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Guide to the

**Bernard Barton manuscript material**

ca. 1819-1846

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## Summary

**Creator:** Barton, Bernard, 1784-1849

**Title:** Bernard Barton manuscript material

**Date:** ca. 1819-1846

**Size:** 15 items

**Abstract:** Autograph poem, "The Nautilus" : (MISC 1980) : signed fair copy, addressed to "W. Morley for Jos. Cooper" ; begins, "The Nautilus, when Heaven is bright / Up-lifts its tiny sail ...".

**Access:** Restricted access.

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## Creator History

Bernard Barton, English Quaker poet. Author of many volumes of poetry, including *Verses on the Death of P. B. Shelley* (1822), he is chiefly remembered as the friend of Charles Lamb.

## Scope and Content Note

Autograph poem, "The Nautilus" : (MISC 1980) : signed fair copy, addressed to "W. Morley for Jos. Cooper" ; begins, "The Nautilus, when Heaven is bright / Up-lifts its tiny sail ...".|||Autograph poem, "Drab Bonnets" : (MISC 3587) : signed fair copy ; begins, "They may cant of costumes, and of brilliant head-dresses ..." ; defending the dull dress of Quakers against the vapid fashions of the day.|||Autograph poem, "The Resurrection" : (MISC 4033) : signed fair copy ; begins, "Hark, to the trumpet's sound! / It rends the vaulted skies!".|||To A. Hall & Co. : 1 autograph letter signed ; 12 August 1846 (MISC 3583), regarding a parcel.|||To Mrs. Blacklock, an admirer : 1 autograph letter signed ; 16 Oct 1848 (MISC 3585), with six lines of verse.|||To John Bruce, antiquarian, of the Literary Fund Society : 2 autograph letters signed ; 10 Jul 1839 (MISC 3570) and 14 Jul 1839 (MISC 3571), concerning the provision of financial support to the widow and children of recently deceased poet James Bird (1788-1839).|||To

Fisher, Son & Co., publishers : 1 autograph letter signed ; 17 Nov. 1837 (MISC 2820), written on proofs of the preliminaries of Lucy Barton's *The Gospel History of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ*, to which Bernard Barton wrote the preface. Contains many revisions in ink and pencil which are explained in the letter. |||To a W. J. Fitch : 1 autograph letter signed ; 12 May 1830 (MISC 1564), regarding a Lord Byron letter in his daughter's possession. |||To Mrs. Fitzgerald, mother of Barton's posthumous son-in-law : 1 autograph letter signed ; 23 Oct 1824 (MISC 3567), praising the poetry of James Smith, whom he had met at her house. |||To a member of the Fox family, Quakers in Falmouth : 1 autograph letter signed ; 13 Jan 1837 (MISC 3756), asking his correspondent to come to the aide of a poor, wounded boy in nearby St. Mawes. |||To William Jerden, editor of the *Literary Gazette* : 1 autograph letter signed ; 15 Jun 1836 (MISC 3584), about Barton's memoir of literary essayist and physician Nathan Drake, which appeared unsigned in the *Gazette* on 18 Jun 1836. |||To Edward Moxon, publisher and poet : 1 autograph letter signed ; 3 Jul 1836 (MISC 3568), on behalf of N. R. Drake, regarding the publishing of the Psalms of his deceased father, Nathan Drake. |||To John Murray, publisher : 1 autograph letter signed ; 4 Aug 1821 (MISC 3586), pleading that Murray publish his recently completed poem on Napoleon. (When Barton's *Napoleon* and other poems was released the next year, the publisher was Thomas Boys.). |||To Mary Stranger [?], wife of Joshua Stranger, Lake District dissenter : 1 autograph letter signed ; 3 Nov 1843 : (MISC 4034) : sending a verse to her friend, Jane Hodgson of Liverpool. The actual poem has been cut away.

## Key Terms

### Titles

Barton, Bernard : manuscript material

### Subjects

English poetry -- 19th century -- Manuscripts -- Specimens  
Poets, English -- 19th century -- Correspondence  
Quakers -- England -- Correspondence  
Quakers -- Great Britain -- 19th century -- Correspondence  
Quakers -- Poetry

### Names

Barton, Bernard, 1784-1849  
Barton, Lucy, 1808?-1898  
Bird, James, 1788-1839  
Blacklock, Mrs.  
Bruce, John, 1802-1869  
Drake, Nathan, 1766-1836  
Fitch, W. J  
FitzGerald, Mary Frances Purcell, 1775-1852  
Jerden, William  
Moxon, Edward, 1801-1858  
Murray, John, 1778-1843  
Smith, James, 1775-1839  
Stranger, Mary  
Fisher, Son & Co.  
Hall, Virtue, and Co.