



The New York Public Library  
Manuscripts and Archives Division

Guide to the

**Collection of material relating to William Shakespeare**

1865-1900

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## Summary

**Title:** Collection of material relating to William Shakespeare

**Date:** 1865-1900

**Size:** .2 linear feet (1 oversized folder, 1 folder)

**Source:** Lenox Library.

**Abstract:** Collection consists of a contract for the construction of the pedestal of the monument to Shakespeare in Central Park, as well as ephemera relating to the inauguration of the monument; correspondence, including letters to Lenox librarian Samuel Austin Allibone discussing various editions of Shakespeare's work; an offer to donate a bust of Shakespeare to the Lenox library; and rubbings taken from Shakespeare's tomb.

**Access:** Advance notice required.

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## Custodial History

Material was received from the Lenox library.

## Scope and Content Note

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## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

Librarians -- Correspondence

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Rubbings (visual works)

### **Names**

Allibone, S. Austin (Samuel Austin), 1816-1889  
Shakespeare, William, 1564-1616 -- Monuments  
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