, Leopold  
Letter, Dec. 26, 1904  
Blanding, Edith  
6 letters, 1891-1897  
Blanding, Gordon  
5 letters, 1900-1901  
Blanding, Lena  
7 letters, 1892-1901  
Blanding, Lloyd Tevis  
8 letters, 1900-1901  
Blanding, Margaret (Tevis) d. 1915  
24 letters, 1892-1902 & n.d. One letter, Aug. 15, 1901, addressed to her son, Lloyd Tevis Blanding.  
Blanding, Susan  
3 letters, 1890-1900  
Breckinridge, John Cabell, [1879]-1927  
26 letters, 1891-1902  
Breckinridge, Lloyd Tevis, 1878-1901  
47 letters, 1890-1900  
DeLong, Edith (Haggin) Lounsbury  
7 letters, 1896-1903  
Eames, Emma, 1865-1949  
10 letters, 1901-1902



**Eldridge, Jessie (Newlands)**  
11 letters, 1888-1903

**Francis, Francis**  
2 letters, 1892-1897

**Friedlander, Fanny**  
2 letters, 1896 & n.d.

**H - Miscellany (single letters)**

**Hawkes, E. McDougall, 1862-1929**  
Letter, Jan. 1892

**Hesketh, Frederick, 1883-1910**  
Letter, Mar. 14, 1900

**Hesketh, Thomas George Fermor, 1849-1924**  
Letter, July 27, 1901

**Hesketh, Thomas George Fermor, 1881-1944**  
Letter, Nov. 16, 1902

**Haggin, Lee**  
4 letters, 1897-1903

**Hesketh, Florence Emily (Sharon), d. 1924**  
16 letters, 1893-1903 & n.d. Signed Flora.

**Hesketh, Florence Louise (Breckinridge), [1880]-1956**  
22 letters, 1889-1914

**I - Miscellany (single letter)**

**Isenberg-Büdingen in Birstein, Berta Gräfin (von Holleben), Fürstinn zu, d. 1904**  
letter, July 1896.

**Janin, Henry**  
13 letters, 1892-1902. Three addressed to Sara Haxton.

**Johnston, Edythe (Newlands)**  
7 letters, 1894-1896

**Johnston, Janet (Newlands)**  
6 letters, 1892?-1905

**Kelly, Edmond**  
41 letters, 1904-1910. Concerning the affairs of John Breckinridge.

**L - Miscellany (single letter)**

**Lounsbery, Ben Ali Haggin**  
Letter, July 25, 1897

**Lawlor, Lillie Jean**  
3 letters, 1901 & n.d.

**Massenet, Jules Émile Frédéric, 1842-1912**  
2 letters, 1901-1902

**Mendell, Mabel (Smith) Janin**  
31 letters, 1885-1902. Signed May.

**N - Miscellany (single letter)**

**Newlands, John C.**  
Letter, Sept. 3, 1907

**Newlands, Edith (McAllister)**  
11 letters, 1892-1896

**Parsons, H. B.**  
31 letters, 1899-1904

**Queensberry, John Sholto Douglas, 8th Marquis of, 1844-1900.**  
Letter, n.d.

**S - Miscellany (single letters)**

**Smith, Caroline (Butterfield)**  
Letter, n.d.

**Spreckels, Oroville**  
Letter, Aug. 29, 1898

**Story, Julian Russell, 1857-1919**  
Letter, n.d. Concerning a portrait he did of Mrs. Sharon

**Sanderson, Sibyl, 1865-1903**  
2 letters, 1889 & n.d.

**Seymour, John W.**  
18 letters, 1900-1905

**Sharon, Frederick William, 1857-1915**  
41 letters, 1888-1898. Three incomplete.

**Sharon, Henry, 1885-1896**  
7 letters, June 23-31, 1896 & n.d. Signed Harry.

**T - Miscellany (single letter)**  
Tevis, Cornelia Baxter;  
Letter, Dec. 7, 1901

**Tevis, Henry Lloyd, 1856-1931**  
76 letters, 1893-1904. Signed Harry.

**Tevis, Hugh, d. 1901**  
3 letters, 1892-1900

**Tevis, Lloyd, 1824-1899**  
19 letters, 1891-1898. One letter [Sept. 1896] addressed to him by Frank W. Coppin.

**Tevis, Mabel (Pacheco), d. 1921**  
9 letters, 1896-1905

**Tevis, Susan Gano (Sanders), d. 1902**  
88 letters, 1888-1901

**Tevis, William Sanders**  
31 letters, 1902-1911. Including copies of letters addressed to Will Tevis by Frank Rice concerning Louise Tevis Sharon's investments, etc. from the Tevis Estate.

**United States Mortgage & Trust Company**  
12 letters, 1895-1900

**Williams Deacons Bank, Ltd.**  
6 letters, 1903-1912

**Wilson, Wright & Wilson's**  
122 letters, 1894-1906. Mainly letters of Henry L. Wright.

**Correspondence Miscellany (A-Z)**

**Bredow, Frances (Newlands)**  
Letter, 1891

**Brown, A. Page, 1859-1896**  
Letter, June 6, 1891

**Chevy Chase Land Company**  
Letter, Aug. 22, 1894?

**Hall, William Hammond**  
Letter, March 26, 1887

**Hesketh, Thomas George Fermor, 7th Bt., 1849-1924**  
Letter, Dec. 1, 1893

**Rock Creek Railway Company**  
Letter, Aug. 17, 1894

**Shorb, J. de Barth**  
Letter, July 4, 1888

**Alexander & Green (firm)**  
2 letters, 1889-1911

**Allen, James M.**  
7 letters, 1892-1898

**Baldwin & Hammond (firm)**  
2 letters, 1893-1895

**Bird, Ernest E.**  
5 letters, 1910-1912

**Dobinson, James H., d. 1894**  
2 letters, 1888-1890?

**Herrin, William F.**  
3 letters, 1889-1890

**Johnston, Edythe (Newlands)**  
2 letters, 1891-1892

**Johnston, Janet (Newlands)**  
2 letters, 1891-1892

**Kirkpatrick, John C., d. 1914**  
3 letters, 1896-1912

**MacDonald, Ranald**  
2 letters, 1897-1898

**Martin, J. P.**  
5 letters, 1894-1897

**Remington, E.**  
3 letters, Apr.-July 1897

**Sharon, William E., d. 1914**  
3 letters, 1891-1903

**Stellwagen, Edward James, 1854-1932**  
4 letters, 1896-1903

**Thorn, S. F.**  
4 letters, 1890-1892

**Wilson, Wright & Wilson's (firm)**  
31 letters, 1892-1908

**Yerington, Henry Marvin**  
4 letters, 1895-1910