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Guide to the

**Mary Russell Mitford manuscript material**

1814-1854

Pforz MS

## Summary

**Creator:** Mitford, Mary Russell, 1787-1855

**Title:** Mary Russell Mitford manuscript material

**Date:** 1814-1854

**Size:** 12 items

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## Scope and Content Note

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· To Cecilia Lucy Brightwell, etcher and author : 1 autograph letter signed : 27 Feb 1854 : (O'ANA 0014) : from [T---?] : on the late Amelia Opie; begins, "The terrible state of my health which renders the act of

writing very difficult & especially painful will render this communication much more brief than it would otherwise have been ..." Mounted in the grangerized copy of Brightwell's Memorials of the life of Amelia Opie. Shelved with oversized manuscript volumes.

· To Mrs. [Dapuy?] : 1 autograph letter signed (fragment) : [no date] : (SHEE 0035c) : [no place] : begins, "... rejoice to find excised text> that there is a chance of one meeting again -- that you will return to Calcot before going to London ..." Mounted in the Martin Archer Shee Autograph Album. Shelved with bound manuscript volumes under "Shee."

· To Anna Maria Hall, writer : 1 autograph letter signed : 3 Oct 1831 : (SHEE 0001u) : from Three Mile Cross : begins, "I am quite shocked at what you tell me of Mr. Hall's sad illness ..." Formerly laid in to Martin Archer Shee Album.

· To Abraham Hayward, essayist and translator : 2 letters -- 1 autograph letter signed : 7 Jul 1834 : (HWD 02.003) : from 35 Norfolk Street, Strand : begins, "I write in the quickest possible haste to thank you for all your kindness -- especially for the present of a book which I have long wished to read ..." -- 1 autograph letter signed : 6 Jun 1836 : (HWD 02.003) : from Three Mile Cross : begins, "I have the pleasure my dear Mr. Hayward of sending you all the numbers sent me a few weeks ago by Miss Sedgwick ..." -- Both letters to Hayward in the Abraham Hayward Correspondence Files.

· To [?] Felicia Hemans, poet : 1 autograph letter signed : 19 Jun 1827 : (MISC 3941) : from Three Mile Cross, Reading : begins, "Allow me at once to cast off the form of a stranger, my dear Madam, & to accept your most kind welcome letter as the introduction for which I have long wished ..." Mounted in the Agatha Hogsbottom autograph album. Shelved with oversized manuscript volumes.

· To Emily Jephson, her close friend; a grand-niece of the Irish dramatist Robert Jephson : 1 autograph letter unsigned : [ca. 1835] : (MISC 4151) : [no place] : begins, "No wonder at the falsehoods of the English papers when such people as you, who ought to know better, can be found to believe them!".

· To John Taylor, publisher : 1 autograph letter signed : 11 Dec 1814 : (MISC 4271) : from Bertram House : begins, "I know not, my dear Sir, how to apologize for again troubling you with my unfortunate Play ...".

· To [?] G. B. Whitaker, publisher : 1 autograph letter signed : "Sunday" : (MISC 3420) : from Three Mile Cross : begins, "I have to acknowledge the receipt of your kind letter & a £5 note ...".

· To Francis Wrangham, writer and Church of England clergyman : 1 autograph letter signed : 6 Dec 1825 : (MISC 4272) : from three Mile Cross : begins, "May I without being suspected of partiality again say what I think of Mr. [Edward William] Barnard's poetry? ...".

· To [?] Charles Mayne Young, actor : 1 autograph letter signed : 19 Dec 1828 : (MISC 3424) : from Three Mile Cross : begins, "I have had to day a request from Mr. Cumberland (the person who purchased the copyright of Rienzi) that I would ask you to allow Mr. Wageman to take your portrait in that character ...".

## Key Terms

### Subjects

Authors, English -- 19th century -- Correspondence

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**Titles**

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**Names**

Bennett, W. C. (William Cox), 1820-1895  
Brightwell, C. L. (Cecilia Lucy), 1811-1875  
Hall, S. C., Mrs., 1800-1881  
Hayward, A. (Abraham), 1801-1884  
Hemans, Mrs., 1793-1835  
Jephson, Emily, b. 1801 or 1802  
Mitford, Mary Russell, 1787-1855  
Taylor, John, 1781-1864  
Whitaker, G. B.  
Wrangham, Francis, 1769-1842  
Young, Charles Mayne, 1777-1856