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Overview of the Collection
Title: Thomas Pinney Papers
Dates (inclusive): 1807-1995
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Collection Number: mssPinney papers
Creator: Pinney, Thomas.
Extent: Approximately 800 pieces.
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Language: English.

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Preferred Citation

Provenance

Biographical Note on Thomas Pinney
Thomas Pinney is a Professor of English, emeritus, at Pomona College. He has edited published volumes of the letters of Thomas Babington Macaulay and Rudyard Kipling, and is the author of A history of wine in America. He received a BA from Beloit and a Phd from Yale.

Biographical Note on Thomas Babington Macaulay
Thomas Babington Macaulay, Baron, 1800-1859, was an English historian, poet and politician. He attended Trinity College Cambridge, and received numerous awards for his poetry and prose there. He wrote numerous essays for the Edinburgh Review. A stout Whig in politics, he ultimately followed his abolitionist father’s principles, spoke eloquently in favor of parliamentary reform and was prominent in the colonial government of India. Toward the end of his life he published a massive, yet incomplete, History of England, and also wrote an unpublished History of France, among other works. He was raised to the title of Baron in 1857.

Scope and Content
The collection contains research materials relating to English historian, poet, and politician Baron Thomas Babington Macaulay (1800-1859) collected by English professor Thomas Pinney. The majority consist of photocopies of letters by Macaulay spanning his lifetime. These may be photocopies of original letters, copies from microfilm, copies of published letters, transcriptions, or excerpts. Pinney’s notecard index of Macaulay’s correspondence reflects the majority of the chronologically sorted letters. There are also folders of unsorted letters and letters of indeterminate date.

The series of correspondence by others consists of photocopies letters about Macaulay by family members and others, both during and after his lifetime.
Other research materials include collected biographical materials, published articles about Macaulay, catalogue information about collections of Macaulay letters and notable people, copies of literary and business works by Macaulay, and copies or transcriptions of journals and memoirs about Macaulay by family members.

Bound volumes include published works by Macaulay family members and a dissertation about Macaulay’s literature.

Oversize items include correspondence by Pinney as well as other printed material about Macaulay.

The index of letters is an index prepared by Pinney on notecards. It is organized by date. The completeness of this index has not been verified.

The microfilm series consists of four reels of microfilm.

**Arrangement**

Organized in the following series: Correspondence by Macaulay (Boxes 1-10), Correspondence by others (Box 11), Research materials (Box 12), Bound Volumes (Box 13), Oversize (Box 14), Index of Letters (Box 15), and Microfilm (Box 16). Arranged primarily chronologically within each series. Correspondence by others is arranged alphabetically by last name, then in chronological order. No photocopies may be made of facsimile materials. Original letters (primarily to and from Pinney) and original transcriptions may be copied.

**Indexing Terms**

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

**Subjects**

Pinney, Thomas -- Archives.

Macaulay, Thomas Babington Macaulay, Baron, 1800-1859.

College teachers -- California.

Historians -- England.

**Forms/Genres**

Letters (correspondence) -- 19th century.

**Additional Contributors**

Macaulay, Thomas Babington Macaulay, Baron, 1800-1859.

**Correspondence by Macaulay**

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Correspondence by Macaulay

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Correspondence by Macaulay. June 1856-1860 and [pre 1860]  
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Correspondence by others

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Correspondence by others.  
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Macaulay, Zachary, 1768-1838: 1914-1834  
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Research materials

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Research Materials about Macaulay.  
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Letter transmitting Penal Code  
Folder 2  
Report of the Educational Section  
Folder 3  
Some Rhymes for a Little Girl  
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Journal, Selina Macaulay  
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Memoir of Thomas Babington Macaulay, Lady Hannah More Macaulay Trevelyan  
Folder 6  
Extracts from Contemporary Correspondence about Macaulay  
Folder 7  
Catalogue of the Library at Wallington Hall, Northumberland  
Folder 8  
Index to Trevelyan's Life and Letters of Lord Macaulay  
Folder 9  
Biographical Notes  
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Bound volumes

Box 13  
Bound Volumes.  
Volume 1  
Letters of Hannah More to Zachary Macaulay, Esq.  
Volume 2  
Life and Letters of Zachary Macaulay  
Volume 3  
Selection from the Correspondence of the late Macvey Napier, Esq.  
Volume 4  
Memoirs of the Clan “Aulay”  
Volume 5  
Die Literaturkritik Thomas Babington Macaulays und ihre rezeption

Oversize

Box 14  
Oversize.  
Folder 1  
Printed materials about Macaulay  
Folder 2  
Correspondence with libraries  
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A list of Macaulay letters of Trinity College Library  
Folder 4  
Introduction to Macaulays’ History of France

Index of Letters

Box 15  
Index of letters by date.

Microfilm

Box 16  
Microfilm.  
Folder 1  
Reel #1, Macaulay Letters  
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