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Abstract: Letters from members addressed to the secretary; minutes of meetings, 1873-1960; by-laws, names of members, etc.; copies of papers read at meetings.

Languages Represented: English

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Acquisition Information

These papers came to the Bancroft Library from several sources. Some were transferred from the University of California Archives; some were collected from members by Arthur J. Pillsbury, 1933-1938, and presented to the Library; some were removed from the Papers of Leon J. Richardson, one-time secretary of the Club; the last volume of minutes was presented by the last secretary, Colonel Roland Pinger.

Scope and Content Note

Covering the period from its inception to its demise, these papers consist of letters addressed to the Club's secretary; organizational records, including minutes of meetings (complete except for the period 1942-1947); and copies of some of the papers presented at meetings.

History Note

The Berkeley Club had its origin in a dinner meeting held January 13, 1873 at the home of Daniel C. Gilman, president of the University of California, with Henry Durant, Martin Kellogg and Dr. J. K. McLean present. The purpose was to consider the formation of a club to discuss literary, social and scientific questions. There was further discussion of the proposal at another dinner meeting on February 6, which Joseph LeConte, George Mooar and Joseph A. Benton also attended. At the meeting, the name Berkeley Club was adopted, and the first formal meeting was held on February 13 with fifteen charter members present. At each successive meeting, held fortnightly, a paper was presented by a member previously appointed, followed by a discussion in which all participated. The range of discussion was great, reflecting the varied backgrounds of the members, most of whom were professors, clergymen, lawyers and businessmen. The Club continued in existence for eighty-eight years, the last meeting held September 8, 1960.

Box 1

Correspondence, ca. 1873-1933.

Primarily letters written by members to the Club's secretary concerning elections to membership, resignations, attendance at meetings, presentation of papers, etc. Arranged alphabetically with a miscellany of single letters at the beginning of the file. Most of the letters addressed to Arthur J. Pillsbury, 1932-1933, are concerned with his project to place the Club's papers in the Bancroft Library. A list of the more important correspondents represented follows the Key.

Letters of transmittal for papers presented at meetings have been kept with the manuscripts and are so noted in cartons 2 and 3 below.

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Reports and publications relating to the history of the Club

By-laws, qualifications for membership, names of members

Roster 1873-1923 (printed)

Assignments

List of papers presented before the Club, Oct. 16, 1924-Oct. 5, 1933

Memorials for deceased members

Notes on similar clubs

Bank and check books

Clippings about the Club

Minutes of meetings

v. 1 1873-1879, with accounts at the end of the volume and notes of topics discussed

v. 2 1880-1886, with accounts at the end of the volume

v. 3 1886-1892, with accounts at the end of the volume

v. 4 1892-1897, with accounts at the end of the volume and inventory of belongings

v. 5 1897-1904, with accounts at the end of the volume

v. 6 1904-1921, with accounts at the end of the volume

v. 7 1921-1934, with accounts at the end of the volume

v. 8 1934-1941

v. 9 1948-1960, with accounts; list of charter members and of active, visiting and honorary members

carton Ctns. 2-3

Papers presented at meetings.

Adelung, Edward von. Mss. With letter of transmittal.

Bartlett, Louis. Mss. With letter of transmittal.

Manuscripts; occasionally reprints. Some with letters of transmittal. Arranged alphabetically by name of author. The following members are represented.

Blake, Anson Stiles (1870-1959). Mss.

Bradley, Cornelius Beach (1843-1936). Reprints.

Brown, Archibald Alexander. Mss. With letter of transmittal.

Calhoun, George Miller (1886-1942). Reprints.

Calkins, Carlos Gilman. Mss.

Earl, Guy Chaffee (1861-1935). Mss.

Gilman, Daniel Coit (1831-1908). Reprint.

Hosmer, Frederick Lucian (1840-1929). Mss.

Howard, John Galen (1864-1931). Mss. and reprints.

Hunter, Robert. Mss. With letter of transmittal.

Hutchinson, Lincoln. Mss. and reprints. With letter of transmittal .

Kofoid, Charles Atwood (1865-1947). Mss.

Lawson, Andrew Cowper (1861-1952). Mss. and reprints.

Lipman, Frederick Lockwood. Mss. and reprints. With letter of transmittal.

McGilvary, Evander Bradley (1864-1953). Mss. With letter of transmittal.

McLean, J.K. Mss.

Magee, William A. Mss. With letter of transmittal.

Merriam, John Campbell (1869-1945). Reprints.

Muirhead, John Henry (1855-1940). Copy of his book, *The Use of Philosophy*.

Myres, John Linton. Reprint. With letter of transmittal.

Olney, Warren (1841-1921). Mss. and reprints. Letter of transmittal from his son, Warren Olney, Jr.

Pardee, George Cooper (1857-1941). Mss. and reprints.

Pillsbury, Arthur Judson (1854-1937). Mss. and reprints.

Pinger, Roland W. Mss.

Plehn, Carl Copping (1867-1945). Mss.

Richardson, Leon Josiah (1868-1964). Reprint.

Rickard, Thomas Arthur (1864-1953). Mss. and reprints. With letter of transmittal.

Ritter, William Emerson (1856-1944). Mss. With letter of transmittal.

Smith, Selden C. Mss. With letter of transmittal.

Torrey, Frederic Cheever (1864-1935). Mss. and reprint.

Torrey, Harry Beal. Mss.

Unidentified Mss.

See also paper of Walter Morris Hart (BANC MSS C-B 910) for Mss. of his Berkeley Club papers and papers of Haring Wilkinson (BANC MSS C-B 815).

A-Z Miscellany

Alexander, Wallace McKinney, 1869-1939

Letter, Nov. 17, 1933

Bacon, Thomas R.

Letter, Apr. 11, 1891

Badger, Charles W.

Letter, Sept. 8, 1887

Barrows, David Prescott, 1873-1954

Letter, Feb. 8, 1910

Bartlett, William C.

Letter, Oct. 1898

Bennett, Tohn Coleman,

Letter, June 8, 1943

Benton, Joseph Augustine, 1818-1892

Letter, Aug. 16, 1884

Bradley, Cornelius Beach, 1843-1936

Letter, Mar. 10, 1923

Brown, Charles R.

Letter, Nov. 20, 1933

Buckham, John W.

Letter, Nov. 78, 1944

Campbell, Donald Y.

Letter, Oct. 23, 1994

Davidson, George, 1825-1911

Letter, Apr. 2, 1881

Davis, Horace, 1831-1916

Letter, May 9, 1913

Dwinelle, John Whipple, 1816-1881

Letter, n.d.

Eells, Charles P.

Letter, Sept. 7, 1887

Gayley, Charles Mills, 1858-1932

Letter, Oct. 9, 1891

Gibbons, William P., 1812-1897

Letter, n.d.

Griffiths, Farnham Pond, 1884-1958

Letter, Nov. 24, 1993

Hallock, L.H.

Letter, Sept. 12, 1898

Hart, Walter Morris,

Letter, Jan. 15, 1947

Hilgard, Eugene Woldemar, 1833-1916

Letter, Aug. 31, 1881

Howard, Albert A.

Letter, Sept. 29, 1890

Lange, Alexis Frederick, 1862-1924

Letter, Feb. 25, 1910

Leach, Frank A.

Letter, Nov. 2, 1907

Le Conte, Joseph, 1823-1901

Letter, Feb. 5, 1878

Levermore, Charles H.

Letter, Oct. 8, 1888
McDuffie, Duncan, 1877-
Letter, Nov. 14, 1933
McLean, John Knox, 1834-1914
Letter, Feb. 28, 1878
Miller, Adolph Caspar, 1866-
Letter, Nov. 8, 1902
Mitchell, Wesley Clair, 1874-1948
Letter, Feb. 11, 1910
Mooar, George
Letter, Dec. 21, 1882
Muirhead, John Henry, 1855-1940
Letter, Dec. 14, 1933
Olney, Warren, 1841-1921
Letter, Jan. 20, 1882
Palmer, Charles Theodore Hart, 1827-1897
Letter, Sept. 11, 1890
Perkins, George Clement, 1839-1923
Letter, Feb. 20, 1906
Redding, Benjamin Barnard, 1824-1882
Letter, Mar. 20, 1881
Richardson, George Ivi,
Letter, n.d.
Rickard, Thomas Arthur, 1864-1953
Letter, June 2, 1932
Rieber, Charles Henry, 1866-1948
Letter, Dec. 29, 1933
Stephens, Henry Morse, 1857-1919
Letter, n.d.
Stratton, C. C.
Letter, Sept. 27, 1887
Stratton, George Malcolm, 1865-1957
Letter, Feb. 20, 1906
Stringham, Washington Irving, 1847-1909
Letter, Nov. 14, 1882
Tabor, Rodney L.
Letter, July 28, 1885
Vrooman, Henry, 1844-1889
Letter, Nov. 18, 1882
Individual Correspondents

Boalt, John Henry, 1837-1901
3 letters, 1878-1888
Cook, Albert Stanburrough, 1853-1927
7 letters, 1882-1906
Eells, James, 1822-1886
3 letters, 1877-1879
Elliott, Edward, 1874-
2 letters, 1933. One written for him by his secretary.
Foster, Frank Hugh, 1851-1935
2 letters, 1896-1906
Gilman, Daniel Coit, 1831-1908
4 letters, 1873-1906
Greenleaf, Charles Ravenscroft, 1838-1911
2 letters, 1896-1903
Holden, Edward Singleton, 1846-1914
3 letters, 1886-1888
Hopkins, Caspar Thomas, 1826-1893

6 letters, 1882-1890
Howison, George Holmes, 1834-1916
2 letters, 1884-1888
Kellogg, Martin, 1878-1903
3 letters, 1879-1889
LeConte, John, 1818-1891
2 letters, 1879
McKinstry, Elisha Williams,
2 letters, 1878-1881
Moses, Bernard, 1846-1930
2 letters, 1878-1881
Parsons, Edward Lambe, 1868-
2 letters, 1933-1934
Phelps, Charles Henry, 1853-1933
2 letters, 1882
Pillsbury, Arthur Judson, 1854-1937
2 letters, 1933-1935
Putnam, James Osbourne, 1818-1903
7 letters, 1874-1896
Reid, William Thomas, 1843-1922
3 letters. 1881-1883
Rowell, Joseph Cummings, 1853-1938
2 letters. 1924-1933
Royce, Josiah, 1855-1916
2 letters. 1882-1883
Sill, Edward Rowland, 1841-1887
5 letters, 1874-1883
Sprague, Homer Baxter, 1829-1918
3 letters. 1885-1886
Stoddard, Francis Hovey, 1847-1936
3 letters. 1888-1906
Tompkins, Frederick W.
3 letters. 1882-1884
Torrey, Frederic Cheever, 1864-1935
2 letters, 1910-1923
Wendte, Charles William, 1844-1931
2 letters, 1906-1923
Wilbur, Earl M.
2 letters, 1932
Wilkinson, Warring, 1834-1918
4 letters, 1884-1910
Williams, Ralph Olmsted, 1838-1908
4 letters. 1878-1885