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Guide to the

Henry Brougham, 1st Baron Brougham and Vaux manuscript material

1802-1859

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Summary

Creator: Brougham and Vaux, Henry Brougham, Baron, 1778-1868

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Abstract: To John Allen, political and historical writer : 1 autograph letter signed : 14 Jul 1816 (B'ANA 0319), on Paris, Switzerland, Lord Byron and Madame de Stael : "Lord Byron lives on the other side of the lake, shunned by all - both English and Genevese except Mad. Stael - who can't resist a little celebrity."

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Creator History

Henry Brougham, 1st Baron Brougham and Vaux, Scottish writer, scientist, lawyer, Whig politician and abolitionist. His 1808 critique -- in the Edinburgh Review, which he co-founded -- of Byron's Hours of Idleness prompted the poet to respond with English Bards and Scotch Reviewers. Brougham acted as legal adviser to Queen Caroline, and his brilliant defense led to her acquittal at her trial in 1820. He helped establish the Society for the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge, London University, and as a reformer did much work in addressing issues of law reform, slavery, and education in Great Britain.

Scope and Content Note

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begins, "I have at last heard from Norway ...".|||To an S. C. Kenning : 1 autograph note : 12 Jun 1851 (MISC 0428), third person, in reply to an application for a government post.|||To Alexandre Auguste Ledru-Rollin, French politician : 1 autograph letter signed : [watermark = 1842] (MISC 0432), in French, on political subjects.|||To Amelia Opie, novelist and poet : 2 autograph letters signed : 25 Sep 1846 - [?] 1847 : (O'ANA 0026-0027). Mounted in the grangerized copy of Brightwell's Memorials of the Life of Amelia Opie. Shelved with oversized manuscript volumes.|||To Henry John Temple [?], third Viscount Palmerston, prime minister : 1 autograph letter signed : 21 May 1859 : (MISC 0429) : regarding revision of the Versailles Treaty of 1815. The letter is addressed to "My dear Mr. P." -- the identity of the recipient is not certain.|||To a Jean Richardson in Paris : 1 autograph letter signed : 1 Jan 1802 : (MISC 0435), eight pages in French. The letter is addressed to Richardson at the home of Mons. Perregaux.|||To Leigh Wilde, MP : 2 autograph letters signed : [no dates] : (MISC 4042a-b) : mentioning Lord Grey and Francis Jeffrey.|||To an unknown recipient : 1 autograph letter signed : 17 Oct 1838 : (MISC 3976) : begins, "In consequence of a very urgent letter I have today seen Lt. Normanby ..." Tipped into grangerized copy of Hazlitt's Spirit of the Age. Shelved with bound manuscript materials under "Hazlitt.".|||To unidentified recipients : 4 autograph letters signed : ca. 1830-1849 : (MISC 0430)-(MISC 0431), (MISC 0433)-(MISC 0434) : mostly regarding appointments.

Key Terms

Titles

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Subjects

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Names

Brougham and Vaux, Henry Brougham, Baron, 1778-1868

Allen, John, 1771-1843

Byron, George Gordon Byron, Baron, 1788-1824

Ledru-Rollin, 1807-1874

Opie, Amelia, 1769-1853

Palmerston, Henry John Temple, Viscount, 1784-1865

Stae_I, Madame de (Anne-Louise-Germaine), 1766-1817