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Biography
Jack London was born in San Francisco January 12, 1876. He led an adventurous life, only beginning his career as an author in the 1890s. He wrote short stories, serials, essays, articles, verse and novels. He died November 22, 1916 in Sonoma County, CA.

Scope and Content
Chiefly letters by London to Mabel and Edward M. Applegarth; to his English literary agent, James B. Pinker; and to his daughters. Also includes manuscripts of two longer works and nine poems by London, five poems by Edward Applegarth, several letters and postcards by Charmian London, and photographs. There is an ink wash painting by Maynard Dixon done
for London's SON OF WOLF.

**Access terms**
Applegarth, Edward M.
Applegarth, J.H.
Applegarth, Mabel.
Dixon, Maynard.
London, Charmian.
Pinker, James B.
Porter, W.S.
American literature--20th century.
Authors, American--20th century.
Photoprints.

**Series I: Correspondence, 1897 - 1940, and n.d.**

**Box 1, Folder 1**
London, Jack to Edward Applegarth
1897, June 22, 2 pp.
1898, Nov. 14, 2 pp.
1898, Dec. 6, 2 pp.
1898, Dec. 31, 4 pp.
1899, Mar. 15, 1 pg.
1901, Mar. 19, 1 pg.

**Box 1, Folder 2**
London, Jack to J.H. "Bert" Applegarth
1906, Nov. 28, 4 pp., with envelope

**Box 1, Folder 3**
London, Jack to Mabel Applegarth
1897, Aug. 8, 2 pp.
1898, Nov. 16, 1 pg.
1905, Mar. 2, 1 pg.
1905, Sept. 12, 6 pp.

**Box 1, Folder 4**
London, Jack to Mabel Applegarth, with note n.d.

**Box 1, Folder 5**
London, Jack to daughter, Bess London
1906 - 190816 postcards

**Box 1, Folder 6**
London, Jack, to daughter, Bess London
1908, Oct. 28, 2 pp.

**Box 1, Folder 7**
London, Jack, to daughter, Joan London
1906 - 19099 postcards

**Box 1, Folder 8**
Shurmer Sibthorp to Pinker, 1904, Jan. 26
R.S. Garnett to Pinker, 1906, Mar. 13
A. Hutchinson to Pinker, 1906, Dec. 18
J. Pinker to J. London, 1904, Sept. 27
Stuart Reid to J. London, 1906, May 4

**Box 1, Folder 9**
Pressbook, "Letters of Jack London to James B. Pinker," volume 2, J. London to J. Pinker, 54 letters. Also includes letters to Mr. Pinker referring to Jack London and/or his estate. 1907, Jan. 25 - 1913, Dec. 5
George D. Brett, President of Macmillan Co., to Pinker, 1907, Oct. 16
Ninetta Eames, attorney in fact for Jack London, to Pinker, 1907, Nov. 30
1908, Jan. 2

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1908, Feb. 27
1908, Apr. 3
1908, Apr. 21
R. Sommerville, Manager of Cassell’s General Press, to Pinker, 1908, Oct. 28
Hodder & Stoughton to Pinker, 1909, Oct. 19
T. Werner Laurie LTD. to Pinker. Includes a copy of an authorization by Jack
London for Mr. Hughes Hessie. 1913, Aug. 30
A. Byrne, Secretary of and in behalf of Jack London, to Pinker, 1916, July 24
Eliza Shepard, Executor of Jack London’s estate, to Pinker, 1921, May 25
Eliza London Shepard to Pinker, 1927, Dec. 20
James B. Pinker & Sons to Mrs. Jack London, (written on the lower part of this
letter is a letter from Mrs. Eloiza London Shepard to Pinker, n.d.) 1929, June 26
Jack London’s letter to Pinker includes a copy of his article defending himself
against a charge of plagiarism by a Mr. Frank Harris, 1909, July 1

Box 1, Folder 10
London, Jack to “Comrades [Socialist Party],” typed copy signed, 1 pg. 1916, Mar. 7

Box 1, Folder 11
London, Jack to unknown, third and final page of a letter with London’s signature, 3
inner pages of a letter.

Box 1, Folder 12
London, Jack, 2 facsimilie letters 1900, Jan. 31

Box 1, Folder 13
London, Charmian, outgoing correspondence
To Dr. W.S. Porter, envelope, postmarked 1914, Mar. 2
To Dr. W.S. Porter, postcard 1919, Dec. 20
To Jeanette M. Hitchcock, postcard, 1940, Oct. 30
To Jeanette M. Hitchcock, postcard, 1940, Nov. 4
To Dr. Porter, note, in an envelope labeled “Jack London’s “The Son and the Wolf”,
frontispiece by Maynard Dixon. n.d.
To an unknown, second and final page of a note (was enclosed in "The Book of
Jack London" by Charmian London)

Box 1, Folder 14
Unknown to Charmian London, typed letter, 6 pp. 1947, Apr. 29

Series II: Literary Manuscripts, 1900 - 1901, n.d.

Box 2, Folder 1
London, Jack; Nine Poems 1901
"At Daybreak," 1pg.
"The Worker’s Tribute to the Tramp (Villanelle)," 1pg.
"Je Ris en Espair," 1pg.
"Ballad of the False Lover," 1 pp.

Box 2, Folder 2
London, Jack; manuscript, "The Jacket," (later called "The Star Roamer,")
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London, Jack; manuscript, "The Jacket," (later called "The Star Roamer,")
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Box 2, Folder 4
London, Jack; manuscript, "The Jacket," (later called "The Star Roamer,")
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London, Jack; manuscript, "The Jacket," (later called "The Star Roamer,")
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Box 2, Folder 6
London, Jack; manuscript, "The Jacket," (later called "The Star Roamer,")
pp. 194-249

Box 2, Folder 7
London, Jack; manuscript, "The Little Lady of the Big House," titlepage - p.45

Box 2, Folder 8
London, Jack; manuscript, "The Little Lady of the Big House," pp. 46-91

Box 2, Folder 9
London, Jack; manuscript, "The Little Lady of the Big House," pp. 92-138
Box 2, Folder 10

London, Jack; manuscript, "The Little Lady of the Big House," pp. 139-184

Box 2, Folder 11

London, Jack; manuscript, "The Little Lady of the Big House," pp. 185-229

Box 2, Folder 12

London, Jack; manuscript, "The Little Lady of the Big House," pp. 230-266

Box 2, Folder 13

London, Jack, 5 carbon typescripts of poems,
"Triolets," 1pg. partial copy

Box 2, Folder 14

Applegarth, Edward M., 5 poems
"This is the Day of Days--The Day of Death--," (copy as sent to Mr. Clures), 1pg.
"The White Silence of the North," 1pg.
"Living," 1 pg.
"Parting," 1 pg.
"Lilith," 1 pg.

Series III: Ephemera, 1908 - 1916

Box 2, Folder 15

London's family ephemera
Joan London's list of class grades, 1908 June 5
Jack London, cancelled check to Consolidated Soda Water Works, Co. for $1.20, 1916, Jan. 8
Unused picture postcard "Peche Au Harpon, Tahiti"

Series IV: Photographs, 1898, 1907, and n.d.

Box 2, Folder 16

Photographs of Jack London
Jack London (2)
Jack London, Bess Madden, Mabel Applegarth, and dogs: Yosemite and Pug, (negative of print also included)
Jack London and second wife Charmian Kittredge London, taken in 1907 in Honolulu during the sojourn of the "Snark," on her maiden voyage.

Series V: Painting, ca. 1899

Oversize, Box 1

Maynard Dixon's charcoal with ink wash painting for the frontispiece of London's "The Son of Wolf"