Bryce-White Papers: Finding Aid

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Overview of the Collection

Title: Bryce-White Papers

Dates (inclusive): 1906-1920

Collection Number: mssHM 66718-66749

Extent: 32 pieces in 1 box

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Abstract: This collection contains typescript contemporary copies of correspondence chiefly written by British politician and historian James Bryce, Viscount Bryce (1838-1922) to American diplomat Henry White (1850-1927), as well as one original letter. The letters deal mainly with the diplomatic issues of the early 20th century.

Language: English.

Access

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Provenance

Gift of Allan Nevins, August 1965.

Cataloging Decisions

1. The cataloging of the papers was begun by Marilyn Bressler in 2004, and completed by Gayle M. Richardson in 2010. Regardless of the cataloger, the standard authorized form of the names has been used on the folders and in the Finding Aid.

- James Bryce, Viscount Bryce Collection (Call number: mssHM 71900-72019), donated by Rosemary Di Salvo in 2009
- Three collections complementary to the Bryce-White Papers were donated to the Huntington Library in 2006, by John A. Schutz, brother of Rosemary Di Salvo:
  - William Ewart Gladstone Collection (Call number: mssGLA 1-759)
  - Henry Cabot Lodge Collection (Call number: mssHM 73270-73569)
  - John A. Schutz Miscellany Collection (Call number: mssHM 73570-73655)

Biographical Note of James Bryce

James Bryce, Viscount Bryce, (1838-1922), was a British politician, historian and diplomat.

Biographical Note of Henry White

Henry White (1850-1927), was an American diplomat from 1883 to 1920; he served in England, as well as Austria, Italy and France. Upon his return to the United States in 1893, he often served Washington as an unofficial confidante to members of the English government.

Bibliography


**Scope and Content**

All of the letters in this collection are typewritten contemporary copies except for HM 66720, which is an autograph letter, signed. The copies, which were made for Allan Nevins by John Campbell White, the son of the diplomat, Henry White. The majority of the letters were written by James Bryce, Viscount Bryce, who knew White from their diplomatic work; there are also letters by Arthur Balfour (Earl of Balfour), George Curzon (Marquess Curzon of Kedleston), Elise Jusserand, William Brodrick (Earl of Midleton), James Rhodes, and Sir Cecil Spring Rice.

The letters deal mainly with the diplomatic issues of the early 20th century: the situation in the Balkans and Armenia, the First World War and aftermath, the Paris Peace Conference and the League of Nations; the letters also discuss Arthur James Balfour, William Jennings Bryan, Winston Churchill, Henry Cabot Lodge, Theodore Roosevelt, and Woodrow Wilson.

**Arrangement**

Correspondence (1 Box) is arranged alphabetically by author

**Indexing: Subjects**


Indexing Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Huntington Library's Online Catalog.

Subjects
Bryan, William Jennings, 1860-1925.
Lodge, Henry Cabot, 1850-1924.
Roosevelt, Theodore, 1858-1919.
Wilson, Woodrow, 1856-1924.
League of Nations -- Great Britain.
League of Nations -- United States.
Parliamentary Conference (1919-1920).
Diplomacy -- Great Britain.
Diplomacy -- United States.
World War, 1914-1918 -- Great Britain.
World War, 1914-1918 -- United States.
Great Britain -- History -- 20th century -- Sources.

**Forms/Genres**
Business letters -- Great Britain.
Business letters -- United States.
Letters (correspondence) -- Great Britain.
Letters (correspondence) -- United States.
Personal papers -- Great Britain.
Personal papers -- United States.

**Additional Contributors**
Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922.
Curzon of Kedleston, George Nathaniel Curzon, Marquess, 1859-1925.
Jusserand, Elise Richards.
Midleton, William St. John Fremantle Brodrick, Earl of, b. 1856.
Rhodes, James Ford, 1848-1927.
Spring Rice, Cecil, Sir, 1859-1918.
White, Henry, 1850-1927.

**Correspondence**

**Box 1**

**Balfour, Arthur James Balfour, Earl of, 1848-1930.** 1 letter to [Henry White, 1850-1927], Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1911, Dec. 14), Whittingeham (East Lothian, Eng.). HM 66718

Marked: “Private.” Also enclosed: Contem. copy of a letter from [White] to Balfour, [1911], (1 p.).

**Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922.** 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1906, Dec. 22), Dublin (Ire.). HM 66719

Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).


Also enclosed: contem. and carbon copies (2 p.).


Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

**Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922.** 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1913, Oct. 10), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66722

Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

**Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922.** 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1913, Dec. 31), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66723

Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).
HM 66724
   Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p., incomplete, p. 2 missing).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Carbon copy (L.S., typewritten: 2 p.), (1914, July 24-Aug. 12), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66725
   Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Carbon copy (L.S., typewritten: 3 p.), (1915, July 7), London (Eng.). HM 66727
Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 2 p.), (1916, July 16), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66729
   Also enclosed: carbon copy (2 p.).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 2 p.), (1917, Feb. 28), London (Eng.). HM 66730
   Also enclosed: carbon copy (2 p.).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1918), Nov. 17), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66731
   Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.). Note: both copies misdated “1908.”

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1918, Dec. 7), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66732
   Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1918, Dec. 10), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66733
   Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.). Note: a letter of introduction.

   Also enclosed: carbon copy (2 p.).

   Marked: “Confidential.”

   Also enclosed: two carbon copies (4 p.).
    Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 2 p.), (1919, June 12), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66738
    Also enclosed: carbon copy (2 p.) and three copies of "Extract from a letter..." (6 p.).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), ([1919], July 24-25), London (Eng.). HM 66739
    Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1919, Nov. 3), Eastbourne (Eng.). HM 66741
    Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

Bryce, James Bryce, Viscount, 1838-1922. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1919, Nov. 22), Hindleap, Forest Row (East Sussex, Eng.). HM 66742
    Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

Curzon of Kedleton, George Nathaniel Curzon, Marquess, 1859-1925. 1 letter to [Henry White, 1850-1927], Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 2 p.), (1916, Aug. 12), London (Eng.). HM 66743
    Marked: “Confidential.” Also enclosed: carbon copy (2 p.).

Curzon of Kedleton, George Nathaniel Curzon, Marquess, 1859-1925. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1917, Jan. 14), London (Eng.). HM 66744
    Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

Midleton, William St. John Fremantle Brodrick, Earl of, 1856-1942. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 2 p.), (1911, Sep. 12), Rotherham (Eng.). HM 66746
    Marked: “Private.”

Rhodes, James Ford, 1848-1927. 1 letter to Henry White, 1850-1927, Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 2 p.), (1920, Jan. 1), Boston (Mass.). HM 66747
Spring Rice, Cecil, Sir, 1859-1918. 1 letter to [Henry White, 1850-1927], Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1914, Jan. 24), Washington (D.C.). HM 66748
    Also enclosed: carbon copy (1 p.).

Spring Rice, Cecil, Sir, 1859-1918. 1 letter to [Henry White, 1850-1927], Contem. copy (L.S., typewritten: 1 p.), (1914, July 29), London (Eng.). HM 66749